Dear Armadale Community,

2016 Fun Run

What a fantastic Fun Run we had yesterday morning and the weather gods were fortunately kind to us. The children all enjoyed this community event and we were all incredibly proud of their efforts. The atmosphere was one of enjoyment, participation and doing something great for your school. I am especially grateful to Pam Johnston and Sarah Barlow for their tremendous organisation and implementation and also Nicki Batagol who guided Pam and Sarah with her leadership and expertise. A huge thank you to all of the staff, parents and extended family members who helped with the set up, transporting of goods and baskets and anyone else who supported and encouraged the children. A massive thank you to Peter Cracknell and the Year 6 students who did indeed ensure that fun was the name of the game. I hope the children start to collect their sponsorship money and bring it in to school by the due date of Wednesday 9 November.

Hooray for Halloween at OOSHC!

The fun continued right throughout the rest of the afternoon with 130 children enjoying the amazing inflatables, games, decorations, face painting and activities that were part of the now famous Halloween celebration. The fantastic OOSHC team led by Ben and Trevor (on holidays), Raph, Alyssa, Sophie, Jess. Genevieve, Lauren, Allira and Ori created a transformation on the courts that delighted their enchanted partygoers. I hope all the children were tired enough to go to bed early after an exhausting day and weren’t too hyped from their generous lolly bags. I do apologise that some children who wanted to attend missed out on going to the party, unfortunately the attendance for OOSHC is capped at 130 children and we would have been in breach of our licence if we allowed a few more in.

Play dates without notice are often troublesome!

We are very fortunate in our community that there are so many parents willing to look after other children when parents are caught in traffic or meetings after school. However, we have a system in place that should any parents get held up, a phone call through to the school will ensure that the children are placed in afters and will be looked after until their parents arrive. Making alternative arrangements with one parent whilst the other has rung the school can be tricky. Therefore, may I please request that should any child seemingly appear to be left in the school yard, please allow the school and our OOSHC team to take care of them.

Leading Curriculum and Assessment in Schools

Connie Apostolos, Angela Sozzi, Stephanie Eden–Mcilroy and I have just spent two days this week in at the Bastow Institute for School Leadership. This time afforded us the opportunity to consider quality curriculum design and how we can deepen the authentic learning experiences for our students. 

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students. This professional learning will guide all of our staff in designing, monitoring and evaluating our teaching and learning. It’s exciting to think about how we will strengthen our curriculum provision in 2017.

Monday is a normal school day
Just a reminder to our community that Monday 31 October is a normal school day and not a Curriculum Day. However I appreciate that many families will have already made plans to enjoy a long weekend to take advantage of the Cup Day holiday on Tuesday. Please remember to let the office know about any student absence or log it through the Compass portal.

School resumes for everyone on Wednesday November 2nd.
Have a wonderful week.

Rochelle Cukier
Principal

Prep & Year 1/2 Bulletin
Please click on the following links to read this week’s news from your child’s year level:
- Prep bulletin
- Year 1/2 Bulletin
or go to the Students tab on the website and then your child’s class for all the latest news.

Italian Day
Click here to go to the website to see a video from last term’s Italian Day.

Parents & Friends of Armadale (PFA)

Fun Run
Thank you to everyone who helped out on the Fun Run.

All money to be returned by Wednesday 9th November to be eligible for entry into the prize draw. Every $20 raised gets one entry into the draw. The more money you raise the more chances you have to win. For example $100 raised = 5 entries into the draw.

Family Fun Night
Friday 25th November
More details next week.

Icy Poles
Icy Poles are now for sale on Fridays. Bring your $1 to the OOSH window at recess.

Class Rep Co-ordinator 2017
We are looking for a PFA Committee Class Rep Co-ordinator for next year. If you think you might be interested and want to find out more please contact Janine Sheean for details.

The Armadale PFA Committee
Email: armadalepfa@gmail.com
Scholastic Book Club

Book Club orders have arrived at school and will be distributed this week.

Alison Crone
Scholastic Book Club Co-ordinator

Student Banking

The following students have qualified for a Bronze Dollarmites Certificate for making 10 deposits this year:

- Felicity Dixon
- Billie Thompson

A Silver Dollarmites Certificate is awarded to the following students for making 20 deposits this year:

- Eliza Gowland
- Charlie Beischer

Well done!

Alison Crone
Student Banking Co-ordinator

G Suite

Our school is transitioning to using G Suite as its major platform for working with documents and files. Formerly known as Google Apps for Education, G Suite provides both staff and students access to the full range of apps to aid our school administration and our students’ learning. It allows cloud based storage of files, so that our students will be able to access all of their files and documents from any web connected computer. This will simplify storage and access of work and the children will have one username and password that is provided under the strict and secure framework provided by the Victorian Education Department. This process will get into full swing next year, but during this term I will start introducing G Suite to some of our senior students to get them and us familiar with the apps.

Malcolm Dow
Assistant Principal

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Melbourne Water Kids Teaching Kids Conference

What a fantastic two days we the Senior Green Team has had at the Melbourne Water Kids Teaching Kids Conference. Day 1 was at Melbourne Uni. The students presented their two workshops very professionally and received lots of great feedback from their respective participants. We also were able to participate in a number of other workshops which were really interesting as well. That was all capped off by a wonderful Gala Dinner and dancing. Day 2 was at Collingwood Children’s Farm and we took part in a range of hands-on workshops and presentations - all with the theme of sustainability and water conservation. The senior Green Team will put together a more detailed summary for next week’s newsletter.

Semester 2 Reports

We know that the year is starting to fly by when we start talking about end of year reports, but the teachers and I are already starting to get things ready for the ‘reporting season’. A reminder that, just as in Semester 1, our reports will be available only through Compass and all parents must have their login credentials to access these reports. Please make sure that you have access to Compass so that you are ready to view the reports as they become available. You should by now all be using Compass for putting in absence notifications and approvals, and next year you will be receiving notifications about your child’s excursions and you will give permission via Compass as well. Increasingly it will become a very important parent portal so it is vital you always have access into Compass. Please contact me or our friendly office staff ASAP if you have any issue with logging in to Compass.

Malcolm Dow
Assistant Principal
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Chess Coaching

Try out 1st lesson for free.

Where: Italian Room
When: Thursday Lunchtimes
13th October – 15th December 2016
Cost: $90 per term ($80 for 2nd Sibling)
Benefits: Strategic thinking, improved self esteem, attention span in class, lateral thinking, team work, analytical skills.

For more info contact Phil on 0421 901 530
Forward this section & payment in an enveloped marked “Chess Coaching” to the school office.

Child’s Full Name: ___________________________
Grade: _______ School: ___________________________
Email: __________________________
Phone: __________________________

Payment Due: Friday 28th October
Cheques: Payable to “Hooton Consulting Pty Ltd”
EFT: Bank: CBA Acc Name: Hooton Consulting Pty Ltd
BSB: 063201 Acc: 10049289
** please place child’s name on Bank Ref**
$90 cheque: ☐ EFT: ☐

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MALVERN EMERGENCY FOOD PROGRAM (MEFP)
provides food parcels for people in need.
Bags available from Malvern Police Station, 24x7, no questions asked.

More volunteers are needed
Please contact President Joan Ross: joanross43@gmail.com | 0407 522 471

VIVA 7’S COMES TO ELWOOD FOR GIRLS!

If your female & between 8yrs - 18yrs wanting to try a fun, exciting, running team game, without any tackling or contact then this is for you!

Grab a friend, come & try for FREE, Sunday 13th November 3.45pm - 5pm
This session will include skills, drills & actual games.

If you like it and want to register, OR want to see what it’s all about go to www.viva7s.com.au
Dates - 20th Nov, 27th Nov, 4th Dec, 11th Dec
Sundays - 3.45pm - 5pm
Cost - $40 per player for 4 weeks
Location - Elwood Esplanade Park (Mel PS7, CS)

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Holiday Soccer Clinic

Our camps provides the chance to make friends while having fun playing Soccer. An innovative program covers all facets of soccer, and is designed to improve your skills and maximise enjoyment. Specialist sessions in all the skills of field soccer, as well as devoted sessions for goalies. Structured and enjoyable program for each age level. 5-16 years

Join an experienced coaching panel from France, Romania, Canada, England and Australia.

Dates: Clinic 1 Mon 5\textsuperscript{th}-Thurs 8\textsuperscript{th} Dec 2016
Clinic 2 Mon 12\textsuperscript{th}-Thurs 15\textsuperscript{th} Dec 2016
Clinic 3 Mon 19\textsuperscript{th}-Thurs 22\textsuperscript{nd} Dec 2016

Times: Half day morning 9.00am – 12.00pm
       Full day 9.00am – 3.00pm

Prices: Half Day $59   Full Day $99
       Half four days $250   Full four days $350 Thurs finish 1pm

Location: Corner Williams and Alexandra Avenue, South Yarra

Varied games & activities

A clinic soccer championship will be held on the last day with a trophy presentation to follow, with a raffle and other prizes awarded.

Tactical and technical improvement sessions.

Variety of soccer events. prizes ie. Soccer balls and soccer equipment.

Morning Tea provided each day (Full Day participants to bring packed lunch each day, except Thursday when lunch will be provided).

For Bookings: www.allstarsocceracademy.com.au

Please call Deb 0433820088 or email allstarsocceracademy@hotmail.com for more information

Sibling discount. 2nd child discount 10% off, 3rd child 20% off.

Paying by direct debit Please contact Deb for details and booking confirmation