Dear Armadale Community,

Every cloud has a silver lining!
I wanted to share this with you as a reminder that when all looks bleak and you are angry and disappointed regarding something, there can always be an opportunity to turn things around. As you would know after the wonderful successful trivia night that was held in our MPC, our school was broken into, vandalised and property damaged. Last Friday morning I received a call from a young man who said he wanted to come in and meet me and bring his two friends. In the next breath, he said it was him and his friends who had caused the damage and they wanted to come in and apologise. They met with Zaim, Christine and myself and were very remorseful, apologetic and have offered to pay for all the damage caused. They wanted to also undertake some community service and make up for a highly remorseful event in their lives which could have a lasting impact. Despite some initial scepticism and whilst recognising the legal advice that most likely sits behind their apologies, I do believe in affording opportunities to put things right. I will keep you updated on their contribution to our school.

Unfortunately there was some illness experienced by a number of children and our investigations have led us to suspect that children had attended the camp with a gastro virus. This then spread quite quickly through a cabin and then onto family members once the children returned from camp. My staff have also been affected and were ill over the weekend. Could I please request that parents are vigilant about any suspect gastro virus and children do not attend camps or school if vomiting was evident in the days leading up to vomiting.

Thank you to our fabulous PFA!
I love the new ideas that spring up and the creativity that goes into affording our community with something different and refreshing – such as the Father and children event planned for September 15th. Equally there are some traditions that still work and that was evident last Friday when the PFA had delectable chocolates to go home to all the dads as a small father’s day gift. Thank you to Mel Cooper who sourced all of the chocolates and had it all ready to go on the Friday morning to the delight of all the children. Thank you also to Raneshni Stewart; Dimity Millear; Pam Johnston and Christie Kelso for all of their help on the day and for even having the gift wrapped chocolates ready for the campers to take home!

A great camp was had by all!
Congratulations to Allira Zeneli on her outstanding organisation prior to and during the recent Year 3/4 camp to Rumbug in Foster. Allira was superbly supported by the 3/4 teachers: Rosanna Caruso, Virginia Wallace, Jennifer Hemingway, Jocelyn Evans, Christina Cameron; and Malcolm Dow, Peter Cracknell, Rosa Salemme, Jane Hutchins and Ben Hyams. I have heard nothing but outstanding reports regarding the activities, the fun and the fantastic environment that the camp afforded.

Working Bee thanks
Thank you once again to all the families and children who participated in our recent working bee. The garden beds and grounds looked terrific and we are very grateful to all who attended and gave up their Saturday morning.

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Bastow Institute of Educational Leadership

I am often seeking opportunities to further develop the pedagogical practices of my teachers. When I see a course that fits our vision I will apply for it and once again a team of teachers have been successfully selected into the “Leading Curriculum and Assessment” course. The teachers are Connie Apostolos; Angela Sozzi, Stephanie Eden-McIlroy and myself. We are incredibly grateful and excited by this opportunity; however it will mean that the teachers will be out of the classroom and attending the Bastow Institute for 5 days over the next term. Because these are our Prep teachers, we will endeavour to place a teacher in the classroom who is known to the children and will keep the classroom programs as routine as possible.

The dates of this course are: 12th and 13th September; 25th and 26th October; 22nd November and 8th December.

Staffing for 2017

With the end of term drawing closer my attention starts to focus on planning for next year and our leadership team starts to think about class and grade structures and teaching positions. It would be incredibly helpful to know about family movements, relocations or children moving schools. Could you please advise me of this as soon as possible?

Next week is shaping up to be incredibly exciting!

Our highlight of next week has to be Italian Day on Thursday 15th September and it is almost like a trip to Italy in one day. The children dress up in the national colours; they are treated to a performance; games; pasta tasting; every child gets a gelati at lunchtime and witness a special soccer tournament.

To top it off, the fun continues with a special father and child event from 5.30-7.30pm – don’t miss this great opportunity.

Please note that there will be no assembly next Tuesday 13th September. Our last day of Term 3 ends next Friday 16th with our final assembly starting at 1.45pm and the children will be dismissed at 2.30pm.

Have a wonderful week.

Rochelle Cukier
Principal

Thank you to the following families who made a donation to our Grounds Fund this week:
- Gray
- Hyde
- Koronczyk
- Stewart
- McAlpine
- Tausan
- de Lacy
- Parker
- Preston
- Seremelis
- Holden
- Beischer

Working Bee donation

For those parents who were unable to attend the recent Working Bee, we would be grateful if you could make a $30 contribution to our Working Bee fund for ongoing maintenance.

Please complete your details below:

- I would like to make a $30 or $_____ donation to the APS Grounds fund

  Family Name: _______________________

  Pay by:

  - Qkr! (under the Essential items tab)
  - Direct Deposit to Armadale PS Account BSB 083 298 A/C No: 02 891 1383

  please note on your direct deposit transaction your Family Name & Working Bee
Assistant Principal

Working Bee
We had a fantastic turn up for our Working Bee on Saturday and managed to complete all of our allocated tasks on time – just goes to show what can be achieved with a strong band of willing workers. Thank you so much to all of the mums, dads, children and family friends who came to help; it is very much appreciated. Our grounds look so much better now. It’s not too late to contribute to our Working Bee fund, specially set up for all of the parents who for all sorts of reasons aren’t able to attend our working bees – weekends are very busy times for families. So with a simple click you can donate to our working bee fund and rest easy knowing that you too have contributed to the upkeep of our school. We employ a handyman/maintenance man on a regular basis and this helps the school keep ticking over between working bees, so your contribution helps us to pay for his work and materials.

Premiers’ Reading Challenge
Our Premiers’ Reading Challenge finishes tomorrow. Please make sure all the books that your child has read this year have been listed on the PRC website and marked as finished. The PRC people have relaxed the rules regarding verification this year, so don’t worry too much about the notification to your child’s class teacher verifying the books. We will assume all books listed have actually been read and will verify all of them.

Walk to School in October
Last year we had great success in encouraging our students to walk (or skate, scoot or ride) to school each day in October. We are participating again this year and will distribute the class checklists next week in readiness. With the spring weather upon us it is a great opportunity to get more active and walking to school is a lovely and sociable way to do it. Why not start planning a good walking route over the holidays so that you are ready to go on the first day back.

Like last year Stonnington Council is offering prizes to schools that show great participation rates and last year we won $200 worth of sports equipment for the school. Let’s see if we can do just as well if not better this year.

Malcolm Dow
Assistant Principal

Choir
Junior Choir rehearsal is on tomorrow morning at the usual time and place.

Sunhats
As the UV level is increasing at this time of year, we want all children to bring their sunhats to school from next Monday 12 September and we will be encouraging them to wear them when playing outside.

From the first day of Term 4 we will be enforcing the ‘no hat no play’ policy.

Scholastic Book Club orders for Issue 6 have arrived at school and were distributed this week.

Alison Crone
Book Club Co-ordinator

Sports News

Year 5&6 Soccer Gala Day
Tomorrow’s gala day (weather permitting) is taking place at Fawkner Park. Information was distributed to all Year 5&6 children earlier this week (attached on page 4). Children will need to be at school by 8.50am sharp. If any parents are able to assist tomorrow, please see your child’s class teacher in the morning.

Peter Cracknell
Sports Co-ordinator
Dear Parents,

As a follow up to our sport and PE program, children from Year 5 & 6 will be involved in an exciting Soccer Gala Day with other schools in our district (3SA) as part of the PE/Sport Education Program. All children will be involved in a number of modified, fun soccer games.

VENUE: Fawkner Park, South Yarra
DATE: Friday 9th September
DEPART: 9:00am sharp (Children need to be at school no later than 8:50am)
RETURN: 2.50pm
TRANSPORT: Private bus
COST & PERMISSION: Covered in Year 5 & 6 Term 3 Excursion Levy

Children require
- Shorts, tracksuit pants, school sports polo, runners (Soccer boots not permitted) and windcheater/jacket (Rain jacket should also be brought)
- Play/lunch, lunch and drink/s in reusable containers
- Plastic water drink bottle
- School bag or sports bag.
- Long Socks and shin pads recommended

Parent Assistance Needed
We also need at least two parents from each class to assist with supervision of teams throughout the day. Please complete the slip below if you can help and return to your child’s class teacher by Wednesday 7th September. Any assistance would be greatly appreciated by all students and staff. Parents are welcome to travel on the bus if they wish or meet us at the venue. (Oval next to South Yarra PS)

We look forward to a fun day.

Peter Cracknell
Sports Co ordinator

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YEAR 5 & 6 SOCCER GALA DAY PARENT ASSISTANCE

CHILD’S NAME:............................................................................................................ CLASS:............

Yes I would be able to assist with supervision on this excursion on Friday 9th September

I will be travelling on the bus/ meeting at the venue (please circle)

Return to class teacher by Wednesday 7th September  if available

Child’s Name.................................................. Grade..........

Parent Name.................................................................................................

SIGNED:...............................................................................................(Parent/Guardian)

PHONE: ........................................................................

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District and Division Athletics Highlights


The following students came first or second in their event at the District Aths and proceeded to the Beachside Division Athletics Finals held last Tuesday at Duncan MacKinnon. Stephanie S(1st 800m), Will H(1st 800m,1st 4x100), Clea R(2nd HI), Sulava T(1st SP), Harry D(2nd 100m), Max D(1st SP, 1st 4x100), Thomas W(1st 4x100), Samuel F(2nd TJ), Alessandro MPB(1st D), Carlos MPB(2nd SP), Rhiannon D(2nd Hurd), Matilda C(2nd 1500,2nd Lj), Lucia T(2nd TJ), Florence A(2nd 1500m), Toby R(2nd TJ), Will C(2nd Lj), Indi O(2nd Hurd), Orlando T(1st HI), Henry G(1st LJ,1st 200m,1st 4x100). Congratulations to all of the above children on their great efforts in the Districts or Division Athletics. Special thanks to all the teachers and parents for their support. by Stephanie S 6K and Will H 6Z
Book Week Summary

Dear Parents,

I hope your child enjoyed 2016’s Book Week at Armadale PS. It was a busy week with two authors (Kim Kane & David Astle) visiting students, the Meerkat Performances of *Mr Huff and Run, Pip, Run*, the Book Fair, and finally the Book Parade. Thank you for taking the time and effort to arrange a costume for your child and it was a very enjoyable parade. Thank you to Sara for your help with Book Fair.

I was on leave the following week, but would love to hear your feedback on Book Week.

**Book Orders:** Unfortunately every year the demand is always higher than supply. Scholastic has sent 80% of the back orders to the school and I have distributed them on Wednesday 7th & Thursday 8th of September. I appreciate the parents who understand that these things take time. The back orders were placed on the 26th of August once all the forms and purchases were complete; I have no control over time they will take to get to the school.

*Mr Huff, performed by Meerkat Production*  
*David Astle*  
*Book Parade*

Thank you for your support,

Brett Leyshan

Leyshan.brett.f@edumail.vic.gov.au
HONK! Jr tickets now on sale!

We are pleased to announce that tickets for our 3-6 production HONK! Jr are now on sale!

Please follow the link below to purchase tickets:


They are bound to sell out, so get in quick if you are after good seats! Everyone in the cast is looking forward to show time!

6K Clay for Kids Workshop

Last Wednesday, the students in 6K participated in Duldig Studio’s Clay for Kids Workshop. They created magnificent Vases as part of their Greek Arts Unit of Work. Photos of 6Z will be in next week’s newsletter.

Laura Welch
The Arts Co-ordinator
Parents & Friends of Armadale (PFA)

Hi Armadale families,

As we approach the end of term 3, we look to end with a bang....

Father’s Day Night
Come and have fun with your Dad, Grandad or Special friend on Thursday 15 September from 5.30pm.

The night will include Games and a food truck.... Please see flyer for full details.

Fun Run
This year the Fun Run will be held on Thursday 27 October.... More details to follow.

PFA Meeting
The next PFA Meeting is on Tuesday 4 October at 2:30pm in the Staff Room. This meeting is open to all Armadale Parents, so everyone is WELCOME.

If you are able to help please in any way please contact the PFA.

Kind regards

The Armadale PFA Committee
Email: armadalepfa@gmail.com

The following students have qualified for a Bronze Dollarmites Certificate for making 10 deposits this year:
♦ Kosta Theodoropoulos
♦ Jesse Hurwitz

A Silver Dollarmites Certificate is awarded to the following students for making 20 deposits this year:
♦ Daniel Barlow
♦ Coco Lutz

Well done everyone! Don’t forget there is one more week of banking this term to be eligible to enter the Prize Lights competition.

Bring in your bank books with money and deposit slip completed on Tuesday.

Alison Crone
School Banking Co-ordinator
Dear Parents/Carers

The timetable for the day is as follows-

9.00-9.50am  Special assembly (on the stage)
Everyone is welcome so parents and friends please come along.

10.00-11.00am  ‘Tasty Tunes’ performance by Spectacular Spettacolo in MPC and Italian Day activities

11.00-11.30am  Recess

11.30am-12.30pm  ‘Tasty Tunes’ performance by Spectacular Spettacolo in MPC and Italian Day activities

12.30 - 1.30pm  Whole school lunch- Tom’s Gelato Van will drive into the school and serve gelato

1.30-3.00pm  Italian Day activities

3.00pm  Students go back to classrooms

Some important information-
- Activities will be in multi-age groups.
- Please provide lunch as usual for your child as the pasta tasting will not replace their lunch.
- Lunch orders will be available as usual.
- Students to please dress in colours of the Italian flag verde, bianco, e rosso

Pasta activity and gelato van
- There will be a limited amount of gluten-free pasta available for students who require it.
- Students are to bring a named plastic plate and fork for the pasta activity.
- Children with allergies that cannot have gelato will be offered an icy pole (by parent helpers from PFA’s supply).
- Parent helpers’ jobs include helping the students during the activity, resetting the room for the next group, and cleaning and tidying at the end of the day.

PARENT HELP REQUEST

Dear Parents,
We are still in need of more help for Italian Day. If you can spare any time at all on the day, please email Vita or complete slip below as soon as possible.

ITALIAN DAY HELP REQUEST

I am interested in helping on Italian Day Thursday 15 September 2016

Name ____________________________ Mobile no. ____________________________

My child’s /children’s name/s and class ____________________________

I am available at the following time/s ____________________________

Grazie to parents who have volunteered to date

Looking forward to una giornata fantastica!

Vita Vampatella, Italian Language Co-ordinator  vampatella.vita.v@edumail.vic.gov.au
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@ Armadale Primary School
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www.kickafootball.net

Who: Prep to Year 2
Boys & Girls - All skill levels

When: Mondays, 8:00-8:45am

Duration: 11 weeks

Term: 3rd October to 12th December

Where: Astro-turf pitch

Cost: $220 Ufront payment

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Learn how to make mayonnaise, simple pickles, onion rings and how to make and cook the tastiest burgers the on the planet!

WHEN? Sunday 25th September
WHERE? AGA Australia 330 Malvern Rd, Prahran
COST? $40 per head

To book contact info@agaustralia.com.au or 9521 4965

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We’re looking forward to hearing from you soon!

Thank-you

Katie & the team (0423 857 592)

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**INTENSIVE TENNIS CLINICS**

**VENUE: East Malvern TC - 22 Dunlop St, East Malvern**

**WEEK 1:** Mon 19 September - Fri 23 September 2016

**WEEK 2:** Mon 26 September - Thu 29 September 2016

**DAILY:** $80 Full day 9.30-3.30PM, $45 Half day 9.30-12.30pm

**WEEK DISCOUNTS:** $320 full day; $180 half day

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**When**

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