Dear Parents,

We are amidst another exciting and eventful week at Armadale with it being Children’s Week and Health Week. All classes this week have been focussing on the importance of being healthy and have had KidzBodz incursions and a 10 week challenge. The Foundation students have been to Prahran Market to purchase healthy fresh fruit and vegetables to make healthy lunches and had beautiful fruit kebabs yesterday at play. Level 6 students have enjoyed a resuscitate a mate session and the Level 4’s have been fascinated with the bio-digital human body on Google Chrome and all our staff had their updated First Aid training.

We are all so incredibly excited about the forthcoming TRIVIA NIGHT – this coming Friday night and I know the teachers have been brushing up on their trivia knowledge! The event is now totally sold out and the MPC is filled to capacity! The list of auction items has grown incredibly and the PFA team, together with some incredibly generous Armadale Families have made for a very lush and desirable set of items that I believe will be hotly contested!! With the Fun Run and the Trivia Night proceeds we will be able to have our third area of grass laid just before the Healthy Breakfast on November 15th!!! Looking forward to seeing many Armadale Families on Friday night and make sure that the babysitters are booked!

Robbie’s Awesome Riding Adventure

I am always so proud and thrilled to showcase the kindness and generosity of our Armadale students, particularly when they go over and above the activities that a 9 or 10 year old would normally do. Please read through the following narrative of Robbie’s Awesome Riding adventure.

Robbie Galvin-Rowley from 4B is riding in the Great Victorian Bike Ride starting November 23rd. The ride starts in Mount Gambier, South Australia and after 8 ride days and 610km finishes in Geelong. Robbie has been very busy training on weekends and after school. Last weekend he rode in the Around the Bay In a Day and clocked up 68km. Robbie has decided to raise money for CanTeen in memory of his brother Chris who died from bone cancer in 2011 when he was just 22 years old. CanTeen provides support for young people who are impacted by cancer. He has already raised over $1000 – if you would like to support Robbie’s Awesome Riding Adventure you can follow this link to donate money to CanTeen https://give.everydayhero.com/au/robbie-1.

Robbie’s class 4B are right behind Robbie and have set up a cup cake stall for next Wednesday and please see the ad over the page (Phoebe Lovell 4B) which advertises all the details:

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This Week’s
You Can Do It! Awards:
Ruby Hyde 0C
Max Schmidt 0C
Keaton Siggers 0J
Winnie Mastores
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Peter Kartsaklis 2A
Orlando Thomas 2E
Ryan Hartanto 2P
Oliver Breadmore 2S
Katija Sucic 4B
Thea Coull 4C
Bella Cullity 4C
Lulu McLaughlin 4F
Arthur Pain 4F
Aimee Dautovic 4S
Claudia Hayman 4S
Alexander Drohn 4W
Priscilla Breadmore 6W
Liadan Robinson 6Z

Thank you Armadale’s School Council
We are incredibly fortunate at APS to have very forward thinking, practical and proactive councillors.

Some terrific suggestions from parents became policy after rigorous and robust discussions. The following features of our updated excursion and camping policies have had very positive implications on our day to day operations. For example, it was decided that the high visibility vests that are now worn by parents on excursions should also be worn by teachers on yard duty. Consequently all teachers on yard duty will now wear these fluoro yellow vests, making them more highly visible amongst a sea of blue. Council also decided that any parent who wishes to attend an excursion or help in a classroom is now required to have a current Working With Children check. This is now mandatory for most occupations which involve children, sporting jobs or coaching positions. WWC checks are not difficult to obtain and can be processed at an Australia Post Office or online. Please look at our website to see the new ratified and updated policies.

Revamped Sick Bay
Thank you to our wonderful students who have been extremely patient patients recently, as our sick bay area has been out of action for several weeks since the start of term. Despite all our efforts to have the flooring refurbished during the school holidays, the supplier couldn’t meet our timeline. This has meant that any children feeling unwell have been curled up on the chairs outside my office, with staff fetching icepacks from the fridge in the library and bandages from the first aid bag. Not an ideal situation, we normally have the children tucked up in our bed, but we hope that new vinyl flooring will be reinstated by early next week.

Marketing Armadale Primary School!!
We find ourselves in a very unusual situation for 2014 with at this stage only 2 classes of Prep students with 22/21 in each. As you know we have always maintained a very tight zone and for this year the families in the zone with a child aged 5 or turning 5 are significantly lower in number. This is also a demographic trend which has been experienced by the local kinders. I am constantly told of families who wish to come to Armadale who live in unzoned areas. Our very talented PFA came up with a proven market strategy. Over the next week a board will appear outside one of our parent’s homes and I am very grateful that this parent allowed the school to place the board outside her house. See if the children can spot the board in the local neighbourhood!

Damage to a Volvo car on Northcote Road on Tuesday Afternoon
If any one in our community owns a Volvo car and this was damaged on Tuesday afternoon, I have some information that may be useful. Please come and see me.

Happy World Teachers’ Day to all our teachers tomorrow—October 25th!
We are incredibly fortunate to have such wonderful teachers at APS and on behalf of the entire community I would like to extend our thanks for all your time, devotion and commitment to your students. If you have ever questioned the worth of teachers read through the following quotes:

Most of us end up with no more than five or six people who remember us. Teachers have thousands of people who remember them for the rest of their lives.

Every child should have a caring adult in their lives. And that’s not always a biological parent or family member. It may be a friend or neighbor. Often times it is a teacher.

A good teacher can inspire hope, ignite the imagination, and instill a love of learning.

Have a wonderful week everyone!

Warm regards
Rochelle Cukier
Principal
Notizie d’italiano

Congratulazioni 2A!

Pizza-making with 2A on Tuesday 22 October.

Special thanks to Mish McGrory for helping out!

Vita Vampatella, Language Co-ordinator

Wesley Mission Food for Families Appeal

Each year thousands of homeless people turn to the Wesley Mission Melbourne for food and emergency accommodation. For the past ten years the school has supported the ‘Food for Families’ Appeal, collecting grocery items and toiletries to help meet the needs of homeless people throughout the next year. If you would like to donate to this appeal you can send a grocery item to your child’s classroom. We will collect these goods from the classrooms and, in early December, arrange for the goods to be collected from the school.

Thanking you.

Isla, Flossie, Dean, Evan, Christian, Amy 4F

Suggested grocery items include:

Tinned tuna and salmon, tinned baked beans and spaghetti, pasta sauces and pasta, UHT (long life) milk, breakfast cereals, jars of vegemite, honey, peanut butter, nutella and jam, sweet and dry biscuits, muesli bars, cheese sticks, teabags, instant coffee, Milo, tins of fruit, tins of vegetables, rice and two minute noodles, baby food, toothpaste, toothbrushes, toilet paper, soap, deodorant, bottles of shampoo and conditioner and face washers.

This Week’s Awards

House Points

Congratulations to all the children in Densham who won this week’s house points. Densham children enjoyed 10 minutes extra play today!

Performing Arts Class 0J

Visual Art Class 4C

Visual Artist Alexander Drohn

PSW Uniform News

From Monday 11 November to Saturday 14 December 2013, PSW are offering 5% off all uniforms in-store. This promotion is a great opportunity for parents to prepare early for the 2014 school year and helps relieve some of the pressure placed on families in January’s Back-to-School Period.

Follow this link to the school website for details on pricing and the location of PSW.
### You Can Do It! Awards

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<td>For having the confidence to contribute her ideas to our class discussions. Keep it up Ruby!</td>
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<td>Max Schmidt OC</td>
<td>For his great photography during our excursion to the Prahran Market. Great photos Max!</td>
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<td>Keaton Saggers OJ</td>
<td>For being a helpful group member and showing excellent behaviour on our excursion to the market.</td>
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<td>Winnie Mastores</td>
<td>For confidently writing a thank you letter to Mr Cracknell about the Fun Run.</td>
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<td>Jaxsen Farah 2A</td>
<td>For using his body creatively to be the best submarine at yoga.</td>
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<td>Peter Kartsaklis 2A</td>
<td>For being respectful to everyone, being honest and making changes to his behaviour to become a better learner, and for using his body creatively to be the best seaweed at yoga.</td>
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<td>Orlando Thomas 2E</td>
<td>For working hard and demonstrating persistence when attempting to improve his handwriting.</td>
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<td>Ryan Hartanto 2P</td>
<td>For completing his homework on time each week and for showing development in his approach to his spelling.</td>
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<td>Oliver Breadmore 2S</td>
<td>For making a wonderful start at APS. Thank you for your enthusiasm, respectfulness and friendliness. We are mostfortunate to have you as part of our learning community.</td>
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<td>Katija Sucic 4B</td>
<td>For demonstrating confidence when presenting at last week's assembly. You did a great job, Katija!</td>
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<td>For showing excellent resilience and confidence when dealing with conflicts. You are using excellent calming strategies, well done!</td>
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<td>For demonstrating great persistence when working on challenging maths activities. Keep it up Bella!</td>
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<td>Lulu McLaughlin 4F</td>
<td>For demonstrating a positive approach to tasks and a willingness to learn new concepts and ideas.</td>
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<td>For his positive and valuable contributions to discussions about &quot;community&quot;.</td>
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<td>Aimee Dautovic 4S</td>
<td>For using a confident and clear voice during our guided reading session. You read beautifully, Aimee.</td>
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<td>Claudia Hayman 4S</td>
<td>For showing great persistence and organisation upon your return from school holidays. You're doing a great job, Claudia!</td>
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<td>Alexander Drohn 4W</td>
<td>for approaching everything in an enthusiastic, confident and caring manner. Well done, Alexander!</td>
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<td>Priscilla Breadmore 6W</td>
<td>For the excellent way she has settled into her new school demonstrating great getting along skills and her wonderful contributions to our class discussions.</td>
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<td>Liadan Robinson 6Z</td>
<td>For displaying excellent creativity and making a fantastic start on her novel project. Keep up the good work Liadan.</td>
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Parents and Friends for Armadale (PFA)

Hi everyone,

It’s official. The 2013 APS Trivia Night tomorrow evening is SOLD OUT!

To those who have already secured a booking - Roll Up! Roll Up! Roll Up!

It is looking to be a cracker of an evening. We have received some wonderful donations and are excited to be able to offer such things as “Experience a Porsche Boxster for the weekend”, an accommodation voucher at the iconic Portsea Hotel, a Handy Man Now! voucher (priceless), babysitting, beer and footy stuff for the boys, high fashion items for the ladies, a ballet pack for the girls and top end car game for the boys.

There’s an incredible Space Project item from NASA (more on this top secret donation will be revealed on the night), personal training vouchers, jewellery, legal advice, beautiful home wares from Mint Home, gourmet meals from Urban at Home, not to mention an incredible canvas from some top up-and-coming local artists.

Fine dining vouchers, wonderful Christmas hampers, heck - there’s even something for the dog...the list goes on...and on...

Take the stress out of December and knock off most of your Christmas gift list tomorrow night.

Door prizes, games and great fun.

Don’t forget to pack your picnic for the evening including glassware, plates, drinks and gourmet feast. Bring small change for the games, cash and a few credit cards for the other essentials.

We kick off at 7.30pm. Can’t wait to see you there!

The APS Fun Run – Monies due today to be in the running for a prize.

Thanks again everyone and as the final tally comes to hand we will let you know how you have helped to improve the Fairfax Circle play area.

Mish McGrory and Brigid Warwick
0412554434 0412128164
Email: mish@mcmgoryonline.com brigid@warwick.com.au
PFA Co-Presidents

Taekwondo at APS

We apologise for the lack of communication regarding Taekwondo at Armadale Primary. Melbourne Taekwondo staff had a heavy international competition schedule over the school holidays and into the 1st week of the term. Unfortunately arrangements for Term 4 therefore started off on the back foot, especially due to a change of staffing in their school program.

Melbourne Taekwondo are still very keen to introduce Taekwondo into Armadale Primary. It will however only be for a beginner level. We will provide you with more information for a possible 2014 start later this Term.

Nicky Stoupas & Gary Rowley

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Lunch orders

A reminder to all families that the milk bar in Beatty Avenue is now offering lunch orders on a Monday and a Tuesday. Please click on this link for the new menu or go to the school website and see the details under the Parents tab.

Foundation Bulletin

This week’s Foundation bulletin is on the website under your child’s class in the Students tab or click here to go the Level and Specialist Bulletins page on our website.

Library News

We have some new books for the library that need covering. If any parents are able to help, could they please come to the office. It is a good chance to have a preview of some new books before they hit the library shelves.
Performing Arts News

Performing Arts Award - OJ
for working hard in Performing Arts and improving on their xylophone skills.

Choir

Choir is on Friday @ 8:15!

Senior Choir in the Performing Arts room.
Junior Choir will be in the Science Room.

Please ensure you are on time with your choir folder.
Junior Choir please remember your shower cap.

Thank you for your co-operation.

Assembly Performance
We are looking for some talented dancers or singers (preferably a group) to perform in assembly this term. If you are interested please see me during recess on Friday.

After School Music Tuition – Information provided at the office.

Until next week,

Lauren Rich
Performing Arts Co-ordinator
rich.lauren.l@edumail.vic.gov.au

Asanti Dancers

Last Friday we had the a visit from the Asanti dancers. See the page 8 for a report from 2A and some photos of the dancers at work.

Visual Arts News

Visual Art Class of the Week 4C
For the effort they made when cutting out their exercising person from cardboard. These look great 4C

Wednesday Lunchtime Art Club (Grade 6 students)
This term I will be running Art Club for Grade 6 students during Wednesday Lunchtimes. It will be a once off class where students will have an opportunity to make a clay sculpture. The class sizes will be small, I will take 6 students at a time (because of the nature of the work and the timeframe). These classes are free and will be offered until we run out of clay. If you are in grade 6 and are interested in joining a class please speak to me during your next art lesson to secure a spot.

Art Smocks
It is really important for everyone to have their own art smocks, to protect your clothing from getting stained and/dirty. Please make sure you have a smock in your classroom Smock Tub. If you do not have an Art Smock you can purchase one at the uniform shop in Kew.

Lucy Gorman
Visual Arts Co-ordinator

Visual Artist of the Week

Alexander Drohn 4W

For the excellent collage he did of an apple. Alexander is to be commended on this attention to detail.
**Armadale Primary School OOSHC**

**Monday 4th November**

**Curriculum Day**

Today we will catch the train to Melbourne Central for a game of Bowling and Laser Tag.

Children need to be here by 9:30am  
Opening times: 8:00-6:00pm  
Transport: Train  
Cost: $55 per child (CCB reduction may apply)

Child’s Name: ________________________________________________

I consent to my child taking part in this excursion and where the leader in charge of the excursion is unable to contact me, or it is otherwise impractical to contact me, I authorize the leader in charge to:

- Organise medical transportation for my child
- Consent to my child receiving such medical or surgical attention as may be deemed necessary by a medical practitioner,
- Administer such first aid as the leader in charge may judge to be reasonably necessary.

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _________________________________

Date: _______________________

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**OOSHC News**

- Halloween Party only has 8 spaces left until we are completely sold out. Get in quick.
- OOSHC Credit card deductions for the remainder of the year will be on the 4th November & 23rd December.
- Last day of Befores and Afters will be 20th December.
- Holiday Program will return on 13th January.
Asanti Dancers

Last Friday we had the amazing performers Godford, Quami and Kin come to our school. They performed lots of tricks, fought over a chair and balanced it on their heads. They wore cool pants and played loud Djembe drums.

It was exciting when Godford jumped over 6 students! We liked all the dancing but we liked the cool flips the best. We liked working in groups to pick each other up. It was great when we got to join in.

By 2A
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Keep saving to win more Dollarmites’ treasure.

Simply make two or more School Banking deposits from 21 October to 30 November and you’ll be automatically entered into the competition.

Treasure Chest Prizes.
- Just by saving, you could win one of these great prizes:
  - 60 x Apple iPod touch 16GB
  - 100 x Adventure DVD Pack including Despicable Me, Despicable Me 2 & HOP

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Home Harvest Hands-on Workshop

Do you want to learn how to grow your own food? Or want more great gardening tips? Come to a FREE one-day hands-on workshop and discover how to grow your own delicious food.

An expert presenter from Sustainable Gardening Australia will provide information on designing and maintaining your garden at home. Sessions take place at Armadale Primary School both indoors and in the front garden. Morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea is provided.

DISCOVER HOW TO:

- Establish and maintain healthy soil
- Compost- interactive demonstration on using & preparing a compost bin and worm farm
- Use fertilisers and organic pest control
- Propagate seeds
- Grow fruit trees successfully

DATE: Saturday 19 and Sunday 27 October

VENUE: Armadale Primary School

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