Dear Parents,

What a busy week it has been again with incursions, performances, hockey clinics, buddy programs, our normal curriculum program and specialist activities. The students in Levels 2-6 have been working hard in their classrooms on their learning goals and they can’t wait to showcase their progress so far with you. At the Family Conferences you have the opportunity to affirm the student learning goals, for English, Maths and a personal goal. Please make sure you have made your appointment time online as you don’t want to miss out this opportunity to be part of your children’s educational journey. Please note that parents in 6N are making alternative interview times.

Only one more sleep…..

until our Welcome Family Picnic on Friday March 1st. The weather gods will be smiling on us with a predicted forecast of sunny weather and 22 degrees. Please make sure you have your picnic ready to go, chairs, blanket and rug and be here by 6.00pm. The fun starts the minute you arrive and please remember to bring change for some of the items on sale; icy poles; chocolate bars and juices. Many thanks to our hardworking PFA who make all this magic happen; specifically Mish and Brigid our co-presidents.

Gratitude...

It always warms my heart when the children of APS recognise the privileged position they are in compared to many children in developing countries. Kate McArthur, one of our OOSHC staff recently left for a 6 week trip to Africa where she visited schools and orphanages. Kate took with her supplies of pencils and additional pens that the school donated. I recently received an email from one of the schools to express their thanks and gratitude. Whilst charity does begin at home, it is always fantastic to model “giving to others” at school. Please enjoy reading their letter and seeing the photo on page 4.

More examples of initiative and generosity at Armadale.....

Hello from Julia Gillard.....

We are an incredibly fortunate community at APS, we reside in an area where there is peace, everyone has a roof over their heads and nobody is starving or homeless. Given that scenario, I am always encouraging the children to do something for our community, think about others less fortunate than yourself and make a difference to the world in which you live. I often ask them to take the initiative with these things, but like most of you know that our children’s lives are full of sporting opportunities, playing with friends and online games and entertainment and it is hard to compete with that. So when I hear of a child taking the initiative to do something for our school, especially when it is over the school holidays, I then stop and think “Wow, this girl has got something”. Eliza Motion in 6Z wrote to our Prime Minister, Julia Gillard, to invite her to visit our wonderful school. Julia wrote a very positive response, quite quickly, sent her regards to everyone here at Armadale PS and hopes she may have time to visit us in the future. Congratulations Eliza and thank you for sharing our school with the Prime Minister! I think Eliza has the makings of our next female PM, watch this space.......

Please see the letter from Eliza and the response from our own PM on pages 8-10 of today’s newsletter.

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This Week’s Events
Friday 1 March
♦ Icypoles $1
Friday 1 March
♦ L4 Buddies incursion
♦ School Welcome Picnic 6.00pm
Monday 4 March
♦ Foundation students commence first full week of school
♦ Easter raffle tickets sent home
♦ Family Conferences Levels 2, 4 & 6 - 3.30 to 7.30pm
♦ School Council AGM 7.00pm
Tuesday 5 March
♦ Family Conferences Levels 2, 4 & 6 - 3.30 to 7.30pm
Friday 8 March
♦ L6 Netball Gala Day

Coming Events
Tuesday 12 March
♦ PFA Meeting
Monday 18 March
♦ Parent Helpers’ Session 2.15 to 3.15pm in Performing Arts Room
Friday 22 March
♦ Return Easter raffle tickets
♦ Foundation Cocktail Party
Wednesday 27 March
♦ Harmony Day celebrations
About 20 boys from our school have played basketball over the last 3 years in various configurations as the ARMADALE BLUE DEVILS BASKETBALL TEAM. This team disbanded at the end of last year as the team lost 3 of their grade 6 boys who moved into secondary school. The uniforms have been handed over again and again to those that filled in for others that left throughout the seasons. Debra Yung (Lewis 6Z and Rose 6W) heard there was a new grade 4 team starting up and with a base cost of $60 per uniform, Debra asked the boys if they were happy to hand their uniforms over to the younger team. Debra was delighted that 8 out of the 11 boys handed their uniforms over, especially given some of these boys have playing with the Blue Devils right from the beginning. Again this highlights an example of the generosity and kindness expressed by our students.

Congratulations to the Under 10 Champions of the Toorak Prahran Cricket Club.
A number of our children play cricket for the local Toorak Prahran cricket club. This summer series saw The Under 10 team win the finals. This year there were 3 team members from Armadale Primary School out of a total team of 12. Congratulations to Tom Coath, Alessandro Maciel Pizzorno Bazzo and Jack Keating. Thank you to Petrina Lie for providing this information and the photo.

School Council 2013
Congratulations to the following parents and staff members who were successfully nominated to be on School Council for 2013. I am looking forward to working with our new council and excited about the directions the school is taking this year.

Our school councilors for this year are: Parent Members: Anna Hill; Christine Coul; David Portnoy; Gary Rowley; Laurie Conheady; Liza Chancellor; Rachel Power; and Ray Skinner. Our 2 community members are: Kim Hyde and Sia Polyzos. Our staff members are: Angela Sozzi, Jennie Pearse; Connie Apostolos; Malcolm Dow and Rochelle Cukier.

We have our AGM for School Council on Monday March 4th at 7.00pm. The Agenda for our AGM is:
- Welcome and Introductions
- Election of New Council Executive
- 2013 Draft Standing Orders
- Formation of Sub-Committees:
  - Curriculum
  - Finance
  - Facilities
- Role of School Councillors – Induction Activity

Once our sub-committees have been formed then parents who have a particular interest in our subcommittee areas are more than welcome to attend those meetings.

Foundation students first full week at school
Monday March 4th will be the first full week of school for our Foundation students and we look forward to welcoming them at our assembly next week. Foundation parents, please expect the children to be quite tired in that first full week, so early nights and no after school activities will be the way to go until the end of Term 1.

Annual Principal Conference
Malcolm Dow and I will be attending the Inner Southern Metropolitan Regional Conference in Creswick from Wednesday 6th –Friday 8th March. We are book looking forward to this conference and listening to the keynote speaker and conference facilitator, Professor Yong Zhao present his research on World class learners. Other international speakers will also present their findings and I look forward to sharing these findings with the Armadale Community when we return. Peter Cracknell and Connie Apostolos will be Acting Principals whilst we are absent from the school.

Thank you Jennifer Hemingway
Jennifer Hemingway has been teaching in 2S all this week whilst Angela Sozzi has been on leave. We thank Jennifer for teaching 2S so competently and continuing to implement the Level 2 program.

Looking forward to seeing as many of you as possible at our Welcome picnic and then again at our Family conferences on Monday and Tuesday night.

Have a wonderful week everyone

Warm regards,

Rochelle Cukier
Principal
Lazy Town

On Monday 25th February all level 0 and 2 children went to an exciting, action packed performance called Lazy Town. We asked some of the level 2 children what part they enjoyed.

- I liked how there was a TV and the people were funny. Toby 2A
- I liked when the kids went in the hoola hoop. Maisie 2A
- I found it cool how they called fruit sports candy. Sebastian 2J
- I found the show really funny. Lily 2J
- I liked when sporticus fell over: Tom 2E
- I liked when we did weird ballet. Tilly 2E
- I liked when we did the star jumps. Louis 2P
- I liked when Sporticus ate the sweet apple. Alice 2P
- I found it weird, but lots of fun. Luca 2S
- I found it funny and interesting. Aryana 2S

By Jack M(6Z) & Nick H (6W)

OOSHC News

A temporary cook is needed in OOSHC:

- 4 days a week
- $25 an hour to prepare food and fruit platters
- A Working With Children card is required

Please speak to Katie Wallman or email ooshc@hotmail.com for more details.

Reminders:

All parents are required to complete a new registration form and credit card authorisation form each year. A number of families have yet to do so for 2013. Please download the forms by following this link and return them to OOSHC as soon as possible.

Before School Care has begun to reach its maximum capacity some mornings and we would ask parents to phone OOSHC on 9822 4912 before 6.00pm to make a booking for the following morning. We must have the appropriate staff to student ratio as part of our accreditation and may need to refuse casual users of the morning service if we have reached our maximum numbers.

Assistant Principal

Clean Up Schools Day

This Friday we will be participating in the National Schools Clean Up Day. All classes will be involved in helping to clean our school grounds and make them look really great for our Family Picnic that night. Generally our grounds look pretty good, mainly due to our Nude Food policy, where we ask all our students to bring as much of their food as possible in reusable containers. Whilst we do quite well in this regard I think that there is still room for improvement. Let’s see if we can eventually become a 100% Nude Food school.

Green Team Excursion

Last Thursday I took the Green Team (levels 2-6) on their first excursion of the year to the Royal Botanic Gardens to have a tour of the gardens and a special Mini Beasts session. This was a prize we had won last year for being the greenest school in the district. The children really enjoyed the excursion and gained a great deal from it. Many thanks to parents Raneshni Stuart, Cathy Millward-Bason and Natalie Graham for their assistance on the excursion. Please see the article on page 4 written by the school Green Team Leaders.

Acceptable Use Agreement

All students will receive a copy of the school’s Acceptable Use Agreement today. It outlines the guidelines and protocols that the school has adopted in order to ensure that our students exhibit safe and responsible behaviour whenever they are online or using digital technologies. We would really appreciate you taking the time with your children to go through these guidelines before signing the student declaration with them. This agreement goes hand in hand with the behaviours we are reinforcing at school through the ICT classes via programs such as Skoodle (formerly SuperClubsPlus) and though the eSmart Program. Please ask your child to return the completed and detached declaration their class teacher by the end of next week. Please keep parts A and B for your reference.

Malcolm Dow
Assistant Principal
Green Team Excursion to the Royal Botanic Gardens

What we learnt about worms, they:
- Are Pink
- Are Slimy
- Lay eggs
- Eat compost
- Have both girl and boy parts

On the site was the worm exhibit we all learnt about the way worms live. Most of us had a chance to feed the worms. The worm exhibit was very dirty fun for all the students. We learnt that worm wee helps the plants grow and is eco-friendly. We know it may sound gross but when you feed the worms fruit, vegetables etc. it makes a great fertilizer. After that we got a box of our own worms to experiment on.

At the hot house we learnt about plants and bugs, how different bugs like different plants. We had a great day and learnt lots of new things.

*By Daisy, Joe and Lilly J*

Dear All at Armadale Primary School,

Thank you very much for your kind donation of a huge assortment of coloured pencils and pens to The School of St Jude. Good quality resources, such as coloured pencils are very gratefully received by our teachers who try their best to provide the standard of education of students deserve, with limited access to such items. Your really are making a wonderful difference, helping to educate over 1600 disadvantaged children, creating a much brighter future for them, their families and in time, whole communities too!

Please enjoy the attached photo of our students – who are very pleased to receive your gifts!

Thank you once again for your support of The School of St Jude.

Best wishes,
Rebecca Miller
PO Box 11875, Arusha, Tanzania, East Africa

Parent Help is always appreciated by the teachers! There are varied ways you can be of help - in classrooms during lesson time, going on excursions, walks or sports days and also manual tasks like covering books (which can also be done at home).

If you would like to help in any way, we need you to attend the Parent Helpers’ Session on Monday 18 March at 2.15-3.15pm in the Performing Arts Room.

Pauline Eldredge
eldredge.pauline.g@edumail.vic.gov.au

Sports News

Next Friday 8 March there will be a Netball Gala day for all Level 6 children and Division Swimming for selected children. Information has been distributed today to those children involved.

Peter Cracknell
Sports Co-ordinator
Performing Arts Award: 4S – for managing to cover two learning areas in one lesson and for being respectful of one another. Thank you for working together as a team in order to get lots done. Great job!

Assembly Performances – either singing or playing an instrument
Students are encouraged to perform at assembly and share their music with the school. Please contact me or your classroom teacher if you would like to play/sing for us.

Choir 2013
After discussion with Amanda and Colleen and due to a lack of rooms being available to us of a Friday morning, Senior Choir (level 4 & 6) will now rehearse at Friday lunchtime 1:00pm-1:30pm in the Performing Arts room.
Junior Choir (foundation and level 2) will be running Friday mornings at 8:15am in the PA room with Colleen

We appreciate parents’ cooperation by only bringing foundation and level 2 students to school before 8:45am or taking older siblings to OOSH.

We will be trialing this new arrangement for term 1 (feedback welcomed).

Australian Boys’ Choir
Unfortunately due to timetable conflicts the visit from the Australian Boys’ Choir was postponed last week. However if you are still interested in auditioning; auditions are being held on the 16th of March. Please see their website for more details: www.australianboyschoir.com.au/.

After School Music Tuition
Information provided at the office.

Lauren Rich
Performing Arts Co-ordinator

Visual Arts News

Art Smocks
Please remember to bring your Art Smocks back to school if you haven’t already. If you do not have an Art Smock you can purchase one at the uniform shop in Kew.

Newspaper
We would love anyone who gets The Age to bring any unwanted papers to the Art Room. We find the large sheets cover our tables best. Thank you to everyone that has been bringing theirs in so far, it is much appreciated.

Visual Artist of the Week: Tilly Bindley 6W

For the outstanding Klimt Inspired Self-Portrait she created. Her work clearly demonstrates influences of Gustav Klimt, such as her choice of colour and fluid movement of line and shape.

Visual Art Class of the Week: 2J

For the excellent skills they displayed when drawing close up portraits. They explored new ways to use oil pastels and scratched into the pastels to create texture. Well done!

Lucy Gorman
Visual Arts Co-ordinator

House Points
Rose won this week’s house points. Congratulations to all the children in Rose who enjoyed an “inside out” day today.

Performing Arts Class 4S
Visual Arts Class 2J
Visual Artist Tilly Bindley
You Can Do It! Awards:
Camille Rounds 2A
Saskia Van Beek 2E
Luke Vickery 2J
Zoe Beischer 2P
Hannah Glover 2P
Kayla Thompson 2S
Jules Vodicka 4B
Thea Coull 4C
Oliver Mogford 4C
Edward Zelouf 4F
Holly Wright 4F
Martha Conheady 4W
Aidan Gates 6W
Chloe Darby 4W
Jemima Officer 6W
Stephanie Murphy 6Z
Millie Bennetts 6Z
As we settle back into another school year, it is great to see so many children getting along, both during class time and in the yard at play time. Students have been discussing how to get along with their peers and what constitutes positive friendships. Helping, sharing and respecting each other are qualities that commonly arise during class discussions.

Keeping organised is another key to success that students will explore this term. Foundation students have been learning to pack their bags in an organised manner and keeping work areas tidy, while other levels have been discussing time management and looking after their belongings.

Foundation and Level 2 students enjoyed a performance last week, called *Amy’s Amazing Adventures*, which explored important values of honesty, helping others, using manners and accepting each other, and how these qualities enhance relationships with others.

You Can Do It! awards are awarded at assembly each week. Congratulations to those students who have already received an award, a wonderful achievement so early in the year!

You Can Do It! leaders, April Van Schoonhoven, Aidan Gates, Amy Bounos and Ethan Edwards.

Jennifer Drew and Virginia Wallace (You Can Do It! Team)
Parents and Friends for Armadale (PFA)

Hi everyone,

The weather forecast for tomorrow looks fantastic for our School Welcome Picnic, and we look forward to seeing as many children and parents as possible. Due to liquor licensing restrictions we have this week decided that the Picnic will be BYO only however icy poles, water, juice and chocolate bars will be available as promised so please bring along some gold coins if you feel like indulging. As previously mentioned there will be supervised sports activities between 6.00 - 7.00pm on the tennis courts. We again thank the fantastic team at Allsports! for their help in this regard. Pack your picnic baskets, rugs, and chairs, and we look forward to seeing you tomorrow night.

Coming events to note include:
♦ Monday 4 March – Easter Raffle begins
  – Tickets sent home with eldest child
♦ Tuesday 12 March – PFA Meeting with Class Reps welcome
♦ Friday 22 March – Prep Cocktail Party

Class Representatives
Janine Sheean, our most wonderful Class Rep Co-ordinator has advised us of the many great Class Rep volunteers already on board. We would love to see you at the upcoming PFA meeting on Tuesday the 12th of March at 9am in the MPC for a very short welcome chat. For those that have not considered this role as yet, each year we ask for volunteers to act as Class Representative for your child’s class. The role is a fantastic way to be more involved in your child’s class and the school community. Most importantly, it is really enjoyable and not demanding! If you would like any further information on the role, please don’t hesitate to contact us to discuss. We have received a great response so far but do require reps for 4C, 4F and 6W so if you can help please do.

PFA Meeting
Our next PFA meeting is set for Tuesday 12 March after drop off in the Multi-Purpose Centre. All parents, class reps and friends are welcome. No RSVP required, we look forward to seeing you there!

Prep Cocktail Party
The first for 2013 will be the Prep Cocktail party to be held on Friday 22nd March so Prep parents, we hope you have already diarised the date and booked the babysitter. Details will be provided in due course through your Class Reps who are already on the case with some great ideas so please respond to the note in your child’s bag asking for contact details as soon as possible. These parties are always a great night out, and a wonderful chance to meet parents and staff in an informal setting.

Easter Raffle – Last Day of Term

We celebrate Easter at Armadale Primary with fantastic hampers filled with Easter treats. The hampers are filled with eggs generously donated by all families. If you can afford to donate an egg or two, then please place your Easter egg/s in the basket in the front office asap so we can start making up some delicious hampers. Please look out for the Raffle tickets coming home next Monday March 4th. Perhaps a bag-check might be in order as the children wait with baited breath for the Raffle to be drawn at final assembly on March 28. You will be asked to pay for and return tickets to the office by March 22. We really appreciate your support!

Icy Poles
Don’t forget to put $1.00 in your child’s bag tomorrow for Icy Poles and please remember that if your child requires a lemonade icy pole (colour free) they ask on purchase or swap with other children in the playground – a lovely way to make new friends for all.

Mish McGrory and Brigid Warwick
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PFA Co-Presidents

Have you received the Schoolkids Bonus?

Do you know about the Schoolkids Bonus? It is a new cash payment to help eligible families and students with the costs of primary and secondary school studies. Around 1.2 million families have already benefitted from the first wave of payments in January 2013 – have you?

If you receive a family or income support payment, including Family Tax Benefit Part A, you could be eligible to receive $410 a year for each primary student and $820 a year for each secondary student, with half paid in January and half paid in July.

The Schoolkids Bonus replaces the Education Tax Refund (ETR) and is a much simpler system. You no longer need to collect receipts and payments are made automatically so you don’t have to wait months to make a claim via your tax return. Unlike the ETR you can choose how you use the payment to best support your children’s education – whether it be school books, stationery, uniforms, school fees, or excursions.

Check your eligibility by visiting australia.gov.au/schoolkidsbonus and if you think you might have missed out on the January payment, contact Centrelink – either in person at a Centrelink-Medicare Office or by calling 132 468.

EMA applications close on Friday 1 March.
28 January 2013

Eliza Motion
24 Bidey st
Prabran vic 3181

Dear Prime Minister Julia Gillard,

My name is Eliza Motion and I attend Armadale Primary school (Densham Rd, Armadale 3143) in Melbourne. I would love for you to visit my school, as I only have two years left. My school is very environmentally friendly and we achieved our fourth star for the Resource Smart School Program, only three schools in the state have achieved a five star rating so we are making excellent progress. Another highlight is the out of school hours care (Ooshc) program which I attend after school. Ooshc offers some great activities such as,
netball, soccer, science, art, homework club and many more. The teachers at the school are a great influence and are always smiling. I also love our uniform. I have attached a drawing that I did when I was in Prep of the school as part of the Stonnington competition.... and I came first!

I really hope that you can make the time to visit my school as I would love to show you around.

Thank you for taking the time to read my letter.

From Eliza Motion
Grade 5
Eliza Motion  
24 Bidey Street  
PRAHRAN VIC 3181

Dear Eliza

What a lovely surprise it was to hear from you with all the news about your school and of course, your drawing. Congratulations on winning first prize in the competition!

Your school sounds wonderful and I am extremely impressed by the environmentally friendly initiatives your school is involved with, you should all be so proud. Keep up the good work.

If my very busy schedule allows me the opportunity to visit your school sometime in the future, then my office would be in touch. At the moment unfortunately, I have some very busy months ahead of me.

Eliza, my best wishes to you and your family and please say a big “hello” from me to the students and staff at Armadale Primary School. I wish you great success with your future studies and thank you for taking the time to write to me.

Warm regards,

[Signature]

The Hon. Julia Gillard, MP

11/02/2013
On Friday 15th February 2013, Densham were swimming in the Armadale House Swimming Sports.

Densham swam really well, they encouraged really well and it was very unfortunate that we didn’t win but everyone in Densham tried really hard.

It was really good to see pretty much everyone in Densham at the swimming sports that made great banners. Everyone supported Densham swimming. It was really good to see our team spirit.

Thanks to all the teacher’s and parents especially Mrs. Wallace Robin and Andrea Gray. A special thanks to Amanda and Mrs. Frankel for helping us organise Densham. A very special thank you to Mr Cracknell for organising the swimming sports.

MILLIE SWEENEY AND TOBY YEATS

DENSHAM HOUSE CAPTAINS
Rose house swimming sports!

On Friday 15th February at Richmond Pool we had the House Swimming Sports for level 4 and 6.

Firstly we would like to say thank you to all of the parents and teachers who helped in the Swimming Sports and good work to all of the students who participated in the races.

We would also like to say we were really proud of Rose for encouraging the rest of our house when they were swimming.

We are really happy to announce that Rose won the House Swimming Sports and also brought the best banners.

Congratulations Rose! Good luck for House Athletics Day later in the year!

Rose House
Captains: Amber Wright and Eddie Brown
House Swimming sports

On Friday 15th February all level 4 and 6s went to Richmond pool to have the house swimming sports. Munro won the first round of the relay. Munro also brought the best banners and most of them were great. Well done Munro for encouraging the house a lot when our children were swimming.

By the two Munro house captains, Tilly Bindley and George Giannakarios.
Go Northcote

On Friday 15th February, at Richmond Pool, we had the house swimming sports. Northcote swam really well. It was very unfortunate that we did not win; everybody was amazing with the encouragement and the effort they put in to this day. The banners made our day and that helped a lot with our swimming. Everyone supported each other and cheered on the team. We have to thank all the teachers and all the parents that came on the day and a special thanks to Mr.Cracknell. The chant was a success, even though we changed it a couple of times it was still a hit. The unicorn was a fantastic mascot and the unicorn banners were amazing. Thanks for the best swimming sports throughout our seven year at Armadale and hopefully the athletics will be as good.

By Sol Hashimoto and Jemima Officer. House Captains of Northcote
SOUTHPORT DISTRICT SWIMMING SUCCESS

On Wednesday 22nd February, 30 selected students represented Armadale Primary School in the District Swimming against 9 other local schools. Armadale came first second and first in 18 out of the 32 events. A great effort! The students who participated were Mimi Stoupas, Spencer Stoupas, Rose O’Donnell, Lewis O’Donnell, Jack Mangano, Tilly Campbell, Henry Hayman, Martha Conheady, Angelique Lignos, Charlotte Sorger, Darcy Mellor, Jackson Doeling, Jacob Molten, Sol Hashimoto, Eddie Brown, Daisy Evans, Winnie Laing, Jemima Officer, Millie Sweeney, Adam Simpson, Josh Buffe, Mark Allen Lions, Bella Cullity, Isla Tremlett, Harry Fox, Max Dixon, Brett Boscaci, Yasmine Feile, Olivia Gladwell Bolte and Charlie Amad. We all had a great time and encouraged each other a lot. Overall the Armadale Sharks swam really well. We would like to congratulate all those students going on to the Division Finals and give a big thanks to Zaim and Mrs Brown for coming along, together with Libby Brown for helping on the day. Thank you also to Mr Cracknell for helping to organise the districts swimming and the parents who supported the team.

Written by Lewis and Charlotte
THE SPORTS LEARDERS
RACING THEIR WAY TO VICTORY!

It was a great day for a swim or let’s say a race! Spotted at Prahran Pool were some local primary schools ready for a swimming carnival. This carnival was for swimmers with a fast enough time from their trials and it was called the Districts!!

I was having a look around, disguising myself as a lifeguard, and saw that everyone was stretching to warm up. It was great to see everybody ready for a great day!

Colourful bathers were the ‘trend’ on this hot day. There were fluoro bathers ones with flower patterns, stripes, spots and heaps more! I had a talk with some of the swimmers and they said that this was the 2nd or 3rd time they had reached this far.

As the day went on, ribbons were distributed to every competitor after their event. There was a ribbon for first, second, third and fourth and a well done ribbon for anyone who placed over fourth. Everybody was encouraging everyone no matter what place he/she finished.

The last event was the 4x50m relay with one boy team and one girl team for each age group. First and third started in the water and second and second and fourth dove off.

This was one of the many days when schools compete against each other. To sum it up, this day was fun for every school and there is still many more to come!

REPORTER: Jemima Officer.
Whilst all care is taken to ensure the validity of advertisements in this newsletter we take no responsibility and imply no endorsement.

Time Poor? Happy to Help!!!!

Jim’s Cleaning Armadale would like to offer the Parents of Students at Armadale Primary School an opportunity for a free quote on any of your Cleaning requirements. The specific treatments are for Bathrooms, Kitchens, Ovens and Windows. However, we can assist with any of your needs, no matter how big or small.

Living locally enables us to support families and small business owners in the community and it will also enable us to provide our clients with a cost effective cleaning solution; quickly, reliably and efficiently.

Call Mark and Ali on 0439 634 384 for further information regarding our services or simply email us at ali.mark@jimscleaning.net.au and we will contact you directly. We value your local support and look forward to meeting with you shortly,

Kind regards,

Mark and Ali.

Would you like to be a School Crossing Supervisor?

The role of a “Lollipop” person is important to our community and we need dedicated, reliable people to join our team.

If you are interested and can commit to Monday to Friday, 8am – 9am and 3pm – 4pm in an ongoing role, then please call us now.

Crossings are available in the Monash, Stonnington and Boroondara districts.

Thankyou

Chandler Macleod Workforce
Ashleigh Rea – 1300 40 40 49
745 Springvale Road, Mulgrave 03 8561 8833

2013 Season
U12 & U14 GLADIATORS GIRLS
BE A PART OF HISTORY

The Gladiators are pleased to announce that we will again field a Girls only U12 football team and for the 1st Time field a Girls only U14 Football team

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Discovery Day 2013

SUNDAY 3 MARCH 2013, 10AM – 4PM

A family day in the gardens of Crudens Farm, home of the late Dame Elizabeth Murdoch AC DBE.

Live Bands & Entertainment, Craft, Rides & Activities, Fresh Food!

www.meri.edu.au/discoveryday2013
PIANO TUITION

Alexander has a number of openings for individual piano tuition:
The Wertheim piano at the music studio is an absolute joy to play, you will love it!

Areas of learning: One on one lessons are structured for you to enjoy playing and learning about all styles at the piano from classical, jazz, to world and contemporary popular music.

Beginners, intermediate, advanced to professional, all are most welcome.

For bookings and lesson prices call 0425 223 404 or email info@anmusic.com.au

MSAC BASKETBALL is proud to present the following school holiday basketball programmes for the upcoming April 2013 term break:

3rd April- MSAC Shoot 500 Clinic $75pp (9am-3pm)

4th- 5th April MSAC beginners/ Intermediate Camp $130pp (9am-3pm)

8th- 9th April MSAC beginners/ Intermediate Camp $130pp (9am-3pm)

10th April MSAC Shoot and Ball Handling Clinic $75pp (9am-3pm)

11th- 12th April MSAC Beginners/ Intermediate Camp $130pp (9am-3pm)

9th – 10th April Elite Under12 and Under14 Camp @APC $90 (9am-12pm)

( VC and Metro rep players only)

Conducted at Albert Park College – 83 Dank Street, Albert Park

Don’t forget our weekly skills sessions from 4:00-5:00pm Mondays, Wednesdays & Thursdays if you would like to work on your skills after school during school term.

Melbourne Sports & Aquatic Centre,
Aughtie Drive Albert Park.

For more information on all basketball programmes go to www.msacbasketball.com.au and register online, email admin@gaze.com.au or phone 9699 2204.
**Australian Boys Choir Auditions**

**Saturday 16 March 2013**

Boys aged 6-9 are invited to audition for entry into the prestigious and internationally acclaimed AUSTRALIAN BOYS CHOIR.

12-3pm at Auburn Uniting Church Hall, 3 Hepburn St, Hawthorn

Please call for an appointment.

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**Mums’ Program**

*Only $35 for five weeks of group tennis coaching*  
Tennis Victoria’s Mums’ Program is run by a Tennis Australia qualified coach which means that you will be in good hands to develop your tennis skills. In addition, save time and money on childcare by enrolling your child(ren) in the Tiny Tots program** for just $15 for the same five weeks. Open to beginners and those who would like to resume playing tennis, the Mum’s Program allows you to take some time out for yourself and get fit and active whilst socialising with other mums in your area.

**Benefits of the Mums’ Program:**
- Improve your health, have fun and get fit
- No need to find or pay for childcare to participate
- Receive expert tennis coaching
- Save money as you don’t have to purchase any equipment to participate
- Get a great taste of Cardio Tennis and get involved with your local tennis club for a minimal cost

**tiny tots Program**

*Enrol your child in our Tiny Tots program**  
The Tiny Tots Program is targeted at children aged 3-5 and helps them develop fundamental motor skills whilst allowing you to participate in tennis, without the burden of having to find childcare.

**Program Registration**
To register for the Mums’ Program and the Tiny Tots Program**, please contact your nearest venue. Places are limited so please register early.

For further information please contact Tennis Victoria on (03) 8420 8420 or visit: tennis.com.au/vic/play-tennis/getting-started.

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