Principal’s Report
Lesley McCarthy

The celebration of the life of Adrian Pereira will be held on Friday 14th February at 10.30am at the Tobin Brothers Chapel in Boundary Road North Melbourne. A number of staff and parents will be attending. Several classes will be combined during this time to allow teachers to attend. Thank you for your understanding.

The Victorian Government is introducing amendments to the Education and Training Reform Act and measures to ensure students attend school every day and get the most out of their schooling. From 1 March 2014, new laws will mean that parents can be fined for not sending students to school without an acceptable reason.


Students have been working through the Learning to Learn program since commencing school. This program supports children to learn about, research and discuss the rules, behaviours, expectations, learning styles and habits for good learning.

As part of this, students have been discussing leadership and those in Grades 2-6 have been nominating for and voting in Student Representative Council elections. For the younger students this can be a challenging experience as they learn about voting, winning and losing.

The skill of Resilience is one which is vital. to develop at a young age – we all know the challenges which life can offer and the ability to bounce back and take these episodes in our life is of great importance.

We refer to the Catastrophe Scale – is it as bad as a crocodile biting off your leg? Is it as bad as a broken arm?

To put these challenges into context. I encourage parents to discuss this with their children and use the 10 point Catastrophe Scale from You Can Do It! as a support.

### Pupil of the Week

**Week beginning 10 February 2014**

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### Office News

**Office Hours, 8.30am – 4.00pm Monday to Friday**

**Education Maintenance Allowance**

Parents please note all EMA forms need to be handed in to the office by **Friday 14th February 2014**. Without this, parents will need to pay the Essential Education Expenses in full by **28th February**.

**UNIFORM NOTICE**

We are currently trying to find a supplier for ‘All cotton’ polo tops. Our current tops are a cotton/polyester blend. If you would be interested in buying the 100% cotton polo’s, please let the office know of your interest.

**HEALTH ALERT**

With the increased smoke in the air due to the bushfires, we have noticed an increase in children with breathing difficulties, coughing and increased asthma. Please monitor your child’s Asthma and ensure they have their preventative and relief medications. See the Better Health Channel warning at [http://www.betterhealth.vic.gov.au/](http://www.betterhealth.vic.gov.au/)
Assistant Principal's Report
Sandra McOrist

Every day counts – school attendance

We all want our students to get a great education, and the building blocks for a great education begin with students coming to school each and every day.

Missing school can have a major impact on a child’s future – a student missing one day a week will miss eight full weeks (almost a whole term) by the end of the year. By Year 10 they’ll have missed more than a year of school.

There is no safe number of days for missing school – each day a student misses puts them behind, and can affect their educational outcomes.

Coming to school every day is vital, but if your child must miss school, (illness, lengthy family holidays) there are things we can do together to ensure they don’t fall behind:

- Speak with your classroom teacher and find out what work your child needs to do to keep up.
- Develop an absence learning plan with your teacher and ensure your child completes the plan.

Remember, every day counts. If your child must miss school, speak with your classroom teacher early as early as possible.

From 1 March 2014, new laws will mean that parents can be fined for not sending students to school without an acceptable reason.

If you’re having attendance issues with your child, please let your classroom teacher know so we can work together to get your child to school every day.

OSHC News

Camp Australia manages the Before & After School Care program. All bookings, absences and payments need to be made through the Camp Australia website.

Do not leave messages on the school answering machine.

If you would like to subscribe to receive our weekly newsletters, and other important announcements, please visit our website http://www.flemingtonps.vic.edu.au, click on ‘subscribe to newsletter’ and enter your details.

We are not permitted under the Information Privacy Act to do this for you, nor do we have the resources to update information for all our families.

We also use the Konnective APP

To access Konnective, please visit www.konnective.com.au and join up using your email address and name. You will then need to verify a verification email sent to the email you have joined with. Or see the link on the school website.

Instrmental Music News

Welcome to Peter Krumins, our new Cello teacher. Peter is a highly experienced music teacher who also teaches at Lowther Hall. He began teaching this week. Please make him welcome.

School Banking Day Reminder:
- Remember School Banking is every <INSERT DAY OF THE WEEK>
- You can bank as much as you like every week, School Banking is about frequency not value.
- Every time a student makes a deposit at school they receive a silver Dollarmite token. Once they have individually collected 10 tokens they can be redeemed for an exclusive Dollarmite reward as shown below:

2014 Rewards
What is Emotional Resilience (Toughness)?

Definition of Emotional Resilience

Emotional Resilience means being able to stop yourself from getting extremely angry, down or worried when something “bad” happens. It means being able to calm down and feel better when you get overly upset, and bounce back from adversity. Emotional Resilience also means being able to control your behaviour when you are very upset.

Examples of Emotional Resilience

- Not getting overly upset from mistakes in your work or when you have not been as successful as you would like to be.
- Not getting overly frustrated and angry with yourself when you do not understand something.
- Not getting down when your friends seem to understand their schoolwork and do better on tests than you.
- Avoiding getting extremely worried before an important test or event in which you have to perform in public.
- Avoiding excessive worry concerning your popularity with peers.
- Not getting overly angry when peers are mean to you.
- Remaining calm and in control when an adult treats you unfairly or disrespectfully.
- Not getting too down when being teased or ignored by friends.
- When meeting someone new, not getting extremely nervous and being calm.
- Stopping yourself from getting extremely worked up when you want to stand up and say “No” to someone who is putting pressure on you to do the wrong thing.
- Not losing your cool when you have lots of homework to do.
- Staying in control when your parents say “No” and the parents of your friends seem to be saying “Yes.”

Eliminate these Negative Habits of the Mind to Help Build Emotional Resilience

- Accepting Myself
- Taking Risks
- Being Independent
- I Can Do It.
- Working Tough
- Being Tolerant of Others
International Safer Internet Day (Tuesday, 11th February)

On Monday the 10th of February, the 5/6 learning neighbourhood hosted an online video chat with some students at Keilor Views Primary, where Phill Cristofaro, a 5/6 teacher at our school last year, now works. All our 5/6 students gathered and we were able to discuss our current Safer Internet Day projects, respond to questions regarding digital citizenship and discuss our thoughts. It was an new experience, which all the students were excited by as we had never done anything like it before. Keilor Views PS are introducing an iPad program into their school from this year, so it was great that we could teach them a bit about the iPad as a learning tool and how to use it safely.

Here are some thoughts from other students:

"It was nice to have a change in the way we learn." Angelina, 6C

"I liked meeting and talking to new people, and seeing how the other school runs their iPad program." Luca, 6P

"It was interesting, and we discussed lots of information about internet safety." Salwa, 6P

"I enjoyed talking to students from another school." Moaz, 6C

"I realised that the students at the other school had different ways of learning, I thought most schools learned in a similar way!" Bella, 6C

"It was fun and awesome to communicate with schools I've never seen before" Lai, 5/6 M

"I enjoyed it because we found out their opinions on cyber safety." Haniyah, 5/6 M

"It was different and fun sharing with them." Joon, 5/6 M

After the video chat, we were able to contribute individually with the Keilor Views students via a website our teachers set up for us on Today's Meet. One of the students in our class, Joon, turned thirteen that day (therefore he can legally use Facebook), so the students grabbed the chance to advise him on how to use online social media safely.

By Maia, Jack and Amy, 5/6M.
Classroom Helpers Program 2014

Dear Parents,

The Classroom Helpers Program begins on Monday 3rd March.

If you would like to volunteer to assist in your child’s classroom, but have not completed the 'Classroom Helpers Program Training.' The training session will run on Tuesday 25th February at 9am - 11am. This session will be run by Zoe Lewis and Mollie Mc Mahon in the After School Care Room (opposite the new library). Please return the form below by Friday February 14th.

If you are interested in assisting in your child’s classroom, have a current 'Working With Children Check' and have completed the 'Classroom Helpers Program Training with Sandra McOrist or Sarah Nightingale (or from another school), please see your child’s class teacher to let them know you are interested.

All parents with a current 'Working with Children's Check' are welcome to help out during class events such as swimming and excursions. Please see your child’s teacher to let them know you are interested.

Thank you

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I would like to attend the Classroom Helpers Program Training on Tuesday 25th February at 9am in the After School Care room.

NAME: ___________________________________________________

CHILD’S NAME:_____________________________________________

CHILD’S GRADE: ____________________________________________

Please remember that you need to buddy up with another person if you have younger children, as we cannot allow siblings in the classroom.
HUB News (FPS Parent’s Association)
Rochelle Carland (Hub President)
carlandr@bigpond.net.au or 0416 177 219

Fete Update – 22nd March 11 to 4pm

Seeking silent auction and raffle items plus sponsorship
- Do you have a holiday house that you can donate for a weekend?
- Do you run your own business or work for an organisation that can provide a service, product or voucher?
- Can your friends or family members offer something?

We are seeking sponsorship for the Fete:
- A Platinum sponsor ($5000)
- Gold ($1000)
- Silver ($500)
- Bronze ($250) sponsors.

If you run a small business this is a great opportunity for you to get involved. You may want to sponsor one of our rides? To find out what is involved in sponsorship or to donate silent auction/raffle items please contact Annette Williams on annette_andrew@hotmail.com or Rochelle Carland on carlandr@bigpond.net.au.

CRAFT STALL
We are looking for jewellery makers, sewers, and origami folders - anyone with a fabulous craft skill who could help out with the craft stall for our fete. If you would like to assist and have some fun along the way (as well as share and learn new skills) then email Katie Evans at katie@katieevans.com.au

PLANT STALL
The plant stall requires seedlings, shrubs, indoor, outdoor and edible plants to be donated by families and friends of Flemington Primary. If you’re looking for a fun gardening project, that the kids can also be involved in, now is the time to start! Ideas include:
- Propagate plants you have in your garden
- Plant seeds to sell as seedlings
- Pot existing herbs you have in your garden
- Have a backyard blitz and donate plants/shrubs no longer required
- Bring in lemons, limes or herbs to sell
Please contact Natalie Storey if you can assist at nataliestorey@tpg.com.au

TOYS, BOOKS and DVD STALL
We are looking for very good quality second hand toys, books and DVD’s for these stalls.

Please DO NOT drop off any donated goods until after March 11. We will advise you of the times and locations of drop-off closer to the date.
Gabrielle Dolan
gabrielle@gabrielledolan.com

Icy Poles
Now the hot weather is here, icy poles are back on sale Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays for the rest of term. Icy Poles are $1.

Annette Williams (mum of Imogen in Gr 2 and Chris in Prep) is co-ordinating icy-poles this term. If you’d like to help out with selling, please contact Annette (annette_andrew@hotmail.com) or myself to get your name on the roster.

For Sale
4/4 Cello Stentor 2 with soft case and bow $400.
Please call Sonia Sasalou on 0425 788 734.

QUALITY NEW FLUTES, CLARINETS AND SAXOPHONES
Eastman Flute on special at $656
Haynes AF500EO $765
For further enquiries call Leonie on 0438 848 565

Ride To School
Bart Sbeghen
M 0418 231 686 E macbart@bigpond.com

Well done to everyone who has been riding, walking and scootering this year.
There is a marked increase in the number of bikes and scooters in the racks this year.
The racks near the demountables are almost full to overflowing!

Ride to School Day this year is Wed 19th March – www.ride2school.com.au
Last year we had almost 95% of students using active transport. Can we get 100% this year?
**SCHOOL ZONE PARKING OFFENCES**

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We all understand that pick up and drop off times around schools are very busy. Do the right thing be aware and be patient. Signs are placed around school precincts to protect our kids. Police will enforce breaches of the rules.

**A MESSAGE FROM YOUR LOCAL POLICE**
Flemington Primary School

Saturday 22nd March
11am to 4pm

200 Mount Alexander Road Flemington

• GIANT Slide • RIDES
• Craft stall • Books • Toys
• Live Music • Kids Clothes
& MUCH MORE ....
All welcome.

2014

Fete
Sunday, 16 March

2014 Moonee Valley COLOUR-FEST RUN

mvcc.vic.gov.au/mvcolourfest

10km run, 5km run/walk, kids runs
Moonee Valley Athletics Centre 8am–1pm
Please note that the AAFRO enrolment form has been amended.

AAFRO TUTORING ENROLMENT FORM

AAFRO tutoring runs for four hours every Saturday from 9am to 1pm during the school term. From 9am to 10am the program is free, however, from 10am to 1pm a charge of $30 per student will apply. If more than three students in a family attend, they can attend at no charge (families will be charged for only three children). Students from newly arrived migrant families can also attend the program at no charge, especially those that require extra ESL support, but this is dependent on the availability of voluntary tutors and learning resources.

A parent of guardian who has lawful authority to the child must complete this form. A brief explanation of lawful authority is found at the end of this form. For further information please email info@aafro.org.au or call Daud 0403147301 and Abdullah 0401000562

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Other persons to be notified
There may be times when the children has an accident, injury, trauma or illness and the parents or guardians cannot be contacted.
To deal with these situations AAFRO should notify one of the following people who are authorised to collected and care for the child after accident, injury, trauma or illness, consent to medical treatment and medications to be administered. This person also has consent to pick up and drop off my children.
Name: ........................................ Relationship to child/ren ........................................
Address: ...........................................................................................................................
Telephone/s: (W) ........................................ (H) ........................................ (Mobile) ............................

Advertising and Feedback
Are you agreeable for photos of your child/ren to appear in AAFRO communications and marketing material? Yes □ No □
What Primary/High School does your child attend? .................................................................

Child’s Medical Information
1) Does your child have any additional needs? Yes □ No □
Please detail: ..........................................................................................................................

2) Does your child have any allergies or sensitivities? Yes □ No □
Please detail: ..........................................................................................................................

Consent to Medical Attention
Where the AAFRO Tutoring Management are unable to contact me I hereby give my permission to seek treatment for my child at hospital, or to call our doctor/ambulance or dentist during an emergency and agree to pay all relevant costs involved.
Signature of Parent/Guardian ..................................................................................................
Date: .....................................................................................................................................
“Come and try Karate, Specialised children’s classes here in the School Hall on Thursdays at 4pm and 5pm. Two free lessons for everyone! Beginners very welcome. Increase self esteem and personal confidence, learn self defence, enhance good health and fitness and have fun all at the same time! Free uniform on joining. Call Amelia on 0407320333 or visit www.artofdefence.com.au”
Is your Lollipop person the sweetest?

Nominate your Lollipop person for the 2014/2015 School Crossing Supervisor of the year award.

Pick up a nomination form online at www.schoolcrossingsvictoria.com.au.

Your support of this program will help ensure your School Crossing Supervisor is shown the appreciation they deserve for their commitment to the ongoing safety of our children.

Closes Friday 2nd May 2014

Could you help teach English?

The Kensington Neighbourhood House is offering the successful English Tutor Program again in 2014. The English Tutor Program will assist migrants and refugees learn English. The program is currently recruiting for volunteers to help students learn English.

As a Volunteer Tutor, you are matched with an adult migrant or refugee who wants to learn English. Our Volunteer Tutors come from all walks of life and do not need to have any previous experience in tutoring but need to be fluent in English. The Neighbourhood House will provide you with comprehensive training and continued support for the role.

Volunteering is a great way to meet new people in your local community, learn valuable new skills, and do something positive for your community.

If you would like to become a Volunteer Tutor or would like more information please contact Gina Mancuso on 9376 6366 or gina.m@kenhouse.org.au or drop in to the House for more information.
Contours Moonee Ponds
6 WEEK BODY BLITZ

If you need some extra motivation to achieve your health and fitness goals then join the BODY BLITZ:

- Weekly meetings with a trainer to guide, motivate and challenge you
- Full Access to our fitness studio including all classes – ZUMBA, PILATES, CARDIO and more
- Exclusive Bootcamp Sessions
- Personal Training
- Nutrition Guide

Call 9370 3320 to find out more. Or visit us at Level 1, 39 Puckle Street, Moonee Ponds.

THREE WEEK FREE FOOTBALL CLINIC FOR 7 -11 YEAR OLDS
FEBRUARY 10, 17 AND 24TH 2014

Is your child interested in taking their footy further and joining a club?
Come and try Moonee Valley Football Club.

A free 3 week clinic will be held on Mondays, between 4.15 and 5.15pm at Moonee Valley Football Club Ormond Park Pattison St, Moonee Ponds (Melway 29 A9).

Please direct any questions to Damian Gillard on 0416246016
CONSENT FOR MEDICATION

NAME OF CHILD: ___________________________ GRADE: ___________________________

Please provide details of medication, dosage, times, etc.

Medication: ________________________________________________________________

Dosage: ________________________________________________________________

Times: ___________________________________ MEDICATION IS ADMINISTERED AT 1.30PM ONLY

Comments: ________________________________________________________________

Please note that ALL medicines are to be clearly labelled with your child’s name and required dosage of medication.

I consent to school staff supervising the administering of the above medicines to my child.

Signed: ................................................................. (Parent / Guardian)

Date: .................................................................

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