**Principal’s Report**  
Lesley McCarthy

As with all large organisations, we have been suffering from the latest round of illnesses making their way through the community. Students, teachers and parents have all been ill and the sick bay has been under a strain. I urge parents to keep their children when they are unwell: this limits the spread of infection, but more to the point, we have just one bed and a chair and are not staffed to care for sick children. I understand that this is often a challenge for working parents however, this is the tough time of term for us all with just 3 weeks until the July holidays and resistance is low. Thank you for your assistance.


Yesterday was World Environment Day and a group of our Environment & Sustainability students accompanied Nicola Dziadkiewicz and Christina Laught to Debneys Park for the Moonee Valley Council workshop. See report on page 4.  

Today, selected students are enjoying an Australian Ballet incursion thanks to the assistance of Vicki Car, mother of Nate R. in Prep MC. This is another special opportunity brought to students through the expertise, interest and employment of a parent, and enriches the lives of our students. Thanks to Vern for his organisation.

Adding to the variety, Brendan Newman will be hosting a visit by 3 of the Socceroos in the hall at recess tomorrow: Brett Holman, Mark Mulligan and Michael Thwaite will talk about their sport, careers and experiences before some demonstrations and a Q&A with students.

A reminder that next Monday is the Queen’s Birthday public holiday and students do not attend school.

**It’s not okay to be away...... Nor to be late to school.**

When children miss school, not only is their academic progress affected, forcing them to try to catch up on the work they missed (some may never be able to do this), the children also often miss out on important interactions with their peers which can impact on their friendship groups, at times causing isolation and even low self esteem. Also, getting to school late interrupts the class and impacts on continuous learning.

The research is very clear on this; on average students are missing 3 weeks of school a year staying home for what previously would have not been a valid excuse and coming 5 mins late to school each day means you will miss out on 3 full days of learning over the year.

One of the most important things that parents can do to ensure that their child has a bright future is to make sure that they come to school every day - and get here on time.

We love it here at Flemington and we want the children to as well.
### Care Member of the Week
Week beginning 3 June 2013

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<td>Prue C.</td>
<td>For sharing her ideas with the class and helping other students. What a great role model.</td>
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<td>Bella T.M.</td>
<td>For supporting the younger students and asking great questions. Well done!</td>
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<td>Alexandra S.</td>
<td>For being a team player in Mangalore 3. Well done!</td>
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<td>Mooltan 1</td>
<td>Shaid S.</td>
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<td>For showing leadership skills and assisting the younger students in our CARE group.</td>
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<td>Cashmere 1</td>
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<td>For being a great leader and a positive role model in our CARE group.</td>
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<td>For sharing his strategies with our CARE group and displaying enthusiasm.</td>
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<td>Ella K.</td>
<td>For her contribution to her CARE group discussions.</td>
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<td>Sophia J.</td>
<td>For her positive interaction with others while discussing team work strategies and working out role plays.</td>
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<td>Delhi 3</td>
<td>Luke G.</td>
<td>For being a great role model supporting the younger students.</td>
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### Office News
Office Hours, 8.30am – 4.00pm Monday to Friday

#### Cash Payments to the Office
All monies sent to school must be put in an envelope detailing the following:
- Child’s name and grade
- Reason for the money
- Amount

No loose money is to be put in the cash box. Please feel free to use the school envelopes. They are available near the cash box.

#### Woolworths Earn and Learn Program
The program runs from Monday 8th April until Sunday 9th June. When you do your shop you will receive one sticker for every $10 spent (excluding liquor, tobacco and gift cards).

When you receive a sticker place it on the card and when the card is complete please submit it in the collection box located near the office. Should you need another sticker card please see the office as we are expecting to receive a pack containing these. All completed cards must be sent to the office no later than close of business on Friday 14th June. Enjoy collecting.

#### Scholastic Book Club
Issue 4.5 order forms that were sent home recently are due back to the office by Wednesday 12th June by 9.00am
No late orders will be accepted

Please note, that orders sent before this date will now be sent to Scholastic as received (except cash which will be processed on the final day). The office will now process orders a couple times a week (for credit and cheque payments only) so the earlier the order, the earlier the children will get their book.

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

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Do not leave messages on the school answering machine.
Assistant Principal’s Report
Sandra McOrist

Working Bee

This will be our first Working Bee since 2012 all families are welcome to attend. The Facilities Committee appreciate your assistance in the continued upkeep of our school grounds.

SUNDAY 16th June 9 a.m.-12 noon (pencil it into your diaries today)

Most of our tasks involve giving the school and grounds a little extra attention. Of course, we always embrace skilled tradespeople. We have a list of jobs started but would welcome any suggestions regarding any works needed.

Come and chat to Jutta, Robbie or myself.

Thank you

CASEA and CARE Program Update
Week 8

This last week has marked the end of the CASEA program with a special performance by group members to their parents/family. The aim of the performance is to allow children to showcase the skills they have developed and the changes that they have made over the past eight weeks.

Thanks to all children and teachers in the CARE program for their support and participation throughout the duration of the program. Staff from the Royal Children’s Hospital would also like to extend a special thank you to Grace Mittas and Shelley Cullen for all of their hard work.
Moonee Valley Creek Excursion

On Wednesday the 5th of June, the Sustainability Elective and some of the S.R.Cs went on an excursion to the Moonee Valley Creek to plant some of our most beautiful flowers in the Moonee Valley. We had some great experiences getting to know and interact with the wildlife while experiencing some epic activities. We also got to meet the mayor of Moonee Valley, Narelle Sharp!!! Our guide Michelle told us that Moonee in Aboriginal means ponds! So Moonee Ponds means Many Ponds!!

Those activities included:- Planting Lilies as you can see in these pictures

We also saw some of Australia’s animals and amphibians such as snakes, lizards, frogs and animals that have been preserved.

(If you can’t see below Lena is holding 1 of 2 Blue Tongue Lizards and wrapped Around Mitch and Prue's necks is a snake!)

Thank you to Rose Iser to came with us.

This article written by: Alex.G, Mel.R and Claudia.CA
INVITING FATHERS OF STUDENTS WHO ATTEND FLEMINGTON PRIMARY SCHOOL TO JOIN THE FFFFC (Flemington Fathers First Friday Club).
MEMBERS ARE WELCOME TO BRING THEIR FRIENDS.

We are a group of fathers of students of present and past students at Flemington Primary School. We meet on the first Friday of each month and enjoy each other’s company as well as presenting an annual scholarship to two students in grade 6. I look forward to seeing the dads I spoke to at Aus Kick on Saturday morning.

YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN US at the Laurel Hotel,
Mt Alexander Rd across from Flemington Primary School this coming Friday night - June 7th at 8:30pm.
For more information contact Ian Bull:
bulli@stkevins.vic.edu.au

HUB News
Rochelle Carland (Hub President)
carlandr@bigpond.net.au or 0416 177 219

Popcorn Day
Thanks to the group of mums who made, packaged and sold popcorn this Wednesday. The next popcorn day will be Wednesday 19th June.

At the Canteen this Friday...
We will be selling homemade muffins for $1. Yum!

SCHOOL BANKING!!!

THERE’S STILL TIME FOR YOUR CHANCE TO WIN A $5,000 FAMILY ADVENTURE HOLIDAY!

There are still 3 weeks left for you to be part of this amazing competition. All you need to do is bank at least 3 times during Term 2 here at school and you will automatically be entered into the draw.

First prize: $5,000 family holiday to anywhere in Australia with $500 spending money and $5,000 cash for your school.

25 Runner Up prizes are also up for grabs. These kid’s adventure packs valued at over $700 include a Wii U, Razor eSpark electric scooter, walkie talkies, night vision goggles and an underwater digital camera.

BANKING DAY IS EVERY THURSDAY
Flemington Neighbourhood Renewal

E Newsletter
General Update
Thank you Flemington Volunteers

Hundreds of Moonee Valley City Council volunteers were honoured at a lunch at the Clocktower Centre in Moonee Ponds as part of National Volunteer Week celebrations. Council has about 400 volunteers who give their time to support programs and services including for arts and craft, youth, health and wellbeing and events for the Flemington Community Centre and Flemington Neighbourhood Renewal. Mayor Narelle Sharpe said ‘All of our volunteers do an amazing job and their valuable contribution is gratefully appreciated. Pictured are volunteers that assist the learner driving program called RoadSTART and the Men’s Shed.’

To find out more about becoming a volunteer, contact 8325 1000 or visit www.mvcc.vic.gov.au/volunteer

Flemington Community Centre

Refugee Week
Flemington Community Centre and Moonee Valley Libraries invite you to come and celebrate the contributions that refugees make to our local community. Enjoy entertainment by the African Star Dance & Drumming Company, a Chinese calligraphy workshop and traditional food from the Comoros Islands, which can be purchased for $5. Meet David Nyrro Vincent, author of The Boy Who Wouldn’t Die and listen to his story of escape from South Sudan, life as a refugee and child soldier in Ethiopia, and his humanitarian work empowering South Sudanese communities in Australia. Stories will be shared from A is for Aunty and Z is for Zigni – an alphabet book of stories written with a group of women from the Horn of Africa, living in and around the Flemington Estate.

To find out more information and to register your interest contact the Flemington Community Centre on 8325 1800.

New Program – Master the Art of Cooking on a Budget
Flemington Community Centre in partnership with The Flavour Exchange will host a series of cooking workshops on Tuesday evenings between 6.30pm – 9pm in Term 3. Learn new kitchen skills and simple cooking methods to make use of the best seasonal produce.

Contact Michelle Welsby on 8325 1624 at the Flemington Community Centre for more information on the program.

Calendar of Events

Flemington Men’s Shed Open Day
Sunday, 16 June from 11am to 2pm, outside 125 Racecourse Road, Flemington Housing Estate

The Flemington Multicultural Eid Festival
The 8th annual Multicultural Eid festival brings together Muslim and non-Muslim Australians and is organised by the Horn of African communities, local agencies and sporting clubs to promote diversity. Eid is a Muslim celebration that marks the end of Ramadan, and is the biggest day on the calendar for Muslim communities. The Multicultural Eid Festival, held in Debdeneys Park, Flemington will be a family event planned for August, with activities for children, cultural and ceremonial performances from different cultural groups, food and celebrations.

If you would like to be involved in the planning of this festival please email Sainab Sheikh on swdo@hotmail.com
Community News

Legal Workshops
Presented by the Moonee Valley Legal Service, these workshops will provide participants with practical legal advice on a range of topics.

- **Wills and Powers of Attorney**
  Find out what you must include in your will, how to make changes, how to obtain a probate, how to challenge a will and more.
  Thursday 6 June, 6pm-7pm

- **Cyber Bullying**
  Find out how to avoid risks and protect your personal information online. This workshop will outline how cyber bullying can be detected, the legal consequences and what you can do if your child is a victim.
  Thursday 13 June, 6pm-7pm

- **Neighbourhood Disputes**
  Learn how to resolve neighbourhood disputes without going to court, how to stop a dispute from escalating, understand your legal rights and find out where to turn to for help. This workshop will cover common disputes including fences, trees, damage to property, pets and abusive neighbours.
  Thursday 20 June, 6pm-7pm

Avondale Heights Library and Learning Centre
68-70 Military Rd, Avondale Heights
FREE. Bookings are essential. 8325 1945

MUMS ... GET YOUR FLAT BELLY BACK!

We know that so many mums would love to get back into shape but just don't know how to.

Between juggling kids and family life, not wanting to go to traditional gyms, and frustrations of not getting results previously, so many mums are wanting the right information so that this time they will get their post-baby body back.

**OUR PROMISE TO YOU IS THAT THIS 2 HOUR SEMINAR WILL GIVE YOU ALL THE INFORMATION YOU NEED TO GET YOUR BELLY BACK ON TRACK!**

Brooke Williams from Back in Motion will show you how to safely return to exercise. Brooke is a qualified physiotherapist who specialises in the pelvic floor.

Rory Sercombe from Fit family will take you through the proven 9 steps to getting back in shape after you have children. It doesn’t matter how old those kids are, it’s never too late!

- Saturday June 22nd 2pm – 4pm
- Riverside Golf Course, Newsom Street Ascot Vale

A limited number of complimentary tickets are available for your school.

Call or Email to book your place.
Ph: 1300 799 663
Email: fitfamily@fitfamily.com.au

This is Carly Before & After!

Coming July 2013 – Filling out application forms Online

From July 2013 applying for a Working with Children (WWC) Check will be an easy 2-step process. Applicants will submit their details online before going to Australia Post to lodge their application.

Starting July 2013

**STEP 1**
From July 2013 submit your details online

- Go to the WWC Check website
- Fill out the form online
- Print out the application summary with all the details you entered

**STEP 2**
Go to a participating Australia Post outlet to lodge your application, taking with you:

- The application summary
- Relevant proof of identity documents
- A passport size photo
- The application fee, if you are applying for an Employee card

For more details: Go to the WWC Check website closer to July for details of when applicants can start filling out the form online.