As the end of the 2013 school year looms ahead of us, there are many tasks and activities still ahead of students, teachers and parents.

Next year’s Prep students have now finished the 4 StoryTime sessions and next week commence the more formal Transition with the 2 hour attendances on Tuesdays. Thank you to the Prep teachers who have planned and carried out such engaging stories, games, rhymes and activities with the prospective students. I hope they and their parents have enjoyed the activities as much as we have.

While all teachers are finalising student reports, I am busy finalising staffing, teacher and student placements and room allocations. Next year we will grow by 2 classes necessitating many changes. It is like a jigsaw puzzle placing all the pieces into the best fit whether that is class, teacher, other students or room.

Many thanks to all the families who have already paid for their students 2014 expenses - BookPacks, Excursion Levies and Essential Education Expenses. BookPacks have already been ordered as a bulk order is much cheaper for you!

Could I remind all families that the Essential Education Expenses charge covers materials and supplies in the specialist programs (Art, Music, Science and PE) as well as Library and Home Reading books, Classroom Library resources as well as computer equipment, printers and paper.

Our best wishes to the students who will set off to Maryborough tomorrow for the RACV Energy Challenge [Recumbent Bike]. Thanks to Dave Meyer & Fiona Themann and parents who will accompany them over the weekend.

Best wishes also to the students who have the opportunity to participate in the Victorian finals of Solar Boat at Scienecworks this weekend. Thanks also to Bruce, Sandra and Nicola who have provided so much guidance and time.

WALK, RIDE, SCOOT or SKATE to school every day!
Pupil of the Week
Week beginning 18 November 2013

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<th>Name</th>
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<td>Agata</td>
<td>For improving his handwriting by practicing at home.</td>
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<td>PM</td>
<td>Charlotte E.</td>
<td>For her contributions to class discussions about Minibeasts. Well done!</td>
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<td>PC</td>
<td>Angus N.</td>
<td>For answering great questions on Minibeasts.</td>
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<td>PMC</td>
<td>Mollie</td>
<td>For being a good friend to others.</td>
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<td>Zoe</td>
<td>For displaying persistence when completing an excellent string poem about puppies.</td>
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<td>Leo A.</td>
<td>For his constant persistence with his handwriting. Well done!</td>
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<td>1Y</td>
<td>Samira J.</td>
<td>For showing confidence in using descriptive words in her narrative writing.</td>
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<td>Leonie</td>
<td>For great efforts with poetry writing.</td>
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<td>Alex V.</td>
<td>For showing confidence when experimenting with talking marks in his narrative.</td>
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<td>Tessa C.</td>
<td>For her constant persistence and effort when writing her narrative.</td>
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<td>34D</td>
<td>Nicola</td>
<td>For being open to continuous learning and improving her ability to work with fractions.</td>
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<td>Carla B.</td>
<td>For her persistence and enthusiasm.</td>
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<td>Luke I.</td>
<td>For being engaging and wonderful story teller.</td>
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<td>34M</td>
<td>Garnet B.</td>
<td>For excellent focus and research on his information report on the skeletal system.</td>
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<td>34T</td>
<td>Genna C.</td>
<td>For her efforts and class contributions.</td>
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<td>56C</td>
<td>Maab Z.</td>
<td>For taking responsible risks and approaching all activities on camp with enthusiasm and a sense of humour</td>
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<td>56M</td>
<td>Abdullahi M.</td>
<td>For making the most of his camp experience and showing resilience throughout the week.</td>
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<td>56V</td>
<td>Henry V. D.</td>
<td>For showing great resilience throughout the ‘shoe incident’ on camp.</td>
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<tr>
<td>56T</td>
<td>Daniel M.</td>
<td>For taking responsible risks by trying new things and being adventurous.</td>
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Office News
Office Hours, 8.30am – 4.00pm Monday to Friday

2014 Essential Education Expense/Book Pack Form
These forms have already been sent home. Parents, all book pack order forms are now overdue. If your book backs are not paid for by the 25th November you will need to purchase these yourself and note that some book pack items are not easily and readily available. Also with regards to the grade 6 hoodies and polo’s we require payment by the 25th November otherwise your child will miss out as a bulk order and print of these items will be done in December and it is very hard to put through late orders.

EMA
If you are a current EMA recipient, please remember to return your completed form, along with the 2013 Essential Education and Booklist form, which is now overdue. You must also bring your healthcare card to the office as a copy needs to be taken.

Scholastic Book Club
Issue 8 order forms that were sent home recently are due back to the office by Monday 25th November 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 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.

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Assistant Principal's Report
Sandra McOrist

Lunches
We have had a rise in the number of emergency lunches being given out at the office. Emergency lunches are exactly that for that odd occasion when a child finds no lunch in their bag. The school actually pays for the food and does ask for a $3 donation to ensure the stocks are kept up. If the school is to continue to provide this service we would appreciate payment promptly and that any outstanding amounts could be paid for at your earliest convenience.

IT'S NOT OK TO BE LATE
The first school bell goes at 8:55, we expect all children to be lining up at this time ready to go to class and begin their work for the day.

At a certain level, these details must be reported to the relevant authorities, and I urge all parents to reschedule their alarm clocks and set a target to be at school by 8.45am.

Missing a few minutes each day may not seem like a big deal but your child may be missing more than you realise if he or she is continually late. Current research shows that mornings for most children are the most productive time of the day with 10.00am the peak period for productivity. When children arrive late and take time to settle as they inevitably do precious minutes are lost. A child who is fifteen minutes late to school each day misses one week of school every year.


What does the proposed East West Link mean for Flemington and FPS?
There is a current proposal to build an $8 billion tunnel and tollroad linking the Eastern Freeway with CityLink and the Port. The aim of the new road is to create a new route for trucks to and from the Port to relieve traffic from Westgate Bridge. All Flemington residents would be advised to learn about the project because it has the potential to affect our community greatly.

The impacts on Flemington include:
- construction and excavation vehicles in the area, potentially for 5 years
- increased traffic in the inner west eg 20 - 30% increase in traffic on Farnham and Mooltan Streets
- four new flyover tollroads in Royal Park, Debney's Park, Parkville and near Travancore
- removing the new playground at Debney's Park
- taking over Ross Straw Field permanently with a tollroad
- removing the wetlands in Royal Park
- acquiring houses in Manningham St, Parkville
- a new four lane tollroad running next to the public housing buildings and across Debney’s park
- an off-ramp at Ormond Rd

You can find maps and more information at: www/linkingmelbourne.vic.gov.au

Rose Iser (parent) has a blog with useful information: www.eastwestlinkblog.com

The Flemington Association website has useful information: www.flemingtonassociation.org.au

Submissions on the project are due December 12th. These are not necessarily difficult, and can be brief. You can talk to Alex Swain or Rose Iser about making a submission, or contact the Flemington Association.
Expression Of Interest 2014

A reminder that the Expression Of Interest Forms were sent out last week. Please return your form for the 2014 instrumental music program is due by tomorrow Friday 22nd November. Please leave completed forms at the office or in Mr O’Hara’s pigeon hole. Spare forms are available at the office and the music corridor. The financial Assistance Scholarship form is also available at the office or music corridor. Please note that all students intending to learn an instrument at FPS next year need to return the ‘Expression Of Interest’ form, including students who are currently learning an instrument.

Phillip Smith was our official photographer at this year’s concert and has made available a number of photographs for parents to order. They are set up in a DropBox account for viewing. To access the DropBox account please email Philip directly at philip@photosmith.com.au

Phil will then share the link with you to view and select your photos. Orders can then be placed at the office for full colour, high quality professional photographs, of your children during the concert. You can also purchase the photos on CD or via email. Please see last page of this newsletter for order form.

Returning Library Books

Every year the school must stocktake the library shelves to ensure collection statistics are accurate. This process involves processing over 8,000 titles that are recorded on the Library catalogue. In addition, our school has over 6,000 other printed and digital resources on our BookMark database that must also be accounted for.

To assist with the Library stocktake could you please ensure that all Library Books are returned to school no later than Friday 29th November 2013. There may be school readers at home as well, if so now is a great time to have a quick look around and pop these in your child’s satchel.

The stocktake is our largest annual task and is dependent upon having all books back to the Library by the end of next week. Your assistance with this is very much appreciated.

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M 0418 231 686 E macbart@bigpond.com

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Hub News (FPS Parent’s Association)
Rochelle Carland (HUB President)
carlandr@bigpond.net.au - 0416 177 219

FPS Fete 2014 – Calling All Co-ordinators!

The FPS Fete will be held in March next year. Our Fete is held every second year and is a wonderful opportunity for our school community to get together and have fun as we raise money for the school.

We need lots of helpers to make this a really great event - and spread the workload! We will be calling for helpers for the day (for selling, supervising etc) closer to the Fete but, firstly, we need co-ordinators for the plants and soft-drink/icy pole stalls and the raffle. We also need someone to co-ordinate the ticket sales ‘booth’ for the rides on Fete day. If you’re interested in co-ordinating any one of these stalls, please contact me via email. (We’d especially like to hear from parents with children in junior school years…)

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Flemington Primary School has been invited to join in a FREE DEECD trial of Konnective. Konnective is a mobile app solution that will allow us to communicate with you, our parents, straight to your smartphone. We will be sending news, events, photos and more so that you can be even more connected with your children’s activities and events at the school.

Using the Konnective app, you can add events directly to your phone’s calendar, set reminders for things you need to do and receive important alerts (similar to a text message) as soon as they are released.

Via the app, we can send communication to specific grade levels, so you will receive information specific to your child’s grade as well as general news, events and updates that will go to everyone. This will extend and enhance our existing communications (eg. Newsletter, website).

We encourage you to be a part of this new school initiative and give us your feedback. Shortly you will be sent an invitation email from Konnective, which will provide you with instructions on how to download the app and register (it’s free), if you wish to do so. For those without a smartphone there is a web mobile version as well as a website version.

To access Konnective, please provide your email address and name to the school by email to the school email address; Flemington.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au even if you have already registered for the newsletter alert by email.

If you have already supplied your email address to the school but do not wish to be involved in this initiative please respond to Doria.erna.e@edumail.vic.gov.au

Welcome to our new communications portal.

Lesley McCarthy
Principal
Community News

myFamilyLaw is a free family law app where you can submit your family law query to a real family lawyer in your State in Australia.

Also find information about divorce, property settlement, parenting arrangements, child support, family violence and your financial future.

You can also use myFamilyLaw to find and connect with family law professionals, view inspiring motivational quotes and attend family activities listed in myFamilyLaw Events.

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Official launch Thursday 21 November @ 6pm
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Student Art & Design Exhibition
Art & design by Year 7-10 and Year 11 & 12
Exhibition dates: 21 – 27 November

Buckley Park College

ART EXHIBITION
2013

Opening Wednesday 27th November 6 - 8pm
Exhibition continues 28th to 30th November 10 - 3pm
Performing Arts Centre
Buckley Park College, Cooper St Essendon
SCHOOLS OF EXCELLENCE AND INCLUSION FORUM

The Victorian Labor Party is committed to having the best possible policy structures in place to ensure our children can have the best possible education, regardless of their intellectual or physical impairments.

In the lead up to next year’s state election, we plan to have a comprehensive education policy that will take into the people of Victoria. As part of our policy development, we are currently focusing on how schools can best provide and inclusive and excellent education in the same school.

The Victorian Labor Party’s education policy committee has organised a forum which will aim to address some of the issues involved in this area. The forum will also give you the opportunity to express your own views, ask questions and hear what others have to say on this important policy area.

Speakers at the forum will include:
- Tim Hanson (Research Theme Manager, University of Ballarat)
- Dr Jane Tracy (Director, Centre for Developmental Disability Health, Monash Medical Centre)
- Tony Richardson (Executive Director, Brotherhood of St Laurence)
- Anna Rigon (Principal, Northern School for Autism)

There will be an introduction by Marj Lewis, president of the committee, presentations by each of our four speakers, questions, discussion groups and a summary up by myself.

Date: Saturday 30th November 2013
Time: 1:30pm to 5:00pm
Location: Macleod College Theatre Hall (Enter by May Street, Macleod - Melways 20 B5)
RSVP: 28 November 2013 to Chris C

Parking is available in the Aberdeen Road shopping strip opposite the entrance.

If you would like to attend this forum, please RSVP by 28 November (for catering purposes) to Chris Curtis on email ascottvale@labour.org.au. We look forward to seeing you there.

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