This week we had another celebratory Assembly recognising the achievements of many of our students. Congratulations to Ana and Julia in Grade 1/2 who won prizes as part of the Moonee Valley Council Community Safety competition.

We are also very proud to congratulate the Under 11 girls relay team who competed in the Victorian Athletics championships at Albert Park on Tuesday evening. Amy F, Angelina L, Prue and Tamsin C competed in the semi finals where they came 2nd and then the finals at 5pm where they came 4th outright!. This places them as the 4th best team in the State! What a fantastic result for them. Thank you to Brendan and his dad, Louise F and Julie L for their assistance.

In recent weeks, I have been advised of incidents which have occurred at and near the corner of Mount Alexander Rd & Kent Street and at the Kent St Market, where FPS students have been behaving badly. This brings the school into disrepute as our students are easily identifiable by their uniform. Fortunately in each case parents have witnessed the events and have been able to intervene and report the incidents to me.

As a result I have invited the Community Engagement officer from Victoria Police, Del King, to assist us with some discussions with students in 5/6. These sessions focus on making appropriate choices, the positive and negative consequences of their choices; being a bystander or accomplice; and linking back to the CARE Program and values. Parents are encouraged to reinforce the strategy Stop! Think - Do. See page 3 for more explanation.

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 select your photos. Orders can then be placed at the office for full colour, high quality professional photographs of your children during the concert. Example below.

Congratulations to all on the fantastic costumes worn for Dress Up Day today. This has enabled a large donation to the Lost Dogs Home on behalf of SRC and our school.

Parents are reminded that there is no school on Tuesday.
## Pupil of the Week

**Week beginning 14 October 2013**

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<td>For confidently presenting at Prep assembly.</td>
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<td>Aidan S.</td>
<td>For his persistence and enthusiasm with his reading.</td>
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<td>Chris J.</td>
<td>For his fantastic writing in information reports. Great work!</td>
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<td>PMC</td>
<td>Abdullahi H.</td>
<td>For sharing his maths thinking about Place Value with the class. Well done!</td>
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<td>1L</td>
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<td>For persisting with his handwriting and ensuring he uses the correct Upper and Lower case letters. Well done!</td>
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<td>Jason T.</td>
<td>For his persistence with his writing.</td>
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<td>Hamda D.</td>
<td>For settling into FPS and getting along with others.</td>
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<td>2I</td>
<td>Ana M. Dejan G.</td>
<td>For working well as a team during Guided Reading.</td>
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<td>Angus C.</td>
<td>For his continued effort in reading this year.</td>
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<td>Jack S.</td>
<td>For persisting with his reading activities all week.</td>
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<td>Rose P.</td>
<td>For remaining open to continuous learning and keeping a positive attitude during maths lessons.</td>
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<td>34J</td>
<td>Luca S.</td>
<td>For responding with wonderment and awe and remaining open to continuous learning in our Fraction Making lesson. Well done!</td>
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<td>34L</td>
<td>Ferguson L.</td>
<td>For his amazing focus and continued effort.</td>
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<td>Abdirahman H.</td>
<td>For becoming an enthusiastic reader of fiction. Yeah!</td>
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<td>Sam A.</td>
<td>For working well in all areas of school work.</td>
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<td>56C</td>
<td>Marwa A.</td>
<td>For taking responsible risks and confidently sharing her strategies in maths classes.</td>
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<td>Zac Z.</td>
<td>For thinking and communicating</td>
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<td>Jay T.</td>
<td>For his generally helpful and positive manner in every science class.</td>
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<td>Luca A.</td>
<td>For responding with wonderment an awe as he enthusiastically participates in all learning activities.</td>
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## Office News

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

### 2014 Preparations

We are currently finalising teacher placements and class structures for next year. Any families not intending to return to Flemington PS next year are requested to advise Mrs McCarthy in writing as soon as possible. Any families who are intending to travel overseas and not be back at school for February census must advise the Principal in writing before they leave with an estimated return date otherwise a continuing enrolment cannot be guaranteed.

### 2014 Essential Education Expense/Book Pack Form

These forms went home earlier this week. Parents, all book pack order forms need to be returned to the office by **Friday 15th November**. Please note, your 2014 Essential Education Expense & Excursion levy can be paid on the 1st day of school in 2014, but book packs and Grade 6 jumpers and polos **MUST** be paid for this year, however it would be preferable that all Expenses, Book packs and Levies be paid this year.

### 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 due back on **Friday 15th November**. You must also bring your healthcare card to the office as a copy needs to be taken.
Assistant Principal’s Report
Sandra McOrist

Hats

PLEASE ensure that your child’s name is clearly labelled on their hat that way if left somewhere they can easily be returned.

STOP! Think - Do

STOP look and listen first
• develop self-control, perceptual and communication skills, which help to control emotions and use their eyes and ears to clarify problems and feelings.

THINK about options and consequences
• develop cognitive problem solving skills, teach students how to use their brains to find answers to their problems, and to evaluate likely consequences.

Choose the best option to DO
• learn decision-making and behavioural skills and how to get their body into shape to send the right signals to others.

Through practicing to stop, think and do over and over again in their social interactions, children develop self-discipline, self-control, self-esteem, self-confidence, maturity, respect, empathy, independence and responsibility. The motivation for using these skills in their real life is developed through the program lessons, and from positive feedback from others.

State Athletics Relay Finals

On Monday 28th October four students competed in the Victorian 4x100m relay finals; Tamsin C, Angelina L, Prue C and Amy F. The event was held at Lakeside Stadium in Albert Park. It was a daunting day as all of the best athletes in the state had gathered together for a long day. The girl’s heat was at midday and they had to wait in a ‘holding pen’ for 30 mins before the race begun. The athletes were then escorted out to the track and Flemington PS was lead to lane two. It was a highly competitive race and the girls easily ran their way to second place. This qualified them for the final at 5.30pm. Our girls waited patiently for the final and got ready for the same procedure, heading to the holding pen and waiting nervously for the race. This time Flemington PS was in lane 3. It was an exciting race and this time the girls came in 4th. This is an amazing achievement to be the fourth fastest relay team in Victoria. This is a testament to how much work the girls put in on a daily basis in their training. I know all of Flemington PS and their parents are extremely proud of them. They should also be very proud of themselves.

RACV Energy Breakthrough: Recumbent trike

Please note that our Recumbent Trike team will continue their riding training each morning and afternoon on the running track. Families are advised to take extra care whilst dropping off and picking up their children and avoid using the running track at all costs. Thank you for your assistance.

Fiona Themann
**Enviro Team**

On Friday 25th of October, several students from grades 3-6 came to Chloe’s room at lunchtime to partake in an environmental team. At the team, we got to brainstorm team names for our group. There were some really good ones like “The seedlings”. After thinking of names, we went outside to the playground and picked some of the harvestable Silver Beet. Then we re-planted some carrots and planted some of the plants the 5/6s had grown. The students in the Enviro team so far are Hao, Nasra, Mariam, Luca, Jorja, Naeema, Asha, Aisha, Paige and Isabella from 3/4J, Manass from 3/4D, Hugo I and Peter from 3/4M, Rachel and Amelia from 3/4L, Monique from 5/6T, Vinicius from 5/6M and Abdullahi from 5/6F. The Enviro team is a really great experience for each one of us and we would love to see more people join.

Monique I-S

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**Hub News (FPS Parent’s Association)**

Rochelle Carland (HUB President)
carlandr@bigpond.net.au - 0416 177 219

**FPS Fete 2014**

It’s always busy (but fun!) at the HUB and we’ve now turned our attention to the school Fete which will be held on Saturday 29th March next year. We need lots of helpers to make this a really great event - and spread the workload! We need co-ordinators for the food, craft, lollies/snow cones, hairspray/tattoos stalls as well as the raffle and silent auction. If you are interested in co-ordinating any one of these stalls, please contact me via email.

**Monday, Wednesday & Friday Fun Treats**

Icy poles will be available for $1 from the Canteen every Monday, Wednesday and Friday after school.

Annette Williams (mum of Imogen in Gr 1) 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.

**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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Ride To School
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COULD YOU DONATE 1 HOUR A WEEK?

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Council has approved plans for traffic management works in Flemington Hill that should improve things for walking and cycling. They propose a series of “left in - left out” intersection treatments that should reduce the amount of rat running and through traffic on the local streets.

We’ve asked for improvements to our walking routes along Kent St and Wellington St.

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ROTOR DISTRICT 9800 GROUP STUDY EXCHANGE

Applications are now being sought from potential team members 2013-201

An International Exchange Program for Young Professionals
Sponsored by the Rotary Foundation of Rotary International

GSE to District 1860 Mannheim Germany

- Business and professional men and women
- Aged 25 -40 in the initial years of their professional life
- Four weeks in the host country
- Study the host country’s institutions and way of life
- Observe their own vocations as practised abroad
- Develop personal and professional relationships
- Exchange ideas

Nominations close Tuesday 12th November 2013

Contact: GSE Chair Ken Vazquez
(m) 0417 012 117 (e) wwooks@ipg.com.au

Frog Census Launch 2013
Saturday 9th November, Melbourne Museum, Carlton.

Spring is the time for many frogs to get vocal, and it’s also the time for celebrating the efforts of everyone involved in the Melbourne Water Frog Census!

Join us for a free event in the iconic Treasury Room at Melbourne Museum for morning tea, waterwatch activities and presentations by some of the leading researchers of frogs in Melbourne.

If you’re a parent, volunteer, or just interested in finding out more about the Frog Census come along and get involved in frog conservation!

Where: 10/11am - 12:00pm, Saturday 9th of November.
Registration essential.

Admission to the Museum for the morning; participation in the activities and morning tea are free, but it is essential to RSVP by Monday 28th October to 1300 000 528 or to Richard Akers, ph: 0469 724 375.

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