Principal's Report  
*Lesley McCarthy*

This week has seen students involved in some excellent and engaging activities as we celebrate and focus on National Literacy and Numeracy Week. It is an opportunity to emphasise the importance of these two areas of curriculum and the importance they hold in our everyday lives. Thank you to Zoe Lewis and Mollie McMahon for their efforts in organising activities for the classes this week.

On Friday, all students are invited to dress up and come to school as their favourite book character. If possible, they are asked to bring along the book as well, and share the enjoyment.

Grade 3/6 students will be treated to a special performance by the NL&NW Numeracy Ambassador, Simon Pamplena.  

All parents and students are reminded that children should be at their classroom door or line up area when the 9.00am bell rings! Not still walking across the oval, being dropped off by car or kicking a ball on the oval!

As we wind down to the end of Term three, I urge all parents to continue to focus on getting children to school on time. I was quite disturbed to see the large number of children walking across the oval last Monday after the 9.00 bell had rung and while the orchestra was playing the National Anthem in the hall. We still do not have any grade with all students present at 9.00am. This fortnight’s tally is:

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*Park Safely in our Neighbouring Streets and Walk to School ~ it only takes 5 minutes and it's good for you!*
**CARE STUDENT OF THE WEEK**
*Week beginning 25 August 2014*

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<td>For demonstrating leadership skills in class. Well done Aidan!</td>
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<td>Cashmere 2</td>
<td>Antonio C.</td>
<td>For co-operating with his small group and excellent contributions during CARE.</td>
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<td>Mooltan 1</td>
<td>Caoimhin C.</td>
<td>For remaining open to continuous learning when analysing the facial expressions of others.</td>
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<td>For demonstrating courage and resilience in CARE. Well done Kawsar!</td>
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<td>Cashmere 6</td>
<td>Tilly D.</td>
<td>For participating enthusiastically in her group when thinking about her emotions.</td>
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<td>Delhi 1</td>
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<td>For demonstrating strong communication &amp; co-operation skills during CARE activities.</td>
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<td>Delhi 2</td>
<td>Kevin T.</td>
<td>For always being willing to have a go and co-operate with his peers.</td>
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<td>Delhi 3</td>
<td>Nasreen H.</td>
<td>For being an excellent role model in her contributions and co-operation. Well done!</td>
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<td>Delhi 4</td>
<td>Suliman S.</td>
<td>For always being a positive and co-operative CARE member.</td>
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<td>Delhi 5</td>
<td>Thomas F.</td>
<td>For his attentiveness and assistance with the Prep students during CARE.</td>
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**Office News**
*Office Hours, 8.30am – 4.00pm Monday to Friday*

**Mid Year Music Concert DVD**

Peter Hormann (father of T. Hormann - 15) videoed the mid year music concert and has offered to make copies to sell to interested parents for $10.00 each. All raised proceeds from the sale of the DVDs will go towards the school's music programme. A preview of the DVD can be seen at the administration office. If you are interested in purchasing one or more copies of the DVD, please complete the order form and return it with $10.00 per DVD to Vern by Friday August 29th latest. Forms are available outside the office.

**Last chance to support our magazine!**

Everyone's excited about the school magazine, but it cannot be published without the funds to do so! Here's a chance for parents to get involved, and promote your business at the same time as helping our school magazine. Please consider donating $100 and get your business' card or logo published in the magazine! We only need four more sponsors, so don't miss the special offer!

Icypoles and popcorn will be on sale after school on Friday at the canteen to raise money for the school magazine. $1 for each.

**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 McOist

Crossing the Road
I would just like to remind everyone the importance of crossing the road safely. This generally means that bikes and scooters are walked across the road and children walking do so responsibly. Over the last number of weeks this has not been happening and therefore the crossing supervisor, parents and teachers have become increasingly concerned. Could all parents remind their children the correct way to cross the road.

School Council News
Peter Pickering

Cricket nets:
I am sorry to inform the School that, despite the repeated votes of the SRC and the interest expressed by students even taking up a petition to get them, the cricket nets have not been approved by School Council. We had previously announced to the School that some of the fete money would be spent on cricket nets for the oval, along with a new pump and air conditioning for the classrooms, however concern was expressed as to whether this was the best use of the available money and the motion for nets was lost, with a majority of teachers and parents voting against.

A letter from a parent was tabled expressing concern at the changed focus from participation to fundraising with the School Readathon and Jump Rope for Heart day. These activities were previously covered by the Premiers’ Reading Challenge and Jump Rope for Heart as an activity.

This concern was discussed and it was emphasised that while fundraising was a component, participation was still the main aim. The change from PRC to Readathon was for 2 reasons: older students were reluctant to continue the PRC and funds were needed for new reading materials for students in class. Jump Rope for Heart is a fundraising activity for the Heart Foundation on alternate years. Also, the prizes are part of the promotions and not decided on by us.
CURRICULUM NEWS
Preparing today’s students for tomorrow
Today we are teaching differently to the way you were taught in order to prepare students for tomorrow’s world. Education needs to be different and dynamic to meet the new and exciting challenges of a fast-changing world. Many of the jobs our children will be doing in the future haven’t even been invented yet.
As parents, I suspect you are interested in knowing even more about how we are preparing children for tomorrow. That is why I would like to draw your attention to a new campaign – ‘Preparing today’s students for tomorrow’.
The campaign features advertising and includes a link to updated content on the Department’s website.
While jobs featured in the campaign, such as underwater infrastructure planner, hover train designer and bio dome gardener may sound futuristic, there is a serious message behind them. Jobs are changing and many of our children will work in professions that don’t exist today.

Our school is doing a lot of work to help prepare our students for this future. We are running programs such as the 1:1 iPad program, the eSmart program, Challenge Based learning, teaching Mandarin Chinese as well as the many Science extension activities provided.
I encourage you to take a look at the new information designed with parents and students in mind. www.education.vic.gov.au/futureready

Future jobs in Victoria: Facts and Figures
Over the next five years, Victoria will need about 70,000 employees in construction, 108,000 in healthcare and social services, 72,500 in education and training and 64,000 employees in accommodation and food services.
The Department of Education and Early Childhood Development has created a range of industry snapshots designed to help students and their families find out more about career prospects in a range of fields.
There are 19 new career trends fact sheets that will give you an idea of future employment opportunities in Victoria.
You can find the fact sheets at: http://www.education.vic.gov.au/training/learners/courses/Pages/trends.aspx

We will be holding a School Read-A-Thon during National Literacy and Numeracy Week between 25th and 29th August as a major fundraising event this year.
The School Read-A-Thon is a stimulating, fun and literacy based fundraiser that ensures we send the right message to our students about developing literacy skills and a love of reading. The main focus of this event is on participation. Family support is most appreciated as we encourage all students to get involved.
Students wanting to track their progress, and use online fundraising, can do so by logging onto readathon.com.au/students and creating a Student Profile Page.
Thank you, good luck and happy fundraising!
Zoe Lewis - Literacy Coordinator

FRIDAY 29TH AUGUST
COME DRESSED AS YOUR FAVOURITE BOOK CHARACTER!!

Students are invited to come to school dressed as their favorite book character and share their favorite book with their class. Students are encouraged to bring the book they are dressed up as so they can complete activities. Here are some ideas...
This Father’s Day, help give Dads the best present ever – time with their kids! The Victorian WorkCover Authority (VWA) is drawing on the traditions of Father’s Day to celebrate fathers, families and the reasons for being safe at work. The VWA is running a competition to encourage children to tell us what they would do on their Dream Day with Dad – by uploading a drawing, painting, photo, story or poem to: http://www.dreamdaywithdad.com.au/

We encourage teachers to introduce this competition to the classroom and send the artwork entry, along with a copy of the attached flyer, home with the children for parental approval and submission. Please promote the competition via your channels - school newsletters, bulletins and announcements. The winning entry will receive a Dream Day with Dad to the value of $1,000. The dream day could be anything – a trip to the footy, visiting the aquarium or enjoying the rides at Luna Park. Entries will be judged based on creativity and imagination.

For more information on the VWA Father’s Day competition, and to download the promotional poster and flyer, visit: http://www.dreamdaywithdad.com.au/

Fathers Day Stall – Thursday 4th September

With Father’s Day just around the corner, our Father’s Day Stall is fast approaching and will be held on Thursday 4th September in the hall foyer. This is always a popular event where kids can purchase a great gift (ranging from $2 to $10) for Dad during school hours with their class. A notice with more detailed information will be sent home prior to the date.

Volunteers are welcome to assist in making gifts such as baked goods and sweet things (biscuits, slices, small cakes, fudge, brownies, rocky road, etc. always sell well!) and in setting up and selling on the day. Please contact Lara Widdop on laradw@hotmail.com for more information or to offer your assistance.

Last term The Hub held a Mother’s Day stall. The Hub raised lots of money and asked the SRC’s to choose where $600 of the profits would go. The SRC’s have chosen The National Breast Cancer Foundation to donate the money.

All funds donated to the NBCF will be used to:
- Get better therapies
- Create a greater understanding of possible ways to stop the spread of breast cancer
- Improve quality of life for patients and their families

Thank you to the Hub for all their hard work!

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**Community News**

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**29th September - 2nd October, 2014**

**VICTORIA UNIVERSITY FITNESS AND AQUATIC CENTRE FOOTSCRAY**

**PROGRAMS INCLUDE:**
- Multi-Sport Junior, Multi-Sport Intermediate & Multi-Sport Senior
- Ages 6-15 welcome

[www.staff.vu.edu.au/sports camps](http://www.staff.vu.edu.au/sports camps)

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**DAN DONNELLY TENNIS COACHING PROGRAMS**

Royal Park T.C. (cnr Park St & The Avenue, Parkville/Brunswick)

**SCHOOL HOLIDAY TENNIS CLINIC**

Sept. 29 - Oct. 3

Mon - Friday (2nd week of school holidays)

Dear Parents, the third school term finishes Friday Sept. 19. There is a tennis clinic in the 2nd week of the school holidays. Book early to reserve your child's place. Please note, no fees are payable until Monday September 29.

This tennis clinic is designed to be fun, physical holiday activity suitable for all ages and playing standards.

- Format: 9am - 12:30pm (Monday - Friday) $230
- There is also a Monday - Thursday 4 day option available $190
- 8:30 am drop-off available. All enquiries call 0408 991 700.

**TENNIS FOR 4TH TERM**

**Pee Wee Tennis Free Trial Lesson** (5 - 7 year olds)

- Thursday October 9 at 4:20pm & 4:30pm
- Saturday October 11 at 9:30am & 10am
- Monday October 13 at 4pm

Racquets supplied

Junior Coaching available Monday to Friday after school & Saturday morning

All enquiries/bookings call 0408 991 700.

Regards
Dan Donnelly, Club Coach Royal Park T.C.
[www.dandonnelytennis.com](http://www.dandonnelytennis.com)

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**WEST COBURG REDBACKS PLAYERS WANTED**

The West Coburg Redbacks Softball Club is calling for players to add to our ranks. This year we are fielding the following teams:

- Mixed Under 13s
- Mixed Under 16s
- Mixed Under 19s
- Open Women's

Our club provides a great opportunity for friends and families to play and be involved in a fantastic team sport. So if you are looking to:
- make some great new friends,
- play a sport with your current group of friends,
- play a sport with your brother or sister, or for that matter,
- if you are a Mum and are sick of being just the taxi driver, why don’t you take to the field with your teenage daughter and have some fun.

Come and visit us at our come and try day.

**Time:** 10:00am followed by a BBQ lunch

**Where:** Morris Reserve (see map below)

**What to bring:** sporting attire and runners, your softball gear if you have some, otherwise just a smile

The club coach and all team coaches will be present on the day

**Sunday 14th September 2014**

Morris Reserve, Pascoe Vale South

Training at Morris Reserve, Pascoe Vale, Thursday nights from 6:30pm starting 25th September. Contact Club President, Melina Trudel on 0407 589 878 or Coach, Joanne White on 0437 049 983

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**An afternoon with Andy Griffiths**

Moonee Valley Libraries presents the fabulous Andy Griffiths.

Andy will be talking about his new book The $52-Storey Treehouse. Books will be for sale and Andy will be signing copies.

Andy has written over 25 books including The day my bum went psycho, The bad book, and the much loved Jatf series.

Be entertained and inspired by this great author.

**Saturday 30 August, 2pm**

The Clocktower Centre
750 Mount Alexander Road, Moonee Ponds
FREE but bookings essential. For more information, call 8325 1900

Online bookings: mooneevalleylibraries.eventbrite.com.au