I was delighted to return to school today and be greeted so warmly by students. While I had a fabulous holiday, I did miss the children and staff. My sincere thanks to Sandra McOrist, Bruce Ziebell, Sarah Nightingale, Warwick Knight and the Admin team who managed the school so well in my absence.

I have included some photos and a short story in this edition for your enjoyment.

I was very pleased to hear the fantastic response to this year’s Art Show, featuring the ceramics works produced by students and staff. Dr Hugh Collins, one of the CASS Foundation Directors visited the following day, driving specially up from Geelong to see the exhibits. He had been unable to attend the previous evening, but was absolutely blown away by the calibre of the work. His congratulatory letter expresses his admiration for Karen Leopold and Fiona Hiscock for their personal skills, but also for their encouragement and teaching with our students. My sincere congratulations to Karen, Fiona and all students and teachers for their outstanding work.

Congratulations to Bec Scott, mother of Will in 2N who has been announced as the winner of the 2016 Victorian Local Hero for all of her hard work helping homeless people through STREAT cafes. Bec will now be in the running as Australia's Local Hero in the Australian of the Year Awards which will be announced in January.

Tomorrow is World Teachers Day! Thank you to all our teachers for the outstanding work they do with our children. The dedication, care and compassion, efforts they go to for every child, not just in an educational sense, but for every child’s physical, social, emotional and wellbeing is commendable.

A reminder that Monday is a Pupil Free Day and Tuesday is a Public Holiday. I wish all our families an enjoyable and relaxing long weekend.
**Student of the Week**

*Week beginning 26 October 2015*

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<td>Bonnie S</td>
<td>Working so hard to improve her writing. Keep up the great work!</td>
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<td>Aarya S</td>
<td>Showing great listening and asking questions during Maths.</td>
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<td>Miles G</td>
<td>Trying his best to listen to the teacher and to others when they are sharing ideas. Miles has had a great start to term 4. Well done!</td>
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<td>1G</td>
<td>Adam L-G</td>
<td>Assisting his fellow class members with the features of the app 'Movie' during ICT.</td>
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<td>Evie C</td>
<td>Working well during writing sessions to create an interesting and well punctuated narrative. Well done.</td>
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<td>1R</td>
<td>Adelle M</td>
<td>Extending her writing through the use of adjectives, adverbs and alliteration.</td>
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<td>1Y</td>
<td>Anoushka B</td>
<td>Being an inference detective in reading by finding the clues in the story and solving the mystery!</td>
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<td>Chris J</td>
<td>Sharing his prior knowledge with others during our ICT lesson</td>
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<td>Will B-S</td>
<td>Giving insightful comments about the author's craft when discussing 'Looking for Bigfoot' with his group.</td>
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<td>Zac N</td>
<td>Producing his best possible work and writing neatly on the lines. Well Done!</td>
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<td>Alana C</td>
<td>Being kind, caring and gentle with the children on our visit to Ascot Kindergarten.</td>
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<td>Omar I</td>
<td>Helping a kinder buddy to complete a good friend/not a good friend card sort. Omar displayed kindness and leadership when working with him. Awesome work, Omar!</td>
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<td>Latisha V</td>
<td>Using whole body listening during whole class discussions</td>
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<td>4M</td>
<td>Asher N-G</td>
<td>Finishing the year with strong commitment to his homework tasks and dedication to learning. Your increased effort is really paying off!</td>
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<td>4V</td>
<td>Bailey N</td>
<td>Always willing to lend a helping hand to his classmates.</td>
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<td>5C</td>
<td>Cristian F</td>
<td>Bringing confidence, a positive attitude, and a desire to improve to his learning. Well done on sharing with volume and expression this week Cristian and keep up the amazing work!!</td>
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<td>Jorja M</td>
<td>Working extremely hard on her group's Solar Boat and competing at Nationals. What an amazing achievement!</td>
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<td>Leo Z</td>
<td>Completing his home learning tasks on time and with great detail.</td>
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<td>Alicia B</td>
<td>Being prepared for each lesson. Well done for confidently sharing your poem and settling into FPS.</td>
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**Office News**

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

### 2016 Expenses, Fees, Levies and Bookpacks

These forms went home earlier this week. We have kept any increases to a minimum and any that were applied were outside our control due to drop in Australian Dollar.

Parents, all forms need to be returned to the office by **Friday 20th November 2015**. It is preferable that all Expenses are paid in full by the November due date. Please note, your 2016 Essential Education Expenses and Excursion Levy must be paid no later than the first day of school in 2016, but all book packs, grade 6 jumpers and polos **MUST** be paid for by 20th November.

*All families with eligible Health Care Cards will receive a School Start Bonus of $215 per child in January, which may assist with your 2016 levies.*

### SEEKING A UNIFORM SHOP VOLUNTEER

Our current volunteer parent Jutta will be leaving our school after many years of service. As such, a vacancy exists to help in our uniform shop. You would need to volunteer around 2 hours per week over a morning and an afternoon on 2 different days.

Currently, the shop is open Monday afternoon and Friday morning but we are flexible with days. Duties include helping with uniform fittings, filling orders, collecting money and advising the office when stock needs ordering. In appreciation for your time and service, some expenses are waived for one child. If you are interested in finding out more about this position please see the office staff or feel free to meet with Jutta when the uniform shop is open. A Working With Children Check is mandatory.

*The Office Staff*

### OSCC 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

Solar Boat Challenge

On Sunday the 26th October Jemima, Manasa and I went to Adelaide to compete in the Nationals for Solar Boat. There were Advanced Solar Boat competitions and then the Junior Solar Boat competitions. We had a lot of fun and came 10th out of Australia. There were a lot of schools competing. I think we all did a great job at making the boat.

Jorja

Curriculum News

eLearning and iPad showcase

Parents are also invited to an eLearning and iPad showcase (information evening) on Monday 9th November.

The aim of this night is to provide an opportunity for parents of students currently in grades 2, 3 & 4 to view how students use eLearning across the curriculum and to showcase our students work.

The showcase is scheduled to run from 6.00pm and 7.30pm.

The general idea is that parents will move from desk to desk where two or three students will explain how they use one aspect of eLearning to parents. There will be one desk to answer any parent’s general questions and one group of students will address digital citizenship. Students will cover different aspects of language (reading, spelling etc.), maths and deep learning. Music, Robotics, Chinese and game making will also be covered.

WORLD TEACHERS DAY

“Everyone who remembers his own education remembers teachers, not methods and techniques. The teacher is the heart of the educational system.”

Sidney Hook

It is recognized that teachers are not only a means to implementing education goals; they are the key to sustainability and national capacity in achieving learning and creating societies based on knowledge, values and ethics. However, they continue to face challenges brought about by staff shortages, poor training and low status.

World Teachers’ Day is celebrated in Australia on the last Friday of October each year and is a chance to support our teachers and the crucial work they do. This day acknowledges the valuable role that teachers play in lives of students of all ages.

Great teaching takes place all across Victoria, and some of the state’s best teachers will be honoured at the Victorian Education Excellence Awards and the NEITA Awards to be announced tomorrow. Flemington PS have several teachers who have been nominated and short listed for these awards. My thanks to the parents who took the time to acknowledge and nominate one of our outstanding teachers.
Lesley’s American adventures

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Red Canyon near Zion National Park

The Natural Bridge at Bryce Canyon National Park
**Flemington RACV Ride-a-thon Event**

**Date:** Thursday 29th October  
**Where:** Riding Track and Courtyard

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| 1:20 - 2:30 | **Special BBQ**  
Whole school BBQ & Juice box – cooked by our parents $2 per sausage, $1 juice box – Halal available! |
| 2:30 - 3:30 | **Our Sponsored Ride (RACV team) – Part 1**  
You can support our riders by sponsoring their ride-a-thon  
20c per lap (200m track for up to 30 mins) or any donations gladly accepted! |
| 3:30 - 4:30 | **Grade 3-6 & Parents ride**  
$1 for 3 laps or $2 for 7 laps (1 x small trike & 2 x large trikes)  
**Icy poles**  
Available at the canteen for $1  
**Name the Teams!**  
Your chance to name our two official teams 50c per suggestion – Will be voted on by the teams.  
**Sponge Throw**  
Choose a RACV team member to throw at.  
$1 for 5 throws (@a team member), $5 for 3 throws (@Dave, Fiona or Warwick!)  
**Business sponsor stickers**  
If your business would like to have their logo / details on our trike then speak to one of our teachers about how your donation could help our team. |
| 4:30 - 8:00 | **Our Sponsored Ride (RACV team) – Part 2**  
You can support our riders by sponsoring their ride-a-thon  
20c per lap (200m track for up to 30 mins) or any donations gladly accepted!  
How far can they go??? |

**Support the team while you pick up your children**
Hello and welcome to another week of Hub news.

**Christmas Cake Bakers Needed!**
You know Christmas is on its way when the smell of Christmas Cakes is wafting from our ovens and out into the community! Yes, it’s that time of year to get the Christmas juices flowing…. and the cakes ready for our annual Christmas Cake fundraiser.

This fundraiser involves:
1. Baking the cake with pre-packaged ingredients and instructions (you will only need to provide a few basic ingredients)
2. Delivering the freshly baked cakes to the office by 4th December
3. The cakes get wrapped and delivered to families who have pre-ordered
4. Any leftover cakes from pre-orders then get sold at the Flemington Farmers Market along with other Christmas food at our FPS Christmas Stall (more on that later).

So, firstly, we need volunteers to bake the cakes. It will not matter whether you are an expert baker or not - these cakes are super easy to make! If you are able to assist with baking, please contact Carrie Bloomfield on Carrie.Bloomfield@Quintiles.com and advise how many cakes you are able to make. Please advise of your name, phone number and address. Ingredients will be available at the end of October and will be due back on 4th December.

**Friday Canteen – Icy Poles and Pop Corn**
As the weather is now getting warmer we will be selling icy poles and pop corn on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays straight after school for the rest of this term.

If you are able to help out with selling these (about a 20 minute time commitment) please contact Annette Williams (annette_andrew@hotmail.com).

**Hub Meeting next Tuesday 17 November**
The next Hub meeting is on Tuesday 17 November in the FPS Staff Room 7.30pm sharp.
All Welcome, even if you are not an official member.

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**FPS Bicycle Recycle – Help Please!**

Dear parents, your help to fix bikes tomorrow / Friday (30-Oct) morning 8.30am to 9.30am or afternoon 3.30pm+ will be greatly appreciated. There’s no need for any specific skills, just a willingness to give things a go and get your hands a little dirty. Kids keen to learn some bike fixing skills are also welcomed.

Last week we had the pleasure of a special guest Kyle Wegenschutz from Memphis (USA); the keynote speaker from the recent Bike Futures Conference in Melbourne (read Bart Sbeghen’s article). With Kyle and Bart’s help we fixed and gave away another 5 bikes.

Nonetheless more help is always needed and we still have demand for BMX (20-inch wheels) style bikes for boys in grades 1 to 3. Do you, your neighbours, friends or family have such bicycles needing a new home? If so, please consider donating them to the school. The bikes will be repaired and given to those in need within the school community. Bikes in excess to our requirements will be fixed and given to the Redcross’ Wheel Power for Refugees program. Anything that can’t be repaired will be salvage for spare parts (tyres, saddles, pedals, grips etc).

If you would like a bike, or know someone who needs a bike, please contact me by email, the phone number below or visit the FPS Bike Hospital on Fridays. Trade-ins of smaller bikes for larger bikes and temporary bike loans are possible. Financial donations are also gratefully accepted.

Peter Hormann - mob: 0408 773 837, email: peter.hormann@bigpond.com
Flemagain!  

Order your copy by November 9th!

Flemazine 2015, our FPS yearbook, is currently in production. It features:

• a page from every single class in the school
• a special grade 6 tribute
• teachers looking their best
• and more!

Last year’s magazine was a huge hit — a copy can be viewed at the office. Flemazine is collated and edited by a group of grade 5 and 6 students, parents and teachers.

You need to order and pay by November 9th if you would like a copy of this year’s super mag.

Name: ................................
Grade: ..............................
Number of copies: .............. @ $10 each
Payment total: ......................
Please enclose payment & submit at the office by 9 November

Queries: Rose Iser  roseiser@gmail.com
NEVER LEAVE CHILDREN UNATTENDED IN A CAR

The thought of running a quick errand and leaving the children in the car for a minute can be tempting for a parent or carer. Leaving children unattended in a car on any day is dangerous, let alone a hot summer’s day. It could result in serious injury or death. In some states it is against the law to leave children unattended in a car. Check the motoring authority in your state or territory for the relevant laws and regulations.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

On a typical Australian summer day, the temperature inside a parked car can be 20 degrees C to 30 degrees C hotter than the outside temperature. The temperature inside a car can reach dangerous levels quickly. 75% of the temperature rise occurs within the first 5 minutes of closing and leaving the car. Large cars heat up just as fast as smaller ones.

Leaving the windows down slightly has little effect on the inside car temperature. Tests conducted by RACQ have shown that when car windows are left open by 10cm, the inside temperature is only 5 degrees C cooler than with the windows closed.

Young children are more sensitive to heat than older children or adults as their body temperature rises 3 to 5 times faster. This puts them at greater risk of heatstroke and other health risks as their body temperature reaches dangerous levels much sooner.

HOT CARS SAFETY TIPS

- If you have to leave the car, even to run a quick errand - take the children with you.
- Never use the car as a substitute ‘babysitter’.
- Never leave children in a car without adult supervision for any length of time, not even a minute.
- Lock cars and secure keys when at home to prevent children playing inside the car.
- Make ‘look before you leave’ a routine whenever you get out of the car.
- When a child is missing, in addition to checking backyard pools and any other bodies of water, be sure to check inside the car and the boot of any nearby vehicles.
- Never leave valuables in the car, including your kids!

SUMMER HOLIDAY TRAVELLING

- Provide plenty of cool water and fluids throughout the journey.
- Dress kids in lightweight and easy fit clothing.
- When planning a long journey, consider travelling in the cooler hours of the day.
- Plan to stop every 2 hours so all passengers can have a rest from travelling.
- If you need to protect babies or young children from sun through the car windows, use a visor or sunshade on the vehicle glass.
- On every trip, check the fit of your child’s harness, child restraint tether straps and secure seatbelts to ensure they are correctly latched and firmly adjusted.

WHAT CAN YOU DO IF YOU SEE A CHILD ALONE IN A CAR?

- If you notice that a child has been left unattended in a vehicle call 000 and ask for the Fire Brigade.
- Give your location, the vehicle registration number, the approximate age of the child and the condition of the child.
- If the car is unlocked, open the doors and shake windows with a blanket etc. and wait for emergency services - or - safely try to remove the child from the vehicle if you are concerned about the child’s condition and every second counts!

For further information please visit Kidsafe Victoria at: www.kidsafevic.com.au.

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Community News

**Wieniawski**
Violin Concerto No.2

**Tchaikovsky**
Symphony No.5

**Mendelssohn**
Overture - “A Midsummer Night’s Dream”

Mi Yang, violin
Joannes Roose, director

*28 November 2015, 8:00 pm*

James Tatoulis Auditorium
Methodist Ladies’ College, 207 Barkers Rd, Kew

Adult $30, Students (<25yrs) $15, 16 years and under Free
For subscription and discount online booking prices visit: www.melbournesinfonia.org.au

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**St Aloysius College**

**Trailblazing...Perfecting the Art of Learning**

We invite you to the College to meet with our Principal, tour the College and see first-hand what we can offer your daughter.

**October 29th @ 5.30pm to 6.30pm**

Reserve a place at this session by contacting our Community Development Manager on 9639 0411 or via midco@staloys.vic.edu.au

Welcoming enrolments for 2017