Principal’s Report
Lesley McCarthy

The next stage of the oval rectification project has started with a base layer of soil and sand laid. The new turf will be laid within the next few days and allowing for weather variations, will mean that we will have a beautiful new grassy playing field for Term 4.

As a parent commented to me recently, it is the first time she has seen a green oval here.

This week we are very pleased to welcome back Ms McOrist and Phil Cristofaro after their well deserved and very exciting and much enjoyed leave. We have also welcomed the Crook family, Prue, Tamsin back into grade 4 and Tania and Darren back from their 2 year stint at the International School in Sharjah. What an experience for them all. The girls were very keen to return and were greeted with squeals of delight from their classmates.

As part of his role as eLearning and ICT Coach, Phil Cristofaro commenced his work with the Year 4 students on Wednesday. Phil has a team of year 5/6 students exploring peer mentoring in iPads as one of the electives this term and under Phil’s leadership we are extending the digital learning with iPads to the year 4 students. This will be a great opportunity for them to begin their knowledge, skill and attitudinal change required for the one to one iPad program in grade 5/6.

Today the boys soccer team played the Western metropolitan Regional finals at Keilor Park. They were up against Al-Tarqua College from Werribee and St Mary’s Williamstown. The first match against St Mary’s they won convincingly, 6 to 0.

The second match against Al-Tarqua was much more difficult being against much bigger and stronger opponents, but the boys won 2 to 1. They played extremely well and had the support of lots of parents and family. Goal scorers for the day were David, Billy, Yahya and Jason.

They are now playing the Regional Grand Final. Congratulations!!!
Care Member of the Week
Week beginning 2 August 2012

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

Woolworths Earn and Learn Program
The program will start on Wednesday 9th May and has been extended until Sunday 26th August. 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. Enjoy collecting. **Total to date is 23,910 points. ALL COMPLETED STICKER FORMS MUST BE IN THE BOX BY FRIDAY 24TH AUGUST. NO LATE FORMS CAN BE ACCEPTED**

Coles 2012 Sports for Schools program. Vouchers are available in all Coles stores from 13 June to 26 August. A collection box will be located at the front of reception so please feel free to drop the vouchers in the box or give them to your children to hand into class. Enjoy collecting.

**Coles total to date is 26,836 points**

ALL VOUCHERS ARE TO BE RETURNED TO THE BOX BY FRIDAY 24TH AUGUST. NO LATE VOUCHERS CAN BE ACCEPTED

Double Vouchers
Our School ID is: 35996

As the official supermarket of the Australian Olympic team for the 2012 Olympic Games, we’re celebrating by giving you double vouchers until the 14th August.
Assistant Principal’s Corner
Sandra McOrist

It’s Working Bee time again!

WHOLE SCHOOL
SUNDAY 19th AUGUST  9.00-11:30

Coffee, tea and cordial provided.

We have no ground works happening except the oval, but we have lots of weeding and gardening that we need to do, with all the rain they are growing very fast. I have a range of other jobs including cleaning, sweeping, pruning, mulching etc.

If you are unable to make it no worries, but feel free to pull out any weeds when you are here!

Cheers

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SRC - FUNDRAISER

On Tuesday the 7th of August the SRC will be having a pyjama day. We will be raising money for the ACODO Orphanage. The ACODO Orphanage has been operating since 2008 and is located Siem Reap, Cambodia.

The orphanage is home to about 70 children. They provide the children with shelter, food, healthcare and an education.

The money raised will buy the children food, school uniforms, school supplies, books and much more.

So please wear your PJ’s and bring and cold coin to help us raise some money!

Curriculum News

What’s been happening in grade 1/2?

100 Days at School!

We have been doing so much in Grade 1/2 this term! On the 26th July we celebrated 100 days at school this year! Can you believe it has been 100 days? We couldn’t! To celebrate we spent the day completing ‘100 days at school’ activities this included: counting forwards and backwards to/from 100, playing a chance game by rolling a dice 100 times, making 100 glasses, writing about what we would be like when we are 100 years old, brainstorming 100 questions about the world, 100 places we would like to visit and 100 words we really like AND we drew portraits of what we think we would look like when we are 100 years old. We ended the day with a special lunch!

Flemington P.S Torch Relay

This term our inquiry unit has been the Olympics. We have been so excited learning new things about the athletes and the London games. Last Friday we learnt about the history of the Olympic torch and then we had to design our own torch. After that, some of the classes ran a torch relay around the school (and through classrooms!) It was great to see all the different types of torches people made. Thankfully no one got burnt!
Grade 3/4 and Grade 5/6 Camps

Costs have now been finalised for both camps and parents are encouraged to make regular payments to avoid a big lump sum at end of term. Payments from as little as $10 can be made at any time through the office using either the payment booklet or a cash envelope. Why not use some of the additional cash benefit paid to all families recently to assist with defraying these costs?

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Maths For Parents!

FAMPA is on again in 2012

In conjunction with the Mathematics Association of Victoria (MAV), Flemington Primary School is pleased to host a night of interactive maths activities for all (P-6) families and friends. This celebration, during National Literacy & Numeracy Week, will provide an insight into how your child learns at school, and importantly, how you can assist them with their maths at home. Stay tuned for further announcements regarding specific times and concepts to be explored.

Tuesday August 28th 2012.

(Please note that in order to accommodate our professional hosts from MAV, this date has been changed from Thursday, August 30th.) We hope to see you there!

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Term 3 Maths at Flemington Primary School

As we commence Term 3 it perhaps comes ever more clear that the key to success is a combination of many things. Life is 10% what happens to us and 90% how we react to it. The most important factor in the formula for success is therefore attitude. A good attitude towards schooling and education gets students a long way.

Rob Vingerhoets Information Night - Helping your child with the 4 operations

A parent information session will be held this term focusing on "Helping your child with the 4 operations".

Additionally, we will explore questions such as:

- How do children best learn mathematics?
- How can parents promote quality thinking and learning?
- How can I help my child in mathematics?

The presenter, Rob Vingerhoets, is an experienced and highly effective educator. He has written a number of best-selling maths resource books that teachers at Flemington Primary School use on a daily basis. Rob’s workshops are popular among staff at FPS. The maths committee invite parents to come along and join in this engaging and hands on parent information session to assist and support their children in Mathematics.

Date: Tuesday 11th September
Time: 6:30pm - 8:30pm
Venue: 5/6 Learning Neighbourhood Building

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Science Talent Search

Congratulations to the following students who have been selected to represent Flemington Primary School at the Science Teachers Association of Victoria’s Science Talent Search on Saturday 11th August*!

Angelina L  Raph B  Jack S  Katja C
Miranda G  William M  Daniel T  Ryan K
Sarah B  Riley M

These students will proudly present their posters explaining the water system at FPS and how water gets to the Western Treatment Plant, how we save water, and the science of water including the cycle.

We wish them all the very best.

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MOBILE MUSTER - HELP THE ENVIRONMENT & WIN!!!

The Grade 1/2’s inquiry unit this term is ‘How can we leave a smaller footprint on the planet?’ We thought what better way to help the planet, than to participate in Mobile Muster! Simply leave your old mobiles, chargers and accessories at the office or drop them off at 2S (Mrs Sheldon’s classroom). We will then send them off to be recycled into fence posts, saucepans, jewellery and lots of other useful products.

By participating in Mobile Muster, not only are we doing our bit for the environment by keeping mobiles out of landfill, we also have the chance to win great prizes. The school with the highest number of mobiles and chargers collected will win an environment/technology reward pack valued at $1500 each.

Our top collecting students could also win:

- MP3 players
- $20 Officeworks Vouchers
- Worm Farms
- Scholastic Vouchers
- Pencil Packs

Keep an eye on the display board outside the office to find out more information and to check our progress. So, ask your parents, neighbours and friends and get collecting.

Memory Maestros

Last term, forms were distributed to all students in Year 1 for participation in the University of Melbourne study into working memory in Year 1 children. This has been identified as an issue for children’s learning and the research seeks to identify the level of concern. Children will then have the opportunity of participating in a memory training program at school to improve their learning. Please return your forms asap. If you need assistance to complete the form, please contact the office.

The Bupa “Around the Bay Ride2School 100km” is a great opportunity to get together with your classmates and ride as a team in Australia's largest mass participation bike ride. From the buzz and excitement at the start in Alexandra Avenue to the exhilaration and sense of achievement you will feel at the finish line on Boathouse Drive, this ride will provide you with lifelong memories.

The Bupa Around the Bay Ride2School 100km is open to all students aged between 12-18 for the 100km Melbourne-Frankston-Melbourne ride option.

The entry fee is $65, this fee also extends to your teachers/supervisor who are required to ride with you.

There needs to be one riding teacher/supervisor for every 20 students. There is no minimum or maximum number of riders for your team.

Your parents are more than welcome to join you, however if they are not part of the official team then they will be asked to pay the full entry fee.

Contact Anna to enter your Ride2School 100km team today.
**SWIMMERS WANTED!**

North-West Aquatic is the premier swimming club in Moonee Valley, with over 350 swimmers competing from a junior level through to international standard. Based at the Windy Hill Fitness Centre in Essendon, the club is currently seeking new members to join our training program which includes both **Competitive Squads** (National, State & District Standard), and **Fitness Squads** (all ages & standards). If your child aspires to one day compete at an Olympic level, or if your child is currently training in a squad program but needs further stroke development or wishes to improve their fitness, please contact our Head Coach, Cam Nation, on 0402 004 820 or via email **squaddnwAquad.com**. Fitness Squads are also available for athletes that may be playing football/netball but wish to improve their strength & fitness. For further information please visit our squad program’s website (www.nwasquad.com), or our club’s website (www.northwestaquatic.com.au). Vacancies available in all levels for an immediate start.

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**What is the project aiming to do?**

This project is establishing a network of parents who can work collaboratively with school leaders to build student knowledge of technology skills and understanding of Asia and increase opportunities for them to be exposed to high-quality and sustainable learning programs.

Learning about Asia is an integral aspect for the personal, social and academic development of all young Australians. Australia’s engagement with Asia is crucial to our country’s prosperity in the new century and beyond.

Registrations for the second round of parent advocate training workshops are now open!

Workshops will be held in:

- **Sydney**: 2nd August, 2012 – Sydney Church of England Grammar School (Shore) North Sydney
- **Adelaide**: 10th August, 2012 – St John Bosco Primary School, Brooklyn Park
- **Melbourne**: 16th August, 2012 – Christian Brothers College, St. Kilda
- **Western Australia**: 3rd Sept., 2012 – Oberthur Primary School, Bull Creek
- **Brisbane**: 10th September, 2012 – Somerville House, South Brisbane

A webinar session will also be conducted the 5th and 12th September (will run over two consecutive weeks). These sessions will run from 7.30 p.m. – 9.00 p.m.

To register for any of the above workshops e-mail *pual@ausparents.edu.au* or contact Lee-Anne Laverack on 03 6344 8480.

For further information about this project [www.pual.org.au](http://www.pual.org.au)
Vision2Grow Brings you VISION ART

VISION ART is a positive art program for children aged 7 and up, helping them to explore who they are and what they enjoy in life.

The activities take place in a creative, friendly, and fun learning environment in which they feel confident to express themselves verbally and artistically and make discoveries, while building friendships with other kids. The art masterpieces they create will be priceless, as they are pieces for them to use to help them remain focused on their goals.

The program will be run in Term 3, on Thursdays after school in the Art Room and will run for 8 weeks, starting 26th July.

Time: 3:45 - 5:00
Cost: $85.00
Please call Senait (Marley’s mum) on 0477881275