As first term draws to a close, it is timely to celebrate all the wonderful activities and opportunities which students have experienced so far. My sincere thanks to all teachers, admin and support staff for their work, and to all parents for their ongoing contributions to school & community morale.

We had a fantastic response to **Ride To School day** last Friday with all but 47 children walking or riding to school. By 8.45, it was obvious we needed an additional bike/scooter storage location so the area in front of the stage was cordoned off. Well done everyone and thanks to Brendan and the School Leaders.

**Adam Bandt, Federal Member for Melbourne** attended Monday’s Assembly and presented me with a $250 donation towards the school Fete. He is unable to attend due to commitments in Canberra, but thought this would buy a lot of cupcakes. Adam then presented the Pupils of the Week with their certificates, before touring the new classroom building with School Leaders.

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**Principal’s Report**  
*Lesley McCarthy*

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IcyPoles will be on sale after the assembly

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Chinese School will not be held on Friday 30th March as students are dismissed early on the last day of term.

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School finishes at 2.30pm on Friday for last day of term.  
Assembly in the hall at 2.10pm.

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Elite swimming has been cancelled this week due to issues with the pool. We are working on a date for a make-up session in term 2.
## Pupil of the Week

### Week beginning 19 March 2012

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<td>For making great choices for her learning by sitting near the teacher and whole body listening. Great job!</td>
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<td>For always challenging herself and putting in 100% effort in everything she does. Magnificent!</td>
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<td>For sharing his Mathematical thinking with the class. Great work 😊</td>
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<td>Tom C.A</td>
<td>For showing great confidence in his reading and reading every night at home.</td>
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<td>Lainie A</td>
<td>For modelling great learning behaviours and patience when assisting her classmates.</td>
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<td>Maddy M</td>
<td>For her enthusiasm and persistence in completing all set tasks. Fantastic effort!</td>
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<td>For striving for accuracy when writing and presenting his persuasive writing work. Great work!</td>
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<td>Godhan S</td>
<td>For showing responsibility and maturity when helping his Prep buddy during writing.</td>
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<td>For being a mature, responsible and helpful writer with his Prep buddy. Well done!</td>
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<td>For his dedication at home and school towards his Passion project of creating his own AM Radio.</td>
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<td>For her questioning and problem solving strategies during Passion project sessions. She has shown motivation and enthusiasm when producing her digital product.</td>
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## Office News

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

### Office News

**Eye Testing**

REMINDEER – VISION TESTING (Grades Prep to 2)
Optometry students from the Department of Optometry & Vision Sciences at The University of Melbourne will be coming back to Flemington Primary School on the 16th April 2012 to conduct a comprehensive vision screening on students who have yet to be tested in Prep, Grades 1 & 2. Please note, permission forms have been distributed this week to those students who are yet to be tested.

The vision screening will involve standard optometric tests of vision, eye mobility and co-ordination and an ocular health check. The students will be supervised by a qualified, experienced paediatric optometrist at all times.

The screening will take approximately 10 minutes and the tests will be conducted during normal school hours in a specially designed mobile eye care van. Your child’s vision screening results will be forwarded to you.

Flemington Primary School is strongly supportive of our project, as last time this was undertaken, over 25% of students tested were found to have vision concerns. **Please ensure you return the permission form no later than Friday 30th March.**
**Assistant Principal’s Corner**

**Sandra McOrist**

**Late Arrival to School**

School hours are 8.55am – 3.30pm. Students **must** be in class ready to start learning at 9.00am and your child is expected to be at school at this time, ready to begin class. Each interruption after 9.00am disrupts not only the learning for all other students but most importantly the settling into class for your child.

If your child consistently arrives after 9.00am they will not be permitted to interrupt their class, but will be supervised by the Principal/Assistant Principal until 10.00am. They will be marked absent for the morning and then sent to class.

**School Council News**

**Peter Pickering, President**

It is the end of first term, but it is the start of the new year for the School Council. Contained in this In Touch and for the rest of the year will be the names and contact details for the Council office bearers, who were elected last Monday night. All of us look forward to feedback from members of the Flemington school community, whether it is about things happening in the school, things we want to happen, or matters you would like us to raise at Council meetings.

Council meetings are usually held on the last Monday of each month in term time. If anyone has items you would like us to discuss, please contact one of us.

The school fete is coming soon and we will be looking for lots of participation, so if you can help in anyway, please contact us, the school office or the HUB.

David Amor Vice President
Jake Dingle Treasurer, Martin Irwin Secretary
Brett Hoogenbosch, Rose Iser, Jutta Vines-Dreier
Leonie Isaacs, Grace Mittas, Sarah Nightingale
Sandra McOrist, Lesley McCarthy

**Curriculum News**

**Phil Cristofaro and Elise Turner**

Last Monday, the Grade 5/6 team hosted 28 educators from Tasmania, Moonee Valley Network schools and Apple to observe students working on their “Passion Projects”.

This is their inquiry learning focus for Term one and is focussed on their individual learning interests. The visitors were amazed at the student’s enthusiasm and engagement and also at their individual responsibility and self direction.

The Passion Projects are rich and vary greatly according to student interest: from billy carts, to environmentally sustainable architecture to a comparison between Mahatma Gandhi and Martin Luther King. We all look forward to seeing these projects delivered in Term 2.

**School Holiday activities**

Here are some tips on things you can do to keep your child active, happy and supported during the two-week break.

- The good news is that the Easter break falls during the two-week school holidays. We recommend that you make good use of the four-day Easter break and spend some quality time with your child doing things you both enjoy.
- Don’t panic if your child seems to forget what they’ve learnt during this term at school. This is normal and they’ll soon get back into the routine once school starts again. However, you should continue to read to and with your child and encourage them to do educational activities throughout the school holidays.
- Your child has worked hard during this first term of school. Consider allowing them to choose what they want to do for one day during the school holidays and then make that day a special one just for them.
- Grandparents are a wonderful resource. Why not ask them to take your child out somewhere special or have your child stay with them for some of the school holidays.
- Take advantage of the School Vacation Care program.
- Check your local council for what they offer in the way of school holiday activities for your child’s age group.

Don’t forget the zoo, the museum and the Art Gallery


Kidspot’s [School Holiday Activities](https://www.kidspot.com.au/blogs/school-holiday-activities)
SRC News
Katia Scicluna

Crazy Hair Day

Well done to the SRC on organising their first fundraising event for the year!! We would like to say a big thank you to all the students and staff who got involved yesterday for Crazy Hair Day. There was certainly some CRAZY hair around. We managed to raise $275; this money will now be donated to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. Once again thank you to everyone involved, your support makes a big difference. Watch this space for the next big event!!

Library News
Vanessa Griffin

We have been very busy in the Library this term with a number of new resources and additional back cataloguing completed. Total catalogued for each category during term 1 is:
(Total 867)

- Fiction 73
- PSB 73
- Non-Fiction 58
- Reference 2
- Teacher Resources 261 - the previously un-catalogued Inquiry & Math sections
- Classroom Resources 388 - Classroom Dictionaries donated by the Hub
- DVDs & CDs 12

PE & Sports News
Brendan Newman

Join Flemington Primary School online team for Heart Foundation Jump Rope for Heart

Dear Parents,

In Term 2 our school is participating in Heart Foundation Jump Rope for Heart. This program helps our students get more physically active and improves their attitude towards healthy lifestyle as well as raising money for the Heart Foundation.

Come and join us in raising money for the Heart Foundation’s research and health program work.

To register go to the link below and then click the ‘Kids Register Now’ to help us fundraise:
https://jrfh.tsacorporation.com/login.aspx

Thank you for your support!
Ride to School Day 2012
Following the installation of the blinds in our Science space, students in grades 3 and 4 modelled the shadows created with the earth’s rotation, day and night, the different shapes of the moon as it orbits earth, the phases of the moon.

Students in grades 5 and 6 continued their exploration of renewable energy, and how a motor works, by investigating how they could produce electricity from a small electric motor.
FETE UPDATE

Fete activities are progressing very well and wristbands on are on sale now at the office. $25 for unlimited rides.

We are still seeking the following

- Silent Auction Items (products, services, vouchers, holiday rentals, etc)
- 2nd Hand Books, DVD’s, Toys and KIDS Clothes
- Plants, seedlings and herbs
- Items for the craft stall
- Volunteers to bake cakes for the day (please fill out form on next page)
- Face painting volunteers

All items should be dropped off at the room behind the LOTE room or office.

Can you make soup, lasagna, cannelloni or African dishes?
We are looking for people to make soups, lasagna or cannelloni. If you can help please contact Fiona Hiscock at fiona.hiscock@bigpond.com or fill out form.

Nujum Abdala is also organising a food stall with all the delights of African cuisine. If you can assist with that please contact Nujum directly

### Stall Coordinators

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We are still seeking sponsorship
We would like to thank the following sponsors to date.

Gold Sponsors at $1,000 –
- Acquum Consulting sponsoring the Adrenlum Rush
- Rugulo Motor Body Works sponsoring the Giant Slide
- Bendigo Bank sponsoring the Mini Golf

Silver Sponsors at $500
Elite Swimming & Performance & Nelson Alexander

Bronze Sponsors at $250
Kumon Flemington, Fit Family, GJL Plumbing, Adam Bandt – The Greens & Thomson Real Estate Flemington

We are still seeking gold sponsors for the Giant Jumping Castle, Chair-o-plane and the Animal farm, plus further silver and bronze sponsors. So, if you would like to come on board, either as an individual or a business please contact Gabrielle Dolan. It’s a great way to promote your goods or services to the local community and support your local school.

We still need more helpers on the day
Below is a list of times, so if you can assist on the day please fill out the below and leave it in the HUB Pigeon hole (outside office) or contact me directly.

Karin Moore, HUB President via karin.moore@iinet.net.au

Name:.............................................................. Youngest child’s class: .......

Email .............................................................. Mobile Phone:.................................

I can help out on the day of the Fete with either set-up, cooking, serving or cleanup (please circle)

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If you have a preference for a stall to assist at please let us know.

Stall Preference (if any) ........................................

I can make a soup, lasagna or cannelloni (what type?)...........................................

I can bake something for the cake stall (what?) ......................................................
Pre-purchase your wristbands NOW for unlimited rides at the fete!

WRISTBAND (unlimited rides):
- Giant Super slide
- Jumping Castle
- Kiddie Chair-O-Plane
- Adrenalin Rush obstacle course
- Mini Golf
- Animal Farm

Pre-purchased wristband: $25

GRAB A BARGAIN! You can pre-purchase wristbands from the office which will give you unlimited rides all day at the fete!

Wristbands purchased at Fete: $30 or Single ride ticket $5
Year 7 – 2013

Information Sessions

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Please note that Mount Alexander College will hold Information Sessions for prospective students and their parents at our College.

You will have the opportunity to meet College leaders and have a tour of the College premises. This will be followed by a tour of the College.

The Information Sessions will occur on the following dates at 9.00am:
- Tuesday 10th April
- Thursday 12th April

An evening session is also available commencing at 7.00pm on:
- Wednesday 11th April

Bookings are essential. Please phone the College on 9306-2514 to reserve a place.

We hope that you will take the opportunity to visit the College and look forward to meeting you.

Yours sincerely,

[Signatures]

Principal
Assistant Principal
Head of Junior School

Secondary School Information

Its April ! How did that happen? A minute ago it was January. Which reminds me, April means Easter and there WILL be a market Easter Sunday! WITH an Easter egg hunt for the kids, a Busker for the grown up, and maybe Easter bones for the dogs !

Still April means Nuts last week we have Fiona from Alpine nuts with her Walnuts and chestnuts, she is going to be a regular visitor. Holly is back with pies, Lynette is back with falafel, Dennis is back with Waygu beef, Ian is back with Chicken, See John at Wild Dog for the last of the Strawberries and fresh Garlic, See Noel at RedBeard for sensational Hot Cross buns, and if you forget, don’t worry you will hear him calling to the faithful, “award winning hot cross buns..”

Follow the link for Stallholder list


See you Sunday
Family Fun Activities

at Flemington Community Centre Easter 2012

Community News

Monday, 2 April from 10am to 12pm
Mini Dancers
Dance 10am to 12pm in the comfort of your own community centre. Light snacks will be provided.

Tuesday, 3 April from 3pm
Hip Hop Workshop
Come and join the dance from LimelightDance as fun and interactive hip hop workshops for all ages and genders welcome to come. Book out some moves!

Wednesday, 4 April from 10am to 1pm
Mini Master Chef
Create your own mini pizza and enjoy with a fresh soda for lunch. This activity is suitable for ages 5 to 12 years.

Thursday, 5 April from 10am to 1pm
Easter Hat Parade
Design and create your own Easter hat with which you can then wear as an Easter hat. Parade your favourite fancy dress.

Thursday, 5 April from 10am to 1pm
Art and Craft Workshop
Come and create for the afternoon. This activity is suitable for ages 5 to 12 years.

Wednesday, 4 April from 10am to 1pm
Toddler Bears’ Picnic
Bring your own bear to the Toddler Bears’ Picnic. Join in games, learn how to sing songs and make craft baskets.

FUN DAYS

Monday, 2 April from 10am to 12pm
Play dough Fun
Learn how to make your own play dough. Roll, print, press and more...

Thursday, 5 April from 9am to 11am
Mix, Dye and Soul workshop
Council’s Youth Services team holding a free atmosphere to help young people aged 12-18 years old to deal with stress and anxiety. RSVP to Council’s Youth Services team on 9682 8906.

Friday, 6 April from 10am
Frolic Friday the 13th Party
Dress in black and white, paint your face and be spooked and spoilt.

All activities are free except Mind, Body and Soul workshops.

Parents/guardians please be aware that the above activities are mixed-age programs and that you are required to remain with children throughout the duration of the activities.

For more information and to book your place, please call Flemington Community Centre on 9628 5040.

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Thomas Melgarejo

Every Tuesday 8pm

At Flemington Primary School
200 Mount Alexander Rd, Flemington 3031

Classes commence 19th April

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Contact Thomas on 0431 037 786

For more information

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Subscriptions of Extreme Explorer (Years 7-10): $26.00

Subscriptions of Explorer (Years 3-6): $23.00

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Dear Parents

- This is a healthy way to raise funds for your school, sporting club or community group.
- JOIN 130,000 Australian families receiving free home delivery whilst helping your school/club/group reach its fundraising goal!
- When you shop with Aussie Farmers Direct we’ll give a healthy 2% of your annual total spend back to a registered school/sporting club/community group of your choice.

What this means...if 25 families join Aussie Farmers Direct your school/club/group could earn $750* per year. (*Based on an average spend of $30 weekly).

Aussie Farmers Direct will be donating boxes of Fruit and Vegetables for our raffle and holding a stall at our Fete, please visit the exhibit.