Welcome back to school for 2016. Term one is already a very busy term and as Easter is early this year; we have a short term as well. School dismisses for the Term one holiday at 1.30pm on Thursday March 24th.

This year’s Foundation year {Prep} students commenced on Monday and have settled in very well to school. There are many siblings which always makes transition smoother as there are children who know the school and staff already.

Unfortunately, we suffered significant building and equipment damage during the storms last week. The Library was the worst affected with damage to the ceiling, walls and carpets; but also to the photocopier which is a write off. The Department emergency building organisation have completed inspections and assessed the damage already, and blower/heaters are in place to dry out the damp. Until the rectification is complete the Library will not be available for use or borrowing.

At Assembly on Friday, our 2016 Student Leaders will be presented to our community and assist in the assembly routines. Congratulations and welcome to:

School Captains - Aymane and Laine
Student Leaders - Lucas, Wyatt and Marcus - Stella, Monique and Shaid
House Captains - Emre, Nasreen, Darcy and Max

Welcome to our new staff: Vivien Gannon, Emily Fintelman, Eldon Jenkin, Eliza Kerin & Marcelle Prentice. We also have 3 new teachers working in the Instrumental Music program this term: Michael Celata {Cello}, Matt Hinckcliffe {Woodwind} and Chris Vizard {Brass}.

I am delighted to advise that Gini Merange, last year’s Prep teacher, has given birth to a baby boy. Arlo Conlon was born at 10.40pm on Monday 18th January at 4.2kg. Gini and Arlo came home on the weekend and together with proud father, Simon, are settling in as a family. Congratulations Gini and Simon, we look forward to meeting Arlo.
Office News
Office Hours, 8.30am – 4.00pm Monday to Friday

All visitors, including parents, need to sign into the school and collect a badge when visiting the school at any time. This includes Classroom Helpers, incursions and excursions, PMP, swimming and Interschool sport.

Payments
When making payments at the office, please complete the details on a payment envelope and place in the cash box on the side wall at the office.
Please make sure you include your child’s name, grade and the reason for the payment. If paying in cash, we require the correct amount to be placed in the envelope as we will not be giving or receiving any money over the counter.

Online Newsletter Subscription
If you would like to subscribe to receive our weekly newsletters, and other important announcements, please visit our website http://www.flemingtonps.vic.edu.au, click on ‘subscribe to newsletter’ and enter your details.

We are not permitted under the Information Privacy Act to do this for you, nor do we have the resources to update information for all our families.

Camps, Sports and Excursion Fund (CSEF)
The State Government has introduced a CSEF initiative to assist with the cost of school excursions, camps and sporting activities. The CSEF is available on the first day of either Term 1 (27th January) or Term 2 (11th April), to those who are:
a) Beneficiaries under the State Concession Act – holders of valid Centrelink Health Care Card (HCC), Pensioner Concession Card (PCC) or Veteran Affairs Gold Card or are
b) Temporary foster parents.

To access the scheme, parents and carers must complete and return the application form, which was sent home with your child last week, along with copy of card to the office by Friday 18th March 2016, which is preferred date, or Friday 3rd June 2016 (last date to accept applications).

If you are eligible for CSEF, which is $125 per primary school child per year, you will be able to use this money towards excursions, swimming and camps.

Scholastic Book Club
Issue 1 order forms that were sent home recently are due back to the office by Monday 15th February by 9.00am
No late orders will be accepted

Please note, that orders sent before this date will now be sent to Scholastic as received (except cash which will be processed on the final day). The office will now process orders a couple times a week (for credit and cheque payments only) so the earlier the order, the earlier you will receive the book/s.

OSHC Program
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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The new Victorian Curriculum has been released and will be implemented at Flemington PS from this term. The new curriculum includes a strong focus on the foundational skills of literacy and numeracy and on personal and social skills, thinking skills and new areas of learning such as computational thinking.


Curriculum areas for our students include:

There are also 4 General Capabilities addressed across all curriculum areas:
Critical & Creative Thinking, Ethical Thinking, Intercultural, Personal and Social capabilities.

The Prep year is now known as Foundation; each other year level has its specific Essential Learnings however, we will continue to offer our Deep Learning/Integrated/Inquiry learning on a two year cycle.

This year, we have decided to offer Science from Grades 1-6. This semester, Ms Dziadkiewicz will provide Science for students in Grades 2-6, and in Semester two, students in Grade 1 will have Science. Science at Grades ½ will be alternated with Art, allowing for a consistent delivery and content to all classes.

Art and Music will continue to be alternated by semester across Grades 3-6.

Curriculum Leaders are:
English – Mark Catterson
Mathematics – Fiona Themann
Deep Learning – Dave Meyer
eLearning – James Thomas
Positive Behaviours Team – Grace Mittas

Leading Teachers:
Sarah Nightingale has responsibility for the Foundation-Grade 2 classes while Warwick Knight will oversee Grades 3-6. We do not have Team Leaders this year as Sarah and Warwick have taken on these roles. Each year level has an Admin Leader: Mollie, Kimberley, Katia, Zoe & Josh.

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Assistant Principal’s Report
Sandra McOrist

Drop Off Zones
For those families new to dropping their children off in the morning, there are a number of options.
1. Drop children off at Flemington Street and the children walk up the path.
2. Park elsewhere and cross at the lights.
3. Walk up Cashmere street and enter the school that way.
4. Drive up Padman Lane, stop at the car park next to the yellow bollards and the disabled bays and allow your child to get out there and walk to the school path. This method does not allow for parents to park at all. There is a person on duty every morning until the bell goes to ensure the safety of all children.

Hats Term 1 2016
Just a reminder that it is an education department rule that we all wear wide brimmed hats when outside at school, during term 1 and 4, caps are not acceptable.
The rule is no hat no play and the children are expected to sit on the blue seats outside the prep rooms.

Leading Teacher’s Reports
Sarah Nightingale
F-2 Leader, Curriculum Coordinator
Welcome back to term 1! For those of you that don’t know this year I have a new role out of the classroom, leading the F-2 teams in Curriculum planning and implementation.
This year, through our Annual Implementation Plan, we have a strong focus on improving student outcomes through Excellence in teaching and learning: Building practice excellence and Curriculum planning and assessment.
Teams have taken these priorities and initiatives on board and have been busy unpacking the Victorian Curriculum, identifying key teaching concepts (Essential Learnings) and learning sequences for term 1 across English and Mathematics.
To begin the term students in F-2 are engaged in the Learning to Learn program with a strong focus on setting routines and demonstrating our school values. Later in the term students will also be exposed to computer programing at a basic level to address the new Digital Technologies curriculum.
Term 1 reports will be sent home on the last day of term, highlighting your child’s achievements throughout the term.
I’m looking forward to a productive year ahead!

Warwick Knight
3-6 Leader, Curriculum Coordinator
Hi, firstly I would like to introduce myself. I’m Warwick Knight and this year I am working with years 3-6. Term 1 has seen the 3-6 team working on our Mathematics Essential Learnings, which will guide our Maths throughout the year. Also teams have been creating report descriptors in preparation for our term 1 reports.
Working alongside me this year in the Foundation – Year 2 team is Sarah Nightingale. Sarah and I have been developing our Annual Implementation Plan for 2016 in particular looking at ‘Excellence in Teaching and Learning.’ I look forward to seeing you around the school.
Grade 4/5 iPad reports:
I like using my iPad because it helps me with school work on a whole different level. It also means I get to learn more about iPads. But no games of course! My favourite educational APP on my iPad is Google Earth. You can look all over the world, pinpoint your location and also look at other planets. My favourite thing to do is look at stuff all over Australia. That is why I like my iPad.
Issy

My favourite school APP on my iPad is Garage Band. I can practise my music and improve my skills.
Arky

I like using my iPad because it helps me to learn in different ways. My favourite APP is the Australia map – it is a jigsaw and it helps me remember the states and their location.
Ashley

I love Garage Band because it teaches you how to learn your music. You can choose different instruments: keyboard, guitar, drummer, drums, Amp, audio recorder and so on.
Leo

I like using my iPad because it has lots of good Apps. My favourite app is Spelling City because it helps me learn to spell and it is a fun way to learn.
Basila

My favourite App on my iPad is Garage Band. I am creative and love to make music and there are lots of different instruments and types of music to mix.
Benjamin

I like using my iPad for learning because I learn how to use the internet correctly. There are lots of great apps which help me with my school work.
Imogen

APPs for Chinese
Shawn Wang – LOTE Teacher
In 2016, the students in grade 3 to grade 6 will use the following apps on their iPads to support their Chinese learning in the school and they are all free to download. Please help your kids to download them by 12/02/2016.

1. Mandarin

2. Chinese Writer

3. Chinese skills

4. Chinese class

These apps are used to support students to learn the pronunciation, the meaning of the words and writing of Chinese.

GRADE 3/4 iPad Information evening
All parents of students in Grades 3 & 4 are invited to this year’s iPad Information evening. At this session, you will hear about the curriculum and pedagogical practices surrounding the 1:1 iPad program; the history and research behind our involvement in the iPads for Learning Project; and the focus of Challenge Based Learning and the New Pedagogies for Deep Learning project.

You will also learn how iPads are used in the classroom for learning; the Apps and their use; homework and Digital Diaries.
Staff will also be available to answer specific questions about managing the device; setting up iTunes accounts; restrictions, iCloud, Google Drive, email and home/school communications.
Michael Grose Parenting Ideas
Here are 5 ways to develop healthy, strong study skills that will serve your young person well this year and throughout their lives.

1. Establish a thorough homework process
Doing the homework is one thing, but there are many steps in the process before handing an assignment in. Encourage your young person to:
✓ Write down an assignment when it’s given orally
✓ Ask the teacher clarifying questions if he doesn’t understand anything
✓ Use a planner or some other organiser to plan when and how you will complete tasks and manage time
✓ Place homework in school bag or a designated place as soon as its finished.

2. Establish a Study Zone at home
Choose a consistent study or homework space that’s conducive to working. Some young people need absolute quiet when doing homework, while others work better with soft music. Contrary to the opinions of many teens, studies consistently show that loud music and/or TV are highly distracting to students. Keep work and sleep spaces separate.

3. Establish a regular study time
The establishment of a consistent and specific time to do homework has been linked to academic success. Help your young person work out the best time for him or her to work – before or after dinner, or both. Encourage your young person to take regular breaks to keep their brain alert.

4. Establish a way to stay organised
Getting organised reduces stress levels and improves the chance of success. Consider a colour-coding system to keep assignments organised by selecting a single colour for each task.

5. Establish good time management skills
The best way to help your young person organise their time is to use a large wall calendar so they can jot down study, leisure, family and other activities. The visual nature of the wall calendar will enable you as a parent to help them stay on track as well.

ART NEWS
The art smocks in the Art Room need replacing and up until now were shared amongst all students. This has led to a range of issues such as their cleaning and the fact that multiple wearers over the day could make them wet for following classes. We have decided to trial class sets of art smocks. We need each child to bring an art smock. It could be an old shirt or tee shirt or a commercially produced one. It needs to be named and will be kept in a box in students classrooms and brought down to art sessions.

Art Extension classes begin next Wednesday for interested grade 3 and 4 students. They must attend the first meeting next Wednesday to be included. We will be exploring using watercolours this term.
IMPORTANT SAFETY NOTICE

Do you own a Mac, iPod, iPhone or iPad?
Your AC wall adapter may need replacement through a voluntary safety recall.
Apple has determined that, in very rare cases, the two prong Apple AC wall plug adapters designed for use in Australia may break and create a risk of electrical shock if touched.
Customer safety is always Apple's top priority, and they have voluntarily decided to exchange affected wall plug adapters with a new, redesigned adapter, free of charge.

Adapters are now in stock at Beyond The Box, Puckle St, Moonee Ponds.

Hub News (FPS Parent’s Association)
Lisa Madden. And Julie Lam
lisamadden67@gmail.com. julie.lam1@optusnet.com.au
0425834147 0414749383

Hello and welcome to 2016.
For new families to FPS look out for our HUB entry each week for events being held, either social or to raise funds. We aim to encourage a community spirit and aide in enhancing your child's school experience. New members are welcome at any time! We meet once a month (not compulsory) on the third Tuesday and any help will be greatly appreciated. Your kids love to see you helping out at the school! If you would like any further information please do not hesitate to contact Lisa or Julie.

Prep Parents Morning Tea
Thank you to the Grade 1 parents who put together morning tea on Monday to celebrate, or commiserate, with parents of our new preps. Thanks to Bridget Knol (for coordinating), Rachel Thomson, Alice Toomer and Annette Williams for their contribution with food and set up and in making all of our prep parents feel welcome.

Call for Helpers - Canteen
We will be selling icy poles and popcorn during term 1 on Monday, Wednesday and Friday straight after school. We would love to put together a roster with some new faces. If you are able to help out on one of these days please contact Annette Williams on 0409 357 688 (Annette_andrew@hotmail.com). It is about a 20 minute time commitment.

FETE – SAVE the date – Sat April 16 2016 11am - 4pm
Fete planning for our Autumn Harvest Fete is continuing. If you have any thoughts or can help in some way please don’t hesitate to contact me and I will put you in the right direction. We welcome new ideas. Please contact Lisa Madden 0425 834 147 (lisamadden67@gmail.com)

Hub Meeting next date
The next Hub meeting will be held on Tuesday 16th February at 7.30pm in the FPS staff room. All welcome.
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Pre-season: Week starting Feb 15.

Where: Ormond Park
2A Paterson Street @ main entry

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We are looking for boys and girls aged 7 to 14 for the 2016 season.

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