Be Safe, Be Kind, Be Respectful, Be Ready To Learn

Acting Principal’s Report
Sandra McOrist

While Mrs McCarthy is absent, Ms McOrist will be acting principal and to assist her Sarah Nightingale will take on the role of acting assistant principal.

School tours have begun for the 2017 preps and I can say with pride that our student leaders conducting the tours have done such an amazing job that each time the parents have stopped to tell myself or the office how impressed they were. School tours will continue every Tuesday morning for the remainder of the term.

NAPLAN testing is on May 10, 11 and 12, if you have any queries or concerns please don’t hesitate to contact your child’s teacher.

May 5th 2016
With the introduction of the BYOD iPad program to a new grade level, grade 3 this year, the school is interested in parents/carers views on what we can improve. To achieve this we are holding a forum on the 5 May between 6.30 p.m. and 7.30p.m.in Grade 5/6 learning area, to ask parents/carers to complete a short survey. The survey can be completed at this meeting or elsewhere. The findings will be collated and published in InTouch to show our community views on the rollout of the iPads to grade 3 students. The survey will be conducted by grade 3 parents now online at http://goo.gl/forms/0dnjb4lQmu or scan the QR Code
Bruce Ziebell

Last Friday saw the District Cross Country event held at Aberfeldie park. It was a balmy day on a new course due to construction works. FPS put together a strong team which, despite missing our strongest runner of 2015 in Nasreen H, still finished second to North Melbourne. Once again many of our Athlete’s made it through to the next round. Congratulations to the following students who finished in the top 15 for their age group, with the top 10 going through:
**Pupil of the Week**

*Week beginning 25 April 2016*

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<td>Sara B</td>
<td>Being a confident and well spoken presenter during our first Prep assembly. What a superstar!</td>
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<td>Prep MC</td>
<td>Sienna C-N</td>
<td>Always helping others in the classroom and outside. Well Done Sienna!</td>
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<td>Prep W</td>
<td>Liam A</td>
<td>Persisting in trying to sound out words to help him write sentences and express his ideas. Well done Liam!</td>
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<td>1A</td>
<td>Adarsh S</td>
<td>Asking great questions on the excursion to CERES</td>
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<td>1K</td>
<td>Thomas L</td>
<td>Listening and always putting his hand at our excursion.</td>
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<td>1P</td>
<td>Keiran T</td>
<td>Listening carefully to all learning and instructions when on the CERES Excursion!</td>
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<td>1R</td>
<td>Aksha P</td>
<td>Explaining the importance of compost to our environment and sharing his excellent knowledge of worms.</td>
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<td>2I</td>
<td>Minoo D</td>
<td>Joining in class discussions and being an attentive listener.</td>
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<td>2J</td>
<td>Henry D</td>
<td>Taking the time to understand your friends and talk things through....</td>
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<td>2S</td>
<td>Miles L</td>
<td>Listening to his peers in class discussions.</td>
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<td>3M</td>
<td>Will B-S</td>
<td>Using the skills learnt to write a persuasive text, when trying to convince someone about his point of view.</td>
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<td>34J</td>
<td>George E</td>
<td>Looking out for his classmates and supporting them when needed.</td>
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<td>34L</td>
<td>Chris K</td>
<td>Writing a super impressive persuasive writing planner. Does the K in your name stand for ‘killing it?’ Awesome job!</td>
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<td>34M</td>
<td>Saynab H</td>
<td>Always including others in discussions and trying her hardest in tasks.</td>
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<td>34T</td>
<td>Josie C</td>
<td>Her enthusiasm towards her persuasive writing.</td>
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<td>45F</td>
<td>William H</td>
<td>Showing a great attitude towards learning and always being ready to try something new and extend yourself.</td>
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<td>5C</td>
<td>Julian F</td>
<td>Using his manners by listening and apologising when needed.</td>
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<td>56P</td>
<td>Dante Z-S</td>
<td>Well done Dante for volunteering to teach the class how to solve tricky addition problems with decimals!</td>
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<td>56V</td>
<td>Alarice K</td>
<td>Always showing enthusiasm and passion when learning. Having a go and stepping out of her comfort zone!</td>
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<td>6T</td>
<td>Trona T</td>
<td>Quickly getting her materials ready and listening attentively to the teacher.</td>
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**Office News**

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

**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.

To access the scheme, parents and carers must compete and return the application form, along with copy of card to the office by 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.

**Secondary Transition Forms - Grade 6 Students**

Secondary school transition forms went home this week. Parents are reminded that secondary school transition forms are due back to the office by Friday May 13th. If any details are incorrect on the form please see the office for amendment. Please note, any address changes will require proof ie. a bill etc. If you need another copy of this form could you please see the office.

**Please be advised that all Grade 6 students need to return a form.**

**Australian Netball League - Round 1**

Come down to the State Netball Hockey Centre on Saturday evening to support FPS teacher, Fiona Themann, captain the Victorian Fury netball team, in their first match of the season!

Warm Up from 5:30pm for a 6pm start!

Adults $5   Kids $3
Acting Assistant Principal
Sarah Nightingale
F-2 Leader, Curriculum Coordinator

The last two weeks have proved to be busy as always. We have been lucky enough to have a number of Professional Learning sessions where teachers have been able to share knowledge and up-skill in different areas across the curriculum.

Last week we welcomed Joy Lewis to our school. Joy gave a presentation to all teachers on catering for students with Autism Spectrum Disorder. There were some very useful strategies and resources that teachers can use to support these students and all students in their care.

Yesterday Christina Laught shared her expertise with the staff on EAL students. Christina went through ways to get to know students on a deeper level in order to best cater for them in the classroom, using their preferred learning styles. Teachers worked in high interest groups and took part in some professional reading based around developing Speaking and Listening skills for all students.

The F-2 team have been working as a Collaborative Team and have shared information from external Professional Development sessions with each other. I thank Michelle, Mollie and Leonie who presented information on Mathematics in the Early Years to the group. Working as an F-2 Collaborative Team has strengthened the team's knowledge of what each year level are covering and further opened up the communication about student learning across Prep to Grade 2.

Warwick and I completed a second Parent Helpers Training course last week and we welcome those parents into our classrooms. We have a large number of parents who help out across the school and would like to thank those parents as the teachers and students thoroughly enjoy having ‘helpers’ in the classroom and on excursion days.

Victorian Curriculum report descriptors have been finalised for F-2 and teachers continue to engage in ongoing assessment and moderation based on the content taught across the year levels. Beginning next week we have a number of F-2 moderation sessions (as well as whole school moderation sessions) where we will be analysing student work samples and aligning these to the Victorian Curriculum for assessment and reporting purposes.

Finally for those of you that haven’t heard, in Mrs McCarthy’s absence I will be supporting Sandra McOrist in her Acting Principal role as the Acting Assistant Principal.

Leading Teacher’s Reports
Warwick Knight
3-6 Leader, Curriculum Coordinator

With teachers and students now into full swing this term there has been some excellent learning happening. The 3/4s and 5/6s are currently attending different excursions throughout the month (Victorian Market and Collingwood Children’s Farm) based around their Deep Learning topics.

Teachers have finalised their report descriptors using the Victorian Curriculum and Essential learning documents and are teaching students the required skills.

NAPLAN is beginning in 2 weeks. Teachers are preparing students to be test ready by familiarising them with strategies and techniques to assist them to complete the assessments to the best of their ability. Any questions please see your child’s teacher.

Last week all teachers attended a professional development session focusing on Autism Spectrum Disorder. Teachers took away some great learning and resources from the PD. I would like to thank Joy Lewis for time in the running of the PD.

Also last week a number of students headed of to the district cross-country. All students who competed put in a fantastic effort and the school finished second overall. Well done to all who participated!

Friday we remembered all Australians who served and died in war and on operational service. All grades from Foundation to year 6 completed activities about Anzac Day and significance of it in Australia. Some activities were propaganda posters, wreaths and re-enactment diaries. I would also like to congratulate all students who presented during the assembly.

Lastly, I would like to congratulate the parents who attended the parent helper training last Thursday morning. All teachers are looking forward to have your assistance in the classroom.

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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NAPLAN

Dear Parent/Carer

The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) 2016 for Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 students will be held on Tuesday 10 May, Wednesday 11 May and Thursday 12 May 2016. NAPLAN tests assess student knowledge and skills in Writing, Reading, Language Conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and Numeracy.

The results of the tests provide information for students, parents, teachers and principals which can be used to improve student achievement.

All students are expected to participate in the NAPLAN tests. During test week, catch-up tests will be available for individual students who are absent on test days. These students may undertake catch-up tests on the days in the test week after the scheduled test, up to and including Friday 13 May 2016.

Support can be arranged for students with disabilities, if the student regularly uses similar support for classroom assessment tasks.

Large print, braille and black and white versions of the tests are available for students that require them.

Exemptions may be granted to students with significant intellectual disabilities and to students who have been learning English for less than one year.

If your child is eligible for support due to disability or an exemption, you should discuss this with his/her teacher prior to the tests. Parental consent is required before any support due to disability or exemption is granted.

Students may be withdrawn from NAPLAN by their parent or carer. This is a matter for consideration by parents and carers in consultation with the principal. If, after consultation, you decide to withdraw your child, you must sign a Student Withdrawal form. These forms are available at the school.

Later in the year you will receive your child’s personal NAPLAN report. The report will describe your child’s particular skills in Reading, Writing, Language Conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and Numeracy. The report will also show how your child performed in relation to national minimum standards. These describe the minimum acceptable standards for students across Australia.

I am confident that the information you receive as a result of your child’s participation in the NAPLAN tests will be valuable in helping you to assess your child’s progress in literacy and numeracy.

For more information about the tests, please visit the VCAA website at www.vcaa.vic.edu.au or the NAP website at www.nap.edu.au

Yours sincerely

Bruce Ziebell

Hub News (FPS Parent's Association)

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Hello and welcome back after our huge community effort with the fete.

Mothers Day Stall

Coming up we have our annual Mothers Day Stall to be held on Friday 6th May 11:30am-1:30pm. We will have some lovely gifts available for the children to thank their hard working mums and carers. Gifts will be priced at $2, $5 and $10 and don’t forget to send a plastic bag to hold their gifts. Dads, if you would like to help out on the day please contact our lovely co-ordinator Monique Nolan via email lucas-nolan@bigpond.com.

If anyone out there is not too exhausted from the fete we would love some Home baked goodies. These can be dropped off on the day at the canteen.

Canteen

With term 2 underway we are running Our Friday fun treats. Available this Friday will be popcorn, icy poles and Cinnamon donuts. Please contact Annette via email Annette_andrew@hotmail.com if you would like to volunteer.

Next Hub Meeting

Please come along to our next Hub meeting, Tuesday 10 May 7.30pm in the staff room.
FPS Bicycle Recycle – Volunteers Please

No experience necessary!

Thank you to Alex, Ellie, Hannah, Francis, Danh, Brendan and Luka for helping out last Friday. To date this year we have fixed and given away 31 bikes (totalling 188 since the program’s inception in 2014). We’ll be fixing bikes again this Friday before/after school and assistance from parents and students to fix bikes will be valued and fun use of your time. Your will find us at the “Bicycle Hospital” (next to the Science classroom) as per the dates/times above.

Do you, your neighbours, friends or family have bicycles needing a new home? If so, please consider donating them to the school. If you would like a bike please don’t hesitate to contact us.

We still have a couple good condition bikes suitable for kinder / prep aged girls looking for a new home.

Bart Sbeghen – 0418 231 686
Peter Horramn – 0408 773 837, peter.hormann@bigpond.com
Community News

Somali
Mashruuca The caawinta Hand
Nagu soo biir, Habeenka movie si ay u caawiyaan lacag si loo hubiyo in dadka dhalinyarada ah ka soo jeeda qaxootti ku guulaystaan nolosha iyo raaci karaan riyooyinkaooda. Doono yimaadaan oo taageeray bulshadeena.
Waa habeenkii Jimcaha April 29 ka 6pm ila 10:30 pm ee hall P.S Flemington. Qilmaha tikidhada noqon doonaa $30 per dadka waaweyn, $20 lacag dhimis iyo $15 per carruurta ka yar 18 sano jir.
Rajaynaynaa in aad aragto oo dhan.

Arabic
مشروعنا للمساعدة في اجتماع الأموال اليوم لمساعدتك في التمكين.<br>لا تفوت الفرصة! سيكون السعر $30 للبالغين، $20 للطالبين وكلا $15 للأطفال تحت سن 18 عامًا. نأمل أن نرىكم جميعًا.

The Helping Hand Project Inc

Join us for a movie night to help raise funds to ensure young people from refugee backgrounds succeed in life and can follow their dreams

Programme

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<td>Helping Hand Project – brief introduction</td>
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<td>7:45pm</td>
<td>Movie</td>
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<td>9:30pm</td>
<td>DJ music, drinks</td>
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Details

Date: Friday April 29
Time: 6 – 10:30pm
Address: Flemington Primary School, Multi-Purpose Hall,
200 Mt. Alexander Rd, Flemington
Price: $30 per adult – includes 1 drink, finger food,
live music and movie
$20 Concession
$15 Children under 18

Popcorn machine and Tim’s photo booth!

Purchase tickets

Book online at: https://www.trybooking.com/192791
by 22 April 2016, for catering purposes or, pay cash on the night.
Website: helpinghandproject.org.au
Team Adrenalin Fitness Centre are an Acrobatic Centre located in Footscray that specializes in Acrobatic Gymnastics for children of walking age to adults. This includes recreational acrobatics, performance groups and competing acrobatic groups. We also do a mixture of other sports and recreation including boxing and fitness classes.

Sports Acrobatics is a new and exciting way for children to get fit and have fun at the same time. It allows children to develop flexibility, confidence, self-awareness and gain co-ordination and social skills. At Team Adrenalin we have a range of exciting equipment including an Olympic sized trampoline and a foam pit. We also offer a family discount for families who have more than one member.

If you are interested in joining us at Team Adrenalin, we offer a free trial class so come and give it a try!
Scholarships Available for 2017

Scholarships available for Year 7 and Year 9, 2017

Year 7 Testing: Saturday May 28th
Year 9 Testing: Saturday June 18th

Applicants please register online at www.alloysius.vic.edu.au

St Aloysius College, 31 Curran Street, North Melbourne

Address
25 Bryant St, Flemington
Phone 9376 6305
Email flemington.st.brendans.kin@kindergarten.vic.gov.au

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Open Day: 21st April 2016
Walkthrough: 11.00am and 1.45pm
Presentation: 7.00pm

Niddrie Campus
Years 10 to 12
Open Day: 28th April 2016
Walkthrough: 11.00am and 1.45pm
Presentation: 7.00pm

Essendon Campus
Years 10 to 12
Open Day: 25th May 2016
Walkthrough: 11.00am and 1.45pm
Presentation: 7.00pm

Essendon Keilor College

St Brendan’s Kindergarten Flemington
3 & 4 Year Old Program places available
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2016 RUN4UNITY
Saturday 7 May 2016
1:30pm to 4:30pm with Afternoon Tea
Holland Court Public Housing Estate - 58 Holland Court, Flemington
Come and join us for a relay for peace with sports and games!
All Parents welcome. Children under 10 must be accompanied by an adult
For more information contact Focolare Centers: 03 9312 5671 / 03 8752 4615