From the Principal

Footy Day and Special Lunch
Parkdale Primary’s Footy Day is on Thursday 15th September and the Canteen will be hosting a Footy Day Special Lunch. The lunch includes a pie or 2 party pies plus a drink. Orders can be placed through Qkr! by Friday 9th September. NO LATE ORDERS CAN BE ACCEPTED
On Footy Day the children need to wear their footy colours, this can include any football code: AFL, Rugby or Soccer.

Walk to School October 2016
Once again we will be participating in Vic Health’s Walk to School month in October. Walk to School starts on Monday 3rd October. This is the first day of Term 4. Walk to School encourages primary school children to walk to and from school every day in October, to highlight the ways walking improves children’s health and wellbeing. Walking to school can help to reduce traffic congestion, parking difficulties and the associated environmental impacts. Each classroom will have a calendar where students can mark walking to and from school. Walking, scooting and cycling to school can all be included.

2017 School Year
If you have a child in Foundation to Year 5 who is not returning to PPS next year, could you please inform the office via email or in person as soon as possible. Also, if you have a child starting in Foundation (Prep) for next year and have not yet enrolled your child, can you please do so immediately. This will assist with planning for class structures and staffing for 2017.

Working Bee
This Sunday 11th September is our Term 3 Working Bee from 9:00am to 12:00pm. If you can donate 1, 2 or 3 hours of your time that would be very much appreciated. Things to do include: painting the new section of the fence, weeding garden beds, topping up the sandpit, spreading tanbark, etc.

Building Works Update
Our documentation for the refurbishment of the Prep building and toilet block has been approved and we are now in the tender process.

End of Term 3 - Early Dismissal 2:30pm
A reminder that there is an early dismissal next Friday 16th September at 2:30pm.
From The Principal …… Cont’d

**Environmental Conference**
The Environmental Leaders (Bec, Katie, Selina & Mack) attended the Green Scene Conference on Wednesday at St Louis. The children presented their PPS rubbish audit information and also had to make a chicken out of recycled materials. The Leaders did an exceptional job on the day placing 1st for their bin audit and information, 3rd for their construction of a chicken and 4th for their presentation. Thank you to Miss Beglau for working with the girls in preparing for the day.

**MYTERN**
Unpacking the daily MYTERN Message: Judging ourselves and others

![Image of smartphone with MYTERN message]

It’s easy to fall into the pattern of judging the roads that we and others take. No roads are right or wrong - they are either red or green - building our health or building our resilience. All good.

Judging the roads that people have chosen is very easy to do. Discuss the fact that there are no wrong roads, as every road is either building your health or your resilience. Look for examples where you or someone else has been on a red road and were able to navigate back onto the green, outlining the positive aspects of such an experience. Talk about why it can be difficult to identify why you may have chosen a rough road when you are on it, as you are far too busy navigating the bumps. It is often only when it is well and truly in your rear vision mirror that you can appreciate the reasons for travelling such a challenging road. So don’t be too hard on yourself or others. It is not the choice of road that shapes your experience; it is how you respond to it that counts.

Leanne Bradney
Principal
One of the things that we pride ourselves on at Parkdale Primary School is the sense of community and the way in which children, parents and teachers work together as a team. Parent volunteers offer a huge resource and support base for the school while showing children the importance of participating in the larger community. When parents are involved in their children’s education, children, parents and teachers benefit. Research shows that parent participation in their children’s schooling frequently:

- enhances children’s self-esteem
- improves children’s academic achievement
- improves parent-child relationships
- helps parents develop positive attitudes towards school and a better understanding of the schooling process.

Life can be a juggling act with work and family commitments but there are many, many ways for parents to be involved in the school community:

Classroom help - hearing reading, being involved in literacy activities, etc. Even if you cannot help on a regular basis, teachers are happy for you to be involved whenever you can (you do need a current Working with Children Check though!)

School Council - elections are held at the beginning of each year

Parents’ Association - this group meet a few times each term and are instrumental in raising funds for the school, Mother’s and Father’s Day Stalls and Breakfasts, special lunches and morning teas throughout the year, social activities, etc.

Working Bees - there just happens to be one this Sunday! Spending a few hours at the school on a Sunday morning is a great way to contribute to the school community and the kids love to come along as well.

Book Club - Parent volunteers co-ordinate the ordering and distribution of Ashton Scholastic Book Club

School Fair - you can either be involved on the committee or volunteer your time on the day

Second Hand Uniform - parent volunteers regularly go through lost property and return the many, many pieces of uniform that children lose in the playground. They also organize for donations of second hand uniform and then sell these at regular second hand uniform stalls

Classroom Parent Representatives - these parents volunteer at the beginning of the year to co-ordinate class social functions and also establish a communication list for the grade.

Art Show - every second year a dedicated group of parents work together with Mrs Clough to produce our wonderful Art Show

School Concert - parents work hard to put together costumes for our Concert that takes place in alternate years

Book covering in the Library
WHAT’S HAPPENING?

Prep
What a lovely sunny week it has been - we are loving Spring! As it is planning week this week, and no specialist subject being run, the Preps have enjoyed some extra special activities! These have included a sports afternoon, a dance class, yoga and mixed rotational activities (craft, mindfulness, drama).

Our letter of the week has been ‘Jj’. Next week is revision week.

We also have Footy Day next Thursday. Don’t forget children need to wear their footy/soccer/rugby team colours.

Thank you to all those who have returned their ‘Travel To School Survey’. If you haven’t yet, please do so by tomorrow.

Grade 1
The children had a fantastic time during yesterday’s visit from Mentone Little Athletics. They have a Registration day this Saturday for the upcoming season if you are interested in signing your child up!

This week we have a new CAFÉ reading strategy, ‘Skip the word and come back’. Using this strategy the children skip the unknown word and read on to the end of the sentence. They are then able to use context clues, such as the beginning letter, words or picture to help decode the difficult word. You can help with this at home by prompting them read on and think of a word that would make sense.

Next Thursday is our whole school Footy Day! In preparation for the longest kick competition the children will be practising their skills in P.E. tomorrow!

Please remember to get your Footy Day pie orders in on Qkr! before the end of tomorrow.

Also a reminder that tomorrow is our Grade 1 planning day. The children will have all of their specialist lessons tomorrow, so please ensure they come to school with their Library bags and runners for Sport!

As we will not have the children on Friday most grades will be doing their spelling test next Monday, which means they will have a few extra opportunities to practise over the weekend!

Grade 2
In Maths during weeks 9 and 10, students are investigating ‘Mass, Capacity and Volume’. A chat at the supermarket about items that are sold by the kilogram or litre would be great to extend and consolidate learning.

There are still jumpers and a few other items in the tubs at the end of the Grade 2 corridor. The tubs will be cleaned out next week and any remaining items sent to ‘Lost Property’ in the gym.

Grade 2 … cont’d
Thank you to families for returning the ‘Travel to School’ survey so promptly!

And a very big thank you to all of our Parent Helpers who have helped out with reading, literacy groups and in other areas this term. Your support is very much appreciated!

Literacy groups will not run in Week 10. A note will go home next week asking for helpers in Term 4.

Grade 3
Welcome to Term 3, Week 9!
If you haven’t done so already please remember to return your completed School Travel Survey tomorrow to your child’s class teacher.

Our Maths topic is ‘Fractions’. To assist your child with their knowledge please help them with vocabulary including; equal parts, denominator, numerator, halves, quarters, thirds, fifths. We have been encouraging the children to look at the denominator of a fraction to help them understand how many equal parts are in the whole.

Just a reminder that R.O.A.R. reading is held in the Grade 3 Hub every Wednesday. If you would like to assist in your child’s class, please come and join us.

Please remind your child to complete their Mathletics tasks. These are set every Monday morning. Please also remind your child to write in their daily reading.

The Grade 3 area are running a fundraiser for disadvantaged children here in Melbourne through the Salvos. This event was thought up by Amelie D. and Lucy A. and is indeed, a wonderful cause. They are asking that children donate a new toy, book or game for this fundraiser. These need to be at school by this Friday, 9th September. Thank you for your support.


Tip of the Week - When listening to your child read, begin by asking them the ‘5Ws’ – when, where, who, what and why. This might sound like: “When is the story taking place?” “Where is the story taking place?” “Who are the main characters?” “What is happening in the story?” “Why is “x” happening?”

“If you have a tip or recommendation you’d like to share in ‘What’s Happening,’ email your teacher and let us know whether you’d like to be named! We look forward to next week’s ‘Tip of the Week!’
WHAT’S HAPPENING?

Grade 4
A reminder that all students in Grade 4 are to have completed their homework project on Lifecycles by next Monday 12th September. This project should be presented in poster format. Children are expected to have practised for their presentation, which will occur in class over next week. We recommend that children use cue-cards as a prompt.

Students also need to regularly log in to www.mathletics.com.au to complete teacher set tasks related to our maths learning.

Good luck to our 40 students participating in the Kanga Cricket carnival.

Many students are also reaching their AR term targets as the end of term approaches. Great work!

Congratulations to the recipients of AR Certificates for this week: Lucy W, Nicky J, Sam T, Molly S, Grace S, Lucy A, Ava P, Flynn H, Danya R and Xavier H.

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Grade 5/6
A big congratulations to our Athletics team who won the District Athletics. Their lunchtimes spent training obviously worked in their favour.

Grades 5/6H, 5/6G and 5S recent adventure to Sovereign Hill and Log Cabin Camp were a huge hit with all the children and teachers. The children thoroughly enjoyed discovering how life was on the goldfields at Sovereign Hill. While the high adventure activities at Camp challenged many to overcome their fears and trust in their team mates.

A big thank you to Matthew Gray and Darren Evans for volunteering and to Kerrie and Kath for their wonderful help.

Here are some of the comments from the students:

I really enjoyed camp, I thought they had really good food and it was the best camp I’ve been to. (Hugo H)

It was by far the best camp, they had great food and activities especially the Leap of Faith which was awesome. (Sarah W)

The camp activities were really extreme and it helped you get over your fears. (Ewan K)

The Flying Fox was really fun because you could do it with a partner and you could fly off backwards. (Hannah G)

At Sovereign Hill, the Copperplate writing was really hard to learn but once you had practiced for a while it became easier. (Ethan I)

2016 VICTORIAN PREMIERS’ READING CHALLENGE

Congratulations to the following students who have recently completed the 2016 Premiers’ Reading Challenge - Amelie D, Otto D, Emily G, Flynn H, Leah L-R, Amelia P, Adrian R, Emma and Thomas Y.

The final date for entering books online is tomorrow, Friday 9th September.

Well done to everyone who has participated this year. The Honour Roll will be published online and certificates will be awarded to the children in Term 4.

P.A.C.E. Raffle Donations

The PACE team are helping to raise funds for the Visual Arts program at PPS.

We will be running a kids raffle to be held at PACE on Sunday 16th of October, 2016, with the raffle draw to take place the following day at Assembly.

We would appreciate donations of children’s art and craft kits, hand made items (e.g. jewellery, knitted & sewn goods), artistic services (e.g. photography, portrait skills, art lessons) and general art supplies (e.g. canvases, paints, pastels) etc. that can be made up into hampers to raffle.

Please contact Natalie Caughey on nats74@hotmail.com if you would like to donate, or pop your donations into the art room by the end of the term.

Thank you in advance for your support.
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MORDIALLOC DISTRICT ATHLETICS CARNIVAL - Friday 2nd September at Mentone Athletics Centre

Congratulations to all the children who represented Parkdale Primary School at the Mordialloc District Athletics Carnival. It was truly an outstanding team effort to finish the day in 1st place and bring back the trophy to Parkdale for the 7th year in succession.

Good luck to the 35 children who will proceed to the Division Athletics Carnival on Wednesday 5th October at Duncan MacKinnon.

Special thanks to Mr Bainbridge, Mr Blacklaw, Mr James for helping on the day and also to Mr Snow for assisting with training.

Captains: Jaime J. & Brodie M.

PARKDALE PRIMARY SCHOOL ATHLETICS TEAM RESULTS

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Highlights from Green School

The Grade 6 Environmental Leaders attended Green School at St. Louis de Monfort’s School yesterday. They had a heap of fun exploring the school and did a fantastic job at their Trash Audit presentation. We are very proud of their achievements. Well done girls!
End of term is fast approaching!

Don't forget Pie Day is next Thursday 15th September. All orders must be done via Qkr! by TOMORROW please for catering purposes.

Our next meeting is Wednesday 14th September at 7:30pm in the school staff room, all welcome. Enjoy the holidays!

Samm Hughes President, Julia Broadbent Vice President, Paula Fleming Treasurer and Kate Ashley Treasurer.

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Parkdale Primary School
Term 3 Working Bee
Sunday 11th Sept @ 9:00am – 12:00

Come for one, two or three hours, whatever you can spare!
Got some specific skills or tools to offer?
Contact Nats Caughey nats74@hotmail.com OR Rebecca Symons symons_rebecca@gmail.com

**Things to do...**
- Painting new fence section
- Weeding garden beds
- Sweeping paths
- Removing leaf litter
- Cleaning out grates/pits
- Spreading tanbark
- Top up sand in junior playground sandpit
- Scrubbing the drink troughs & backs of toilet doors
- Continuing to develop the ‘Natural Play Space’ under the oak trees

**Don’t forget to BYO water bottle and to dress appropriately for the outdoors with a hat or coat and covered shoes.**

Morning tea will be provided to thank everyone for all their efforts.

Children welcome under parental guidance.

**Things to bring...**
- Gardening/rubber gloves
- Paint brushes
- Secateurs
- Wheelbarrows
- Shovels
- Brooms
- Rakes
The Great Gatsby Ball
If you have any queries, regarding the Ball, please contact one of the organisers:
Katie Kloprogge 0419 008 699; Leanne Palazzolo 0412 931 983; or Kate Masterton 0438 377 181.
COMMUNITY NEWS

ART SMART EXHIBITION
The Art Smart students had a wonderful Exhibition Opening Sunday at the Gallery at St Nicholas Church (corner Bear St and Barkly St, Mordialloc).
Dr Catherine Crock AM, opened the exhibition. Dr Crock is the Founder of the Hush Foundation which helps children undergoing cancer treatment at the Royal Children’s Hospital. The kids’ work is for sale and proceeds are going to the The Hush Foundation. There are a few works left and they cost $10 each.
Please go and support the kids if you are nearby. They’ve done an amazing job and have raised $1570 so far from sales and donations. One little boy even came up to Dr Crock and personally gave her $2.70 as a donation which was so sweet.
The Gallery’s opening hours are Monday to Thursday 12.00pm to 3.00pm and Saturday morning 10.00am to 12.00pm. It’s on for this week and Saturday 10th September is the last day.

FOUND
‘Tri Kids’ medals. Please ask at the school office.

MORDIALLOC NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE
FREE TAX HELP
Mordialloc Neighbourhood House is offering a FREE TAX HELP SERVICE, for those earning $50,000 or less. A volunteer appointed by the Australian Taxation Office will be available each Monday from October 3, to assist and lodge your tax return for you.
For more information, or to enrol, please phone: Mordialloc Neighbourhood House; 9587 4534

Little Athletics is back at Mentone LAC
Calling all girls & boys (5-15yrs) to join us at Dolamore Reserve Saturday mornings for our 2016/17 season of competition

Open Day: Saturday, 1 October
Competition Starts: Saturday, 8 October
Training every Wednesday

Registration Day: Saturday 10 September
Coaching Day: Sunday, 11 September
Visit us at: www.mentonelac.com.au
Enquiries: mentone@lavic.com.au
To Register, go to: www.lavic.com.au

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