From the Principal

The Fair 2016
A huge thank you to the Fair Convenors and the Committee of dedicated parents who make the Fair possible each and every year. We could not have asked for better weather with the sun shining all day. The Fair highlights what a great community Parkdale PS is and what an outstanding group of parents we have. Numerous people take on roles to make this event such a success and a highpoint for the year.

Thank you also to all those who made donations to support our Kids Day Out and also to the many parents who volunteered on stalls and the set up and pack up crews.

The day was a huge success showcasing Parkdale PS at its best. We still have not received all associated costs and will confirm the amount raised once all expenses have been deducted.

Principal for the Day
Congratulations to Lucinda Ashley who was drawn out as Principal for the Day. Lucinda and her chosen AP will become Principal and Assistant Principal for the day next term.

Swimming Grade 3 and 4
Swimming for Grade 3 and 4 students commences on the first Tuesday back next term. Please mark this on your calendar. A reminder that the Grade 3 and 4 Swimming Levy was due on 1st March. Swimming fees need to be finalised by tomorrow. Swimming is included in the full school contributions.

School Photos
A reminder school photos will be held next term. Details and envelopes will be sent home early in Term 2.

Proposed Curriculum Day
A Curriculum Day is proposed for Term 2 on Thursday 26th May. This will be a Report Writing Day.

Last Day of Term 1 - Thursday 24th March, early dismissal at 2:30pm.
There will be no end of term Assembly. Children will be dismissed from their classrooms.

It has been a short, but very busy term. We wish all families a relaxing and enjoyable holiday. We look forward to seeing everyone in Term 2, Monday 11th April.

Leanne Bradney
Principal
WHAT’S HAPPENING?

PREP
Happy Easter everyone! The Easter Morning Tea today was a huge success! Thank you to all the helpers who organised this.

Thank you also to all of the Prep parents for a fantastic first term, particularly our corridor reading and writing helpers. We really appreciate you giving up your time to help out.

Lastly, thank you to our wonderful Preps! You have all settled so beautifully into your first year of school and we are very proud of the achievements you have made so far. Congratulations on completing your first term.

Have a fun and safe holiday everyone!

GRADE 1
Wow! We cannot believe how quickly this term has gone by! The children have continued to do a fantastic job and we are sure they are looking forward to a well-deserved break!

Last week we began looking at our new CAFÉ comprehension strategy: ‘Back up and re-read’. Earlier in the term we looked at the strategy: ‘Check for understanding’ where children pause during the story to answer questions about their reading. When using the strategy ‘Back up and re-read’ we encourage children to use the two strategies together by backing up and re-reading the text when they have difficulty answering comprehension (Who or What) questions.

Thank you for all of your support this term with our morning reading sessions and also to those of you who have offered to help with guided reading groups. We have been busy putting together our rosters and should have them sent out to you before Term 2 begins. If you haven’t returned your notice, but would still like to help with guided reading groups please email your child’s teacher before Thursday.

We are looking forward to another busy term with the beginning of our new inquiry topic, ‘Weather in our World’, guided reading groups and weekly spelling tests, which will be starting in Week 1!

We hope you all enjoy the break and have a happy and safe Easter!

GRADE 2
Well, what a fabulous start to Grade 2 our students made this term! We have had lots of laughs and enjoyed getting to know each other.

The children have worked hard this term and earned a well-deserved break. During the holidays, it would be great to keep up the daily reading and when time permits, continued development of number sense and fluency.

A very big thank you to families for your support across the school this term!

A note re availability for Literacy Group parent helpers will be sent home. A roster will be finalised and Literacy Groups will begin again in Week 2 of Term 2.

Congratulations to all the Grade 2 students and teachers on their ‘olden days’ dress ups today. Everyone looked fantastic.

Wishing you a safe and enjoyable holiday break!

GRADE 3
Welcome to Week 9, our final week of Term 1!

A big thank you to everyone who helped out at the Fair. The students had an amazing day and thoroughly enjoyed sharing their stories in class.

This week a collection of forms went home in regards to our Term 3 Camp to Phillip Island. Please read these forms carefully and return them to your child’s teacher.

This week our CAFÉ focus was about determining and analysing the authors purpose. When reading with your child, form discussions about why the author wrote the text. Was it to entertain? To persuade? To inform?

Children have thoroughly enjoyed presenting their Melbourne projects to the class. It was fantastic to see the children confidently sharing their knowledge with the class.

In Maths we are continuing the topic of Subtraction Concepts and Strategies. All students have their Mathletics codes in their diaries. Please encourage your child to use Mathletics at home.


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GRADE 4
All groups have now attended ACMI and thoroughly enjoyed making the green screen historical movie as well as discovering the history of cinematography and animation.

This week the students are presenting their Marvellous Melbourne landmark projects. The 3D creations are truly amazing and we are proud of the effort that the children have put in.

Very important: Camp notices have been sent out this week: the permission notice, payment schedule and information pack. Please check with your child’s teacher if you have not received these.

A reminder that if you haven’t sent back your Swimming notice, they are now overdue. Swimming commences on day 2 of term 2 – Tuesday 12th April.

Congratulations to the recipients of AR Certificates for this week: Rebecca W, Joel Mc, Ava P, Flynn H, Matthew B, Cooper S, Renee H, Alex I, Lucy W, Oscar L, Mitchell S, Steph C,

GRADE 5/6
A huge thankyou to all of the parent helpers, who assisted in a variety of roles, with our wonderful Fair last Sunday. It was a magnificent day!

The children have been presenting an array of Extreme Environment Projects within each of our classes. All children should be proud of the posters they have made and the presentations they have displayed to their peers.

Stride Leadership attended the school on Tuesday to run a Leadership Program with our School, Vice and House Captains. All participants learnt about themselves as a leader and skills they can utilise within their role.

We hope you all have an enjoyable holiday and don’t forget to read and access Mangahigh whenever you want over the break.

VICTORIAN PREMIERS’ READING CHALLENGE
The Challenge has begun! It is open to all children and the details can be found on the website:- www.education.vic.gov.au/prc.

Registration forms for this will be sent home after the holidays.

If your child has taken part in the Challenge in previous years, you can start keeping a record of the books already read.

COMMUNITY NEWS
FOUND - AFTER FAIR
If anyone left behind some purchases from the Book Stall at the Lucky Jars stall on Sunday (a Book and 2 DVD’s) could they please contact Kerry Borg - 0416 071 494.

FOR SALE - 2ND HAND DRUM KIT - $250 ONO.
Please contact school office. 9580 1451.

PARKDALE PRIMARY SCHOOL HOUSE CROSS COUNTRY @ GERRY GREEN WEDNESDAY 20TH APRIL 2016 - Starting at approx. 9.30am

House Cross Country is compulsory for all students in Years 3-6 and students will complete either a 2km or 3km course depending on age.

All students who are already or are turning 8, 9 or 10 by the 31st December will compete in the 2km course. Everyone else will compete in the 3km course.

The top 10 place getters in each race qualify to represent Parkdale Primary School at the Mordialloc District Cross Country Meet at Karkarook Park on Monday 2nd May.


Students please wear house colour clothing on the day.
Parents and spectators are most welcome to attend on the day.

* PLEASE NOTE Children in Year 3 who will not be turning 9 this year will participate but cannot represent the school due to age restrictions set by School Sport Victoria (SSV).
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<td>Darcy F. 3U Alexander PS</td>
<td>Congratulations Darcy for being our ‘Nude Food’ champion last week. Congratulations Alexander for being our ‘Nude Food’ champion this week.</td>
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<td>Art</td>
<td>2H</td>
<td>For fabulous, awesome Art.</td>
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<td>For working amazingly well on the Hiragana writing system.</td>
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<td>For fantastic work on their ‘National Parks’ PowerPoint projects.</td>
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<td>Prep B</td>
<td>Ari C. Shivani K.</td>
<td>For being a good friend and coming to class everyday with a big smile and great attitude. For always trying her best.</td>
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<td>Jared H. Isabelle M.</td>
<td>For his positive outlook and hardworking attitude - even with a broken arm. What a super star. For trying her best during class time and being a good friend. Great job.</td>
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<td>Will C.</td>
<td>For fantastic work sounding out words in his writing. Keep it up.</td>
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<td>For using initial sounds of words to help her when reading.</td>
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<td>For wonderful concentration during a tricky activity.</td>
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<td>Tessa F.</td>
<td>For her positive approach to every activity.</td>
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<td>For being so persistent with her writing and always getting along with her classmates.</td>
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<td>Gemma H.</td>
<td>For brilliant work on her ‘Memories’ writing task.</td>
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<td>Harry G.</td>
<td>For his positive attitude and beautiful handwriting.</td>
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<td>Eren G.</td>
<td>For being attentive and showing a positive attitude.</td>
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<td>Kameron C. William S.</td>
<td>For a big effort to show what a responsible learner he can be. For his excellent presentation of his ‘olden days’ interview.</td>
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<td>Sasha P.</td>
<td>For wonderful writing that includes amazing adjectives.</td>
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<td>Brennan M.</td>
<td>For always doing your best and contributing to class discussions. Well done.</td>
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<td>Hudson R.</td>
<td>For being a positive and impressive role model for other students.</td>
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<td>For excellent enthusiasm in writing.</td>
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<td>Montana C. Tom D.</td>
<td>For her enthusiasm and dedication during all set tasks. For his resilience and dedication throughout Term 1.</td>
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<td>Luca F.</td>
<td>For an amazing effort on his marvellous Melbourne project. Well done.</td>
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<td>Tiffany B.</td>
<td>For asking questions to improve her learning in literacy and numeracy.</td>
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<td>Georgia A. Callum B.</td>
<td>For putting a lot of effort into her ‘Extreme Environment’ project. For working well on his project by using his time effectively.</td>
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<td>Jaime J.</td>
<td>For displaying a great work ethic in the classroom.</td>
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<td>Grace B. Ashar S.</td>
<td>For amazing work in ‘Narrative’ where her description and expression were excellent. For wonderful work in ‘Narrative’ where sizzling starts and tightening tension were excellent.</td>
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<td>Ben McL.</td>
<td>For wonderful improvement with the description in his ‘Narrative’ writing.</td>
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GET FIT WITH MARTIAL ARTS!

- Karate
- Boxing
- Kickboxing
- Cardio Workouts
- Self Defence Course
- Personal Training
- Fun for all the family

FIRST CLASS FREE!

Benefits are:
- Improved Self Esteem
- Improved Self Confidence
- Improved Self Discipline
- Improved overall health & fitness
- Increased energy, stamina & endurance
- Increased muscle strength & flexibility
- Improved co-ordination
- Reduced stress & anxiety
- Body fat loss / weight loss

Ask about our FREE uniform to new members

Grasshopper Soccer
For Girls & Boys Aged 2 to 12

TERM 2, 2016 – 8 WEEKS OF FUN SOCCER PROGRAM
COME & TRY CLASS ON OFFER AT ANYTIME! BOOK TODAY

Grasshopper Soccer.com.au

Saturday – Chesterham
Starting 16th April – 4th June
Kington Heath Soccer Complex
301-302 Centre Dandenong Rd.
Chesterham (Opposite KFC)

Saturday – Sandringham
Starting 16th April – 4th June
Fitchett Grammar School
45 Royal Avenue,
Sandringham

Saturday – Beaconsfield
Starting 16th April – 4th June
Chesterham Lane Centre
Chesterham (Opposite KFC)

Saturday – Mount Mirabel
Starting 16th April – 4th June
Mount Mirabel School
Mount Mirabel

Sunday – Eltham
Starting 16th April – 4th June
Marsden Park School
Marsden Park

Get fit with Martial Arts!

Tennis Coaching Holiday Program

These school holidays Fit For Kids Co. are running a 3 day super tennis clinic!
Participants will learn the basic technical aspects of the sport as well as play
a selection of games & matches each day. This is a great way to keep them active
these school holidays!

Amazing Value!
Note our ‘Early Bird Discount’ for a 3 day booking.
Only $90 for the whole 3 day program!

Location: Edithvale Primary School

Dates: Tuesday 4th, Wednesday 5th & Thursday 6th April 2016

Times: 9:00am – 12:00pm Each Day
Price: $35 per day or Only $90 for all 3 days! (Must book before 27th of March)

Notes: Please ensure you BYO snacks & drinks for student each day.

Enrol Online Today or call 0421 172 369
Book Under Holiday Program - Edithvale

Grasshopper Soccer CORPORATE EVENTS BIRTHDAY PARTIES

OAKLEIGH 5TH, BRITON, SANDRINGHAM, MOUNT, & CHESTERHAM

Our 5 locations can be used as a make-up session if you can’t make your session!

“Intro” CLASS (2-3yrs) & “First” CLASS (4-5yrs) A fun, non-competitive introduction to soccer. Children get to play, have fun, skill based games with parent participation.

“Intro to Micro” CLASS (5-8yrs) & “Micro” CLASS (5-8yrs) Grasshoppers will learn new ball skills & be introduced to the rules of the “50-50 Game” where they will play, win and lose games.

“Micro Plus” CLASS (5-10yrs) Focuses on 5v5s + one on one drills, game awareness & teamwork in preparation for club soccer! Children play the Grasshopper Soccer 6v6 games!

Our term fees reduce per week, so don’t wait to get your child into Grasshopper Soccer ‘FUN’

“Grasshopper Soccer teaches kids soccer for over 30 years Australia wide”

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