PRINCIPAL’S COMMENTS

From the Principal
Nominations for the three vacancies on School Council are due by 4 p.m. on Monday, February, 24th. Extra nomination forms are available at the school office. One can be emailed if you are unable to come in.

Twilight Sports/Activity Family Picnic
Thank you to all the families who came to our evening event last night despite the threatening weather and to all the staff and parents who gave up their time to organise it.

School Policies on riding to school and family pets in the school grounds
In line with DEECD policies and guidelines, students must be in at least Year 4 if they are going to ride to and from school without adult supervision. This does not automatically mean that students in Year 4 all have the skills to ride to school and back safely.

Please do not bring your dog or other family pet into the school grounds. Having this policy prevents any incident where a child or adult may be hurt or scared by an animal, no matter how friendly and cute we each think our own family pet is.

Thank you for your cooperation with this.

Mark Renouf, Principal
Student Health and Happiness
“When students are happy and healthy, their learning is maximised.”

2014 Leadership Positions for Students

Giving students an opportunity to take on leadership positions is very important for their personal development and building confidence. At Ballam Park Primary School there are a variety of opportunities for students in Years 5 and 6 to assume such positions.

Recently, students held elections for leadership positions in:

♦ House Captains

♦ SRC (Student Representative Council)

Students were asked to make a short speech in front of their peers. In their speeches, students acknowledged the qualities that make a good leader, such as being responsible, reliable, friendly and caring for others.

All of the 2014 leaders will receive their badges at our whole school Assembly in the hall on Friday February 21st commencing at 2:40pm. All parents are invited to attend this Assembly. Badges will be presented by Deputy Mayor, Cr Rebekah Spelman.

SRC Leaders for 2014

Congratulations to the following students who have been chosen as House Captains for 2014.

Bradman House

Hayley, Molly, Tommi, Ajay, Zoe & Reece-Tyler

Elliott House

Hanna, Tyrone, Will, Saxyn Mary and Manuao

Marsh House

Josh, Sam, Izabela, Gabriella, Jacob & Josephine

McKay House

Aleah, Ondine, Matilda, Cooper, Alex & Brodie

Liam, Cherise, Pheobe, Cayla, Jim, John, Tahnee, Alex, Chloe, Jerome
**STUDENT BANKING AT SCHOOL**

Banking operates EVERY TUESDAY at our school, and parents of new students who wish to open an account for their child can collect a School Banking pack from the school office.

If you would like more information regarding school banking, please contact Mrs Jo Lothian (parent volunteer) via the office.

This year the Dollarmites treasure is hidden in the Deep Sea!

The new banking rewards are fantastic, so don’t forget to keep your rewards card in a safe place, ready to order when you have saved 10 tokens.

Happy Saving Everyone!

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**NOTIFICATION OF STUDENT ABSENCES**

It is requested that parents please ring the school on 9789-5614, prior to 9.30am, to advise if their child will be absent.

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**What can parents and carers do to help their child’s asthma at school?**

- If your child is self-managing their asthma, or capable of taking their asthma medication independently, ensure that your child is always carrying their reliever medication (e.g. Ventolin, Asmol, Airomir and Bricanyl) as well as a spacer while at school.

- Ensure that you have provided your child’s school/preschool with an updated Asthma Action Plan.

- Ensure that your child knows how to recognise early symptoms of an asthma attack and check to make sure they are using their reliever medication properly.

- Ensure your child will seek help from school/preschool staff if they experience asthma symptoms.

- Ensure that your child’s asthma is being well managed and that their medication and management is reviewed annually by your GP (this is a good opportunity to also update the Asthma Action Plan required by your child’s school/preschool).

For more information, please contact The Asthma Foundation of Victoria on 1800 278 462 or [www.asthma.org.au](http://www.asthma.org.au)
Parents' Club Events for Term 1
Wednesday 26th March - Hot Cross Bun order forms due
Friday 28th March - School Disco
Thursday 3rd April - Easter Raffle Drawn at morning assembly
Friday 4th April - Hot Cross Bun Delivery

EASTER EGGS WANTED
With our Easter Raffle coming up we would appreciate any Easter Eggs donated to go toward this raffle. Students can hand in Easter Eggs to their classroom teacher.

Thanks
A big Thank You to Strike Bowling Bar at 21 Wells St, Frankston, M.I.L.F.s, search Facebook: M.I.L.F.s (Mums In Love With Fitness!!), and Fuji Xerox and for their kind donations and community support.

HOT CROSS BUNS
We are currently taking orders for Hot Cross Buns through Bakers Delight, Beach Street Frankston.
Bakers Delight will donate $2 from each pack sold back to the school.
Get your Easter goodies and help raise money for the school at the same time!
Order forms due back Wednesday 26th March.

Bakers Delight
We’re for real.

Welcome
Come and Say Hi!
Everyone is welcome to come and join the Parents’ Club and help us with fundraising for the school. We meet in the portable near the canteen some Monday mornings after announcements. Kids are more than welcome and kids toys are available in the room.
Our next meeting is on Monday 3rd April

When: Friday 28th March
Where: BPPS Hall
Time: Grade Prep - 3
5:30pm - 6:30pm
Grade 4 - 6
6:45pm - 8:00pm
Cost: $5 per child
Parent help welcome & appreciated
Games, prizes & dancing

Parents' Club is currently raising funds to provide students with Fresh Fruit

Put This on Your Calendar!
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For bookings, please log on to:
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SAVING OUR ENVIRONMENT...
If you would like to view our online
school newsletter, please click on...
www.ballamparkps.vic.edu.au

How to get started — Before using our programs, you must register online for an account. Registering is quick and easy. Please visit our website to begin: www.campaustralia.com.au

Once registered you can make bookings and cancellations, view your statements and manage your details any time of the day online. Please keep in mind we are able to take bookings at short notice to help busy families.

Save on care — You can save 50% or more on Before and After School Care fees with the non-means tested Child Care Rebate. Almost all families are eligible. To find out more, call our Customer Service Team on 1300-105-343 Monday to Friday.

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**Star of the Week**

Hayley D

**OSHC Co-ordinator:** Haylie Lelliott
Phone 0402-354-584

Outside School Hours Care with Camp Australia
Guitar Tuition available at school

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KARINGAL NETBALL CLUB
REGISTRATION DAY
Tuesday 11th February 2014
Training from 4:00 pm – 5:30 pm
Jubilee Park Netball Courts
All new registrations welcome!
www.karingalnetballclub.com.au
Manda: 0415 954 197    Kerrie: 0416 031 838
Vicky: 0404 093 668

2014 Registration Day
Karingal Bulls Junior Football Club
Sunday 16th February
-Players from all ages needed: U/9’s to U/16’s
- Free Sausage Sizzle Lunch
- All fees paid in full on the day receive a free club training singlet
-10am to 2pm @ Karingal F.C Clubrooms
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Karingal Drive Dental Clinic

Treatment to leave you smiling

**BULK BILLED** treatment to all eligible patients aged 2-17 Participant in the Child Dental Benefits Scheme

Call today for an appointment:

9789 9779
46 Karingal Drive
Frankston VIC 3199

karingaldrivedentalclinic@gmail.com

Mornington Peninsula Hockey Club

Introductory Hockey Program

Come and learn all about Hockey!! A fun and enjoyable way to try out a new sport and meet new friends

**When:** Commences Tues 25th February 2014
**Then:** Tues 4th March, Tues 11th March, Tues 18th March, Tues 25th March & Tues 1st April 2014
**Time:** 5pm till 6pm.

Sunday 16th March is a special Come’N’Try Day with Hockey Victoria 11am till 12 midday

**Venue:** Peninsula Hockey Centre, Monash University
Frankston (off Bloom St) Melways Ref: 102 F4

Cost of sessions is $20.00, equipment provided **Mouthguards essential**

Each Participant may purchase their own kit which includes hockey stick, shin pads, ball and t/shirt for $30

This program is suitable for both Boys + Girls aged 5 to 13 yrs

**Experienced Coaches**

Expressions of interest, please email: cherylebishop@optusnet.com.au or phone 9766 7478

If you know anyone who would be interested in playing hockey for the 2014 winter hockey season please contact Cheryle. We can provide Grades to suit all levels of experience and skills, Male and Female Junior teams, Men’s & Women’s teams, Masters & PWHA. Everyone is very welcome to join our inclusive, family friendly club

FRANKSTON FREE MILO T20 BLAST COME & TRY

COME ALONG AND TRY CRICKET AUSTRALIA’S NEW ENTRY LEVEL FORMAT FOR KIDS

**WEDNESDAY, 19 FEBRUARY**
4.30 – 5.45pm

**WHERE:** Baden Powell Junior Cricket Club,
Overport Park, Frankston

With music, colour and families everywhere, this will be the perfect opportunity to smash some sixes and take some wickets just like your Big Bash heroes, and further your skill set with an optional follow up term 1 program for girls & boys aged roughly 7-12 years old. Week two of the program will have player visits from the Melbourne Stars along with Starman and some of our State Vic Spirit Girls.

To register for the entire program or for more information visit http://www.t20blast.com.au/ or just come down on the night and have a FREE try.

Mums’ Program

Only $35 for five weeks of group tennis coaching*

Tennis Victoria’s Mums’ Program is run by a Tennis Australia qualified coach which means that you will be in good hands to develop your tennis skills. In addition, save time and money on childcare by enrolling your child(ren) in the Tiny Tots program** for just $15 for the same five weeks. Open to beginners and those who would like to resume playing tennis, the Mum’s Program allows you to take some time out for yourself and get fit and active whilst socialising with other mums in your area.

For more information contact:

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