ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL’S COMMENTS

Winter Chills and School Uniform

Now that Winter has arrived, here are a few uniform reminders for students and parents.

♦ Please ensure students are wearing school uniform correctly. Leggings are not part of our school uniform. Track pants can be worn to keep warm rather than leggings under summer school dresses.

♦ Studs or sleepers are the only appropriate earrings to be worn at school for safety reasons. Boys wearing earring spacers will be asked to remove them. They are not part of our school uniform policy.

♦ Please ensure school uniform clothes are labelled. This means lost property can easily be returned to the owner.

♦ Students need to be wearing full school uniform coming to and from school. Jackets and raincoats are permissible.

♦ Please ensure your child is dressed warmly on cold days. Some students are going from warm classrooms to a cold playground without appropriate warm clothing which is not conducive to good health.

At school we recycle a lot of second-hand uniforms, but unfortunately our stocks are very low at the moment. If you have any items of school uniform you could donate, please send them along to school and we can distribute items to other students.

Seth has the correct stud earring.

School beanies and scarves are available at PSW Uniform Shop.

Maree Renowden
Assistant Principal

HELP PLEASE!!!
DONATIONS OF SECONDHAND UNIFORMS NEEDED

Thank you to those kind parents who have donated pre-loved uniforms to the school. We are still in urgent need of uniform donations to assist us in helping students, and would be grateful if any spare second-hand uniform items could be left at the office, especially windcheaters and track pants.

Your donations are sincerely appreciated. Thank you.

IMPORTANT DATES 2012

JUNE
Fri 8   Winter Sport Rd 7
Mon 11  PUBLIC HOLIDAY Queen’s Birthday
Fri 15  Winter Sport Rd 8
      Prep Fairytale Ball
      Parents’ Club Disco
Tues 19 Prep/Kinder Flying Bookworm Incurs
Wed 20  Canteen Special Pizza Lunch
Fri 22  Winter Sport
Wed 27  ( PUPIL FREE DAY
      ( Parent/Teacher Mtgs 1.00-7.30pm
Thurs 28 Yrs 5 & 6 Graffiti/Vandalism Program
Fri 29  Early dismissal 2.30pm
      Last day of Term 2
Student Health and Happiness

“When students are happy and healthy, their learning is maximised.”

A Three Way Partnership

This week parents were invited to attend their child’s parent/teacher meetings which will be held on Wednesday, June 27th.

When teachers and parents work collaboratively, students are more likely to be successful at school.

Studies have shown “…the most accurate predictor of a student’s achievement in school is not income or social status, but the extent to which that student’s family is able to:

1. create a home environment that encourages learning;
2. Express high (but not unrealistic) expectations for their children’s achievement and future careers;
3. Become involved in their children’s education at school and in the community.”

Teachers and parents need to work at building positive relationships which will result in fostering positive growth in the child. Showing a genuine interest in their child, being supportive, responsive and dependable are the two-way attributes needed to build a good partnership.

Parents can become involved in their child’s education by joining in the learning activities of their child. Hearing your child read at night, testing their weekly spelling words or checking that homework requirements are completed are easy ways to be involved.

Helping out at school in the classroom or at sporting events is another way parents can be involved. Children can see your interest and how you value learning.

Attending parent/teacher meetings is an important way to further build this involvement. Your child will see that you are interested in their success at school.

You will have an opportunity to share your perspective on your child’s learning with the teacher as well as any concerns you may have. Parent/teacher meetings should be seen as an opportunity to talk about your child’s learning and share the strategies and ways that can lead to further improvement.

The Student Report contains an important graph that focuses on Effort and Behaviour.

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Both of these attributes are important indicators that match with and impact on student learning.

EFFORT– is the use of physical or mental energy, the act or result of trying to do something.

One of our school tenets is:

**BPPS—Striving to do your best.**

The amount of effort a child gives to their learning and school work affects their performance and their access to and success at the next level. Indicators of a student’s effort include:

- How often they are absent from school.
- How interested they are in their schoolwork. Do they ask questions?
- Whether they try to do their best. Are they proud of their finished work?
- Whether they complete their assignments.
- How much time they spend completing homework tasks and other activities, or is everything finished in a hurry?

Students can be very capable in an area of their learning but not necessarily putting in much effort. They may just be ‘cruising’ rather than really extending themselves. Conversely another student who may struggle in an area of their learning may be trying really hard.

Do you know what level of effort your child is putting in to their learning?
Prep Enrolments for 2013

BALLAM PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL
GATE 1, BELAR AVENUE, FRANKSTON 3199

Enrolments are presently being accepted for children commencing Prep in 2013

When enrolling, parents will need the following:

♦ **Proof of date of birth:**
e.g. a birth certificate or passport. The Department of Education and Early Childhood Development requirement is that children are five years old by 30th April 2013, for admission in 2013.

♦ If your child was born in a country other than Australia, the appropriate visa.

♦ **School entry immunisation certificate requirement:**
A history statement from the Australian Childhood Immunisation Register (phone 1800-653-809) which you automatically receive after your child has completed the 4 year old vaccine schedule. It should state at the bottom of the page “This child has received all vaccines required by 5 years of age.”

(If your child has not yet had all school entry immunisations, please complete and lodge the enrolment form, and bring the certificate when immunisations are completed, prior to the end of 2012.)

♦ **Emergency numbers**, e.g. friends, relatives, workplace and doctor.

Please ring 9789-5614 if you wish to have further information or would like to have a tour of our school.

We look forward to warmly welcoming you to our school.

*Mark Renouf*
*Principal*
It’s Not OK To Be Away from school unless you are unwell.

Ballam Park “Boomers” Basketball Club Inc

All teams had fantastic games over the weekend.

The highlight of the last couple of weeks was on Saturday after the grade 5 game: The coach of the opposing team spoke to us after the game, and thanked us for such a good, fair and clean game. He said this was the most respectful team that his team had played against all season. So Saxyn, Jacob, Ben, Tyrone, Hailey, Matt and Blair, congratulations on such an awesome compliment. Not only did you play like superstars, your sportsmanship shone for the Ballam Park Boomers!

Enjoy the weekend off, and back into basketball next week.

GO BOOMERS!!!

Remember, we are always looking for new players and coaches for new teams...If you are interested in being involved, please call Kellie on 0416 055 346

Woolworths Earn & Learn Program 2012...

Don’t forget to ask for stickers!

We hope everyone will support our school with Woolworths Earn & Learn Program by collecting stickers at the checkout of Woolworths supermarkets (self-service included) until 22nd July 2012. The stickers are then placed on your child’s sticker card (additional cards are available at the office)—with one sticker for every $10 spent. Once completed, please send the sticker card to school with your child. For every sticker card placed in the box at the office, our school will earn valuable learning resources, and we appreciate your support.

Last year Ballam Park PS received many useful resources as a result of parents and friends supporting this initiative.

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.

Relay For Life Frankston 2012

Relay For Life is an overnight Cancer Council community event for thousands of Australians who relay (walk) non-stop as they celebrate cancer survivors, remember those lost to cancer and fight back against the disease by raising important funds.

Please support us by:
- Joining our team and walking with us (please register online—details available at office) or
- Donating to our fundraising. A collection box is located at the school office and receipts are available

Date: Saturday, 22nd – Sunday, 23rd September
Time: 4.00pm Saturday to 10.00am Sunday
Place: Ballam Park Athletics Track

Ballam Park PS is entering a team called “Dare to Dream”.

Please see Chris Robinson with any questions before school or after 3.30pm (phone 9789-5614), for further details or to help with fundraising ideas.

Thank you

SAVING OUR ENVIRONMENT...
Would you like to receive a newsletter link every fortnight via email? If you are interested, please email us at... ballam.park.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au
A GREAT START AT

BALLAM PARK PRESCHOOL
Address: 26 Naranga Crescent Frankston 3199
Telephone Number: 9789-1267

We are now taking enrolments for 2013 for both our 3 year old and 4 year old groups.

At Ballam Park Preschool:-

- We aim to provide high quality Early Childhood Education, full of valuable experiences with positive outcomes for all children.
- We are committed to provide your children with a nurturing, supportive, secure and fun environment, where children and adults collaborate together, share their learning and extend their knowledge.
- Our belief is children learn through play. We provide fun, exciting, spontaneous, hands-on, stimulating, relaxing, comforting and challenging experiences, where the children learn at their own pace.
- We provide an all inclusive Preschool environment, recognising and respecting the diverse culture, traditions and beliefs within our community. We welcome and appreciate families’ participation and contributions to our Preschool community.

TERM DATES 2012-2013

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* The first day of Term 1 is when teachers start – this is a student-free day. Please check with your school when your child starts as student-free day arrangements may vary from school to school.
** Please check with school when other student-free days will occur throughout the school year.


PUPIL FREE DAYS:
* Wednesday, 27th June 2012 (Parent/Teacher Meetings)
* Friday, 27th July 2012 (Curriculum Planning)
## Guitar Tuition available at school

If you would like your child to have Guitar lessons at the school on Mondays, please contact Glen Vinton of X10SIV Guitar Tuition on either 5979-4575 or via email on x10sivmusic@rock.com

Glen teaches both acoustic and electric guitar styles which will incorporate major and minor chords, moving on to barre chords, lead construction and, when your child gains confidence, song composition.

Glen has been playing guitar for over 35 years and has a Certificate IV in Training and Assessment (Music).

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### OSHC NEWS THIS WEEK

**‘we make kids smile’**

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**NEWS**

Over the next fortnight, the children will be creating amazing Winter art! We are still collecting blankets, towels and food for RSPCA and your help is appreciated.

The new phone number for OSHC is 0402-354-584.

For bookings, please log on to: www.campaustralia.com.au

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**Star of the Week:**

**Maddy G**

Emma Cooper

Phone 0402-354-584

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**Outside School Hours Care with Camp Australia**

The current Entertainment Book has great discounts to use...now that last year’s book coupons have lapsed!

**Entertainment Book 2012-2013 now available for purchase**

The Entertainment Book is now available for purchase at school for $65.00, and you can start using the coupons immediately until June 2013. A sample Entertainment Book is on display at the office so that you can have a look at the savings available. This edition has a number of Mornington Peninsula restaurants and venues, and also other great discounts on holiday resorts, etc. It also includes discounts at Village Cinema movies, AMF, Melbourne Aquarium, Luna Park, Puffing Billy, McDonalds, KFC, Krispy Kreme, Nando’s, Red Rooster etc which would be great to use in the next school holidays!

You can also check out the offers online—log onto www.entertainmentbook.com.au and select ‘Search the Book’ tab. Select the 2012-2013 Book, type in the suburb that you mainly shop in, and then select ‘All Businesses’, and see how many businesses are giving great discounts in your area. You will only need to purchase from a few discounted businesses to cover the price of the Entertainment Book, and then all the other great discounts are a bonus!

Please support our school (sale of each Entertainment Book contributes to our notebook and netbook program) — and at the same time save yourself money!
Uniform Shop News

Uniforms can be purchased in two ways:

- From the PSW Shop at 21 Playne Street, Frankston.
- Order online www.psw.com.au with free delivery to the school office on Thursday mornings.

This delivery service will operate until 28th June 2012 and, after that date, there will be $8.00 postage fee for delivery to the parent’s home address.

Primary School Wear (PSW)
21 Playne Street, Frankston
(opposite Savers)
Phone 9769-6510

HEAD LICE

The occurrence of head lice in students’ hair is a constant and frustrating problem. Notices are sent home if head lice are noticed or reported in a particular grade. It is parents’ responsibility to check and treat hair if head lice are present.

Regular checking at least once a week and appropriate treatment is essential if we are to reduce the number of head lice cases at school.
COMMUNITY NOTICE

The school sincerely appreciates the sponsorship of both our school newsletter and school website by a variety of businesses, but please be aware that the school is not permitted to endorse or recommend any businesses.

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ROCK SOLID GAMES
DATE & PLACE:
Wednesday 11th July
High Street Uniting Church, 16 High Street Frankston
COST: Gold coin donation
Rock Solid Kids is for primary school aged children.
It runs from 10am to 2pm and lunch is included.
We will have lots of games, lots of fun, a bit of craft and
lots of friends.
Registrations by Wednesday, 4th July to the High
Street Office phone: 9783-3400 or email:
frankstonuc@gmail.com

PLEASE SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL CANTENE
Thank you to all our parents who have responded
to the request for Canteen support.
Lunch orders have improved for
Wednesdays and Fridays, but we still
need your support for
MONDAYS please.

Paul's Poultry Direct to Public and Wholesale Butcher Outlet
Call: 5971-1172 or 1300-653-181
Paul’s Poultry
490 Warrandyte Road, Langwarrin South
enquiries@paulspoultry.com.au
CBA School Banking is FREE, it's fun and banking day is every Tuesday!

Hi EVERYONE!

EXCITING NEWS... THE COMMONWEALTH BANK IS BACK IN 2012 WITH LOTS OF NEW REWARDS!!!

START BANKING NOW AND DON'T FORGET EVERY NEW SCHOOL BANKER WHO JOINS THE PROGRAM AND STARTS BANKING EARNS OUR SCHOOL $5.00! School Banking encourages a regular savings habit and we also receive commission with every deposit made!

Collect your tokens, then swap them with your School Banking Co-ordinator for cool rewards.

PLEASE REMEMBER THAT YOU CAN OPEN AN ACCOUNT VIA YOUR LOCAL BRANCH OR DOWNLOAD AN APPLICATION FORM FROM www.commbank.com.au and return it to your school along with your identification.