From Paul's Desk

Athletics Carnival – Just a reminder all forms must be back tomorrow at the latest about transport for children. The carnival will be held at Moonee Valley Athletics Centre (Corio Street, Essendon (Melway Ref: 28 C6). We are having crazy weather at the moment and next week’s long range forecast is not looking great – rain is predicted for Wednesday and Thursday with unseasonably cool temperatures. Throughout the sports day, the children sit on the ground for a fair amount of the day so the grassed area in the middle of the track must be relatively dry. Therefore we will make our call on whether the Carnival goes ahead on Wednesday afternoon next week. This gives parents and other adults that may have decided to take the day off, a chance to change their plans. If the sports are postponed, we will then hold them on Friday 6th December.

Technology News and Fundraising – This year the community has raised some much needed funds to support our school through the fete and the other fundraisers. We will be using $60000 from fundraising to support the following projects:

- Wireless installation across the school- $28000
- Annual Repayment on Grassed Area Loan - $13000
- Purchase of new Fridge and Hot Dog Cooking Machine - $3000
- Support the purchase of 36 Microsoft Surface Tablets and docking stations - $16000

These much needed funds raised through the hard work and support of the community allow us to implement initiatives earlier than planned. Next year children in the Senior Grades will have access to Microsoft Surface Tablets (similar to the iPad) as will all the teachers. As well all the current work stations used by the Seniors and teachers (purchased less than two years ago), will move into the other classrooms and labs in middle and junior areas. We will have a far more reliable working system across the school and the portability of the Surface tablet will allow us to introduce new programs/apps that will enhance the children’s learning. Thank you so much for your ongoing support of fundraising activities – it does help a lot.

Staff In-service – Just a reminder that the staff in-service will be held on Thursday 28th and Friday 29th November. Over these two days all staff will be completing a full day’s training in Level 2 First Aid and planning in their 2014 teams.

Academy 4 Kids will provide care on both these days from 8am -6pm. Check the last pages of the newsletter for information on this.

School Fees and Levies – A letter was sent home earlier this week. If you have not received it, contact the office and we can send a hard copy with your child or email it to you.

Let’s all pray for fine weather next week.

All the best, Paul

Uniform Shop

The uniform shop will be open on Thursday 21st November the day before the Sports Carnival for any parent wishing to purchase uniform. It will also be open on Wednesday 27th November the day before the Staff two day in-service.

Craft Club

The craft club are making clips and decorations for Christmas. If anyone is interested in learning how to make them, they are most welcome to come along Thursday mornings in the Multi-purpose room.

Samples of the clips are on display at the office.

Thanks,

Lori & Antionette
Let us gather together and Pray for the victims of the typhoons and flooding in the Philippines.

Father, we pray for the victims of the typhoons in the Philippines that you give them comfort in their dealings with their losses and provide them with all their needs. Provide them food, shelter and all their necessities. Give them healing and take away their fears. Give them the courage to face their losses and give them strength to care for their injured loved ones. Heal the hearts of those who lost their loved ones.

Our Lord Christ, Jesus, the Bible says in the book of Matthew 18:20 "For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them." Today, we know that you are in the midst of us as we pray together to bring relief to those who suffer the most from these natural disasters.

Lord Jesus, we pray that you pray to the Father to send the Holy Spirit to comfort those that are suffering from these natural disasters and it shall come to pass as it says in the Holy Scriptures: John 14:16-17, "[16] And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever; [17] Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you."

Lord Jesus, our Prince of peace, bring peace to the victims and their family and friends. Perform miracles on their behalf that they may find financial aid and all types of relief they need to survive from these natural disasters.

We thank you Father, Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit for hearing our prayers.

Prayer by Patricia Zimmermann, author of Prayer is Power

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SENIOR MARKET DAY

Last Friday the seniors held their annual market day and we are pleased to say it was a huge success!!! We raised a grand total of $1141.15. We would like to thank all the St Pauls community for attending and supporting the event, we couldn’t have done it without you.

The money raised will go towards the St Paul’s inter-school sport footy team jumpers for next year.

Good luck to all the people who entered their design.

By Evan and Indy - School Captains

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Sports News

The Sports Carnival

Will be held on Friday 22nd November.

All parents are welcome to participate in a Parent Race which is approximately 100m (mums race and dads race).

There will also be an under 5 children’s race which is approximately 25m.

Please bring your running shoes and track suit and enjoy the day.

Kanga Cricket

Eight of our Senior girls will be participating in the regional kanga Cricket finals on Monday 25th November at Macpherson Park Melton

Certificate III in Education Support CHC30812-
Taking enrolments for Term 1 2014

This qualification will give you the skills and knowledge to provide assistance and support to teachers and students in a range of educational settings. This includes early childhood education, as well as Primary, Secondary and Special schools.

Starts: 10 February to 2 April 2014 for 15 sessions over 8 weeks plus 25 hour practical placement, Mondays & Wednesdays, 9.30am—2.30pm at Merrilands Community Centre, Reservoir.

Cost: Concession: $148, Full: $738, FFS: $1790 + Service & Amenities Fee

For more details ring PRACE on 9462 6077 or visit our website: www.prace.vic.edu.au
Dear Families

IMPORTANT NOTICE

St Paul’s Primary School will be conducting Pupil Free Days on Thursday 28th and Friday 29th November. Academy for KIDS will be operating on both days. We will be open from 8am till 6pm.

THURSDAY NOVEMBER 28TH MONKEY MANIA
Harbour Town Docklands Excursion
Loads of Fun All Day

FRIDAY NOVEMBER 29TH JUNIOR MASTERCHEF Incursion
Children will create their own RECIPES IN THEIR OWN RESTAURANT

Cost $75.00 per child
Less with CCB and all families are entitled to 50% Childcare Rebate

If have any further enquiries
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Dear Parents,

PLEASE SIGN AND RETURN FORM TO Academy for KIDS STAFF
NO LATER THAN MONDAY THE 24/11/2013

WHAT TO BRING
A BAG SNACKS/LUNCH PACK
DRINK BOTTLE OF WATER

APPROPRIATE CLOTHING FOR WEATHER CONDITIONS
ACADEMY for KIDS EXCURSION PERMISSION FORM

I___________________________ being parent/guardian

of___________________________ give permission

for my child to participate in an excursion with Academy for KIDS Coburg to
Monkey Mania HARBOUR TOWN DOCKLANDS on the 28/11/2013
I understand my child will be travelling to and from VENUES in Maxi Cabs
on this day

I___________________________ give permission

for my child ______________________ to participate in this

excursion I give permission for Academy for Kids Staff to seek medical attention
if deemed necessary for my child and understand I am liable for all medical costs
Incurred.

Does the Child have any illness /Allergies or Asthma?
If so please circle yes /no if yes please attach a risk management and medical
plan and medication

Parent/Guardian
Signed_____________________________________

EMERGENCY CONTACT NUMBER

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Date_______________

Childs Name______________________________