Dear Parents

TWO IMPORTANT REMINDERS:
1. WEAR OUR HATS AND A SPLASH OF YELLOW ON MONDAY 1ST SEPTEMBER: NO HAT NO PLAY!
2. SCHOOL CLOSURE DAY NEXT TUESDAY 2ND SEPTEMBER. There will be NO SCHOOL on this day.

STAFF will be working with Dr Rose Marie Prosser on “Social Justice Through Scripture”.

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During the footy fun day, the teachers, parents and children who assisted in the coordination and running of the day.

Thank you also to the Principal, Father Andrew and the Junior School Council members who assisted Mrs Burnett in the co-ordination and running of the day. Thank you to the teachers, parents and children who assisted with the face painting.
Thank you to the Parents and Friends Association and the many parents that assisted with the supply and distribution of the footy lunches from Subway.
All money raised from Footy Fun Day will go toward our Sponsor Child Win Naing. A Great Day Had By All!

FATHER’S DAY MASS
All School families are invited to join the parish in our Annual Celebration of Father’s Day at 9.00 am Mass on Sunday 7th September.

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OUR SCHOOL RAFFLE:
Thank you to those families that have already sold their book of raffle tickets and returned the ticket stubs with the money to the School Office in the supplied return envelope. For every $2.00 ticket sold, $1.50 will come back to the school. All raffle books, plus ticket stubs must be returned to school by next Monday 1st September (even unsold books).

FOOTY TIPPING:
Congratulations to the 7 people who correctly selected all 9 winners last week. The Jackpot was only $10.00 so there was no pay out. The jackpot this week is $15.00. There are still 7 people within 3 of the lead. Good Luck to everyone.

SCHOOL FEES:
Thank you to all those families who have settled or paid an instalment on their school fee account. Please be aware that unless you have an arrangement with the school, ALL fees and charges for the 2014 school year are due and payable by Thursday 17th September. If you are having difficulty paying your account, please make an appointment to see me so that we can discuss possible alternative arrangements. If you have any questions on your school fee account, please contact Mrs Valda Pedley in the School Office.

David Kelly.
Principal.

PRINCIPALS AWARDS:
Congratulations to the following children who received Principals Awards on Monday:

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IMPORTANT DATES FOR NEXT WEEK

SEPTEMBER

Monday 1st
Prep H & Prep S – Prayer Assembly – 2.40 pm
WEAR OUR HATS AND A SPLASH OF YELLOW

Tuesday 2nd
SCHOOL CLOSURE DAY

Thursday 4th
Father’s Day Wrap - 1.30 pm

Friday 5th
Father’s Day Stall

Sunday 7th
Father’s Day Mass – 9.00 am

EDUCATION IN FAITH

FIRST EUCHARIST
Congratulations to all our First Eucharist students, their families and our wonderful school staff who came together to celebrate, support and help each other last weekend. May this be a start of a life-long love of a special sacrament. As Fr. Paul said we hope to see your presence at a Second, Third, Fourth etc Eucharist!

FATHER’S DAY MASS
A REMINDER TO ALL OUR STUDENTS, FAMILIES AND FRIENDS TO COME ALONG TO OUR PARISH/SCHOOL CELEBRATION OF FATHER’S DAY ON SUNDAY 7TH SEPTEMBER. A POSITIVE START TO THE DAY TO PRAY AND REMEMBER OUR DADS, GRANDFATHERS...

Who is Jesus to me?
Jesus is the Word made Flesh.
Jesus is the Bread of Life.
Jesus is the Word – to be spoken.
Jesus is the Truth – to be told.
Jesus is the Way – to be walked.
Jesus is the Light – to be lit.
Jesus is the Life – to be loved.
Jesus is the Joy – to be shared.
Jesus is the Sacrifice – to be given.
Jesus is the Hungry – to be fed.
Jesus is the Naked – to be clothed.
Jesus is the Homeless – to be taken in.
Jesus is the Sick – to be healed.
Jesus is the Lonely – to be loved.
Jesus is the Unwanted – to be wanted.
Jesus is the Leper – to wash his wounds.
Jesus is the Beggar – to give him a smile.
Jesus is the Crippled – to walk with.
Jesus is the Drug Addict – to befriend him.
Jesus is the Prisoner – to be visited.
Jesus is the Old – to be served.
Jesus is my Life, Jesus is my Love, Jesus is my All in All.
Amen.

Mother Teresa

PLEASE PRAY FOR:
* All members of our community who are sick or in need of our prayerful support.

Olive Chodowski REL

“God knows what is best for us.”

St. Mary of the Cross MacKillop.1890

ALTAR SERVICE ROSTER
Saturday 30th August at 6.30 pm
Joaquin Munoz, Grace Bosnar and Maria Nguyen.
Sunday 31st August at 9.00 am
Rowan Cucanic and Faith Kissassi.

LOST PROPERTY TUB
If your child has lost/misplaced an item of their uniform could you please check the Lost Property Tub as soon as possible. Also please check that your child has brought home their own bomber jacket/windcheater, as they often get swopped by mistake! Items that remain at the end of Term 3 will be donated to the Uniform Shop to raise money for our Sponsor Child Win Naing.

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WELL DONE to the MANY students who took part over the last two weeks in D.E.A.R. by filling in a form and recording every time they read. YOU are helping yourself to become a BETTER READER and your team to earn LOTS of points. The total number of points earned were:

**RED TEAM:** 2940  
**YELLOW TEAM:** 2860  
**BLUE TEAM:** 2680  
**GREEN TEAM:** 1940

A TERRIFIC job was done by our house team captains in organizing the boxes, calculating points and encouraging their team to take part.

Come along and BRING the whole family EVERY TUESDAY and THURSDAY at 8.20am…..LOTS of KIDS COME. REMEMBER an EXTRA 10 minutes READING makes a HUGE difference.

**PREMIER READING CHALLENGE – NOT LONG UNTIL IT FINISHES.**

OUR NEW CHAMPS ARE!!!!!

Congratulations …… see photos of ALL our Champs so far…..in the TRI Centre….come on everyone GET READING! PRC FORMS are on the website or classroom teachers can give you a form.

**WE HAVE 84 CHAMPS…… CAN WE MAKE 100!!!**

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Well Done you have earned your house team a BIG 150 points!!

Gwenda Burnett  
Deputy Principal / Literacy Leader.

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Congratulations to our August ‘Aussies of the Month’

Keely W for always working hard and being a kind friend.

Dylan C for persisting with all school tasks, even when they prove challenging. His sense of humour is also commendable.

Brianna M for consistently displaying an excellent attitude in all she does. Brianna is always truthful, precise and imaginative and can be relied on to act with maturity in any given situation.

DOING IT RIGHT

Many children have been seen Doing It Right around the school last term and during this week. They have been completing work on time, sharing school values, helping Mrs Hicks, doing great comprehension work, persisting with tasks, helping to clean up, being good listeners, being kind, following school rules by walking their bikes across the yard, sitting down to eat, helping prep to find lost toys and loads of other great things!

Weeks 4 - 6 Term 3

1/2H: David
1/2K: Jordan, Michael, Zed, Ethan, Sam, Gemma, Anna, Lexie, Erin, Sofia, James, Alana, Summer, Lucas, Rafael, Jett, Lachlan
1/2D: Mia, Harrison, Nikita, Olivia C, Noah
3/4L: Jack, Tegan, Ava, Sara, Mark, Kate P, Elizabeth, Kate E, Faith, Michelle, Luke
3/4S: James, Marcus, Georgia, Ally,
5/6C: Marie, Emily
5/6G: Ned, Rowan, Jelena, Wubit
5/6S: Madeleine, Madison, Grace, Chloe, Ryan, Nathan, Ben H, Khiem, Quan, Trent, Olivia Y, Leah, Megan, Olivia LeG,
5/6T: Madeline M, Michelle, Victoria, James, Ben C, Sara, Mark, Kate P, Elizabeth, Madeleine, Madison, Grace, Choe, Ryan, Nathan, Ben H, Khiem, Quan, Trent, Olivia Y, Leah, Megan, Olivia LeG,
6/7D: Jett, Lachlan
6/7K: Jordan, Michael, Zed, Ethan, Sam, Gemma, Anna, Lexie, Erin, Sofia, James, Alana, Summer, Lucas, Rafael, Jett, Lachlan
6/7L: David

ATHLETICS TEAM

Congratulations to the following children who have been selected to compete at the Altona District Athletics Carnival on Monday 1st September. Good luck everyone!

Mila, Angelique, Ella, Maria, Kate E, Amelie, Mickayla, Tahlia, Madeline M, Michelle, Victoria, James, Ben C, Nicholas Y, Fikre, Liam D, Thomas Ka, Dibanchi, Madeleine, Madison, Grace, Choe, Ryan, Nathan, Ben H, Khiem, Quan, Trent, Olivia Y, Leah, Megan, Olivia LeG, Brianna, Verity, Wubit, Cadel, Maxim, Joey, Khyle, Joshua, Xander and Riley.

Congratulations also to Olivia Y and Cadel who have been named team captains.

Margaret Masseni
Physical Education Coordinator.

EMMANUEL COLLEGE – OPEN DAY

Emmanuel College Open Day – 14 SEPTEMBER
St. Paul’s Campus 10.30 am – 1.30 pm
Notre Dame Campus 11.00 am – 2.00 pm
Open Day Tours
St. Paul’s Campus 10.45 am*, 11.15* am, 12.30 pm
Notre Dame Campus 11.15 am, 12.00* pm, 12.30 pm
*Meet the Principal prior to tour
For more information contact us on www.ecmelb.catholic.edu.au or call 8325 5100
St. Paul’s Campus Notre Dame Campus
423 Blackshaws Road or 2 - 40 Foxwood Drive
Altona North Point Cook

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BUNNINGS WAREHOUSE

Bunnings Warehouse is having a Father’s Day Family Night
Date: Thursday 4th September

PADDLES SWIM SCHOOL – HOLIDAY PROGRAM

Open to U8, U10, U12, U14, U16 and U18

2 Hosken Street, Altona Meadows
www.paddleswimschool.com.au

Holiday Program
29 SEPTEMBER – 3 OCTOBER
Improve your swimming skills by joining our 5 day holiday program, 5 X 30 minute lessons
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WILLIAMSTOWN BASEBALL CLUB – The Williamstown Wolves

Williamstown Baseball Club is now recruiting new junior players and their families to join the wolf pack.

FREE Come and Try Clinic, State Baseball Softball Centre, Merton Street, Altona Meadows. Melway Ref. 53 G9
Date: Sunday September 7
Age Group: Open to U8, U10, U12, U14, U16 and U18
Time: 10.00 am to 12 noon
For more information and to find out how to get involved, contact the club via Web: http://www.williamstownbaseball.com.au / Email: juniors.wbc@gmailcom or 0419 750 916 (Ray)

NOTICE TO PARENTS

Merton Street, Altona Meadows. Please note, we have had a number of recent incidents of lost property. It is important that you check your child’s bag and school clothes for any lost items.

Chores

Keep your work space tidy and keep your bags filled with your school materials.

Healthy Snack Alternatives

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It is not unusual to hear children stating things such as a packet of chips is not healthy or a chocolate bar is a bad choice. It is sometimes difficult to tell children that the more nutritious alternatives are not as appealing or quick to prepare. Below are some suggestions for more nutritious alternatives for snacks. Healthy Alternatives

Packaged Cheese 100g

Pepperoni Pizza Crisp 125g

Cherry Sultanas 60g

Green Peas 115g

Miniature Loaf 45g

Cheese & Tomato Roll 90g

Cheville Beef Stick 90g

Crispy Rice Cakes 20g

White Cheddar Cheese Slice 30g

Green Beans 110g

Horlicks Sachet 150g

Nuts: Almonds 50g

Lunchbox: 100g

Greek Yoghurt 200g

100g Fresh Fruit

Fresh Juice 200ml

Contact 03 9315 8680 for more information / inquiries@paddleswimschool.com.au

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ST MARY’S ANNUAL SCHOOL DISCO
Friday 19th September 2014

Get your dancing shoes on. It’s time to celebrate the end of 3rd Term!

JUNIOR DISCO PREP, YEAR 1 & 2 - 5.30 PM – 7.00 PM
SENIOR DISCO – YEAR 3, 4, 5 & 6 - 7.15 PM – 9.00 PM
GRADE 3’s are welcome to attend either disco, however, all children will ONLY be allowed to attend one disco on the night.

The Cost:
$5 per child or $12.00 per family with 3+ siblings (Must be siblings NOT cousins or friends etc.)

Water will be available on request. There will be no food provided or permitted.

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND!!!

VIP access pass – Prepay your child’s admission and receive an access pass before the night to avoid long pesky queues. No waiting for the fun! Simply complete and return your RSVP and payment BEFORE Wednesday the 10th September.

Children will be able to purchase GLOW wear to make the night sparkle ranging from $2 to $5.

Parents are welcome to leave their children at the disco as they will be supervised by a group of fabulous volunteer parents and ALL exit doors will be manned. However, to help make this an enjoyable event for all, we would really appreciate your assistance on the night and ask if you could complete the form below and return it to school ASAP

IMPORTANT:
There is an important Emergency Contact Number Form for you to complete on the BACK OF EACH TICKET, which will be sent home once payment has been received, or available on the night for those paying at the door. This must be completed prior to entry.

It’s going to be such fun!
Parents & Friends Committee
FOR VIP Priority access pass  
(must be returned to school by Wednesday 10th September to be activated)

Yes, we want priority access to the school disco!

Surname:_________________________ Eldest Child’s Class:____________________

Children’s name/s ___________________ ______________________________________

Please **circle** enclosed amount and return to school in a sealed envelope:

- $5 (1 child)
- $10 (2 children)
- $12 (3+ Children – same family only)

*******IMPORTANT: Your child MUST bring their VIP pass on the night to gain priority access*******

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YES, I am able to help with:

- Set Up (1:45-3:00pm)
- Packing Up (9:00 – 9:30 pm)
- Junior Disco (5:15 – 7:15 pm)
- Senior Disco (7:00 – 9:00 pm)

Please circle and return to school by Wednesday 10th September 2014

Name:_________________________ Telephone::_________________________

Child’s Name:_________________________ Child’s class:____________________

Email:__________________________________________________________________

Working with Child Check: Yes/No

Thank you, your help is very much appreciated 😊