Over the first ten days of school this year I have had the pleasure of visiting your children in their classrooms and specialist programs. I could not be more pleased with the atmosphere of calm and productive endeavour evident throughout the school. The teachers’ focus has been on introducing our TRRAC (Thinking, Respect, Responsibility, Attitude & Care) Blackburn Lake Primary values and the expectations and behaviours as outlined in the On TRRAC booklets (with these booklets coming home on Friday for discussion). Teachers have also been building strong relationships and establishing a positive environment in each classroom and I have certainly seen that in operation. (Pictured is an example of a classroom activity from 2D with an emphasis on positive relationships and behaviours from the book ‘Have You Filled A Bucket Today?’).

In the playground it is also wonderful to see students who are new to BLPS being welcomed into the school and to see all children playing safely and cooperatively. This great start certainly points to a positive and exciting year ahead for all in the Blackburn Lake community.

‘GETTING TO KNOW YOU’ INTERVIEW EVENING
As children spend a majority of their time at either home or school, it is important for the school and families to work together to provide the best education possible for our students. Our ‘Getting To Know You’ Interviews is another aspect of the school’s commitment to developing home-school relationships and will be conducted in a fortnight’s time, on Wednesday 27th February.

This will be a great opportunity for families to briefly meet their children’s teachers (for a 10 minute interview) to let us know any pertinent issues relating to your child and their learning. (Prep parents please note that interviews on this night are for families of children in Years 1 to 6, as school entry assessments on Wednesdays provide us with an introduction to you and your child).

Once again we will be utilising the Parent Teacher Interview On-Line (PTO) site to facilitate these. More information about these formal parent-teacher chats and the booking process will be distributed soon - remember to check with your child for your access code letter.

(For quick communication with us, a reminder that as well as your child’s diary or teacher’s email - published in last week’s Lakeside News - our teachers are available in their classrooms each morning for any informal meetings between 8:50 – 9:00am before commencing instruction. Likewise, as principal I remind everyone of an open invitation to approach me at any time if you have any cares, concerns or compliments).

STUDENT SAFETY – ILLNESS AND ACCIDENTS
At this time early in the school year it is a good idea to remind parents about the necessity to keep us up to date with phone numbers and emergency contact details. If your child is ill at school, or suffers an accident, then staff will give immediate care and appropriate first aid. However, it is necessary on occasions to contact parents and we are often frustrated by out of date information that delays this process. Please make sure you notify the Office of any changes to yours or your Emergency Contact details. Obviously in extreme cases we may also deem it necessary to call an Ambulance before consulting parents and you need to be aware of this.
Please also keep the Office informed of any change in medical issues faced by your children as this helps us to make the best choices for their welfare.

Parents and guardians should also be aware that they are generally responsible for paying the cost of medical treatment for injured students, including any Ambulance transport costs. Most medical costs will be refundable by Medicare. If you are a member of an ambulance or health insurance fund, you may also be able to claim transport or other expenses from the fund. The Department of Education and Early Childhood Development does not hold accident insurance for school students. Is other Insurance available? Yes - there are commercial providers of insurance for students and they can be found through the Yellow Pages or your Insurance Broker.

STUDENTS, PARENTS & STAFF PERSONAL PROPERTY
On a similar topic, personal property is often brought to school by students, staff and visitors. This can include mobile devices, calculators, toys, sporting equipment and cars parked on school premises. Please note the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development does not hold insurance for personal property brought to schools and it will generally not pay for any loss or damage to such property.

LEVEL 4 CAMP – SOVEREIGN HILL
Next Monday the Year 5 & 6 children and teachers head off to Camp at Sovereign Hill. This is a great experience for the children and will certainly complement their upcoming ‘Our Heritage’ unit of study on Australia’s history with some wonderful real life experiences. Considering the current industrial action I thank the staff attending for their planning, their preparation and their time towards this program.

Being at the beginning of the year, it will also be a timely opportunity for the children of Level Four to find out more about their new peers as well as strengthen existing friendships. I will be joining the children at camp so look forward to the chance to spend a couple of days with them as they enjoy the fun and educational activities that are on offer at Sovereign Hill.

SCHOOL COUNCIL
We are once again due to hold our annual School Council elections. At the end of next week I will make nomination forms available at the Office and ask community members for an expression of interest in becoming a School Councillor in 2013.

I encourage all parents to consider this role and whether it would be something they could commit to and be involved in. Our School Council meets once a month during school terms; as well as attending School Council Meetings, Councillors are encouraged to join a Subcommittee to help with decisions about our school. I also urge parents to consider their involvement in Parents Association

To outline the role of School Council and find out more about what to expect as a School Councillor, visit http://www.education.vic.gov.au/school/parents/primary/Pages/schoolcouncilguide.aspx, or indeed any question about the process, please give me a call at school.

Whilst our new Preps will not be joining us at tomorrow’s Whole School Assembly – with their first Assembly to be Friday 22nd February - I hope to see everyone else who can make it at 3pm to acknowledge our first ‘Students of the Week’ for 2013,

Regards,

Jason Walker - Principal
walker.jason.r@edumail.vic.gov.au

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Parent Information Evening - Understanding Bullying
Tuesday 26th February @ 7.00p.m.
Blackburn Lake School Library - all welcome

During our *Bully Busters - Parent Information Evening*, *Insideout Trainers* will look at:
- Defining the different types of bullying and it's impacts
- Understanding the bullying dynamic and the role of the bystander
- Why kids have difficulty speaking up, why it's important and how we can help them to do so
- How to help your children protect themselves
- What to do if you suspect your child is bullying
- How to help your child bounce back from bullying
- How to best protect our children from cyber bullying

**Bully Busters Come to School**

As part of your child’s Services and Excursion Levy, *Insideout Education* - (Bully Busters) will facilitate workshops to assist our children to understand bullying behaviour and to provide them with opportunities to explore strategies for dealing with it.

**Student workshop for Prep - Year 2**
COOL CALM KIDS
Social skills are not always innate. Many children go to school unaware that their behaviour, whether positive or negative, has consequences for themselves and others. This session teaches young children the foundations of assertive behaviour and the dangers of certain types of reactions. During this workshop our Prep to Year 2 students will learn:
- How to make distinctions between fair and unfair play
- How to deal with bossy peers and put downs
- How to be a cool, calm, kid and not react
- How to use simple and effective language to help playground conflict
- How to manage their own body language

**Student workshop for Years 3 and 4**
RESILIENT KID’S WORKSHOP
Creating active bystanders has been shown to be the single biggest factor in reducing the level of bullying in schools. Targets and bystanders can often be very unsure of what to do when faced with a bullying situation. This session will help our students to better handle bullying situations they may face directly or indirectly as bystanders. During this workshop our Years 3 & 4 students will learn:
- How to recognise different forms of bullying behaviour
- The impacts of bullying behaviours
- Some techniques to deal with this issue effectively
- How to take safe and powerful action as a bystander
- Assertive strategies for life

**Student workshop for Years 5 and 6**
EMPOWERED KIDS
Some children, for any number of reasons, have learnt to use their power in an aggressive and / or manipulative ways. When faced with this directly or as a bystander, students are often unsure of what to do or say. This session will help our students to better handle bullying as well as creating proactive bystander attitudes. During this workshop Years 5 & 6 students will learn:
- How to recognise different forms of bullying behaviour
- The impacts of both covert and explicit bullying behaviours
- Some defensive techniques
- How to take safe and powerful action as a bystander
- Assertive strategies for life
WHOLE SCHOOL ‘BUDDY’ PROGRAM

Next week our School Buddy Program will be starting. Blackburn Lake’s Buddy program aims to develop a supportive, friendly and caring school culture. By working together with another student, students learn the values of caring for others, respect, valuing difference, including others and responsibility. Through formal fortnightly activities and informal interaction outside of the classroom, the program supports our Blackburn Lake TRRAC program and provides skills needed for a harmonious co-existence between students.

Within our buddy program, older students (Years 4, 5 & 6) become leaders in their own right, independent of the leadership positions within the school. Our program is implemented throughout the school on a fortnightly basis on a Monday afternoon from 2.40pm – 3.20pm. It includes the following programs:

- Better Buddies (Prep and year 4)
- Beyond Buddies (Grade 1, 2 and 5)
- Peer Support Program (Grade 3 and 6)
- Resilience through Drum Beat (10 students selected from Grade 3 – 6 every 10 weeks)

To support our Whole School Buddy Program we also run a:
- Peer Mediation Program for Year 6 student leaders.

These leaders have a special responsibility to support students in the playground. At present, our Peer Mediators are focussing on our new Prep students by assisting them with their transition to school.

BUDDY POSTCARDS COMING HOME SOON!

Our school Buddy program aims to:

- Build a friendly and inclusive community
- Help students feel valued and supported within the school
- Teach important social skills
- Create a caring ethos within the school
- Build school connectedness
- Increase positive social behaviour
- Strengthen student optimism and resilience
- Provide opportunity for peer tutoring
- Develop responsibility

JOIN A LUNCH TIME ACTIVITY GROUP

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Join the Science club. We met every Tuesday in the resource room
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Regards,

Loisia Steed – Assistant Principal  steed.loisia.l@edumail.vic.gov.au

‘STUDENTS OF THE WEEK’

We congratulate the following ‘Students of the Week’ – to be presented at Friday’s Assembly

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<th>Exertly explaining the class' display of 'buckets' and displaying 'bucket filling behaviour'</th>
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<td>Harry M</td>
<td>Helping others and having a great attitude when not winning</td>
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<td>Isobel F</td>
<td>Always showing Respect to her classmates, classroom and work</td>
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<td>Hamish C</td>
<td>Knowing and showing many ways to be a great mate – way to go!!</td>
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<td>Thomas W</td>
<td>Outstanding Journal Writing, excellent ideas and presentation</td>
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<td>Charlie M</td>
<td>Being inclusive and involving nearly the whole class to build a massive sandcastle – well done!</td>
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<td>Sheryl H</td>
<td>Showing respect to her class mates by working quietly and independently on her TRRAC Booklet</td>
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<td>Phillip K</td>
<td>His enthusiastic approach towards learning BLPS School Values</td>
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<td>Ryan W</td>
<td>Displaying an excellent ATTITUDE towards all of his class work in the first two weeks – keep it up!!!</td>
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<td>Cooper S</td>
<td>Reflecting our school values by Respecting and helping others</td>
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<td>Catherine AL</td>
<td>A fabulous, on TRRAC contribution to the first two weeks of school</td>
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<td>4E</td>
<td>Jak K</td>
<td>A fantastic start to the year and for really applying the TRRAC Values in the classroom</td>
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<td>Jasmine S</td>
<td>Showing excellent time management skills by completing all her TRRAC activities on time and to a high standard – well done!</td>
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<td>Taylah DM</td>
<td>Great class participation and a consistent positive attitude!</td>
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<td>Jacob C</td>
<td>Stepping up into Level 4 &amp; being a very responsible Grade 5 – well done!</td>
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<td>Jarryd T</td>
<td>Demonstrating our school TRRAC Values of Caring and Responsibility by including and helping our new Grade 5 students</td>
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<td>Liam R</td>
<td>Caring for others and showing respect during ‘Circle Time’ – well done!</td>
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<td>Jamie C – 1/2D</td>
<td>Wonderful handwriting in the Italian class</td>
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A BIG THANK YOU TO BUNNINGS NUNAWADING FOR PROVIDING FREE PAINT 'FRESHEN-UP' OUR PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT AT BLPS

FROM THE OFFICE

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS ON -  
Friday 22\textsuperscript{nd} February 2013

PLEASE RETURN ALL PHOTOGRAPH ENVELOPES BY- - WED 20\textsuperscript{th} FEB

Dear Parents,

On the above date, School photos will be taken at BLPS. Order envelopes have been distributed to all pupils. It is important that instructions are followed in order to save confusion and disappointment.

PLEASE NOTE: All orders received after photography day will incur a reorder fee.

1. Select your preferred package from the options printed on the flyer provided (which is enclosed in the order envelope). A class photo is included in all packages.

2. You must complete a separate order envelope for each purchasing child. Clearly mark the package and gifts you wish to purchase in the space provided using a black or blue ball point pen, complete all your contact details and enclose the correct payment using one of the options listed below.

CASH - Please enclose exact monies as no change is available.

If paying for additional siblings in one envelope, please note which envelope payment was made.

CHEQUE - Please print name, address and telephone on rear of cheque. If payment is declined by your bank, then dishonour fees will apply. Please allow 60 days for your cheque payment to be finalized. PLEASE MAKE CHEQUES PAYABLE TO: ‘ADVANCEDLIFE’

CREDIT CARD - payments can only be made on-line. An order envelope must be completed and returned to your school prior to photo day.

If paying for more than one student or additional family photos, one transaction can be made by adding up the total of all order envelopes and recording the receipt number on all ordering envelopes.

Online Instructions: Go to : www.advancedlife.com.au

Click on online payments and re-orders, click on proceed
Enter the three letter online payment code (ie: SCH), then click OK
Enter your information and payment details
Click on next to process payment.
Check your payment details, then click on submit payment,
A confirmation page will appear, record receipt number on order envelope
where indicated under payment details: "online receipt number"

**Please note that a $1 surcharge will apply to the transaction.

SIBLING Order Envelopes can be collected from the school office and returned prior to photo day

Kind Regards, ADVANCEDLIFE PHOTOGRAPHY Email : info@advancedlifelifevic.com.au
21 Bridge Street, Bulleen, 3105 Phone 03 9852 1133 Fax 03 9852 1433

REMEMBER! EMA - EDUCATIONAL MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCE

In order to be eligible for EMA in 2013 you must:
- Be either a parent or guardian of a primary or secondary school student up to the age of sixteen; and
- Be an eligible beneficiary of a Centrelink Pension, Allowance or Benefit within the meaning of the ‘State Concessions act 2004’ or be a Veteran Affairs (TPI Pensioner or be a temporary foster parent

Please come to the school office for verification and to complete an EMA Application Form which must be submitted no later than the 28 February 2013.
DISTRICT SWIMMING TRIALS – THURSDAY 21 FEBRUARY
Thank you to all those students, and parents, who handed in swim times to me. The BLPS team has been selected and notices have been sent home. Please return these, with money, by Friday please – especially Level 4 (Sovereign Hill camp next week).

Good Luck to all those students taking part. It will be an exciting, new experience for most of them!

ELITE SPORTS TRIALS
As in the past children have the opportunity to "trial" for a variety of sports to represent Victoria at state level. These trials are for children who “elite” at their sport.

Our District will be holding trials throughout the coming months however we have two events coming up very soon.

TENNIS TRIALS
These will be held on Thursday 14 March. We are able to send 1 boy and 1 girl from BLPS. Children will be receiving more information next week and those who would like to try out will need to return the nomination form as indicated.

Trials for Basketball, Netball, Australian Rules and Soccer will be held in the last week of Term 1. More information about these trials will be forwarded soon.

OTHER SPORTS
The following sports also have state teams for primary aged students: cricket, diving, golf, hockey, rugby league, softball and touch football.

All information for these sports can be found “on-line” on the School Sport Victoria website (www.ssv.vic.edu.au).

If you have a child who is very talented in any of these sports please check this website.
If you have any questions about these sports please contact me about nominations after referring to the SSV website.

Morning Movers
OOPS!! Due to the Level 4 camp M.Ms will not commence until 26 February!!

Phil Lumsden PE / Sports Coordinator

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC RECRUITMENT NIGHT
Thank you to everyone who came to the recruitment night on Tuesday Evening. We had a great night, hearing some amazing music from our instrumental team, and have some very keen beginners! We have a few vacancies left and we would love to hear from anyone wanting to learn French Horn, Saxophone, Oboe or Clarinet. The enrolment forms are next to the front office and once filled in can be placed in my pigeonhole.

CONGRATULATIONS JOSH
We would like to congratulate Josh Dema, our cello teacher and String Ensemble Conductor. He has been offered a position in the Royal Melbourne Philharmonic Orchestra. This is a huge honour and a reminder of the calibre of Instrumental staff that we are lucky to have with us at BLPS. Well done Josh!

COME & HEAR PAUL PLAY
Paul Carter, our Saxophone and Piano Teacher will be playing at Seville Hill Winery in the Yarra Valley on this Sunday 17 February from 12.30pm – 4.00pm. Family friendly event come along and enjoy some great music etc.

ENSEMBLES
The school music ensembles will commence rehearsals from Friday15th February.

The rehearsal times for Term 1 are as follows:
- Grade 3/4 Choir: Wednesday 1.40 – 2.20pm
- Grade 5/6 Choir: Wednesday 2.30 – 3.20pm
Concert Band – Friday 1.40 – 2.30pm
String Orchestra – Mondays 1.40 – 2.20pm (beginning on 4 March)
Combined Marimba Ensemble – Tuesday 1.40 – 2.20pm
Drumming Group – Monday 1.40 – 2.20pm

UKULELE FUN!
The Grade 5’s and 6’s are learning Ukulele this year in class. The school has purchased a class set but if you would like to purchase one for your child to have a home please see Jo. They are $45 and are gorgeous.

Thanks Jo M Music Coordinator myers.joanne.j@edumail.vic.gov.au

PARENTS ASSOCIATION NEWS

Your 2013 PA Executive Team
President: Nicola G Vice President: Miranda K Secretaries: Lisa C & Nicole R Treasurer: Rebekah R

So show your support for the PA & like us on Facebook (Blackburn Lake Primary School PA Committee)
or drop us a line via the PA mailbox in the school Foyer or send us an email at blps.pa@gmail.com

Diary date for 2013: First PA meeting
Our first PA meeting will be on TUESDAY 19 FEBRUARY 2013 AT 7.30pm. We’d love to see you there, including if you’ve never been to a meeting before.

BACK TO SCHOOL BBQ - FRIDAY 22 FEBRUARY

Please make a note in your Diary that our BACK TO SCHOOL BBQ will be held at LUNCHTIME on FRIDAY 22 FEBRUARY. An order form will go home with your child next week and will also be available on the BLPS website to News / Notice section.

Order Forms with correct money are to be returned by FRIDAY 15 FEBRUARY (this is so the Year 5/6s who will be on Camp, can be included in our BBQ).

The BBQ will be a good old fashioned Sausage Sizzle and will be available from the Canteen.
Ice Creams, Ships, Pretzels and Drinks will also be available for purchase on the day.

We will need some parent helpers to help serve on the day. If you are able to help out from 12noon to 2pm, then please contact Nicola email: nadams@pacbrands.com.au or 0437 750 164 asap.

We hope you will all join us in celebrating the new school year!

BACK TO SCHOOL BBQ ORDER FORM
LUNCHTIME FRIDAY 22 FEBRUARY

PLEASE RETURN BY FRIDAY 15 FEBRUARY

NAME: .......................................................... CLASS: .................

I would like to order ______ sausage(s) in bread at $2 each and have enclosed $___________

PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN TO YOUR CLASS TEACHER WITH CORRECT MONEY BY - FRIDAY 15 FEBRUARY
The new icecream range and pretzels which launched last week are a big hit. Don’t forget our Canteen and Miss Peppercorn online lunch order service is open every Monday. We would like to thank all the parents/carers who have already volunteered to help, however, we always need more – so if you have an hour or so to spare on a Monday between 1.15 and 2:15pm to help in the Canteen then please contact Nicola on nadams@pacbrands.com.au or 0437 750 164 to register your availability today.

Below is our current product range available for sale and prices. Remember, all money from the sale of these Canteen items stays with the school.

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Happy Lunching! Amelia, Anni, Mandy & Nicola - The Canteen Committee

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SCHOOL BANKING
Welcome back to school and we are looking forward to a great banking year!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED for 2013
Our team needs new volunteers to help us in 2013. It only takes about 45 minutes every 3rd Wednesday of the school terms and involves collecting and counting money then entering the amounts into a web-based system. If you would like more information or would like to help us out, please contact Vickie on 0419 773 335.

REWARD ITEMS 2013
For each deposit you will earn a silver Dollarmite token. When you have saved 10 tokens you will be able to redeem them for the following reward items this term:

- Moneybox - choose from 5 Dollarmite characters
- Handball
- Wallet (blue this time)
- Knuckles game

You should all receive a reward redemption sheet this week if you banked with us yesterday. Otherwise you can get a School Banking pack from the Office or come see us in the Staffroom on Wednesday mornings.
NEW ACCOUNTS
If you are interested in opening a Dollarmite Saver account for your child, please go up to the office for an information pack which will give you details on how to set it up, either online, or in person at a Commonwealth Bank branch. If your child already has an account with the Commonwealth Bank, he or she can start banking with us straightaway - just bring the deposit book in every Wednesday morning to the Staffroom!

Thanks everyone for supporting the School Banking Program.
Regards, Vickie Liew, School Banking Coordinator M: ☎ 0419 773335

COMMUNITY NOTICE BOARD

Any advertisements in this newsletter are in no way endorsed by Blackburn Lake Primary School

BLACKBURN LAKE SANCTUARY
Meet @ the Visitors Centre
Central Rd Blackburn 3130

Sunday 3 March @ 10am -
‘Clean Up Australia Day’ Come along & ‘Make a difference’ – every bit helps!

Sunday 17 March @ 2pm -
‘Antarctica 2011 – Sustainability, Climate & Life at Mawson Station’ by David Morrison, Media & Community Relations Manager, Bureau of Meteorology
please see website for details & bookings essential

ALL WELCOME!
For information: email:
http://home.vicnet.net.au/~blsac
Or Education Officer ☎ 9262 6211

Junior Naturalists
Juniors Group of FNCV Inc
The group meets at 7.30 pm on the last Friday of each month (except Dec) at the rooms of the Field Naturalists Club of Victoria Inc, 1 Gardenia St Blackburn 3130.

FEBRUARY MEETING – Fri 22 February 2013
‘Regent Honeyeater Project’
Speaker - Ray Thomas

No March Meeting

EASTER CAMP – Fri 29 Feb – Mon 1 March
‘Camp at Mallacoota’.
For further information & bookings contact:
Clare Ferguson ☎ 8060 2474 or email: toclairef@gmail.com

Dad's Run to Help Kinnon McD (2L) - A word of thanks.
Mike is home again from running the 50K Marysville and the 60k Kepler Mountain Run in NZ.
With the inspiration and support of everyone at BLPS, Mike pushed through and managed to reach the finish line!
With thoughts of how this was helping Kinnon and also not wanting to let the families who contributed down, Mike made it!
We (Mike, Tracy, Kinnon and Cushla McDermott) want to extend a sincere thank you for the overwhelming response.
We are very fortunate to live in such a supporting community with our school and the beautiful families around us to all and our best Wishes.
The McDermott Family.

FOR SALE - STUDENT DESK - $150
Two piece student desk. We had this desk made to measure so not standard dimensions. It is in Great condition.

Desk dimensions 94cm (wide) x 62cm (depth) x 78cm(height)
Desk has area for computer tower under the desk and a pull out keyboard area which if pulled out all the way adds another 25cm to the depth.
Separate shelf sits on top of desk to raise computer screen.
Can be turned over to use shelves at different heights.
82cm (height) x 90cm (width) x 29cm (deep) Please call Andrea ☎ 0400 880 042
Communication from the piano teacher!!

Are you keen for your child to have piano lessons out of school time? Miss Mac lives in the Forest Hills Village, accessible from Milton Street, and she has a few vacancies to fill.

She looks forward to hearing from you!

In case you have not seen Miss Mac’s previous ads, here are her requirements! Clean, short fingernails, prompt and regular attendance and a commitment from parents and students to ensure good progress. Miss Mac has taught piano for many years at PLC, Lauriston, Yarra Valley Anglican School and the Knox School.

Miss Mac’s fees are as follow:

One 30 minute piano lesson, cash on the day $35 (payment per week by cheque $40)
Ten 30 minute individual lessons, paid for in advance at the first lesson @ $30 each = $300 cash

There is the usual requirement of half a term’s notice if wishing to cease lessons, or fees in lieu thereof.

For children already learning ANY instrument, Miss Mac takes theory classes, too. Shared theory lessons are $15 each for a 30 min lesson. Parents purchase the workbooks from a list supplied.

Rosemary McIndoe contact: ☏ 9877 2650 or rosesmac@gmail.com (mark ‘Music Lessons’)
100/264 Springvale Road, NUNAWADING 3131
Always wanted to work in: Aged Care Home & Community Care? Enrol now for Government Funded courses starting in BOX HILL in February 2013.

*This training is delivered with Victorian & Commonwealth Funding. Subject to eligibility. TOID 6832

**FREE Soccer Clinic in Vermont**

The training session will run for 45 minutes with activities that will develop skills in dribbling, passing, controlling the ball and working in a team. The session will also end with a game.

The Free clinic will be held on Saturday 23rd Feb and boys and girls between the ages of 5 – 12 years are welcome to participate.

For information on location and session time, or to register your child, please call Greg on 0413 919 727 or email us at supersoccerclinic@gmail.com.au.

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**Are you a grandparent, relative or friend caring for a child who cannot live with their parents?**

The Inner East Kinship Care program can provide information, advice and support to you and the child/young person living with you. Current groups:

**Mini Melodies**

For Grandparents / Carers & Children aged 0-5. Free weekly nursery rhyme, singing & story-telling group. 10:30-11:30am Fridays, Feb 22nd – March 22nd.

Mitcham Primary School 294 Mitcham Road Mitcham.

**Parenting Again**

If you’re a grandparent, relative, or friend caring for children, this 6 week program covers topics such as trauma, behaviour management, and looking after yourself. 10am-12pm Thursdays, starting 14th Feb. Bayswater Anglicare Office.

**Connecting Carers**

Monthly kinship morning tea – support, meet other Carers, coffee and chat. Third Wednesday of every month 10:30-11:30am.

The Avenue Neighborhood House 87 Eley Road Blackburn South.

Ph: 9896 6322 [www.anglicarevic.org.au](http://www.anglicarevic.org.au)

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**Reducing Sibling Rivalry**

A four session course for parents and carers of children aged 2-12 years

Are you driven mad by frequent fighting between your children, or just interested in helping your children live together more harmoniously?

**26 February and 12, 19 & 26 March 2013 (no session 5 March) Tuesdays 7-9pm**

Venue: Warrandyte/Donvale Room Level 1, MC Square 687 Doncaster Road, Doncaster *Melway 33 F12* 

Cost: $60 single, $80 couple, Concession: $40 single, $50 couple.

*Please note that parents will not be excluded on the basis of an inability to pay. If the cost is a concern, please talk to us about this.*

In this course you will learn:

- what increases hostility between children
- specific skills to reduce friction
- how to handle the fighting

Doncare Parent Education Program supported by Manningham City Council
**Allergy Safe Food Planning to Plate**

**Tuesday 5 March 2013**

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Do you have family or friends with food allergies? Would you like to be able to cook and entertain them safely within your home? Then join us at Pines Learning to hear Suzanna Paxton explain what allergies are and their effects, making your kitchen allergy safe, preparing safe healthy family and party food, food substitutions, supermarket shopping and eating out tips.

Suzanna Paxton is a registered nurse, author and mother of 2 children with life threatening allergies.

**Bookings Essential**

**on 9842 6726**

Gold coin donation

Donations will go to the Ilhan Allergy Foundation

1 / 520 Blackburn Road, Doncaster East

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**Act, Create, Communicate**

**Self-development through drama!**

Boost your child’s creativity, confidence and communication skills.

Enrolling now for students aged 5 to 17.


**Studio Locations:**
Blackburn North, Forest Hill, Glen Waverley, Camelot Rise, Mt Waverley, Wheelers Hill & Glenhuntly.

**Contact the Principal**
Tamara White – 8522 0007