**Principal's Message**

Dear Parents,

Ella and Fella

Only 26 sleeps to go!!! That’s a bit scary when you look at it like that. Final touches are being made to some of the pre-recorded pieces and the class rehearsals are going well. The main cast is ready and raring to go also.

Ticket sales are going strong so get your requests in as soon as you can before they are opened up for the extra tickets that many people wish to buy. Let’s see if we can sell out each night and support your children in this exciting performing arts experience.

**Multicultural Day**

You should have received a note explaining about the Multicultural Day next Wednesday 29th August. We would hope to see a variety of interesting items, clothing, food etc., explaining about our tremendous Australian culture and highlights from the many cultures represented in our diverse school community. I am looking forward to a day of celebration where we can share the pride we have in our current life and our heritage.

**ICAS Science Competition**

Congratulations to all 71 students who participated in the University of New South Wales ICAS Science competition last term. I’d like to recognise the efforts of the following students who performed particularly well:

Year 2: High Distinction – Sasuni
Year 3: Distinction – Nipun
Year 4: Distinction – Dulini
Year 5: Distinction – Kevindu & Shaneshi

**Developing Literacy Partnerships Parent Program**

Last Monday evening saw the final session of the Developing Literacy Partnerships program for parents. Toni Arfaras, Sue Hunter and Ros Carabott lead a group of parents through a 4 week program outlining some of the activities and attitudes you can display at home to assist your children in the acquisition of language. This has been a great program and I thank these staff and others who came along to assist on various nights. The few parent comments below sum up their feelings of the success of the program:

“The Developing Literacy Partnerships program is just fantastic as very often parents do not know how to support their children at home.”

“Given me new skills, techniques, ideas to use with my child.”

“I’m starting to try and do more fun things (baking, cakes etc) instead of just reading a book.”

“Learning from expert teachers and hearing experiences and sharing from other parents with kids of other grade levels helped me a lot.”

“This program was brilliant. I learnt a lot of things which we tend to forget and ignore, but which are very important. This will definitely help my kids and myself.”

I hope you join up to the next parent information session that we conduct as you can see the benefit these parents have gained from the sessions.

**Newsletter Sign Up**

It has been great to see an increase in the number of people signing up for the Valley views online. Thanks for this and you will enjoy the read more in colour and you can directly click on any links we place in from time to time to gain further information.

**English As An Additional Language Meeting**

At a gathering of people late last term I stated we would have a meeting explaining the EAL report that a number of our students receive. This will be happening but we will conduct it in fourth term so it is closer to the actual time some students would be receiving them. If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact me. I will give more information closer to the time.

**Anything on your mind? Want to ask a question? Do you have a good idea for us?**

I trust you realize you can ring at any time to make an appointment if there is an issue you wish to discuss but if you would like to come and simply have a chat and see what’s happening at Kilberry Valley Primary School why not come along to meet with myself and other staff on Friday 31st August at 9.15 in the Rethink Room (Room A3). There will be no agenda just simply a time to have a chat and see if anyone has any great ideas for our school or simply wish to engage in a conversation with other parents and myself.

**Footy News**

We are getting to the important time in the season now! A lacklustre win by the Hawks over Gold cost on the weekend has seen us move to second spot on the ladder thanks to the Pies and Crows losing their games. It will be a big test next week with the battle of the top of the table as Hawthorn travel to Sydney for a game of the round to determine top spot!! Hopefully we will have a full team back in – will go there with our ‘A’ game as a great forrunner to the finals series. Go Hawks!!

By the way don’t forget that Footy Day is on Friday 7th September so start looking for all your Brown and Gold clothing to wear that day!!!

Have a great week and keep smiling!!

Neil Cunningham
Principal

**Term 3 — Issue 6**

22nd August, 2012

**DIARY DATES**

- **FRIDAY**
  - 24th August
    - JUNIOR ASSEMBLY
    - 2.45-3.15PM
  - **WEDNESDAY**
    - 29th August
  - **THURSDAY**
    - 30th August
- **FATHERS DAY STALL**
  - $5 GIFTS ONLY
  - CANTEEN OPEN FOR LUNCH ORDERS AND COUNTER SALES AT LUNCHTIME ONLY
- **FRIDAY**
  - 7th September
  - FOOTY DAY (CANTEEN CLOSED)

**newsletter sign up**

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“I made a house out of a tissue box.”
Josie

“I am adding the teddies. 5 and 3 makes 8!”
Sethmin

“We made people from different countries.”
Kushi and Rhylee

“I am filling a container. It is nearly full.”
Thevni

“We are reading a book together.”
Heidi and Jack

“Who is my letter from?”
Julian
Orders for our School Musical Production “Ella & Fella” are now being taken. Please remember that tickets are limited to 2 per family and are priced at $18 each. Performance dates are Monday 17th September to Thursday 20th September, 2012 at 7pm at the Cardinia Cultural Centre, Lakeside Boulevard, Pakenham. Please return the order slip below to your child’s classroom teacher with correct payment enclosed in a clearly labelled envelope by Friday 31st August, 2012. 

Tickets will NOT be available for purchase from the school office. Tickets will be issued in the order that forms arrive at the School Office. Also, please contact the office if you require wheelchair access.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact the School Office on 9702 8688.

We will begin sending tickets home via students from Monday 3rd September, 2012. From Monday 3rd September there will be no limit to how many tickets can be purchased by any family, subject to availability.

There will NOT be a waiting list for tickets so sales after this date will be on a ‘first come, first served basis.’

WOULD PARENTS PLEASE CHECK THAT THEY HAVE THE CORRECT TICKETS AS SOON AS THEY ARE RECEIVED AS WE CAN ONLY OFFER AN EXCHANGE OF TICKETS WITHIN TWO DAYS OF RECEIPT OF TICKETS. THANKYOU.

FREE TOAST @BREAKFAST CLUB!

Breakfast Club is offering FREE TOAST to a particular year level each week. This week all JUNIOR STUDENTS (GRADES PREP - 2) who visit Breakfast Club are offered a FREE piece of toast.

Reminder of Breakfast Club details

Time: 8:30-8:55am
Day: FRIDAY mornings
Place: New Gym
Cost: 10c for 1 piece of toast
10c for 1 bowl of cereal and milk

(please note that this is a non profit program, all money collected is spent on buying items for our Breakfast Club)

PEANUT ALLERGIES: Unfortunately we are unable to offer Breakfast Club to children with nut allergies. Although we do not serve ‘nut foods’, we cannot guarantee that our kitchen is a complete ‘Nut Free Zone’. Thank you for your understanding.
**LATE PAYMENTS CANNOT BE ACCEPTED**

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**Hammer Valley Notices Sent Home**

The following notices have been sent home to families and require your prompt attention:

**AFROBEAT: AFRICAN DRUMMING EXTRAVANGZA**

(Whole School Incursion)

Consent forms and payment MUST be received by this Friday 24th August, 2012. The cost of this incursion is $2.50. Students who do not return consent forms and payments by the closing date for incursions/excursions will not be able to participate in the activity. We would appreciate your support and co-operation with these matters. Thank you.

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WELFARE CORNER

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**Hampton Park Employment & Community Health**

Outreach & Advisory Service

Do you need support?

A mobile outreach service, provided by the ‘Green Cross Outreach” bus through Southern Health is now available in Hampton Park.

Every Wednesday from 10am-4pm located in the Stuart Avenue Car Park, Hampton Park

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