President’s Report

Opening Ceremony
Last Friday, I joined local MP and Minister for just about everything, Martin Foley, in cutting a ribbon to officially open our new double storey relocatable building last Friday. Hopefully there will be no further additions to our buildings for several years, as the new primary school in Ferrars St should reduce our enrolment pressures from 2018.

Fisherman’s Bend Community Forum
Along with about 300 other interested residents, I attended Monday’s forum where Planning Minister Richard Wynn and Martin Foley assured us that the Ferrars St school is on track to open in 2018, and that there will be several opportunities for local residents to comment on the plans for the development of the new Fisherman’s Bend precinct in the coming months.

Local Education Forum on March 21
Martin Foley and Education Minister James Merlino will update local school communities on educational initiatives such as the Ferrars St and South Melbourne Park Primary Schools as well as new developments at Albert Park College on Monday 21st March at the South Melbourne Commons Hall, (cnr Bank and Montague Sts) from 6.30pm to 8pm. This is a free event, but RSVP is essential at bit.ly/educationstate.

Family Fun Run Tomorrow Afternoon
Please support the PFA’s Family Fun Run to be conducted at Murphy Reserve tomorrow evening. This will be the PFA’s first major fundraiser for 2016, and it is hoped that the funds will be used for projects such as providing a passive play area near the new double storey building, shade cloth over parts of our playground, and purchasing additional ICT equipment for the school.

Payments for School Activities
With over 750 students in the school and at least 20 separate excursions and incursions across the school each term, the office has to process over 2000 excursion payments each term, and, for each activity, the school has to make provision for adequate supervision for those students on the excursion/incursion as well as for those attending school but not participating in excursions.

In 2014 and 2015, the school attempted to ease the burden on parents by charging one lump sum excursion levy, but after complaints from parents about monies not being expended because of student absences, cancellation of activities and so on, in 2016 in addition to changes in DET requirements for excursions, we have reverted to our former procedure of asking for payment for each excursion separately.

To ensure that these arrangements can be made so that all activities run smoothly without disruption to other classes at the school, school policy is that all consent forms and payments MUST be completed at least TWO clear school days prior to each activity. To facilitate this, the school provides a range of payment options such as QR! eftpos, and payment by cash. As well as sending permission notes home, all activities are flagged on Konnective, which can be accessed on the web, as well as by a phone app, and reminders are also flagged on Konnective.
As soon as the school makes an exception for one family to be exempted from the excursion guidelines, major issues of equity arise. Please support the school by returning any excursion notes and make your payments as early as possible, and check your Konnective feed, either by app or on-line regularly to ensure that your child doesn’t miss out on a school activity.

Annette Maloney

**Principal’s Report**

**School Council Elections**
All ballot papers for the election of three parent members of Council MUST be returned to the school office by 4pm tomorrow. If you did not receive a ballot paper, please contact the office.

The Annual Reporting Meeting of Council will be on Tuesday 8th March and the new Council will take office from that date.

**Swimming Successes**
Congratulations to the 25 students who represented us very successfully at the District Swimming Sports last Friday, and to all the other students who trialled for the team and put pressure on those selected. Simon Magasanik has spent several early mornings at MSAC training the squad and has played a major role in our success.

All students who had either the fastest or second fastest time on the day go through to the Beachside carnival at the Oakleigh Pool – Park Road Oakleigh Friday March 11th 2016. Races commence from 10.00am to 1.30pm. They include the following individual swimmers: 
- Freestyle – Sophie Johnson (10YO), Daniel Magasanik (10YO), Amelia Kogler (12YO) and Samson Magasanik (12YO)
- Breaststroke – Sienna Farrell (10YO), Eva Levashova (11YO) and Alex Dahlberg (11Y)
- Backstroke – Daniel Magasanik (10YO) and Harry Johnson (12YO)
- Butterfly – Nathan Cui (10YO) and Jake Rothnie (12YO)

Six of our relay teams were also successful: 
**Individual Medley:** Samson Magasanik, Daniel Magasanik, Alex Dahlberg and Jake Rothnie
**10YO Girls:** Sienna Farrell, Sophie Johnson, Akoko Minifie and Morgan Huntley
**10YO Boys:** Nathan Cui, Phillip Markovski, Callum Ryan and Oscar Goodger-McGrath
**11YO Girls:** Eva Levashova, Zara Burdett, Cameron Millias and Catherine McGowan

**11YO Boys:** Alex Dahlberg, Farry Johnson, Beau Graham and Brendon Sergi
**12YO Boys:** Samson Magasanik, Jake Rothnie, Dean Markovski and Daniel Magasanik

**Athletics Carnival**
Thank-you to the forty parents who gave up their time to assist us in staging our annual Senior School House Athletics Sports yesterday. Without your assistance, the day could not have gone ahead. Individual results will be used to assist in selecting our school athletics team for the District Athletics in term 3. However, there will be other opportunities later in the year for students to try out for places in the athletics team.

**Year 5/6 Cricket Gala Day**
Our bus company advised earlier this week that, due to rail replacement bus commitments, they would be unable to transport students to the Cricket Gala Day, but “found” three buses for us this morning. The Gala Day is now going ahead, although the start will be delayed as our buses will not collect the children until 9.45am.

**Terrific Tennis**
Congratulations to Roisin Gilheany who has won her way through to the Division Tennis Trials.

**Year 1-6 Swimming Program**
This year, our Year 5 & 6 students are participating in an open water swimming and lifesaving program, led by LifeSaving Victoria instructors at Port Melbourne beach. Consent forms and payment details have been sent home to Year 5 & 6 families. Please note the return date for your child’s swimming program.

Our Year 1-4 swimming program will take place at MSAC in early term 2. Each class will be involved in six x forty-five minutes sessions over a fortnight.
Year 3 & 4 sessions will be held on: April 26, 27 & 28 and May 2, 4 & 6.
Year 1 & 2 sessions will be held on: May 9, 11 & 13, and May 16, 18 & 20.

Diving Victoria will be involved in one of the sessions and students will have the opportunity to learn how to dive safely into the pool, with more able students having the opportunity to dive from the 1 metre board.

Consent forms and payment details for the Year 1-4 program will be sent home next week. The cost will be $65.

Jump Rope For Heart
We are again participating in the Jump Rope for Heart program, with lots of skipping going on in the yard. We will launch the program at a short assembly at 2.30pm next Thursday.

Please help your child support valuable research into heart disease by registering them online at www.heartfoundation.org.au/jumpropeforheart
It’s easy, safe and secure. Please ask family and friends to help by sponsoring your child in the program.

Ride2School Day
Port Melbourne will be celebrating active travel day on Friday 11th March. We encourage students and their families to leave the car at home on this day and get a taste of the benefits, ease and fun involved in choosing to walk and wheel to school. To celebrate riding, walking, skating and scooting as fun ways to travel to school, we are organising the following activities on the day:

A ‘wheelie’ awesome parade at 9am. This involves students decorating their wheels and parading around the basketball court in their grade. Prizes for the best decorated wheels will be awarded and stickers will be given out to all students that ride, skate etc. to school. There will also be a raffle for extra ‘wheelie’ awesome prizes. The year 6 students will be doing a wheel count in the lead up and on the day to see how many students come to school on foot and on bikes, scooters etc.

We support our students to walk or wheel to school because:

- Students feel fresh and alert at the beginning of a school day.
- There are fewer cars around the school which cases ‘drop off congestion’.
- Students are more likely to reach the recommended 60 minutes of physical activity they need each day.
- Students feel happier, healthier and perform better in the classroom.

Parents can join in the fun by walking or wheeling with their students and are welcome to stay and watch the parade.

Represent Your State?
Each year, talented Victorian school students have the opportunity to trial for a place in the School Sport Victoria (SSV) ‘Team Vic’ state team and participate in annual School Sport Australia (SSA) Championships. These teams participate in higher levels of sporting competition against students from other Australian states and territories in annual School Sport Australia Championships. Forty-six teams are selected across twenty-two sports, involving over one thousand primary and secondary school students representing Team Vic.

The sports include Australian Football, Baseball, Basketball, Cricket, Cross Country, Diving, Football (Soccer), Goalball, Golf, Hockey, Netball, Orienteering, Rugby League, Softball, Surfing, Swimming, Table Tennis, Tennis, Touch, Track and Field, Triathlon and Volleyball.

For more information, visit https://www.ssv.vic.edu.au/TeamVic/Pages/defaul t.aspx

Mums’ Netball
It’s not just the dads who star in sport. Port Melbourne mums were the winners in the recent Ladies netball grand final at Albert Park. Port Pearls played Port Laadies - both teams consisting of current and past PMPS mums. After a hard fought game, the Pearls were the winners but both teams enjoyed the celebrations and are looking forward to playing each other next season.
Weekly Staff Profile
This week, we profile our Student Welfare Coordinators, Milli Lloyd, who looks after Years Prep-2, and Darren Crawcour who looks after Years 3-6.

Milli joined us in 2014 from South Geelong Primary School where she taught at Prep to Year 2, was a School Councillor and was a member of the school’s leadership team. She led our Year 2 team in 2014 before taking on the Student Welfare role last year.

Milli is keen to keep fit and healthy and loves running, swimming and yoga. She hopes to successfully complete some triathlons this year. Her hobbies normally evolve around food either cooking a feast, growing veggies and herbs or exploring new restaurants and cuisines. She also loves to spend time with her family and friends.

In 2013, Miss Milli backpacked her way through Europe, travelling through over 12 countries. The highlights of her trip include walking the Cinque Terre in Italy, white water rafting in Montenegro, shopping in Paris, sailing through the Greek Islands and enjoyed the paella in Spain.

Milli and her fiancé Paul will “tie the knot” later this month, and we wish them all the best for their nuptials.

leisure time by playing golf, watching motor sport and travelling.

Term 1 Dates
March 3 Jump Rope for Heart Launch
March 4 Cricket Gala Day (Year 5/6) Family Fun Run (4.40pm) at Murphy’s Reserve
March 8 School Council
March 11 Beachside Swimming
Mar 15............6AB Swimming
Mar 16............5AB Swimming
Mar 22...........Parent Teacher Interviews P -2
..............................6CD Swimming
Mar 23...........Parent Teacher Interviews 3-6
..............................5CD Swimming
Mar 24...........Term 1 ends 1.30pm

Parents & Friends

PFA Annual General Meeting 15th March
School Staff Room 7.30pm
Please join us for our AGM on March 15th.

We will be presenting a summary of the past year which includes a full financial summary. All positions within the PFA will be declared open for election and we welcome everyone to come along.

Simone and Thea have thoroughly enjoyed the past 3 years as co-presidents and have no intention of abandoning the PFA but we feel it is time for some new ideas and fresh faces!

Please don’t be scared off by the prospect of being roped into something you are not up for but many hands do make light work. If you have any questions regarding any of the roles within the PFA please contact Simone or Thea.

Family Fun Run Tomorrow Afternoon
The PMPS Family Fun Run is this Friday 4th March, 4.30pm. The first race is at 4.45 and the last at 6.40.

All children receive a free sausage and a bottle of water with their entry.

Entry is $10 paid via Qkr!, or on the day for those without a smart phone.

We are encouraging all children to earn sponsorship for participation, highest sponsorship submitted by 18th March gets a prize!
Remember to dress in house colours - best costume gets a prize!

Please find below the link for the roster - the Fun Run needs your help to be a success.  
https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/11uOFOArC62iC2FO_LuOOgo7L AZdZlOFZ5YUje-cN2c

We look forward to seeing you all there.

PMPS Annual Easter Raffle
Thank you to all those families who have already donated an Easter treat to our upcoming Easter raffle.

For those who haven’t already donated, it’s not too late! Donations can be made to the office up until Monday, 21 March 2016.

To make this year even more fun than last year, we need as many donations as possible!

Key dates for the Easter Raffle:
1. Raffle books coming home: Monday, 7th March 2016
   Each child will receive a book of 10 tickets, valued at $2 each. Please encourage your child to sell the tickets to family, friends and neighbours. Don't forget to ensure names and mobile numbers are clearly written on the ticket stub. Please return money and tickets to your classroom teacher.
2. Last day to donate eggs and return tickets and money: Monday 21st March
3. Raffle Drawn: Thursday 24th March

Sushi Day – Friday March 18
On Friday 18th March the PFA is having a sushi lunch day at school. Sushi will be provided by Yurakucho Modern Japanese Eatery in Bay St.

There will be 4 flavours to choose from Salmon, cooked Tuna, Teriyaki Chicken and Avocado.

Each sushi roll will cost $3, order as many as you like, mix and match is fine.

We will be only accepting orders through the Qkr! app. (Please make sure you have upgraded your child’s 2016 HOME GROUP on the app).

Final orders need to be in by Tuesday 15th March at 12.00 noon to ensure we get all orders to our suppliers.

The sushi will be freshly made and delivered on the day. Please note we are unable to cater for any food intolerances or allergies.

As with all our PFA food days we can not do it without volunteers. Please use the link below to access our volunteer spreadsheet to help us pack and deliver the sushi to the classrooms. We will need volunteers from 12.30 till 2.00. The more the merrier.

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1FmH4J9yJDKhLoKjn1E5Sive6dwHaz9ddt2xwPvVZy/edit?usp=sharing  
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Community Announcements

Girls Footie!
It's time for girls to shine in the SMJFL. The League is offering four age groups for girls-only competition in 2016 (U9s, U12s, U15, Youth Girls/U18). This will allow new and returning players to learn in a safe environment and develop their skills with the support of their club and league. Girls are welcome to play with mixed teams in U8-U14 competitions. It's time to get your sisters, daughters, cousins, and nieces playing footy. Support is also needed from the boundary or coaches box with many match-day roles to be filled every week.

A "Come & Try" day will be held on Sunday, 20th of March. Please contact the Port Colts Junior Football Club at http://www.portcoltsjuniorfootballclub.com.au/ for further information.

Port Melbourne Icebergs
Inner South Community Health is sponsoring a group of early morning swimmers who meet at 8am each Saturday (rain, hail or shine) at the Port Melbourne Life Saving Club. For more information visit www.facebook.com/PortMelbourneIcebergs
Hello Port Melbourne,

This week at Port Melbourne we have been having fun with the theme of Chinese New Year! We have been making all sorts of Chinese New Year animals, Chinese lanterns and watching Kung Fu Panda. We have also been playing lots of sports outside including cricket, netball and basketball. Next week we are going to be doing an underwater theme. We already can’t wait!

HOLIDAY LCUB IS COMING! Just a quick reminder that in less than 5 weeks our holiday club begins! Attached is the program and days we will be running our program for the Easter holidays. Some activities we will be doing include 3D puzzle making, Bundoora Park and Farm, a disco jungle, the movies and many more! We can’t wait to see you all at the holidays!

As a reminder, I would really appreciate it if you could let me know if you will be picking up your child from school when they are booked in for after care.

Our open times for the year are from 7am to start of school for before care and end of school to 6:15pm for after care. My number is 0431 682 747, you can reach me anytime between 7am and 6:15pm every weekday. Alternatively, you can email me at portmelb@oshccampaustralia.com.au

Ben and the OSHC Team.

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Holiday Clubs
Don’t forget about the Camp Australia Holiday Clubs these school holidays. Use the Holiday Club Finder on the website to find the nearest program: www.campaustralia.com.au/holidayclubs

Healthy Snacks
Afternoon tea is served daily. Menus are tailored to children’s tastes, developmental and nutritional needs. Afternoon tea includes a selection of yummy sandwiches and fruit. Children may also engage in fun cooking activities.

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<td>Urban Jungle: At the Movies - Zootopia: Join Judy Welcome to the mammal metropolis!</td>
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Daily Requirements: Children must bring their own lunch and refreshments (no nut products please), wet weather gear, art smock, and suitable clothing for and active and sunsmart day. An afternoon snack will be provided.
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