Dear Parents,

**Improvements to the school over the holidays...**

**Playground**
The school will be installing rubber mats on the high use zones and laying new soft-fall over the remainder of the playground area. The rubber mats will be located at the bottom of slides and in areas where the soft-fall is dispersed due to high use.

**Toilet block Building B**
The internal toilet near the Reading Recovery Room will be enlarged and converted to accommodate the needs of disabled students. The majority of the work will be completed over the holiday period however some work may need to be done after students return.

**Electrical Upgrade to Building A**
The demand for electricity created by audio-visual and ICT equipment in classrooms exceeds that anticipated by the Department. These works will be the third major upgrade to the school’s electrical supply in as many years. Two years ago a new power supply was provided, in January a new main switchboard was installed. These holidays there will be an inspection and rectification where needed of all wiring in Building A.

**Cross Country results...**
Congratulations to Jaidyn Johns and Billy Koziaris who qualified to run in the Division Cross Country Finals on Wednesday. Jaidyn raced in the 11 years race and Billy in the 12-13 years. They both ran a 3 kilometre course over undulating terrain at Brimbank Park; the boys finished 15th and 14th respectively from a field of 22. I wish to thank John Cleary for getting two students into Division level competition.

**Last Day: Uniform Free and Sausage Sizzle...**
Friday 1 July is the final day for Term 2. The Junior School Council has organised a ‘No Uniform Day’, this means that wearing the uniform is optional on this day. Students who choose to not to wear the uniform are expected to make a gold coin donation – money raised will be sent to State Schools Relief. This charity provides shoes and school uniforms to families who are suffering severe financial distress. Students will be dismissed at 2.15pm following assembly.

**Mid-Year reports...**
Students will bring home their mid-year reports tomorrow. The reports content and format comply with Department requirements. I encourage parents to read the reports and use the Parent-Teacher interview as a forum to discuss and clarify issues identified in the report.

**Planning Week for teachers...**
This week saw the usual specialist program suspended. Teachers were released in the Planning Teams for a day to identify learning outcomes and gather resources for their Term 3 curriculum. Our teachers value the opportunity to plan together and ensure that all students have access to similar learning experiences.

Pictured here are the senior grade teachers. “I appreciate the opportunity to share ideas with my colleagues and develop learning activities that engage and challenge students in grade 5 and 6,” said Mrs Aranyi.

Have a great week,
DATES TO REMEMBER

June
Friday 24th  Interschool Sport-St Margaret’s P.S-Home
All Library books due back at school
Wednesday 29th  Music students to visit Ron Conn Centre-1:30
Parent Teacher Interviews (all grades except 3/4C)

July
Friday 1st  Last day Term 2—Students finish at 2:15pm
Sausage Sizzle and Casual Clothes Day
Monday 18th  Term 3 begins
Tuesday 19th  3/4 C Parent Teacher Interviews 3:15-5:00pm
Thursday 21st  3/4 C Parent Teacher Interviews 3:15-5:00pm
Friday 22nd  Chocolates sent home for Chocolate Fundraiser

Forms Sent Home this Week
Sausage Sizzle and Casual Clothes Day
Information

Pupils of the week last week were:
PrepA - N/A
PrepB - Nate S
Prep/1A - Spencer B
1/2A - Kosta T
1/2B - Nga B
1/2C - James S
3/4A - Nicholas T
3/4B - Anastasia L
3/4C - Blake R
3/4D - Karan
5/6A - Talitha D and Michael V
5/6B - Nikolas G
5/6C - Eugene E
5/6D - Vincent

LEARN TO LOVE THE CITY THESE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS
There are many activities available in the city, some are free or very low cost including:
• Captain Cook’s Cottage in the Fitzroy Gardens
• The Immigration Museum
• Melbourne Museum, Carlton Gardens
Other activities include:
• Melbourne Zoo
• IMAX theatre
• National Sports Museum
• Old Melbourne Goal
For more information and a full list of school holiday events visit www.melbourne.vic.gov.au/whatson

Camp Reminder
Both camps are rapidly coming up in September. It is a good idea to gradually pay off the camp so that you do not have to make a large payment in August.
Payment books were sent home when your child paid their deposit, these need to be returned with any payments you make.

Ros Blake
Office

SALE SALE SALE
We have some second-hand uniforms for sale.
These will be available on this Friday (tomorrow) morning between 9am and 9:30am near the general office.

Notice to Parents
The school yard is supervised by a teacher on duty until 3:30pm. Students are expected to be picked up by this time.

YARRA VALLEY RAILWAY
School Holiday Rides
Hourly 10am - 4pm
Sundays and Wednesdays
Opening Dates - July 3, 6, 10, 13,17
For more information visit our website at www.yvr.com.au