From the Principal

Welcome back to the beginning of the new school year. I’m pleased to advise that all classes have settled into the routine of school and the new timetable really well. Our new timetable is set out below and parents will note that lunch is a little bit later. As a result your child may become hungry by the mid-morning session, so we suggest a few extra healthy snacks in lunch boxes.

Our new teachers have all commenced with great enthusiasm and I hope they enjoy their first year of teaching at Albany Rise Primary. Welcome to Kymberley Redford, Rick Byron, Sophie Miteff and Nicole Comerford.

Assemblies will commence this Friday at 3:00p.m as usual and all parents are invited to attend school.

School times / timetable.

8:57a.m. Assembly music plays.
9:00a.m. School commences.
11—11:30a.m. Morning recess
1— 2:30p.m. Lunch (this includes 10 minutes for children to eat lunch inside.)
3:30p.m. School finishes

DIARY DATES

FEBRUARY
11th School Assembly (3:00p.m)
15th Parent Information Night.
16th School Council meeting (7:00p.m)
17th Multicultural Day

MARCH

14th Labour Day – Public Holiday. (No school for students)

APRIL

8th Last Day of Term 1. Assembly 2:00p.m.

ICY POLE THURSDAY - STARTS TODAY - ONLY 60c EACH
OTHER NEWS

It has been a very smooth start to the school year with the new preps commencing last Monday. Preps have a staggered start to the year to allow for their testing program to be completed.

Over the holiday period we appointed a new Primary Welfare Officer in Nicole Comerford. Nicole will support the work of Mr Clayton making sure that the needs of students and families are being met in a more tangible manner than 2010.

Mrs Wadeson will lead the Level 1 & 2 team, Mrs Hoareau will lead the Level 3 & 4 team and Mrs Lang will lead the specialists. I look forward to working with the Leadership team throughout 2010.

**Parent Information forums will be held next Tuesday February 15th commencing with the Level 1 & 2 (Yr Prep – Yr 2) parents at 6:45p.m on Tuesday night in the hall. This will be followed by the Level 3 & 4 (Yr 3 – Yr 6) parents at 7:15p.m in the hall. Parents are urged to attend.**

**Parents who can't attend on the night can collect an Information Sheet for your child’s particular level from the school office.**

Parents will also note that our new building is progressing at a good pace. Whilst we’re pleased with that progress, the same can’t be said about the renovation of the Out of School Hours Care facility, which is also crucial to the future needs of the school.

**Building Respectful and Safe Schools. (A fact sheet)**

Parents will be receiving a pamphlet at home with their children early next week. This pamphlet published by the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development deals with the issue of bullying. Although the pamphlet is unclear about the ways in which schools should deal with some aspects of the above, it does set out some simple steps we can all follow to help make our school a safer place for the children.

Above all else, please ensure you report any incidents that are concerning you, to either me, the Assistant Principal or your child’s teacher.

**SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTIONS:**

Parents are advised that nominations for election to positions on the Albany Rise Primary School Council are about to commence this Monday, Feb 14th. The timeline for the election is set out below:

**Dates:**
February 21st 2011 (4:00p.m). Closing date for nominations.
February 23rd 2011. Candidates and Nominators posted (if necessary)
March 3rd (4:00p.m) Close of ballot.

Parents are invited to nominate for positions of which there are 4 parent member vacancies and 2 DEECD teacher vacancies. Parents play a very important role in schools these days. It is important that every school has parent members who are prepared to help the school in its development and growth. I am proud of our school and its community. My role is assisted and aided by a group of people on School Council who support the school, the teachers and me in order to make sure we provide the best opportunities for your children and the broader community of Mulgrave.
I ask you to consider nominating for School Council. Nomination forms are available from the school office. School Council conducts eight meetings each year as well as a short meeting in December. We have four committees that parents and teachers are members of and share the work of School Council.

Those committees are:

1. Administration and Finance
2. Facilities
3. Community relations
4. Education

Being a part of School Council is one way you can have a say in what happens at school as well as supporting your child. I encourage you to consider nominating. If you have any questions concerning a nomination, please see Mr Clayton, Mrs Marrinon or myself.

I hope you enjoy this year with your child and that we all work together to ensure the best opportunities for the children.

Paul Volkering
Principal

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**STUDENTS OF THE WEEK**

| Alicia  | 1 R | Ashleigh | 2 T | Dylan | 3 L |
| Sanika  | 4 A | Angelina | 5 C | Christian | 5 H |

**CONGRATULATIONS!!!!!!!!!!**

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**2011 TERM DATES**

TERM 1: 4th Feb (students) (Teachers begin 1st Feb) to 8th April

TERM 2: 27th April to 1st July

TERM 3: 18th July to 23rd September

TERM 4: 10th October to 22nd December

Public Hols: 25th April is Easter Monday / 26th April in lieu of ANZAC Day
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## F & Z CONSTRUCTIONS

For a FREE quote
CALL FRASER

0433 751 661

**ALL TYPES OF CARPENTRY**
Triathlon Victoria, the ‘not for profit’ state organisation, is running a series of Free Triathlon Training Open Days

### Triathlon Victoria Kids Open Days

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GLEN WAVERLEY JUNIOR SOCCER CLUB

WANT TO PLAY SOCCER?
Come along and find out how you can join at the Club’s
REGISTRATION DAY

Date: SUNDAY 13th FEBRUARY 2011 Time: 9 am to 1 pm

Venue: LARPENT RESERVE (Hammence Street, GLEN WAVERLEY) (Melway 62 D12)

There will be a Sausage Sizzle and Committee Members to answer any questions you may have.

The club had over 400 registered players in 2010 and expects to field teams in the following age groups in 2011:
- Small Sided Football Program (SSF) U6 - U7 (Boys and Girls)
- Small Sided Football Program (SSF) U8 - U11 (Boys and Girls)
- Junior BOYS (U12, U13, U14, U15, U16 and U18) – Multiple teams in each age group
- Junior GIRLS (U12, U13/U14, U15/U16) – Multiple teams in each age group

The club is also planning to field a SENIOR WOMENS TEAM in 2011

For more information see our website www.glenwaverleysoccer.org.au or call Anne 0466 515 238

It's Not O.K. To Be Away

What is DIPL ?????????

Over the next couple of weeks your children will come home and say they have started doing DIPL. What is DIPL???????? It stands for DOORWAY INTO PRACTICAL LITERACY. The main focus of this program is to provide children with the opportunity to develop good listening, spelling, grammar, reading and writing skills in everyday life.

This program does not rely on learning and memorising words. It concentrates on developing and using good processing skills and rules in a logical and sequential manner.

The students will work on the DIPL program for at least 30 minutes everyday and you will also see that some of their homework will be part of the DIPL program. We are asking you to help us by supporting your children with their DIPL homework as they work on developing the skills being introduced.

We are introducing the DIPL program in all classes from Prep to Year 6 and all workbooks and materials are being provided by the school this year. We are all very excited about introducing DIPL to our school and we look forward to your help and support as we introduce it to your children.

KERRY MARRINON
Curriculum Leader