Hi parents and carers,

Welcome back to Term four. I am hoping you and your family enjoyed a peaceful relaxing break from school. The weather was great and the days certainly are becoming longer again. Greeting the students as they came off the bus on Monday, they all seemed pretty happy to be back. Their enthusiasm and energy was infectious and you couldn’t help get a little excited.

The talk in the senior department was still centred on the interstate trip to the Gold Coast taken by our graduating students. From all reports it was a great week jam packed with activities including trips to the theme parks, plenty of swimming and dining out at night. For many of the participating students it was their first trip out of Victoria and on a plane; a great experience.

A highlight for me in Term three was the individual performances of a number of our students at our Thursday afternoon school assemblies. It is great to watch our students showcase their special talents and the assembly is a great forum to do this. I encourage you to come along to our assemblies held at 2.15pm every second Thursday. They are a great celebration of the wonderful work our students continue to deliver. It may be a little cramped but it is well worth the visit.

I am pleased to inform you work on our new building program is continuing and we are getting closer to a starting date. Complying with all the regulations enforced by the department has at times been challenging but I can see their purpose and the result will be well planned and resourced facilities for our school. I will try to keep you informed as events happen.

Our new tornado swing is now in full operation. Well done to Chris Andrews and the senior students who have landscaped the surrounding area to make it look so aesthetically pleasing. I must thank again the Karingal Bowling Club and Trevor and Sandra Duddy for their generous donation to make this project a reality.

Term four looks set to be an exciting and busy term full of camps, special excursions and many exciting events. Please feel free to drop in and see me if you would like to discuss any aspects of your child’s education.

Have a great weekend!
Scott Tucker

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DATES TO REMEMBER

Tuesday 4th November  Melbourne Cup Day
HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS

6th October Jodie Camilleri
18th October Rhyan Munro

PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS
The Principal’s Awards are awarded to students according to Our School Values. These awards are given out at the fortnightly assemblies throughout the year.

CARING— for others in our classroom, school and the wider community.
Chelsea Trueman

RESPECT— for yourself and others, being kind, and learning our school rules.
Ethan Voigt

SHARING— with others, taking turns and working with others.
Migdam Mifzal Georgia Watson

INDIVIDUALITY— being the best you can and doing the best you can.
Thomas Dornan Jacob Holden-Rawling
Jack Gladman Isabella Kent
Rhyan Munro

COFFEE CLUB
All Parents and Carers are welcome to come along to enjoy a cuppa, a chat and a laugh with other parents and carers from FSDS.

Every Tuesday in the Conference Room 9.30—11.30am.

COMMONWEALTH BANK SCHOOL BANKING
Thursday 21st October is the launch of the school banking at Frankston SDS. Come along for morning tea and learn about how the school banking works and open an account.

Every Thursday, students will be able to bring their bank deposit book and a small amount of money (it can be as little as five cents). Lisa and Tanya (two parents from School Council) will collect the money, stamp the books and deposit the money at the Commonwealth Bank.

This is a great opportunity for students to understand, learn to save and manage their money.
Room 17 Queensland Camp
Celebrating Children’s Week
18-26 October 2014

Peninsula Health Dental Services are celebrating children’s week.

Come and help us celebrate!

All you have to do is drop in on the dates below for your child to receive a free dental check and entry into a raffle to win one of 6 oral health packs.

Did you know good oral health is important for good general health and wellbeing for children? It allows children to eat, speak, socialise and learn without pain or discomfort¹.

Free dental check walk in session times run from 9am – 4pm

Frankston
Wednesday 22nd October
Frankston Integrated Health Centre
Hastings Road
9784 8184

Hastings
Wednesday 22nd October
185 High St Hastings
9784 8184

Rosebud
Thursday 23rd October
Rosebud Hospital
1527 Nepean Road
9784 8184

Come and open your account on 21st October

Woof!
THURSDAY
is School Banking day.

And enjoy morning tea with us!
Parent and carer meditation group

Take some time out for yourself and come along to our weekly meditation group to help increase feelings of calm and inner peace.

Every Friday in the Library at 9:30–10:00. Please contact Patrycia if you require more details.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A PEER SUPPORT?

Do you like talking to and supporting other parents who have a child with disability?

MOIRA is running Parent to Parent (P2P) a peer support program offering opportunities for parents caring for someone with a disability to provide support to another parent through a common shared experience. Contact between the Peer Support and the parent recipient is facilitated and supported by the MOIRA Parent Support Officer.

Peer Supports are required to complete a series of six training sessions of 2½ hours duration on topics including effective communication, group facilitation, confidentiality, grief and loss and resource sharing.

Our next series of training workshops will be held on Monday mornings 20 & 27 October, 10, 17 & 24 November and 1 December 9.30am – 12.00pm. Attendance at all workshops is recommended. The training will be held at Cranbourne Integrated Care Centre 140 – 154 Sladen Street Cranbourne 140-154 Sladen St, Cranbourne.

Parents interested in applying for the training program, please contact the Parent Support Officer on 8552 2222 or via email at communitysupport@moira.org.au