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Don’t use the wrong restraints

Children need different restraints as their bodies grow. The restraint that you use for your child must be suitable for their weight and the size of your child.

ROAD SAFETY AROUND SCHOOLS BEGINS WITH YOU!
From The Principal
At School Council this week the options around the shade sail between the Hall and the new building were discussed and planned, the group are close to proposing a School Motto for the school and the 2010 Annual Report was tabled for information. A copy of this year’s Annual Report is available from the office for interested families. As the building project is nearing completion, the Council began planning the opening ceremony required by the Commonwealth Government. Most likely this event will take place in October this year in and around the new buildings. We are planning an afternoon tea with tours to follow the more formal proceedings.

The school is about to advertise an administrative/support role related to learning partnerships we wish to develop to make full use of the Learning Studio. Please ask me or Michael if you want more information about this role, this job and the selection criteria.

Yesterday and today, I have been involved with other Principals in the Moonee Valley Network of schools in training in Instructional Rounds. We have been working in Principal teams to provide an objective perspective on the teaching and learning practices in each other’s schools. So far the Network has completed Rounds at Aberfeldie PS and, this week, at Niddrie PS. We have been doing ‘Walkthroughs’ and specific observational tasks requested by each school. All Western Metropolitan Region schools are working collaboratively to learn how better to engage students and to give them more responsibility for their own learning. This work will inform our planning and discussions around our planned introduction of Student Lead conference after the Semester 1 reporting period.

If I’ve been difficult to catch that’s where I’ve been! Please know that I always check my email if I am away from the site all day.

Joanne Roberts - Principal
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From The Assistant Principal
Walk Safely to School – May 20th 2011

Students and their teachers have discussed Walk Safely to School Day. It is a National initiative to encourage students and families to walk to school. We are encouraging all students (that possibly can) to walk to school safely on the 20th May. More information can be found at http://www.walk.com.au

There will be a special Walking School Bus for the Brunswick/ Moonee Ponds area on Friday 20th May. (It normally only runs on Monday and Thursday). We will meet at the car park area of the Northern Suburban Social Club on the corner of Mt. Alexander Rd and Dickens St at 8.30am and walk to school from there. Usual walkers plus any new walkers who would like to be dropped off are welcome. Usual Walking School Bus rules will apply. Any questions or if you want to join at other stops en route.... Contact Francene Howe - howe@netspace.net.au (0413619617) or Wai Ying Tham (thampotter@bigpond.com)

Interschool Sport:
Last week we played our second game of the winter season home against St. Mary (A) PS. Final scores were:

- Football AV 7.4.46 drew ST Marys A 7.4.46
- Netball A AV 6 lost STMA 7
- Netball B AV 2 lost STMA 8
- Bat Tennis AV 15 lost STMA 26

This week we play a home game against St. Mary’s B teams.

Happy Birthday this week: Nicholas U2, Kye-Harn U1

Michael Downing
downing.michael.j@edumail.vic.gov.au

Special Lunch Day
Pasta lunch this Friday, 20th May. Please remember to bring your bowl and fork.

Unit 5 Parents please contact Demi 0408 560 502 or Leonie 0413 58 4 217 if you can help on the day.

Uniform Shop
The first Thursday of the month is 2 June. The uniform shop at AVPS will be open from 3-4 p.m. To order online, use the PSW website, www.psw.com.au and follow the prompts. The PSW shop in Deer Park is located at 58 Westwood Drive, Deer Park. Telephone: 9363 8458. Opening Hours are Monday-Friday 8.30am – 5.00pm, Saturday 9.00am – 5.00pm
Writing
Our Preps are now really starting to develop as ‘Writers’, almost daily we can see differing levels of change in our students work. This is hugely exciting for teachers, each word that is spaced correctly, each word that can be read, each time a full-stop is correctly positioned, teachers rejoice in the progress that is made by each child.

Today there are two examples of such progress from Zoe & Isabella, from U5. These girls have demonstrated their growing control over the written word, use of upper case with lower case is a stage of development, and should be of no concern to Parents.

The Toy incursion which we had last week provided a rich source of writing topics for all our Early Year classes.

French Club @ AVPS

**WEDNESDAYS 3.30pm – 4.30pm**

- Drama, games, and songs to learn French
- Weekly activity sheets and vocab lists
- Membership packs available to every enrolled child
- Free annual subscription to Babelzone, our cool interactive website for French learners
- $19/week all inclusive
- Sibling discounts apply

Enquiries: Jim Callahan
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0432 719 034

**OSHC News This Week**

‘we make kids smile’

Monday – Indoor Games
Tuesday – Multi Skills with ASSC
Wednesday – A Cooking Lesson
Thursday – A game of Lacrosse
Friday – Skate Competition

Hello Everyone,
Hope last week was a good one for all. We had to make some adjustments to our program due to the weather. The coach doing “Multi Skills” is absolutely fantastic and the kids had a great time. Drama sport on Thursday had to be moved indoors because of rain. This week we will have Lacrosse on Thursday.

A reminder to parents to update their details, especially telephone numbers if they have changed recently. In the unlikely event of an emergency I have to be able to contact you.

It is great to see all the children enjoying the Skate Park even though it is not complete. We are also having storage problems but it is only short term because we will be moving to our new premises eventually.

Wishing everyone a great week,
Dee and the OSHC team.

Please make note of our OSHC telephone number, 0423 795 247. For all future bookings, account changes or to view your statement please go to [www.campaus.com.au](http://www.campaus.com.au)
Name Pavers

Ascot Vale Primary School
(fundraising project)

Your name will go down in history and be a permanent reminder of the time you spent at AVPS!

INDIVIDUAL PAVER
Your donation of $30.00 entitles YOU to have your name engraved into a paver as a lasting record of your valued support. The paver will be permanently installed in September 2011.

OPTION 1: Standard name as per engraving details below.

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INTERESTED IN LEARNING HOW TO PLAY BASKETBALL?

Venue: North Melbourne Recreation Centre,
Arden St, North Melbourne (indoor court).

We are looking for any Girls and Boys in Grade 2, 3, 4 and 5 who would like to learn how to play.

Learn How to Play/Training is on Mondays

Beginners from 4.00-5.00pm

Experienced from 5.00-6.00pm

Enquiries: Kaye Allan 0425 777 742 /kayealla@gmail.com

Club website: http://kenflemjuniors.com
1-2-3 MAGIC® & EMOTION COACHING PARENTING COURSE

A three-session program for parents and carers to help manage difficult behavior in children 2-12 years old is being held at Essendon Primary School at Raleigh Street, Essendon on 1st, 8th and 15th of June 2011 from 4pm-6:30pm

Learn:
✓ How to discipline without arguing, yelling or smacking
✓ How to sort behaviour
✓ How to handle challenging and testing behaviours
✓ Choosing your strategy, the three choices
✓ Using emotion coaching to encourage good behaviour
✓ 7 tactics for encouraging good behaviour

Registration Fee?
The course is free to parents of children whom attend State Government schools in the Moonee Valley Network. A $2 donation is requested for refreshments.
No child care will be provided for this course.
Register for this course contacting Jodie Leishman/Melissa Di Pietro on 8331 0137 or Leon Leonards – Assistant Principal (Essendon Primary School) on 9370 7816

What people are saying?
What a relief to come across a program that preserves the dignity of the child, maintains the self control of both the parent and the child and is actually easy to remember when memory is the first thing to go.
I realized quickly that the 1-2-3 Magic can be a magnificent preventative measure that any parent can use to avoid raising a child, who later down the line, needs excessive discipline or grows out of control.

Who’s running it?
Jodie Leishman (Social Worker) who completed the Parentshop® 1-2-3 Magic & Emotion Coaching on 7th September 2010. Jodie is also currently studying for her Masters of Social Work/Graduate Diploma Forensic Behavioural Science. Jodie has extensive experience in working with children and families, including individual counselling, family support and parenting advice in a variety of settings.

Melissa Di Pietro (Psychologist) who completed the Parentshop® 1-2-3 Magic & Emotion Coaching on 30th March 2011. Melissa has experience working in schools, providing services supporting both the children and their families.

For more information contact Jodie Leishman or Melissa Di Pietro on 8331 0137
Obey the signs... ...and know what they mean

A black $ inside a red circle indicates a no stopping sign. Drivers cannot stop or park in the areas indicated by the red arrows on the sign at any time.

Walking children signs are used to warn drivers of unexpected child pedestrian movements along or across a road. The sign may also feature the words ‘School’ or ‘Playground’.

The green $ sign is designed for drop off and pick up areas near schools. Parking is allowed for up to 15 minutes during the time shown and only in the direction of the green arrow.

This sign is used as an advanced warning for a flagged school crossing ahead. Motorists must travel at a speed at which they can safely stop if necessary.

When children crossing flags are displayed at a crossing, drivers must stop if a pedestrian (be it a child or adult) is about to cross. This applies even if there is no crossing supervisor present. Drivers must remain stopped at the stop line until all pedestrians are clear of the crossing.

Turning vehicles must give way to pedestrians crossing the road into which they are turning.

Shared footway signs are placed on paths that are used by pedestrians and cyclists. Cyclists must give way to pedestrians but both parties need to be courteous in using the path.

For further information please contact your local RoadSafe Community Road Safety Council, details are at www.roadsafe.org.au

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