It is with pleasure that I welcome Izzy M and Phong N [Early Education Group 3] and their families to our school community.

Thank you to all the families who were able to come to the school last week so students could showcase their learning activities. This opportunity is very much welcomed by the staff and the students, as the students love to show off their classrooms and their activities.

I am pleased to announce that this fortnight’s lucky winner of the Waverley Cinema gift voucher is Izzy M family in Group 3. Congratulations to this family. We will be drawing another winner in a fortnight’s time.

The following message has been provided by the Department of Education and Training:

**Does someone at your school deserve to be recognised?**

Does your child have a teacher who deserves recognition? Does your principal support the whole school tirelessly? Have your educators developed something spectacular?

Applications are now open for the Victorian Education Excellence Awards (VEEAs), celebrating everyday heroes in education.

If you know someone who deserves recognition, contact your school today to discuss nominations for the VEEAs.

For more information, please see: 2016 Victorian Education Excellence Awards

**Helen McCoy**
Principal
In accordance with the National Immunisation Program, all Year 7 students will be offered the following vaccinations:

- A single dose of Chickenpox
- A single dose of Diphtheria, Tetanus and Pertussis (Boostrix)
- Three doses of Human Papillomavirus vaccine (HPV).

Consent cards will be sent home to Year 7 students (born 2003). These will need to be completed and returned to school by the date specified. The following are the confirmed dates for the Monash council to visit our school for the above immunisations.

3 Friday, 9 September 2016

My name is Laura Greene and I am the new Victorian State Representative for Angelman Syndrome Association Australia (ASAA). The role of the ASAA is to support, inform, educate, and advocate for families affected by Angelman syndrome.

There is an amazing and supportive Angelman community in Australia and support is available through groups on Facebook, and events held throughout the year such as International Angelman Day on February 15th, fundraising events and social events.

Our National Conference is being held from 7th-8th October this year in Melbourne, followed by a family lunch on 9th October. The conference sessions will include information on seizure control, communication, literacy, setting IEP goals, financial planning, video self-modeling, disability and siblings, NDIS, and more. We are excited to present 3 keynote speakers: Professor Ingrid Schefler, Professor Bernard Dan and Erin Sheldon.

Please see the ASAA website for more information about the upcoming conference, and for my contact details. I would love to hear from you.

www.angelmansyndrome.org
Invoices for the 2016 year have now been forwarded to you in the post.

Thank-you to those families who have made their payments.

If paying your account via direct deposit please ensure that the highlighted Reference Code is included so the amount can be allocated to the correct account.

Should you require a payment plan please do not hesitate to contact Deb Crawley to discuss this matter.

A gentle reminder to those parents whose children go to respite care: due to limited space on the buses, please make sure your child’s bags are no larger than a carry-on size.

Thank you

Please remember to label your child’s clothing appropriately so they can be identified and returned when they are mislaid.

Unsure what Centrelink payments are available to you? Visit www.humanservices.gov.au and select the Payment Finder.
MyTime at Monash Special Developmental School in 2016
EVERY TUESDAY at 9.15 in the Library
All parents and carers are welcomed.

- MyTime is open to anyone caring for a child with disability, developmental delay, or chronic medical condition. Groups are open to everyone, regardless of the condition of their child. Children below school age may also attend groups with their parent or carer.

- MyTime groups provide a place to socialise, to discuss, to get information, and to support and be supported by other carers.

- Facilitators work with group members, helping them get to know each other and learn more about the services and supports in their area. Members choose what they would like to discuss in these groups, with help from the facilitator. Depending on what the group wants to do, the facilitator might guide group activities or provide resources.

- Facilitators are volunteers from local organisations. They have qualifications and experience in disability, parenting, or family support and bring to the MyTime group a good understanding of local resources and support services.

- Play helpers keep children, including under school age siblings, busy and active in activities so members can spend time catching up with one another.

- MyTime is free.

mytime.net.au

People Outdoors presents....

The Adventure for All Camp

Monday 27th June to Friday 1st July, 2016 - Phillip Island Adventure Resort

COST: $230.00 + $20.00 for transport if needed
(cost includes all meals, cabin style accommodation, activities and a 1:1 volunteer care)

ELIGIBILITY: Open to 6 to 18 year olds with a disability living in the Eastern Metropolitan Region of Melbourne with an unpaid carer
Siblings of people with a disability are welcome to attend - please call the People Outdoors office for more information!

ACTIVITIES: Activities may include archery, orienteering, rock climbing, high ropes courses, team games, giant swing, flying fox, music, dancing, parties, art and craft and much more!

LIMITED SPOTS AVAILABLE SO GET IN EARLY!!

To join in the fun please fill in the attached expression of interest form and return it to People Outdoors by Friday 3rd June 2016.

People Outdoors
1/14 Concrete Drive, Kororoit Park 3042
Ph: 9455 7160 Fax: 9311 4664
www.peopleoutdoors.com.au

CONTACT
Sonia Kowalska
Camp Co-ordinator
sonia@peopleoutdoors.com.au

Office Use Only: Requested: ____________________________
Parent: ____________________________
Note: ____________________________

People Outdoors
Adventure For All—Phillip Island Adventure Resort
Expression of Interest Form

Name of Applicant: ____________________________
Address: ____________________________
Postal Code: ____________________________ Phone No: (Home) ____________________________
Date of Birth: ____________________________ Age: ____________________________
Contact Person: ____________________________
Address: ____________________________ Phone No: (Home) ____________________________
Phone No: ____________________________ Phone No: (Mobile) ____________________________
Relationship to applicant: ____________________________
Special interest of Applicant: (e.g. horse riding, craft, ball games etc) ____________________________

Has the applicant been away from home before? ____________________________
Does your child have a disability? If so what? ____________________________
If yes, do they need a 1:1 carer to assist them? ____________________________
Does your child use a wheelchair? ____________________________
If so, do they need to travel in their wheelchair? ____________________________

Please list any other sports / recreation options you currently receive: ____________________________

Please send this form back by Friday 3rd June, 2016. We will be in contact with you after the above closing date regarding your application.

Please return this form to:
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1/14 Concrete Drive
Kororoit Park VIC 3042
Ph: 9455 7160 Fax: 9311 4664
Email: ssonia@peopleoutdoors.com.au
Managing Close Relationships
A Workshop for Carers

The role of the carer is very demanding and can be lonely and isolating. This workshop will explore ways to manage feelings of loneliness and loss and the impact on one’s self-esteem.

Who: Eligible carers living in the Eastern Metropolitan region who provide care for someone with a mental illness, intellectual disability, autism, or severe and profound disability.

Where: The Yarramburn Centre, 1 Park Road, Yarra Junction Places are limited.

Cost: FREE

Respite: Can be arranged if required

Lunch will be provided at the workshop.

Places are limited. Please RSVP by Wednesday 1st June by calling Interchange Outer East reception on 9758 5522.

Carers will need to organise their own travel to the venue. Places will be confirmed by phone call or text.

LifeAssist
Parent Support Network
Carers' Lego

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MONASH University
M8 Alliance

How I Feel: Asking adolescents about their emotions

Emotional problems are often under recognised in young people with an intellectual disability.

The Monash University Centre for Developmental Psychiatry and Psychology are conducting research about how best to identify emotional difficulties in young people with an intellectual disability.

This project aims to develop a visual questionnaire for adolescents that helps adolescents formulating possible information on difficulties they may be having with their emotions.

We are looking for parents of people who have a child aged 12-17 years with an intellectual disability who either does or does not experience difficulties with their emotions. You can still help with this study even if your child does not have emotional difficulties.

For further information please contact:

Dr. Minna Koch, Project Coordinator
LifeAssist
The Yarramburn Centre
1 Park Rd
Yarra Junction
Victoria 3137

Monash Life (ext 5609)

www.monash.edu

Aspect Positive Behaviour Support

July - November 2016
Aspect PBB Workshops in Victoria

For parents and carers of children and young adults diagnosed with Autism, aged between (0-25 years) and living at home

Aspect Therapy Victoria is pleased to offer our highly successful, contemporary, evidence-based, three (3) day specific Positive Behaviour Support Workshops across Victoria in 2016.

BAM Allstars Presents...

LAW & ORDER...

"IF THE SHOE FITS"

Come and join us on our dance filled whodunit adventure!

2:00 pm - Sunday 19th June
Frankston Arts Centre
Davey Street Frankston

Tickets $12 - book @ Box Office 9784 1060

www.bamallstars.org.au

Aspect Spectrum
www.aspect spectrum.org.au

Autism Spectrum Australia
1200 High St, Elsternwick VIC 3185

For information on our Workshops in Victoria or to register please contact us on 1300 852 545.

Register ONLINE at www.aspect spectrum.org.au via the Events & Workshops section of our website.

Workshops will commence one week prior to the start of the workshop if minimum numbers have not been reached and the workshop will be cancelled. Registration numbers are capped at a maximum of 30 participants and once the workshop has reached maximum registration numbers this means that the workshop will be cancelled.

Parents and carers will need to complete a registration form and submit their registration fee with the workshop application.

PBB Workshops in Victoria are FREE and open to parents and carers who meet the eligibility criteria stated above. Professionals must be accompanying a registered eligible parent or carer to waive eligibility for attendance at these workshops.

BAM Allstars

Supported by the Foundation Communities fund of Lendlease Group. Thank you to all sponsors of the Frankston Arts Centre's Youth Engagement Program The Foundation Communities fund supports the creative development of young people in Frankston. The Frankston Arts Centre is supported by the Frankston City Council’s Cultural Support Program.
What is the Talent 4 Tokyo Program?

Through funding from the Coca Cola Australia Foundation, the APC in collaboration with our sporting partners will deliver a number of Talent 4 Tokyo 2020 initiatives in every state and territory throughout the country between May-July 2016, with the aim of getting kids kick start and injection of new talent to support their programs four years out from the Tokyo 2020 Paralympics. The Talent 4 Tokyo program aims to support all Paralympic sports and implant types which Australia participate in at the Paralympic Games, including the two new Paralympic sports set to make their debut at Tokyo: Para-Badminton and Para-Twokendo. Athletes new to ParaSport, or current athletes wishing to try a new ParaSport are encouraged to attend.

A range of sport specific and general tests will be conducted to assist in identifying likely sport eligibility and potential in addition to providing participants with an opportunity to experience the positive physical and social benefits of sport. Individuals who demonstrate potential will be individually case managed and tracked by the APC until they are fully integrated in a high performance pathway. Performance potential athletes may be supported in a way that will fast track their development, depending on their individual needs or the requirements of their targeted sport.

The APC will also assist athletes who are current members of Paralympic Preparation Programs who do not naturally demonstrate the potential to achieve high performance success in their current sport to transition to an alternate sport pathway in which they may have more potential for success.

Registration Process

Individuals from 10 years of age, with a verifiable physical, vision or intellectual impairment eligible in Paralympic sport are invited to register for their attendance for one of the Talent 4 Tokyo Days at the following link: https://www.paralympic.org.au/talent-4-tokyo/

Dates and times for each Talent 4 Tokyo day are listed below:

- **7/5/2016**
  - **WA** - 1/118 Honiton Rd, Karrinyup, 6018
    - **Event Time**: 10:00am - 5:00pm
  - **VIC** - Dynamic Centre, Melbourne
    - **Event Time**: 11:00am - 3:00pm
  - **NT** - Peloton Sport Centre, 19 The Blvd, Peloton Park 0202
    - **Event Time**: 11:00am - 2:00pm

For more information, contact Cathy Lambert on 0465 272 106 or at cathy.lambert@paralympic.org.au