Principal’s Report:

WOW! WHAT AN AFTERNOON! CELEBRATING OUR NEW NAME!
Congratulations to all the parents involved in Friday’s celebration. What an amazing afternoon! I would particularly like to thank Leonie Griffin for the endless amount of hours put into organising all the activities for the kids. They had a ball! I know Leonie spent many hours hand drawing posters, coordinating people, organising the show bags and every item in them, collecting items, etc, etc. A huge task. Thank you also to all the parents who assisted and all the companies who donated goods or services.

A huge team effort. In particular I would like to thank….

Kelly Pountney
Darren Pountney
Debbie Stathakaros
Bill Stathakaros
Deena Sciberras
Adeline Chang
Airlie Anderson Weir

Amy Kanally
Paul Kanally
Kirsty McGrath
Craig McGrath
Pauline (Nonna - McGrath)
Krishna Thurston
Madeline Keech

Maria Kolettis
Ashleigh Parfuss
Ming Hou
Janelle Mundie

Other
Woolworths Mount Waverley (donation of food)
Masters Hardware (donated the BBQ and cooks)
Heritage Seeds (donated marquee)
Sportscover Australia (donated Marquee)
Jellis Craig Mount Waverley (donated Marquee)
Monash Council (Bins)
Cappuccino Express (donating 10% of all proceeds to the school)

Plus all the wonderful parents who helped out on the day – thank you 😊

HATS!
As part of our Sun Smart policy students must wear their hats from the 1st of September to the 30th of April. Given the beautiful warm autumn weather we are having, hats are a must!

PROMOTIONAL PHOTOS – TUESDAY 26 – PLEASE WEAR NEW UNIFORM
Next Tuesday, a photographer will be coming in to take photos of students in our new school uniform. These photos will be for marketing purposes and in particular to develop
our new school brochure and to be used on our website. We are requesting that all students wear their new school uniform on Tuesday 26 April.

ANZAC CEREMONY
Our Yr 6 school leaders attended an ANZAC ceremony at the Cenotaph in Glen Waverley on Tuesday. The event was led by Colonel John Coulson RFD Ed (Ret.) OAM, a Trustee of the Shrine of Remembrance. He told an emotional story about an attack at the Western front in the Battle of Fromelles. A moving tribute. It has been 100 years since our troop’s first fought in this part of Europe and commemorative services marking this occasion will take place in France this year. Our school leaders once again represented the school brilliantly and looked rather spiffy too in their new school uniforms!

Just a reminder that ANZAC Day is a public holiday and no students are required at school.

EDUCATION WEEK 2016
This year the theme for Education Week is Technology. We would like to set a technology challenge for the parents and students of our school.

The Challenge: To design a car out of recycled materials that will travel as far as possible down a small incline.

Some Rules: You are unable to use wheels from toy cars, etc. Cars must be no longer than 45cm.

When and time: During Education Week on Tuesday 17th May at 2.45pm.

There will be a prize for the best design and the furthest travelled. This project is for you to complete with your child at home and will be incorporated as part of your child’s homework requirements. Happy creating!

PIECE TOGETHER PREP SESSION
Tomorrow we will be holding our first Piece together Prep Session - ‘Story Time’ session from 2:00-3:00pm for any 4 year olds. This session will be held in the library. Invite a friend and come along with your pre-schooler!

SAVE THE DATE
WORKING BEE – Sunday May 14 (9-12pm)

LET’S CELEBRATE
- An amazing school name celebration - Congratulations
- The return of hip hop classes!
- Article in the Monash Leader (see below)
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School switches name

NEW uniforms, school colours and logo are the beginning of a new era for Mt Waverley Heights Primary School.

Viggo, Bethany, Principal Sharon Reiss-Stone, Hugo, Jessica and Livynia.

The school, formerly Sussex Heights Primary School, changed its name last week.

Principal Sharon Reiss-Stone said the new name was one part of a big revamp for the school, which will celebrate its 50th anniversary next year. She said the Sussex Heights name had no reference to its locality and the school was constantly confused with nearby Essex Heights Primary School. “It’s been a bit of a battle to establish a clear identity,” Ms Reiss-Stone said.

“There is a lot of confusion with Essex Heights – we have issues with people turning up to the wrong school and mail going to the wrong school,” Ms Reiss-Stone said the renaming would be followed by innovation surrounding the teaching and learning processes at the school.

“We are really looking forward to rebranding and getting out new name out there,” she said.

“We want to grow the school and show people that it is a great place to be.”

The school held a minifete on Friday where students presented a fashion parade to show off their new uniforms and the school community enjoyed a barbecue.

Ms Reiss-Stone said Oakleigh state Labor MP Steve Dimopoulos had helped the school with the renaming process and had secured funding for new signage.

Until next week,
Sharon
Sharon Reiss-Stone

Lunchtime Hip Hop Classes return
Assistant Principal’s Report:

Physical Education: Citrus Dance Incursion

Last week, Citrus Dance came to run a hip hop session for all classes. Jan and Skylar taught students some basic steps then put it all together in a routine! Check out our moves!!

INTER SCHOOL SPORTS RESULTS

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Artists of the Week: Students in 1/2A!

The Year 1/2s are studying Threads and Textiles this term, and created these gorgeous sock bunnies, filled with rice and tied together with string, ribbon, and/or pipe-cleaners. Here are the wonderful creations by 1/2A. They make cute and cuddly pets!

-Mrs Geddes
Movie Night on 29th April

Forms due back tomorrow 22nd April

Friends and Family welcome. If you have misplaced your form please let the Office know your requirements.

A big thank you to Stev-Computer and RPV Electrics for kindly offering to assist in sponsoring the evening. If help is needed with your computer or you need an electrician please see below for their details.

If there is anyone else that is able to sponsor the evening please phone Krishna- 0438 550 178.

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Mother’s Day Stall Thursday 5th May

Mothers’ Day stall will be on Thursday 5th May. Prices will range from 50c to $5.00 and is a big thrill for many of the children. If you can help on the day from 9am till 12:30pm could you please let the Office or someone on the PA know.

Closet Clean-out Fundraiser – due Tuesday 26th April

Clothes, Linen or soft toys - WE WANT THEM!!!
Any unwanted clothes, linen or soft toys in clean, re-usable condition can be donated and all items are weighed and the school earns money for each kilogram donated. You should have received a bag for your goods with all of the details but you can use any bag you have and as many as you like!
Items MUST be
• In good re-usable condition
• No breakables
• Clean

Bags are due back on Tuesday the 26th April.

Fundraising Greeting Cards – by 2nd May

Fundraising Greeting cards have been sent home last week. There are 6 boxes of cards for each family and $10 each box containing 10 cards inside.

Please return any unsold boxes of cards and/or the money from sold boxes to the office as soon as possible before 2nd May. If you need more please let us know and we have extra bags too.
Keeping Kids Smiling will be attending Mouth Waverley Heights Primary School, in Term 2 from Monday 20th of June 2016.

The Keeping Kids Smiling is a program aimed to identify children in need of dental care and will help teach children how to look after their teeth at home. Children will receive a FREE dental check-up in the dental van by a Dental Therapist from Link Health and Community. The session will also include a toothbrushing lesson.

Consent forms have been sent home with your child and are due back as soon as possible.

Parents/Guardians are welcome to attend on the day and all children will be sent home with a show bag. Parents will receive a letter informing them of the results of the dental check-up.

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

Many families will now be investigating options for their daughter’s secondary schooling and I invite you to include Avila College on your list.

I would be delighted to meet you at our next Open Morning at 9am on Tuesday 3 May, where you can meet with some of our students and have a tour of our facilities. You can register to attend via the College website www.avilacollege.vic.edu.au.

We would be proud to begin a partnership with you and your daughter that will be enriched over her educational journey. During secondary school your daughter will grow and develop her skills and passion for what will shape her life as an adult.

At Avila College, she will be encouraged, challenged, stimulated and prepared for learning in the 21st century digital age. We pride ourselves in providing a rich environment that enhances students’ educational outcomes as well as their spiritual development. Our excellent VCE results are a testament to the hard work of both the students and their dedicated teachers.

A range of pathway options is on offer for all students as well as a comprehensive range of co-curricular programs. At Avila College, each and every student is known and they are encouraged to develop their personal identity in a Catholic environment that honours the dignity and respect for all individuals.

Our Religious Education program provides an opportunity for all students to develop into faith-filled young people and graduate from the College with a strong sense of what it means to be a socially just individual.

Like our Avila Alumnae who have moved into many wide and diverse career fields, your daughter has the opportunity ahead of her to embrace our rich and diverse learning opportunities and build her future.

If you require assistance with any aspect of the enrolment process please call our Registrar on 9831 6600 or email registrar@avilacollege.vic.edu.au. If you are unable to attend the next Open Morning on 3 May please contact our Registrar to arrange a convenient time for you to take a tour of the College.

Yours sincerely

Louise Gunther
Principal
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**TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

Definitions: Department refers to the Victorian Department of Education and Training. Person refers to the child/adult listed below in the consent declaration.

1) **Privacy Protection**
   The Department takes its privacy obligations seriously and any personal information collected or used by the Department will be handled in accordance with the Privacy and Data Protection Act 2014 (Vic). This law sets out what we must do when the Department collects, uses, handles and destroys personal information. Personal information includes personal details such as an individual’s name and school that could be used to identify an individual.

2) **Collection, use, disclosure and storage of personal information**
   If you provide your consent your school will collect and disclose your child’s first and last name, and the name of the school to the Department. The Department will then:
   - Publish your child’s name on its online Honour Roll located at: www.education.vic.gov.au/prc at the completion of the Challenge with no other identifying factors such as early childhood setting name.

3) **Accuracy, access to information and withdrawal of consent**
   The Department will endeavour to ensure that any personal information held about your child is up to date and accurate. You can access, correct and withdraw personal information held by the Department by written request in accordance with the Department’s Information Privacy Policy located at: http://www.education.vic.gov.au/Pages/privacyPolicy.aspx
   Consent may be withdrawn at any time by writing to the Department’s Privacy Unit on: privacy.enquiries@edumail.vic.gov.au.

   If you have any questions about this form, or if you need more information, please contact the PRC Challenge Coordinator at the Department readingchallenge@edumail.vic.gov.au or (03) 9637 3624.

   Yes I consent to my child’s name appearing on the online Honour roll

   Name of child...........................................................................................................

   Parent Signature..................................................................................................