**Dear Parents and Friends**

**House Sports**
Congratulations to Ashleigh for taking out the House Sports on Friday last week. Kelly Sports organised the morning and did a fantastic job alongside the FEPS staff. The kids had a great time and it was lovely to see the P-6 groups working so well as a team. There are some photos in the newsletter and you can watch the video on FEPStv:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=91MQGWyc7-o

**Christmas Stall**
Thank you to the PFA for their work on the Christmas Stall on Friday. All students in the school had an opportunity to make a purchase and we hope they were able to snap up a bargain!

**Toorak College Visit**
Approximately 60 Year 7 students visited from Toorak College on Monday to make Ginger Bread Houses with our Year 5/6 students. They worked in the classrooms and Café putting together the houses and decorating with lollies. It took a little time, but the kids all worked well together. All Year 5/6 students who participated were able to take their Gingerbread House home to share with their family. They also made an additional 6 houses made and each grade in the school received one and all of the kids were able to have a taste. I would like to thank Toorak College for undertaking this activity and we look forward to continue working with them in 2016.

**Breakfast club**
Our Breakfast Club has been well attended on a Monday, Wednesday and Friday for the past 3 terms. The VCAL students at Toorak College have been supporting our program on a Wednesday morning where they come in and serve breakfast and have a good chat with our kids. We are hoping to continue this in 2016.

Please note this week will be the final week of the Breakfast Club. The program WILL NOT be operating in the last week of school.

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**Are you leaving Frankston East Primary School at the end of 2015?**

NAME: ........................................................................................................................................... GRADE: ...............  

PARENT SIGNATURE: ..................................................................................................................................  

Please let the office know by returning this slip. Thank you
Dunkley Shield
Today we had a special assembly where Federal MP Bruce Billson came to present the Dunkley Shield. This award is presented to a Year 5 student at FEPS who is Positive, Persistent and Passionate. I would like to congratulate the 2015 recipient of the Dunkley Shield, Monique Simpson. Well done Monique.

Year 6 Graduation
Our Year 6 Graduation Ceremony will be held in the school hall on Friday this week and we hope our graduating students have a great day.

Parent Helper’s Morning Tea
The staff are looking forward to the annual Parent Helper’s Morning Tea to be held on December 15th in the conference room at 11:30am.

Carols
Don’t forget our Annual Christmas Carols will be held in the school grounds on Wednesday December 16th. The Carols will kick off at 7:00pm and the P.F.A. have organised a sausage sizzle. They will start cooking at 5:30pm under the shelter between the staff room and Early Learning Centre.

Have a great week,
Brian McFall (Principal)
This is the last week of our parenting articles taken from Parentingideas for 2015. I hope these articles have given you some useful tips on how to handle issues that may arise with your children and that they have helped you to further strengthen your relationship with them in a positive manner.

‘Making the Most of These Holidays’ is an excellent article by Michael Grose which I closed the year with in 2014. It is an article which can be read repeatedly with the valuable tips it contains. I am certain it is worth refreshing your memory with the information.

**Making the Most of These Holidays**

*Often family differences are contained during the year but spill over when normal routines cease over the holiday period.* High maintenance children whose behaviour is bearable when they are at school can suddenly seem very challenging indeed when you spend 24/7 time with them. Here are some ways to help reduce tension over the festive season and make the holidays enjoyable and fruitful for all.

1. **Be creative with how festivities are organised.** For instance, two or more Christmas dinners may be needed so everyone is included. If you are flexible with your arrangements as well as your thinking then the potentially tricky times will flow more easily.

2. **Mix up the routines.** The best part about holidays is the move away from the routines of school-life. Some kids feel comfortable with the routines of school-life and can feel a little lost until the new holiday routine kicks in. Be patient with these routine-junkies! Also make sure you begin adjusting the routine as a return to school comes closer so kids are prepared for going to bed and getting up at earlier times.

3. **Mix ‘me’ time with ‘them’ time.** Plan a mixture of outdoor activities or trips with quiet at-home activities where you can relax and recharge your own batteries. The holidays are chance to spend time as a family but you also need to take some time for yourself each day. It helps to let your kids know that you are having some timeout too.

4. **Resist being your child’s home entertainment machine.** Give children opportunities to keep themselves occupied or think of inexpensive, fun ways to keep themselves amused. “I’m bored” is an invitation for kids to keep themselves occupied rather than for you to keep them amused.

5. **Team up with other families.** Whether it is sharing celebrations with other families or just holidaying with friends, holidays offer the chance to broaden your child’s social circle. Create opportunities to spend time with other families preferably with children the same age as yours. Make sure you provide the three types of
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Christmas Raffle

We are again having a Christmas Raffle which will be drawn on our Carol’s Night. Donations would be greatly appreciated, they can be left at the school office.

Thank You, P.F.A.

Art Room News

I would like to thank again all the kind families who have donated so many useful items for the Art Room this year. Everything that has been given has been used by our children in a variety of activities including construction, textiles, paper craft, painting and drawing. Just a final request for next year – if you could donate all your Christmas cards to the art room I would be most appreciative. The cards are great for collage work and creating murals and give the children valuable ideas for design work.

Thanks again,
Barb Heeney
Milo Cricket Program:

Long Island Cricket Club are running a Milo In2 Cricket program at Ballam Park Sth next year commencing from Wednesday Jan 20th 2016.

The program runs for 8 to 10 weeks and is a great way to introduce boys & girls to Australian cricket.

The sessions run from 5.30 to 6.30 pm
The costs being $75.00 which includes all the sessions, a Milo kit bag with a bat, shirt, Milo satchels & a hat.

For further information, please call Graham Cox on 0418102644
Frankston East Primary School

Our Purpose:

To provide the Frankston East Community with a friendly and dynamic learning environment that engages students who work to achieve their personal best in an atmosphere of mutual respect and cooperation.

Frankston East Primary School promotes itself as an “Established School with Modern Ideas, based on Traditional Values”

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