Welcome back to everyone for Term two, 2013. I hope your break was restful and you are ready for what is often a busy term. Swimming started this week, interschool sport for the older students begins soon and the NAPLAN testing will be done this term. I know some grade levels are planning excursions that are closely linked to their unit of work. It is essential that you encourage your child to attend these excursions to fully understand their topic of study.

However, let me go back to last Wednesday’s ANZAC ceremony that was held at school. Although organised by staff, the students did an excellent job of presenting the ceremony. Their solemnness and understanding of what ANZAC Day means in Australia was very evident. It was clear they understood its historical background, but also clear as to its modern meaning of respect for those who died fighting for their beliefs of freedom.

**Playing Sport—Just How Important is It?**

Being physically active, playing sport, is an essential element of every person’s growth. I know many of us may have given up sport as we get more mature, but it is so important for our children to develop their bodies as well as their minds. Playing sport is a great way to develop, not only physical skills, but social and emotional skills also. Children do need to learn about sharing, co-operation, and teamwork. Teamwork is one of our school values and this is developed where children learn to support and work co-operatively with others to achieve an outcome. Teamwork is applied in all areas of life as well, at work and in class. Students need to learn how to win and lose, how to be humble and positive and being involved in local sporting groups or clubs is a great way to enhance and balance the rigours of the demands placed on students. It gives the students an outlet for their energy. They learn to control anger, frustration and to plan to improve. Being involved in sport also builds resilience.

Our local area has several clubs that are close to our school. The St. Albans football and cricket club cater for children wanting to play these two great Australian sports. I know they run an Auskick clinic that teaches the basics of Australian rules football. It is played under strict supervision and is non-contact for most part. At school we have a Karate club, and although not a team sport, would greatly benefit any student’s co-ordination, strength and discipline.

Playing team sports keeps the body fit and healthy, endurance levels rise, students become more self-confident and social and teamwork skills improve. Consider whether your child would benefit from playing a team sport, rather than sitting in front of television or playing computer games. It is also a great way for families to meet new friends and be a part of encouraging your child during games.

Playing team sports – It’s the way to go!
Soon we will be sending home a permission note that I would ask all families to consider signing. With the use of digital photography and filming in classes, we want to be able to use these pieces to promote the activities that are happening at our school.

The note will specifically seek your permission to use photos and film of your child, doing school or class activities that we could use in local newspapers, school displays, brochures and on our website. These notes will need to be returned to school as soon as possible. We are trying to promote our school to the wider community to increase our enrolment and we need your support.

If any parent has concerns please discuss them with your child’s teacher, the office staff or myself.

Bill Hunt
Principal

**MOTHERS DAY STALL**

**THURSDAY 9TH MAY AND FRIDAY 10TH MAY**

See flyer in Newsletter

Children will be able to purchase gifts from $1.00 to $5.50 and A variety of one only gifts from $6.00 to $12.00

**AUSTRALIAN MATHEMATICS COMPETITION** sponsored by the Commonwealth Bank

The Australian Mathematics Trust is holding the **Australian Mathematics Competition** (AMC) this year on **Thursday 1st of August**. The competition, sponsored by the Commonwealth Bank, is taken annually by thousands of Primary and Secondary school students, making it possibly the largest single educational event on the Australian calendar. The competition contains 25 multiple-choice problems and five questions requiring a numbers answer. At Primary level, the competition is open to students in Years 3 - 6. They are assessed only against other students in the same school year and country or Australian state. The time allowed is 60 minutes. The problems start off easy and become progressively more difficult until the end when they are challenging to the most gifted student. Students of all standards will find a point of challenge. Many of the problems are set in real situations to which students can relate, showing the relevance of mathematics to their everyday lives.

The AMC gives students external recognition of their achievements: all students receive a certificate showing their level of achievement and a detailed report showing how they performed on each problem with comparative statistics. Prizes are awarded to the top students nationwide.

The entry fee is **$5.50 per student**. We require money to be paid by **Monday 6th of May**.

The Results Package, including student certificates, student reports and solutions booklet will be sent to the school in **September/October**.

For further enquiries, please see Ms Gavran.

Mothers Day Afternoon Activity

**Thursday 9th May**

We will be having activities for the children to do with their mums. A note will be sent home shortly with details.
### EXCELLENCE AWARDS LITERACY

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<td>Lina Ng</td>
<td>For writing three sentences by herself.</td>
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<td>Sarisha Lina</td>
<td>For her excellent home reading habits.</td>
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<td>1/2R</td>
<td>Junior Ak-Kau</td>
<td>Working really hard independently.</td>
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<td>Inayah Osmanagic</td>
<td>Writing a fantastic persuasive text about shoes.</td>
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<td>Christina Nguyen</td>
<td>Writing a very thought provoking and well structured persuasive</td>
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<td>Nicole Cassar</td>
<td>Her consistent involvement in class discussions &amp; excellent persuasive arguments.</td>
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<td>Kevin Le</td>
<td>Coming up with an inquisitive ‘wonderings’ question for our inquiry topic “Simple Machine and Circuits;</td>
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### EXCELLENCE AWARDS MATHEMATICS

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<td>For writing names of numbers correctly.</td>
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<td>Tam-Nhu Le</td>
<td>For using and matching all of the number names and numerals up to 20.</td>
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<td>1/2R</td>
<td>Faith Bastiaan</td>
<td>Fantastic effort in adding numbers.</td>
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<td>Kim Ahn Nguyen</td>
<td>For using great strategies to solve equations in her head.</td>
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<td>Anastasia Koutsivos</td>
<td>Her excellent use of mental maths to calculate decimals.</td>
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<td>5/6C</td>
<td>Tracy Trong</td>
<td>Constantly being a Mathematical Genius with the 4 processes.</td>
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**BOOK CLUB**

Money and Orders due back 10th May

No late orders can be accepted

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Tues 21st May—Fri 24th May
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Located at: Resurrection Primary School

$11.00 Permanent booking

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Program operates daily from 3.30pm to 6.30pm during school terms.

Located at: Movelle Primary School

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$20.00 casual booking

Both programs are registered with the Department of Family & Community Services.

All enquiries and bookings call:

Judy (Co ordinator) 0411 035 111

Resurrection Primary School: 9366 7022

Movelle Primary School: 9366 8892

APPOINTMENTS WITH CARMEN DIMECH

Our Welfare Officer, Miss Carmen Dimech, is available on Mondays and Fridays between 8.30-9am and 3.30-4pm by APPOINTMENT ONLY.

To make an appointment to see Carmen, please book at the school office. 9366 8892

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