Dear Parents, Our kindergarten is taking shape, and we look forward to seeing it completed in the next few weeks. Photos of the new facility are included.

**Swimming.** We are up to Lesson 5 this week (Friday Nov. 20), with our next session on Friday November 27, then we finish with a double lesson on Wednesday, December 9.

**Healthy Breakfast morning.** Recently we had a very successful breakfast of fruit and yoghurt provided by Merri Community Health Service as a conclusion to Walk to School Month. We encourage children to have a good, healthy breakfast and also encourage children and families to take part in healthy exercises, like walking. We look forward to participating in Walk To School activities next year.

**Grade 3/4 cricket day.** Last Friday a group of Grade 3/4 students attended the round robin cricket tournament, with students playing a number of cricket games against other schools from the district. The boys team played 3 games, winning two of them. The girls team won one of their 3 games. Both the boys and girls played extremely well, and demonstrated excellent team spirit. A special thank you goes to George and the teachers for helping the children learn some basic cricket skills and modified rules in preparation for the day.

**Fawkner Festa workshops.** Children from our school are participating in workshops in preparation for the Fawkner Festa, which takes place from Wednesday November 25 to Saturday Nov. 28, in the C.B. Smith/Bonwick St. area. Children have been given brochures that outline the various activities that are happening.

The Fawkner Festa is a community event that celebrates the uniqueness of Fawkner. Activities include:

- Friday Festa in the Street ([Friday 27 November](#))
- Bonwick St Festa at CB Smith Reserve ([Saturday 28 November 12 pm – 4 pm](#))

Activities begin in the Fawkner Community Precinct from the 25 November with programs occurring in the Fawkner Library, Yooralla Disability Services and Fawkner Community House. Bonwick Street hosts Festa Friday, an afternoon of serenading music. The Festa will end with a concert and day of community activities on Saturday 28 November at CB Smith Reserve. For more details on the daily programs, see here closer to the date:

**AFL 9’s, Grade 3/4.** Recently 12 students from grades 3 and 4 competed against other schools in a modified football, round-robin tournament. The teams were mixed, with boys and girls in the same teams. Our school did particularly well, showing great skills and team spirit. A special thank you goes to Mrs. Di Nucci and the teachers for helping them to prepare for the tournament.

**Fawkner P.S. “Arts Festival” week.** December 1-4, the whole school will be attending a lesson each day culminating in our Arts Festival Evening on Friday December 4, 4.30pm-8.00pm

**Grade 6 orientation day. Tuesday December 8th.** On this day children in Grade 6 attend their Year 7 secondary school. Families should have been provided with all the details from the secondary school.

**Swimming. Last 2 lessons. Wednesday December 9.** This will be a big day for the swimmers and they will require some extra play lunch and lunch after a double session.
Grade 6 to Luna Park, Friday December 11, as part of their Graduation celebrations.

End of year reports to go home. Friday December 11.

Parent/Teacher interviews, Monday December 14.

Grade 6 Graduation, Wednesday December 16, at school.

Friday December 18, last day of school, 1.30 finish.

Have you returned your green notice to the school office yet?

It is very important that we know who is intending to return to the school next year so that we can arrange classes for 2016.

If you have not returned your green notice it is not too late!

Please take a moment to complete the form and return it to the either your child’s classroom teacher or the school office.

Extra forms are available from the School Office if you have misplaced yours.

We do appreciate you taking the time to complete this form.

Ronald McDonald House Fundraiser

The children from Miss Anthanasiou’s class called into McDonalds on their way back from the Kmart Wishing Tree launch.

Kitty is presenting a cheque for Ronald McDonald House. We raised $160.00 from our casual dress day to donate to this very worthy organisation.

The children also got to enjoy an ice cream at McDonalds!
Have you enrolled your child for Prep 2016?

Application forms are available from the school office.
On Monday 16 November 2015 the children from Miss Athanasiou’s class went to the launch of the Kmart Wishing Tree.

The children were wonderful ambassadors for our school and after singing a few songs everyone enjoyed a piece of cake!

The Kmart wishing tree is for families to make donations either of gifts or money to help make Christmas a little brighter for those that need it most.

In 2015, The Appeal aims to collect more than 500,000 gifts nationally to help the thousands of Australian’s in need this Christmas. The Kmart Wishing Tree Appeal is Australia’s largest Christmas gift appeal, collecting more than six million gifts since its inception in 1988. The Appeal is now a Christmas tradition, not only for Kmart and The Salvation Army, but for thousands of Australian’s who donate each year.