FROM THE EXECUTIVE TEAM

2016 PLANNING
It is very important for us that we now finalise, as much as possible, our enrolment status for 2016. Most parents with new preps have enrolled now, but we are aware that there may be a few more that are yet to complete the process. With the orientation program fast approaching, we hope to have prep enrolments fully finalised as soon as possible.

In the same vein, we would be very appreciative if any families that are leaving us at the end of the year due to relocation, or for other reasons, could let us know over the coming few weeks. Please advise the office.

Killara is now a very large organisation, with enrolments once again likely to be around 620 next year. This means that the task of organising, structuring and staffing the school is a very complex one, requiring much deliberation, thought and consultation. The first task for us is to determine (reasonably) accurate enrolment numbers for next year.

REPORTS
Our reporting timeline starts as of now, with teachers beginning the task of preparing for and writing reports. Reports will go home on Friday December 11. Many teachers spent time over this past weekend in the writing process, which is quite time consuming, but appreciated by all.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT
Teachers/Leaders engage in PD on a regular basis to ensure we maintain and develop levels of knowledge to ensure our students benefit from up-to-date understandings. Recently these have included Principals as Literacy Leaders, ICT webinars, Auslan, Compass (our reporting package), Having Challenging Conversations and Coaching Conversations. We consider and plan carefully for PD to ensure it will have maximum impact at school level.

PREP INFORMATION NIGHT
We look forward to beginning new relationships and continuing relationships with families who have new students beginning at our school next year. It is an exciting time and this information night, on Wednesday 18th November starting at 7:00pm, should be informative and an opportunity to develop home-school partnerships.

YEAR 1/2 COMMUNITY VISIT
Many community members have passed through our school today, the likes of police officers, plumbers, bankers, rotary members, airport security officers, electricians, pharmacists, cooks, CFA officers and youth workers, to inform students of the roles they play. The day lends itself for some authentic learning linked to their current Inquiry, ‘Our Community, Your Community’.

SWIMMING
The Prep and Year 1/2s have concluded their swimming programs which were very successful. There has been a great deal of information in the media recently related to ensuring that children can swim. The familiarisation with an aquatic environment during this program is a positive step towards gaining water confidence and developing the necessary skills to be competent in the water. Thanks to those involved in the program (teachers and parents who assisted) and for the preparation, organisation and program changes that were necessary to cater for this extracurricular activity.

Best wishes,
Phil, Andrew and Pete
CURRENT NEWS

SOFTBALL REGIONALS
We were hungry for the victory as we approached the ground. Our first game was against Preston and everyone was hitting and fielding superbly. We came away with a close victory.
Our second game was against Alphington. They all looked tough and hard to beat but we smelt our second victory coming.
Our third game was against Diamond Creek East they looked hungry for victory, but we weren’t going to let that happen. We just came away with a narrow victory.
The pressure was on us as we were about to start the fourth and final game against Blue Team. If we won we were going to State and if we lost who knows where we would stand. In the final game we only scored four runs this was not a good position for us. The first batter did an amazing hit and Harry, out of nowhere caught the ball. We kept them scoreless so we were through to State. Let’s just say the best team won.
Thanks to Chris and Piza for helping us get this far.
Thank you to all the parents that came along to support us on the day.
Blake T and Ethan T

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PAYMENTS DUE
Graduation Mementos – 13 November
Please note: No late orders can be accepted.
Year 6 Graduation: 1 December

QKR APP FOR SCHOOL PAYMENTS.
Our preferred method of payment for excursions, canteen lunch orders and fundraising activities is QKR.
This easy to use free app by Mastercard gives you flexibility to make your school payments at a time and place that suits you.
No need to find cash to send to school with your child, you will have a QKR receipt on your phone and receipt number for your records.
A brochure on how to set up your account is available from the school office or just follow the simple instructions when you download the app.

PSW UNIFORM SHOP
Uniform sale 5% off uniforms, 25% off all school shoes from Monday 9 November to Friday 18th December 2015. Plus extended Lay-by until 27th January 2016. Available at your local PSW store Shop 6, 106-126 Gap Rd, Sunbury Vic 3429 9768 0384
Summer Trading (5th Oct – April)

COMPLETE KIDS BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE PROGRAM
Have fun, learn, make friends, music, art, sport, relaxation, cooking, technology, role play, games and many more fun activities. If you would like more information, please call our office on 97402111 or Rowena (OSHC Co-Ordinator) on 0428005709 or email oshc@completekids.net

A GIANT CAR BOOT SALE AND CRAFT MARKET
Saturday 21st November from 8.30am - Village Green and Sunbury Uniting Church.
• Over 60 cars and also inside craft stalls - a chance to do some Christmas shopping!!
• Fun the kids!! Includes pony rides and jumping castle! Also fairy floss, show bags, popcorn, snow cones, lucky dips, craft activities!
• Devonshire tea/coffee, sausage sizzle, coffee van.
• Huge second-hand book stall inside - cheap!

RUPERTSWOOD CRICKET CLUB
Milo in 2 Cricket registration night Friday 6 November 2015 6pm – 7pm in the clubrooms at Rupertswood. It’s a 10 week program open to 5 – 8 years Male & Female. Starts 20 November. Registration via club website www.rupertswoodcc.org.au under Milo in 2 Cricket or email request rupocc@optusnet.com.au 0421991519

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