



CALENDAR

10 Dec	Killara Picnic 4.30 – 7.00pm
11 Dec	Step Up Day
11 Dec	Year 6 High School Orientation Day
11 Dec	Prep 2019 Orientation Session 3 9.15 – 10.40am
11 Dec	Year 2-5 Swim Trials
12 Dec	Netbook Returns Day
14 Dec	Casual Clothes Day Fundraiser
18 Dec	Year 6 Graduation
21 Dec	Last Day Term 1.30pm Finish

FROM THE LEADERSHIP TEAM

FRIDAY DECEMBER 21 – Last day Term 4

A reminder that we have early dismissal at the end of each term. Students will be dismissed at 1:30pm Friday December 21. Please make sure that **ALL** students are picked up on time. We ask that there are no late pick-ups on the day, as staff will not be available to supervise students as the school will be closed. There will be a whole school assembly at 12.30pm on this day.

2019 START DATE

Please note that the first day for **ALL** students for 2019 is **WEDNESDAY 30 JANUARY**. Prep students will begin on Thursday 31 January.

2019 TERM DATES

Term 1: Wednesday 30 January – Friday 5 April
 Term 2: Tuesday 23 April – Friday 28 June
 Term 3: Monday 15 July – Friday 20 September
 Term 4: Monday 7 October – Friday 20 December

KILLARA END OF YEAR PICNIC

After receiving some significant feedback from both parents and staff we will be bringing back the end of year picnic celebration.

When: Monday 10th December

Time: 4.30pm – 7.00pm

Dress code: "Christmas Spirit"

Please Note: Killara Fish & Chip shop will open on Monday night especially for our parents who would like to purchase their dinner.



CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to Jade Batey, Alex Pernice and Chelsea O'Meara who have been successful in obtaining positions at other schools next year. While we will miss Jade, Alex and Chelsea here at Killara we are excited for them as they get ready to embark on the next phase of their career. We would also like to take this opportunity to thank Jade, Alex and

Chelsea for all they have done while being a staff member at Killara. Their hard work and dedication to our school is evident in the positive relationships they have built with all members of our school community.

END OF YEAR NETBOOK RETURNS – 5/6

Our 1:1 netbook/digital device program draws to a close for 2018.

The collection of all year 5/6 netbooks will take place from Monday December 10. **All students** are expected to have their netbooks, chargers and carry cases at school **Wednesday December 12**. Students will not be able to take netbooks home from that date onwards.

Year 6 students will be given their memory cards.

It is an expectation that netbooks are returned in working order and presentable condition. Any damage to the netbooks, chargers or carry cases will incur costs, which must be paid by the end of the year.

There will be no option to purchase the devices.

SEMESTER REPORTS

All reports will once again be online and you will be able to access them through Compass. As with semester one, reports will contain less information than in previous years, as we have been communicating results in a more timely manner throughout the year via the learning tasks.

Reports will include a summary page of Victorian Curriculum levels, a general comment, student work habits and behaviour grading as well as a student self-reflection.

We remind parents to keep in touch with their child's progress, by regularly accessing Compass when learning tasks are announced.

If you don't have a Compass login please contact the office and they will provide you with one.

Students that are leaving the school at the end of the year are reminded that all information is no longer available to you once they have left, so save all reports that you wish to keep from over the years.

Reports will be accessible on Compass at 3:30pm on **Monday December 17**.

STEP UP DAY

As the majority of our Year 6 students will be attending Orientation Day at secondary schools and our future Preps will be coming in for an Orientation Day we are having a Step Up day for our current students on Tuesday December 11. This will involve moving to another classroom for the day to 'practice' being in the next year level as a form of transition to demystify what may lay ahead. This day, in no way

indicates what room or class group students will be in next year.

**Best wishes,
Michelle and Andrew**

CURRENT NEWS

SCHOOL OFFICE

Please note the last day for payments and enquiries to the office is Thursday December 20. We are unable to accept payments on Friday December 21, the last day of term. The office will then be open for normal business from 30 January 2018.

CASUAL CLOTHES DAY – FRIDAY DECEMBER 14, 2018

Timor-Leste is one of the poorest countries in our region. Thirty percent of households (about 60,000 homes) have no access to the national electricity grid. Since 2003, Renew (a not for profit organisation) has been working with communities in Timor-Leste to provide clean, renewable lighting and electricity. They have helped install solar lighting and power to more than 2,000 homes and over 100 community centres, orphanages, schools and hospitals in remote rural villages. They have also helped train 180 village-based solar technicians. Our Term 4 fundraiser will help Renew continue their wonderful work. Friday December 14 is a casual clothes day. All students are asked to bring a gold coin donation for this important program. Student Leadership Council.

LOST PROPERTY

As we rapidly head towards the end of the year, we are, of course, looking to sort, clean and tidy. There is lots of lost property in the lost property area and families are reminded that uncollected property will be bagged and donated before the end of the year. Please check for any property during next week and please remember that naming items is the preferred option.



THANK YOU FOR A GREAT YEAR OF SCHOOL BANKING

Our final School Banking day for 2018 will be next **Tuesday 11 December**. If your child is eligible to order a reward item please ensure that the reward coupon is completed and returned by this date. Any tokens that have not been redeemed this year can be used in 2019.

DIABETES UNWANTED CLOTHING DRIVE

A huge thank you to all the families who dropped their unwanted clothing and accessories off this morning for the clothing drive. Thank you also to the families who included some new clothes and toys. This initiative is so important as it supports those living with diabetes in our community and provides funds for research to find a cure for diabetes; it also reduces waste to landfill, and raises money for our school's sustainability program.

A big 'well done' to the SLC students who gave up their time before school to help load the truck. Great job!

Robyn Smith – SLC Co-ordinator

PUPIL OF THE WEEK TERM 4, WEEK 8

Prep Their positive participation in the Prep Mini Olympics		Year 3/4 Showing enthusiasm and great investigation skills during our incursion	
R1	Santina A	R11	Ethan G
R2	Rivan M	R12	Isabella M
R3	Noah W	R13	Riley W
Year 1/2 Continually following our rights and responsibilities		R14	William Z
		R15	Dougie C
R4	Leila M	Year 5/6 Shriving for excellence in the classroom	
R19	Ethan W		
R20	Isabella H/Madison P		
R21	Anik G		
R22	Chloe A		R5
R23	Isabelle W	R6	Kiana T
R24	Yuvraj N	R7	Morgan O-S
		R8	Isabella J
		R9	Jaydah R
		R10	Jacob W
		R17	Amber N

COMMUNITY NEWS

SUNBURY BLUE LIGHT DISCO

Christmas theme - Friday 7th December 2018, 6–8pm at Sunbury Memorial Hall for primary school age. Entry \$7. Sunbury Blue Light provides a fantastic opportunity for primary age kids to have positive interaction with local police and also to socialise with their peers in a safe supervised environment. The disco is a not for profit organisation, run by police members and valued volunteers, all of whom hold current Working With Children Check. Follow on Facebook and Instagram for all the latest news.

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