



Killara Primary School

Our Best – Every Child, Every Day

Caring Acceptance Responsibility Excellence Support

Newsletter 24

August 10 2017

CALENDAR

14 August	HERO Presentations Assembly
14 - 18 Aug	National Science Week
15 August	Year 1/2 Scienceworks Excursion A,B,C,D
15 August	Year 5/6 C,D,E,F Orienteering Incursion
16 August	Year 5/6 A,B,G Orienteering Incursion
16 August	Prep Zoo Excursion
17 August	Year 1/2 Scienceworks Excursion E,F,G,H
17 August	Regional T-Ball Competition
21–25 Aug	Book Week
21 August	Book Week Parade
22 August	School Council
25 August	Daffodil Day
28 Aug-1 Sep	Literacy/Numeracy Week
28 August	Author Visit Prep – Year 2
29 August	Author Visit Year 3 - 6
31 August	Father's Day Stall
1 Sept	Year 5/6 Summer Sports
4 – 6 Sept	Year 3/4 Camp 3/4 B, C, E & F
6 – 8 Sept	Year 3/4 Camp 3/4 A, D, G
5 – 8 Sept	Book Fair
8 Sept	Back Up Summer Sports Day
19 Sept	School Council Meeting
21 Sept	Colour Run
22 Sept	Last Day Term 2.30pm Finish

FROM THE EXECUTIVE TEAM

CLASS CAPTAINS

At assembly on Monday, we introduced the Class Captains and Vice Captains for Semester 2. We look forward to supporting their leadership in our school. Congratulations to our Class Captains and Vice Captains for Semester 1, we thank you for your support in your classroom and the school. Thank you to the Student Leadership Council members who helped with the ceremony on Monday.

STUDENT SAFETY

Parents/Carers should note that teachers are not available for supervision before 8.45 am or after 3.45pm. Therefore, children are discouraged from arriving before and leaving after these times as their care and safety cannot be guaranteed.

When the children are dismissed at the end of the day, they need to be collected promptly. Children not collected by 3:45 pm must wait at the office. It is best if parents arrange an outside meeting place for children as this avoids confusion as to the 'pick up spot'.

PARENT OPINION SURVEY

Parent Opinion Survey details were posted to 200 families this week. Currently 9 families have completed the survey. To gather a true indication of how our school is performing, it is important that all 200 families complete the survey.

The survey helps our school gain an understanding of how you view our school climate, student engagement and relationships. Our school will use the results to inform school planning and improvement strategies.

Please contact the office if you need any assistance with completing the survey. The survey takes about 15 minutes and will be open until Sunday August 27. We thank you for your support.

STUDENT PHOTOS

On October 10, Advanced Life will be coming out to take photos of our Student Leadership Council, Class Captains and Vice Captains, HEROs as well as a Grade 6 Graduation group photo. Further information will be available toward the end of this term.

UNIFORM

Killara Primary School has a compulsory school uniform. All students are expected to wear the uniform each school day. If this is not possible, a note from the parent/carer should be sent to school excusing the child for not wearing uniform on that day.

PARENT TEACHER COMMUNICATION

Continuing with the theme of parents, we'd like to remind our community of the importance and benefits of positive communication between parents and teachers.

Evidence clearly shows that positive communication between a child's parents and teachers has a number of benefits for the child, including more positive mental wellbeing and improved academic performance.

As parents, you know if there are any issues going on that might be affecting your child's learning at school. So ongoing communication with your child's teacher is essential to make sure that these factors are being catered for in the classroom.

Whilst it is important that teachers are aware of any issues or concerns you have about your child, we sometimes allow these to dominate communication. Celebrations are vital in acknowledging and promoting progress and are a foundation to a positive relationship. So please also be in close communication with your child's teachers regarding developments to celebrate.

There are many forms of communication that enable you to be in touch with your child's teachers. E-mail, comments in student diaries or homework, phone calls and of course face to face conversation. When dropping your child off or picking up, please remember teachers are busy preparing for their day or

preparing to attend after school meetings. As you would do with any professional, arrange an appointment with the teacher that is at a convenient time for all concerned.

Please also remember that staff do have commitments outside of school and cannot be expected to reply to e-mails at all hours of the day.

Your child's educational journey at Killara is a three-way relationship between you, your child and their teacher. By working building relationships through regular and positive communication, we will best ensure your child achieves their full potential.

Last but certainly not least, special thanks to Ian, our foreman for the day. Hopefully we gave your back a little break from back breaking work!

At recess and lunch times, students certainly enjoyed having their beach back and the ladies on First Aid appreciated having their breaks back!

More photos of our minions hard at work can be found on our Facebook page.

Best Wishes
Pete and Andrew

CURRENT NEWS

WOOLWORTHS EARN AND LEARN PROGRAM

The Woolworths Earn and Learn program is back for 2017. This program gives primary and secondary schools, and Early Learning Centres around Australia the chance to earn amazing school resources. Last time over 16,000 schools and Early Learning Centres earned nearly 450,000 individual items.



Stick your stickers onto the sticker sheet which are available from the school office and drop your completed sheet into our Killara collection box located at Sunbury Woolworths. The program began on July 26 and will finish on 19 September.

FATHER'S DAY STALL

The PFA and Friends would like to ask if families are able to donate towards our Father's day stall.

Any donation is greatly appreciated. Our stall will be held on **Thursday August 31**.

Suggested donated items could include, gardening items, BBQ tools, car cleaning products, car air fresheners, sports socks or skin care products and deodorant. (Please ensure all donations are new and unopened.) Please do not send any food items.

Please hand donations to the classroom teacher or to the office staff.



FATHERS DAY STALL SPENDING VOUCHERS.

If you would like to pre pay an amount for your child to spend at the stall please use our QKR app. Click on the "Fundraising Activities" tab, you will find Fathers Day Stall.

You can choose an amount you would like your child to spend at the stall on gifts for dad. On the day of

the stall your child will receive a voucher from their classroom teacher detailing the amount they have to spend.

If they do not spend all the allocated amount, change will be given in cash to the child.

BOOK WEEK DRESS UP DAY

Book Week is almost here! To celebrate our love of books at Killara, our annual Book Week dress up day and parade will be held on Monday 21st of August. We encourage all students from Prep to Year 6 to celebrate books and reading by dressing up as their favourite book character. The parade will commence at 9.00 am in our gymnasium and we welcome our parent community to attend and watch their child show off their costume to their peers.

PAYMENTS DUE

Year 1/2 Scienceworks Excursion: 10
August

Prep Zoo Excursion: 11 August

Year 5/6 Orienteering Incursion: 11
August

Year 3/4 Camp: 22 August

Regional T-Ball Competition: 15 August

COMPASS

Prep solve words learning task will be visible on Compass from next Monday.

The following Year 1/2 learning tasks will be made live to parents next Monday:

Year 1/2 English: Writing - Lists, Term 3, 2017

Year 1/2 Mathematics: Multiplication, Term 3, 2017

Year 1/2 English: Reading - Solving Words, Term 3, 2017

MEDICATION ADMINISTERED AT SCHOOL

If students require medication to be given at school, parents must complete a medication authority form which is available from the office. Medication must be sent in its original packaging, be clearly labelled and any prescription medication must be in the child's name.

Please note, medication will be administered during recess or lunchtime if possible to ensure classroom learning time is not disrupted.

Where ever possible, medication should be scheduled outside school hours, e.g. medication required three times a day is generally not required during a school day: it can be taken before and after school and before bed.

WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK

Parents who wish to volunteer at our school regularly and are likely to be working with a child on a 1:1 or small group basis and/or wish to attend an excursion or overnight camp are required to hold a current Working with Children Card. Working with Children application forms can be obtained online. There is no cost to obtain a Working With Children Card and the check is valid for 5 years. Once you have received your card please submit it at the office and a photocopy will be made for our records.

[We also ask that you display your Working With Children card when volunteering at school.](#)

CLASS CAPTAINS & VICE CAPTAINS SEMESTER 2 2017

Room	Captain	Vice-Captain
Prep A	Indiana R	Byron T
Prep B	Gracie G	Alex T
Prep C	Lily G	Brinleigh L
Prep D	Kaylah R	James S
1/2A	Brooklyn M	Shayla M
1/2B	Christine G	William M
1/2C	Claire H	Sienna P
1/2D	Rhys W	Alexander B
1/2E	Blake A	Vanessa V
1/2F	Maya N	Joshua J
1/2G	Nicholas H	Archie F
1/2H	Bradley R	Ava G
3/4A	Bailey H	Sienna F
3/4B	Charlie K	Nash D
3/4C	Zak M	Ella B
3/4D	Luke H-B	Jacob S
3/4E	Tait R	Amber N
3/4F	Finn B	Ella R
3/4G	Piper S	Kiana T
5/6A	Bailey P	Jessica M
5/6B	Madeleine M	Rylie B-R
5/6C	Shelys W	Christopher S
5/6D	Jackson W	Anna T
5/6E	Darcy F	Lachlan R
5/6F	Brianna M	Bailey P
5/6G	Matthew B	Rebecca R

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.



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LOST PROPERTY

Please check lost property for any of your child's belongings. Any named items are returned to the student's classroom. Any lost property left there at the end of term will be donated to charity. Please note if you have any hand me down items of clothing can you please remember to write your child's name on the clothing.

PUPIL OF THE WEEK TERM 3, WEEK 3

Junior School Super work during our 100 days of Prep		Middle School Using a variety of sources to research information	
R1	Leonard H	R12	Lilah R
R2	Jacob T	R13	Jett M
R3	Chloe A	R14	Taelynn S
R4	Abigail C	R15	Jaydah R
Year 1/2 Showing multiplication in equal groups and onrays		Senior School Engaging with our inquiry by investigating a foreign country	
R17	Sidney H	R16	Kayla S
R18	Lachlan H	R21	Maddison W
R19	Harley V	R22	Morgan O-S
R20	Elizabeth S	R5	Baylen P
R23	Chase W	R6	Rylie B-R
R24	Charlotte E	R7	Mia C-M
R25	Dougie C	R8	Leila N
R26	Ethan P	R9	Dean C
		R10	Bailey B
		R11	Lachlan D
Specialist Program "For having fun while learning"			
Physical Education 5/6 G – Katelyn Hurley			
Performing Arts Prep C – Alycia Holland			
Visual Art 1/2 G – Cynthia Marchment			
AUSLAN 3/4 D – Chelsea O'Meara			

FLEXIBUZZ (Formally Tiqbiz)

Killara Primary School has available an "app" to use for communicating with our families. The app is called "FLEXIBUZZ" and can be downloaded onto your smartphone, tablet or computer.

Remember to select both "whole school" and your children's year level when prompted. This will ensure you receive all notifications we send for the whole school, as well as those to specific year levels.



TISSUES

For hygiene reasons we like to have boxes of tissues available in each classroom for all students to share. To ensure that there is always an ample supply of tissues available, we are requesting that each child bring a box of tissues to their classroom. These will be stored by the classroom teacher and shared by the class. Hopefully, this will ensure that we never run out.

STUDENT ENGAGEMENT & WELLBEING:

Time is precious - but not as precious as your children.

Studies show that just 8 minutes every day of distraction-free time to engage with each of your kids, one on one, without interruptions will make your child feel more listened to, valued, safer and happier.

*Sit down with your child for at least 1 meal every day.

*Read a book together before bed or tell a story of your own.

*Ask questions about your child's life that need more than a one-word answer.

*For older kids, discuss a news item they might be interested in.

To read the full article and for more ideas on how you can spend 8 quality minutes with your child, go to:

<https://familypeace.org.au/01-8-minutes-a-day/>

HEADLICE

It has come to our attention that some students in the school may have head lice and we seek your cooperation in checking your child's hair this week

Head lice do not transmit infectious diseases – they are transmitted by having head to head contact with someone who has head lice. You may be reassured to know that head lice are commonly found in places other than at Killara Primary School. Head lice are common in school-aged children and are the most adaptable of creatures. They have survived living solely on humans for 10,000 years!!!!

What can you do?

We seek your cooperation in checking your child's hair and in those instances where head lice or eggs are found, treating your child's hair.

Please see the attached pamphlet *Treating and Controlling Head Lice*, from the Department of Human Services. This pamphlet has informative guidelines regarding detecting and treating head lice and eggs.

How do I treat my child for head lice?

The attached pamphlet (as noted above) has informative guidelines regarding detecting and treating head lice and eggs.

If head lice or eggs are found on your child's hair you need to inform:

- the school and advise when the treatment has started
- parents or carers of your child's friends so they too have the opportunity to detect and treat their children if necessary.

When can my child return to school?

Health regulations requires that where a child has head lice, that child should not return to school until after appropriate treatment has started. Please note, this refers only to those children who have live head lice and does not refer to head lice eggs.

Killara Primary School is aware that head lice can be a sensitive issue and is committed to maintaining your confidentiality.

ENVIRONMENTAL CORNER **Shop wisely**

Buy for longevity, and you'll probably end up saving money. Before purchasing an item, think about whether you really need it. Check online reviews and consider whether it will stand the test of time. Can you buy a perfectly good second hand version?

COMMUNITY NEWS

SUNBURY BLUE LIGHT DISCO

Friday August 18, Sunbury Memorial Hall. \$7 entry fee. Come dressed in your footy/sports team colours. Door prizes from skin ski & surf, Intersport Sunbury. Plus heaps more giveaways to be given out on the dance floor.

RELAY FOR LIFE – CANCER COUNCIL

Get involved in the 2017 Relay for Life to be held at Eric Boardman Reserve Saturday November 11 – Sunday November 12. Put together your team or simply raise funds and donate to this wonderful cause. Go to www.facebook.com/sunbury/relayforlife/ for further information.

Rupertswood Cricket Club Inc

"Birthplace_of_The_Ashes"

REGISTRATION DAY

Saturday 26th AUGUST 2017

9am – 12noon

Intersport

Sunbury Square Shopping Centre

Evans Street Sunbury

New Players and Females welcome

Registration Forms & Online
Available on Club Website

<http://rupertswoodcc.org.au>

Or

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