



Killara Primary School

Our Best – Every Child, Every Day

Caring Acceptance Responsibility Excellence Support & teamwork

Newsletter No 3

12 February 2015

CALENDAR

26 February	Swimming Sports
27 February	Schools Clean Up day
2 March	Prep start full time
4 March	PFA Welcome afternoon tea
9 March	Labour Day Holiday
10 March	PFA Meeting Staffroom 2.30pm
20 March	Curriculum Day
13 March	Interschool Athletics Year 4,5,6
20 April	Year 5/6 Camp
29 April	School Photos
6 May	Sibling Photos

FROM THE EXECUTIVE TEAM

EVERY DAY COUNTS – ATTENDANCE

We all want our students to get a great education, and the building blocks for a great education begin with students coming to school each and every day.

Missing school can have a major impact on a child's future – a student missing one day a fortnight will miss four full weeks by the end of the year. By Year 10 they'll have missed more than a year of school.

There is no safe number of days for missing school – each day a student misses puts them behind, and can affect their educational outcomes.

Coming to school every day is vital, but if for any reason your child must miss school, there are things we can do together to ensure they don't fall behind:

- Speak with your classroom teacher and find out what work your child needs to do to keep up.
- Develop an absence learning plan with your teacher and ensure your child completes the plan.

Remember, every day counts. If your child must miss school, speak with your classroom teacher early as early as possible.

Laws now mean that parents can be fined for not sending students to school without an acceptable reason.

If you're having attendance issues with your child, please let your classroom teacher know so we can work together to get your child to school every day.

(Department of Education and Early Childhood Development)

MEET THE TEACHER

The "Meet the Teacher" discussions will be conducted on Tuesday 17th February. This is an opportunity to establish a strong home/school partnership. We will again be using an online booking system.

Please inform the classroom teacher of any issues relevant to your child and take the time to complete the student information sheet and return prior to the day.

Bookings will be made on:

www.schoolinterviews.com.au

and just follow the instructions. You will need to enter the school event code which is:

S8QEZ

Also, a Meet the Teacher early dismissal form in a tear off form is attached. If you have not already done so could you please complete and return as soon as possible.

SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTIONS

The School Council elections for 2015 were announced last week. School Councillors are elected for a 2 year term, with half of the Council retiring each year.

This year we have 4 (four) parent vacancies and 1 (one) DET (Department of Education and Training) vacancies.

Nominations must be made by the close of business today (4pm). If insufficient nominations are made, further call for nominations will be made, with the nominees registered by the end of today being declared elected.

If more than the 4 parent and 1 DET nominations are received, an election will be held. All eligible members of the community will be able to vote in such an election.

Best wishes,

Phil, Andrew and Pete

CURRENT NEWS

SWIMMING SPORTS

An error of date was printed in the 5/6 newsletter. The correct date for this event is **Thursday 26th February**.

This is an after hours event, held at the Sunbury Aquatic Centre. More information will be distributed shortly by Andrew Pizaro. Our apologies once again.

PFA

A welcome afternoon tea will be held on Wednesday 4th March at 2:30pm in the staffroom, for any new or current parents who would like to join or find out more about how the PFA operates as well as how you can be involved as a Friend of the PFA.

Next PFA Meeting: Tuesday March 10th (2pm Sub Committees, Meeting starts at 2:30pm – Staffroom)

Pete Hansen

Assistant Principal Teaching and Learning

SCHOOL PHOTOS 2015

Unfortunately due to a clash of dates with our interschool athletics carnival we have had to move our school photo day to **29 April 2015**.

Sibling photos (siblings who attend Killara) will be taken the week after on **Wednesday 6 May**.

We apologise for any inconvenience.

More information regarding ordering and cost will be distributed closer to the date.

PUPIL OF THE WEEK TERM 1 WEEK 2

Junior School Preps For settling well into school routines		Middle School Quickly settling into their new classroom and being ready to learn	
R1	Keira M/Andre S	R11	Cooper M
R2	Archer F/Sophie W	R12	Lili R
R3	Makayla N/Blake A	R13	Callum D
R4	Jaeda W/Archie M	R14	Brody M
Year 1/2 Following class routine and being ready to learn		R15	Sam R
		R16	Darcy R
		R21	Luke B
		R22	Cooper G
Senior School Settling in well		R5	Cooper W
R17	Callum G	R6	Josh T
R18	Zayne H	R7	Ethan W
R19	Hudson F	R8	Loch H
R20	Noah Y	R9	Ethan H
R23	Lucas C	R10	Mia R
R24	Ella R		
R25	Charleen D		
R26	Luke H B		

GOOD CITIZEN AWARD

Prep – Darcy P Rm 4
 Year 1/2 – Tamika T Rm 19
 Year 3/4 – Darcy F Rm 13
 Year 5/6 – Emily W Rm 6

STUDENT UPDATES

Student personal information is being sent home today with each student. Please check all areas and confirm we have the correct details on file. Especially phone numbers, emergency contacts, medical details, student immunisation (if incomplete an immunisation certificate needs to be provided to the school as soon as possible), so that we have the most up to date information for your child. Please mark any alterations with a different coloured pen and return to front office as soon as possible.

ENVIROMENTAL NEWS

HELP! MISSING HERO VESTS

Could parents of last year's HEROs please have a look at home for a fluoro vest – we are missing 6. If found, please drop into the office.

PLASTIC RECYCLING

Unfortunately we no longer have someone collecting our waste plastic bags/wrappers etc., therefore the box in the 3/4 building corridor has been removed. Please keep recycling though – you can drop them into Coles or Woolworths.

Thanks, Sustainability Team

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SCHOLASTIC PAYMENT OPTIONS

For future issues of Scholastic Book Clubs please note that the teachers at Killara will happily accept payments through the following 3 options. Credit Card using the LOOP app (www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP), Credit Card via online or phone (details on each magazine order form) and Cheque. Due to foreseeable complications and lack of security when sending coins and notes by mail we cannot accept cash payments. If you have any concerns regarding these options, please see your classroom teacher.

ESSENDON FOOTBALL CLUB VISIT

We were very lucky to have 7 players from the Essendon Football Club come to visit Killara to read with our Prep – Year 2 students. At lunchtime the boys went into yard to have a kick with the kids.



Please complete the following form indicating your preference and return to school as soon as possible:

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MEET THE TEACHER DISCUSSIONS – Tuesday 17th
 February Early Dismissal

Name of Student: _____

Room No: _____

On the day of Meet the Teacher (please select one box and tick):

1. I would like my child dismissed at 12:30pm

2. My child will remain at school until 3:30pm

Signed: _____

Relationship: _____ (e.g. mother, father)

Date: _____

