



# Killara Primary School

*Our Best – Every Child, Every Day*

**Caring Acceptance Responsibility Excellence Support & teamwork**

Newsletter No 6

14<sup>th</sup> March 2013

## TERM CALENDAR

<b>Mon 18 March</b>	Alpha Theatre production (no assembly)
<b>Mon 25 March</b>	School Photos (no assembly)
<b>Tues 26 March</b>	SSR Casual Clothes fundraiser Sausage Sizzle Meal Day
<b>Thur 28 March</b>	<b>Last Day of Term 1</b>
<b>Mon 15 April</b>	<b>First Day of Term 2</b>
<b>Thur 25 April</b>	Anzac Day
<b>Frid 26 April</b>	Curriculum Day

## FROM THE EXECUTIVE TEAM

### PLANNING WEEK

Next week is a planning week at our school for teachers. The teachers get together in teams across the school on one day and audit the previous term's learning goals, develop learning goals for Term 2 and consider assessment to inform their teaching and the students' learning. The only effect on your child, next week, will be that Specialist sessions will occur on the one day (see table below which is still subject to change):

PLANNING DAY	YEAR LEVEL
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 3/4
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> March	Specialists
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	Prep
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> March	Year 5/6
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	Year 1/2

### ASSEMBLY

Unfortunately for the next two weeks we will be unable to conduct assemblies because the Gym is being used for events (see calendar above). We will make alternative arrangements for presentations internally.

### TERM 1

The term is quickly drawing to a close. Much has been achieved and there is plenty to come. Remember on the last day of term there is an early dismissal at 2:30pm.

### PARENT HELPERS

Thank you to those parents who attended our parent helpers' courses. We appreciate your support for our students. Also, our gratitude to Jo Fogarty and Nancy Smith for conducting these informative sessions.

**Best Wishes,**

**Phil, Andrew and Marie**

## CURRENT NEWS

### CASUAL CLOTHES FUNDRAISER TUESDAY 26<sup>th</sup> MARCH

The SLC are asking all students to come in casual clothes on Tuesday the 26<sup>th</sup> of March (the last week of term) and bring a gold coin donation for the State Schools Relief Fund.

The State Schools Relief Fund is an organisation that assists families with the costs of educating their children. They help purchase book packs, text books, uniforms and assist with the costs of excursions and camps so children don't have to miss out on these opportunities. The State Schools Relief Fund assists all school communities and have from time to time helped families within the Killara school community.

Remember NO singlet tops or open toed shoes please for safety reasons.

Thank you for your support.

The Student Leadership Council

### Regional Swimming

Yesterday 3 students represented Killara Primary School, the Sunbury District and our Zone at the Regional Swimming Championships. Tahlia W, 6<sup>th</sup> in 11/u Butterfly and 6<sup>th</sup> in 11/u Breaststroke, Joshua G, 5<sup>th</sup> in 10/u Freestyle and Alex K, 1<sup>st</sup> in 11/u Freestyle and 2<sup>nd</sup> in Backstroke. Alex's first place in Freestyle as an S6 Classification Amputee Competitor has qualified him now for the State Championships, a great effort. We are proud of the efforts of all 3 students to swim and compete at this level. Our Region has become one of the largest in the state and therefore draws a larger number of very competitive swimmers. Special thanks must go to parents for their support with getting their children to these events.

Next Wednesday is our Sunbury District Athletics Sports at Boardman Athletics Track. The team participating is the largest to represent Killara for the last few years. Parent support on the day will be welcome and appreciated.

Andrew Pizaro Phys Ed and Sport

### SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

**Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2013**



Order envelopes have been distributed. It is important that instructions are followed in order to save confusion and disappointment.

**PLEASE NOTE:** All orders received after photography day will incur a reorder fee.

1. Select your preferred package from the options printed on the flyer provided (which is enclosed in the order envelope). A class photo is included in all packages.

2. You must complete a separate order envelope for each purchasing child. Clearly mark the package and gifts you wish to purchase in the space provided

using a black or blue ball point pen, complete all your contact details and enclose the correct payment using one of the options listed below.

**CASH** - Please enclose exact monies as no change is available. If paying for additional siblings in one envelope, please note which envelope payment was made.

**CHEQUE** - Please print name, address and telephone on rear of cheque. Please allow 60 days for your cheque payment to be finalized.

PLEASE MAKE CHEQUES PAYABLE TO :  
ADVANCEDLIFE

**CREDIT CARD** - payments can only be made on-line. An order envelope must be completed and returned to your school prior to photo day.

If paying for more than one student or additional family photos, one transaction can be made by adding up the total of all order envelopes and recording the receipt number on all ordering envelopes.

For families with three or more children at Killara, Advancedlife are offering a special deal on the third order. Please contact Advancedlife directly for details.

**SIBLING PHOTOS** (siblings attending Killara only)  
Order envelopes can be collected from the school office and returned prior to photo day

### PFA EASTER RAFFLE

Tickets have been sent home with families. Any donations for our Easter raffle prizes (no food allowed) would be greatly appreciated. Please send to school by Friday 22 March. The raffle will be drawn on Monday 25 March.

### CANTEEN HELP NEEDED

If you can assist Andrea in the Canteen with preparation of lunch orders and counter sales, please contact the school office. Our canteen operates Tuesday to Friday and relies on volunteers to help with the workload involved with servicing our families. Any help would be much appreciated.

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### KISMET PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL

### TWILIGHT AUSTRALIANA FETE

Friday March 22<sup>nd</sup>

3:30PM – 8:00PM

Rides, free entertainment, activities, BBQ, stalls

Silent Auction

All welcome to enjoy

Mcewen drive Sunbury

### HUME CITY COUNCIL VACATION CARE

For information and enrolment visit

[www.hume.vic.gov.au](http://www.hume.vic.gov.au).

### MINDFUL MEDITATION WORKSHOP

Manage stress, build resilience, improve concentration.

When: Friday 22 March

Where: Sunbury Heights Primary School

Time: 7pm for 7.15pm start

Supper provided, kids korner available (children must

register prior)

Register today

SOLD MEMBERS: Free

Early bird: \$15

At the door: \$20

Phone: 0467 170 752

Email: info@sold.org.au

### MPACC

**“Learning to cope with Worries”** is an information and support seminar for young people and their parents. Designed to assist young people in understanding why they worry, and to provide them with coping strategies and increased self confidence, this seminar also addresses the concerns of parents. This seminar is for **children who are between 8 and 12 years old**.

**Date:** Tues 9 April / Thurs 11 April

**Time:** 9.30am – 1.30pm

**Where:** Thomas Carr Centre  
278 Victoria Parade East Melbourne

**Cost:** \$40 (one parent one child)

**Facilitator:** Dr Barbara Jones

Lunch provided. For information please contact:

Gwen Opal - Administration Officer

[melbournepsychologyclinic@acu.edu.au](mailto:melbournepsychologyclinic@acu.edu.au)

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### SUNBURY GYMNASTIC COLLEGE INC

- Offering classes for children from 2 years of age
- Great way to develop co-ordination, confidence & strength.
- FREE “Come & Try”!

Phone: 9740 4957 or 0409 944 403

or check out our Website:

[www.sunburygymnastics.wordpress.com](http://www.sunburygymnastics.wordpress.com)

### Upcoming events: (12 – 14 Sussex Crt, Sunbury)

#### EASTER DISCO - Fri 22 March 7pm-9pm

- Dress up in your favourite Easter theme
- Cost \$10 (includes Entry, Sausage & a Drink)
- Sign in & Out; No passouts
- All Welcome; No need to be a member to come along

#### OPEN DAY- Sat 23 March 12noon – 2pm

- Come along and have a try
- Head Coach and members of the Committee will be in attendance
- Entry by Gold coin donation

#### HOLIDAY CLINIC - Thurs 4 April 10.30am-12.30pm

- Cost \$20 (Bookings essential)
- All Welcome; No need to be a member

### VU WESTERN LIGHTNING

#### SUNBURY SUPER NETBALLCLINIC

When: Saturday 13 April

Time: 11am – 12.30pm

Where: Boardman Stadium

Cost: Players \$26.50 (6 – 16yrs)

Coaches experience \$26.50

Places limited, register online at

[vuwesternlightning.vnl.com.au](http://vuwesternlightning.vnl.com.au)

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This week is Brain Awareness Week and here are some samples of work completed by our students on the brain.

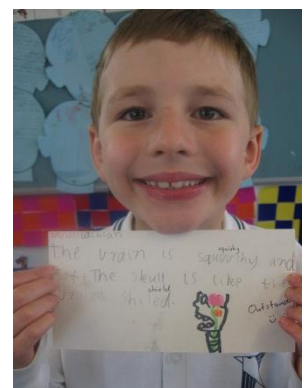
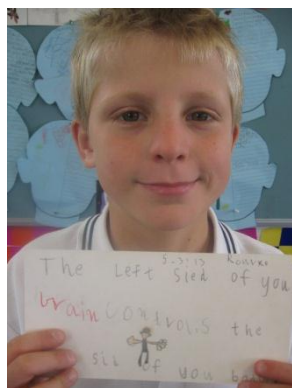
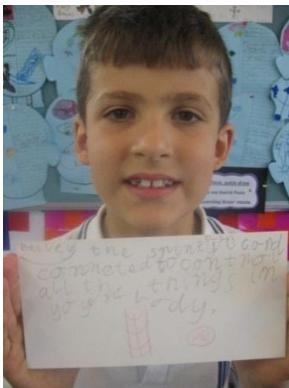
**Grade 1/2 SH have been *Getting Our Knowledge Ready* about the human brain. Here are some thoughts from the students:**

“The spinal cord connects to control all the things in your body.”  
-Bailey

“The left side of your brain connects to the right side of your body.”  
-Rourke

“Adults have bigger brains and babies have little brains”.  
-Isabella

“The brain is squishy and soft. The skull is like the brain’s shield.”  
-Lachlan



**Brainstorming about the Brain in Year 3/4C Room 13**

Our brains are amazing because they have 100 million neurons.  
They can do puzzles, reading and computer games.  
The left side of the brain controls the right side of your body and the right side of your brains controls your left side.  
The brain creates pathways when you practise something.  
The brain is 85-90% water.  
If you are hungry, too tired or too cold, your brain does not function properly.

**Collated by Ben R Room 13.**

**Year 1/2A Room 6**

What does a brain look like?

What can a brain do?

Today we watched a video about the Learning Brain.

These are the things we found out about how our brain works.



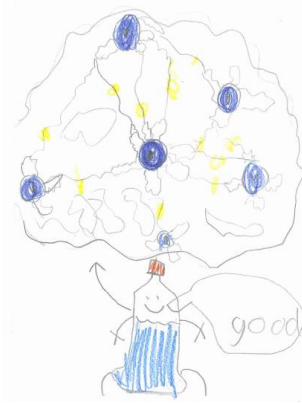
**We learnt that:**

- The brain is the boss of the body. It controls everything we do
- The brain helps us with our learning: our thinking, our feeling and our remembering
- The brain is divided into 2 halves. The left side of our brain controls the right side of our body and the right side controls the left side of our body

- Our brain has neurons that create paths from our brain to all parts of the body
- Neurons help us to remember things by making pathways or connections

We can keep our brain healthy by

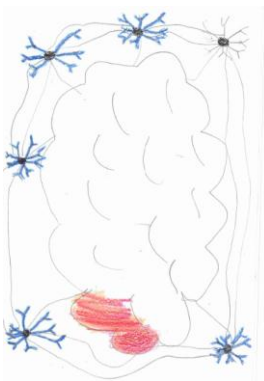
1. Drinking plenty of water
2. Eating a healthy diet with lots of fruit and vegetables
3. Getting plenty of rest and sleep
4. Getting plenty of exercise
5. Challenging ourselves by using our brain in different ways (music, art, sport, solving problems, reading, writing).



**The brain helps you to learn. The brain moves your body.**  
Lachlan R



**The brain is the most important part of your body. The left side of our brain controls the right side of our body and the right side controls the left side of our body.** Caitlyn D



**The brain is in control. The brain needs healthy food. The neurons help your brain. Drink lots of water. These things help your brain.**  
Grace B

**Year 1/2F Room 21: What do we already know about the brain?**

helps us to think about things like maths and literacy.

helps us to learn as much as possible.

helps us to stay alive.

is squishy and bumpy.

is the boss of our body.

tells our body what to do.

is the most important part of our body.

**Our Brain...**

6.3.2013 Getting Our Knowledge Ready.