



Killara Primary School

Our Best – Every Child, Every Day

Caring Acceptance Responsibility Excellence Support

Newsletter 3

February 15 2018

CALENDAR

20 February	Meet the teacher interviews
22 February	Grade 3-6 District Swimming at Sunbury Aquatic Centre at 4pm
26 February	Class Captain & Vice Captain Presentations
26 February	PFA afternoon tea for new families
27 February	Year 3-6 Athletics Carnival
27 February	School Council Dinner Meeting 6.00pm
7- 9 March	Year 5/6 Camp Rumbug
12 March	Labour Day Public Holiday
13 March	CURRICULUM DAY
20 March	PFA Meeting 7.30pm Sunbury Football Club
29 March	Last Day Term 2.30pm Finish

FROM THE EXECUTIVE TEAM

SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTIONS

The School Council elections for 2018 are now formally announced. School Councillors are elected for a 2 year term, with half of the Council retiring each year.

This year we have 3 (Three) parent vacancies and 3 (three) DET (Department of Education and Training) vacancies.

Nominations are now called for and forms can be picked up from the office. For more information, please refer to the "information for parents" sheet, attached to this newsletter.

Nominations must be made by the close of business on Thursday February 22.

MEET THE TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Please note that Meet the Teacher Interviews will be held on Tuesday February 20. As is usual practice, we will be asking for your help with this on the day, by picking up/allowing children to go home early (12:30pm).

The logistics of interviews is such that we need from 12:30pm through to 7:00pm to be able to fit everyone in! So if you can help with this it would be very much appreciated. A letter was sent home last week for you to sign and return. We need the notice returned by all parents within the timeframe given to ensure that logistical arrangements can be appropriately made for the interview day. [Please return this notice as soon as possible.](#)

Bookings for interviews are accessible via Compass.

Interviews are strictly 10 minutes and spaces are limited. You are able to book a time with your child's

classroom teacher and, if you wish, with the Specialist teachers.

For parents that don't have access to the internet at home, at work, at a friend's house or on their phones, you may send a note to school with the approximate times you require, or phone the school on 97446432 and the office staff will assist with this process. Compass web address for our school is <https://killaraps-vic.compass.education>.

To assist with the gathering and sharing of information, a Student Information form was also attached to the Meet the Teacher note, which we encourage you to also complete and forward to your child's class teacher prior to the day.

We hope you find the Meet the Teacher Interview(s) a valuable experience to discuss your child(ren)'s progress.

ARRIVAL TIME

All students should be at school **BY** 9:00am. Late arrivals disrupt learning programs and mean that students miss parts of their learning.

Students should not be on the school site **before 8:45am**, unless attending Before School Care. If you are unable to care for your child prior to that time, it is your responsibility to organise some form of childcare. Teachers are not officially on duty at school until 8:45am and the grounds are not supervised until then.

SCHOOL WIDE POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR SUPPORT

Today our Leaders were involved in the first of 12 profession learning sessions focused on School Wide Behaviour Support at Roxburgh Park Primary School with 18 other schools from our Region. School Wide Positive Behaviour Support is a researched based State wide initiative designed to provide support for students to manage their behaviour. The initiative runs over 3 years with 4 sessions each year. Our team of leaders will share this learning back at school so that it is embedded as a school wide practice. As we begin to implement the initiative we will share our learning with you. We thank you for your support with this initiative. If you would like to know more please contact Pete or Andrew.

PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE DAYS

Today you will receive a flyer from the Department of Education and Training explaining how the Professional Practice Days initiative will work in Victorian Schools over the next 4 years. Each term, teachers will be released from their classroom to develop their practice based on our school goals and their personal goals. At Killara, our Leading Teachers, Kathryn and Emma, will work closely with teachers on these days to support their professional

growth. We will ensure there is consistency with teachers who replace the classroom teacher for the day and ensure we monitor their effectiveness. We thank you for your understanding and support with this initiative. Please contact Pete or Andrew if you have any queries.

**Best Wishes,
Pete and Andrew**

CURRENT NEWS

CAMPS, EXCURSIONS AND SPORTS FUND


If you have a Health Care Card or Pension Card, you may be eligible to receive government assistance.

By applying for this funding, if eligible, the school will receive \$125 to be used for your child's excursions, camps and sporting activities. This amount will be held against each eligible child's name and utilised accordingly.

Applications MUST be finalised by 28 February 2018. Forms can be picked up from the office if needed.

If you applied last year then you don't need to fill another form out this year as your application will go in automatically.

PUPIL OF THE WEEK TERM 1, WEEK 2

Prep Showing their best whole body listening during learning time		Year 3/4 Setting SMART goals for their learning	
R1	Brody G.Zane M	R11	Archie F
R2	Dakota T/William V E	R12	Keira M
R3	Jashan A/Lily H	R13	Chloe T
Year 1/2 Presenting their 'All about Me Bag' with confidence		R14	Sarah H
		R15	Jamieson H
		R16	Koby H
Year 5/6 Establishing positive relationships		R4	Grace G
		R19	Eva M
		R20	Charlotte B-W
		R21	Mya R
		R22	Yuvraj N
R23	Ebony G	R5	Charlize H
R24	Kaylah R	R6	Brody M
		R7	Felix O
		R8	Zac S
		R9	Mitchell R
		R10	Emily M
		R17	Jessica F

PE CLASSES

Just a reminder to all parents/guardians, if your child has an injury and is unable to participate in physical activity, a note must be sent with them to PE, or email Bec Gerber directly at gerber.rebecca.r@edumail.vic.gov.au, otherwise all students are expected to participate.

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PFA NEWS

The PFA Annual General Meeting was held on Tuesday 13th February. During this meeting the 2018 committee was formed and stands as follows:

President: Tanya Hennessy

Vice President: Jennifer Wallace

Secretary: Candice Palmer

Treasurer: Skye McCamley

Congratulations to all the successful committee members. The next PFA meeting will be a night meeting held on Tuesday 20th March at 7.30pm at the Sunbury Football Club. The PFA meets on a monthly basis to organise school events and fundraisers. Our first event will be a PFA Welcome Afternoon Tea for Prep Parents and new families. This will be held in the School Theatre at 2.15pm on Monday February 26 with school assembly to follow. Come along for a cuppa, meet new people and make new friends. If you are interested in joining the PFA in 2018 feel free to send us an email at killarapfa@gmail.com

CONVEYANCE ALLOWANCE

Children residing more than 4.8kms from their nearest government school may be eligible for a conveyance allowance.

Families seeking conveyance allowance support in 2018 will need to complete an application form, which is available from the office. The completed application form needs to be returned to school by **Wednesday 28 February 2018**. If you have any enquiries, please contact the office.

NEW SCHOOL BANKING REWARDS NOW AVAILABLE!

Exciting new Term 1 rewards with a Future Savers theme are now available, while stocks last!

For every deposit made at school students will receive a silver Dollarmites token. Once students have individually collected 10 tokens they can redeem them for exclusive School Banking reward items in recognition of their regular savings habits. There are two new items released each term so be sure to keep an eye out for them!

Thank you for supporting the School Banking program and remember School Banking day is every Tuesday.

Term 1 rewards are Twister Power Handball and Secret Scratch Pad.



COMMUNITY NEWS

WORLD'S GREATEST SHAVE

Les, has been the crossing supervisor on Phillip Drive for the past 15 years. In December he was diagnosed with advanced lymphoma, which is why you may not have seen him for a while. To help fund blood cancer research some of Les' family members are taking part in this event.

If you would like to donate to this great cause please visit worldsgreatestshave.com.au

