



Killara Primary School

Our Best – Every Child, Every Day

Caring Acceptance Responsibility Excellence Support & teamwork

Newsletter No 29

19th September 2013

TERM CALENDAR

20 Sept	Last day of Term 3 Early dismissal 2.30pm
7 October	First day of Term 4
14 October	CERES 5/6A, E & F
15 October	CERES 5/6B, C, D 3/4 A & B Spavin Lake walk
16 October	3/4 E & F Spavin Lake walk
17 October	3/4 C & D Spavin Lake Walk
23 – 25 Oct	Yr 3/4 Phillip Island Camp
29 Oct – 4 Nov	Book Fair
5 Nov	Melbourne Cup Day holiday
20 Nov	2014 Preps Information Night
27 Nov	2014 Prep Orientation Sess 1
4 Dec	2014 Prep Orientation Sess 2
10 Dec	2014 Prep Orientation Sess 3
18 Dec	Year 6 Graduation
20 Dec	Last day of Term 4

FROM THE EXECUTIVE TEAM

END OF TERM ARRANGEMENTS

A reminder about the early dismissal tomorrow, Friday (Sept 20). Please make sure suitable arrangements are made for students to be picked up at **2:30pm**.

WALKATHON

A huge thankyou to those who have sought sponsors, donated and collected money before bringing to school. This event is our major fundraiser and at this stage we have raised a whopping \$18,000. This money is put to good use at our school to provide extra resources for our students and improve our school grounds. It would be great to get the bulk of money returned by tomorrow, but if there are still donations outstanding please bring to school during the first week of Term 4.

The raffle draw took place yesterday and the lucky winners were announced in the special newsletter sent home yesterday.



WOW – what a show! The feedback we have received so far regarding the performance has been excellent. Parents and grandparents, in particular, have commented or sent correspondence indicating what a fabulous production it has been.

Of course we would like to acknowledge the countless hours of preparation that has gone into

making this a great event by Kelli Brogan. We certainly appreciate her effort which has culminated in these great performances, with still a couple to go today.

There has been a production team and a team of other helpers that have contributed enormously right from the start with all facets of this event.

We won't individualise here, but we would like to say thank you to the students for their efforts during rehearsals, backstage and during the performances. Particular



thanks to the lead characters who gave up many lunchtimes to get their lines down and prepare for the production.



To parents for your assistance, support,

attendance and positive feedback – many thanks.

And to the staff for your dedication in

ensuring this event was 'special' for our school.

One final important thank you to Kelli's mum, Sandra, who spent many hours creating and sewing costumes and assisting Kelli with all manner of behind-the-scenes tasks.

This experience has been an authentic learning opportunity for our students and the message promoted during the show reflects our endeavours as a Sustainable School.



A big thank you to Newrap costumes and Undercover Marquees Geelong for their support with our Production.

Thank you one and all – what a great positive note to end the term on!

Best wishes,
Phil, Marie & Andrew

TERM 3 SPORTS REPORT

Term 3 has provided some great opportunities for some individuals and teams in year 5/6 sport. Our boys / mixed tee-ball team made it through to the Regional Finals. They are to be congratulated, for making it into the grand final but coming up short, unfortunately. Special mention must be made to Mrs Fogarty for her energetic approach to coaching.

In the girls soccer, we fielded a team that while having little experience certainly made up for it with their desire and persistence to succeed. The girls went into the Zone Finals with a nothing to lose attitude. They played to the best of their ability and held their own against some formidable opponents. Losing both games was certainly no disgrace and they too should be congratulated on their fantastic efforts.

Girls netball breezed through all preliminary games at district and zone level. It was then in the regionals that they came up against some equally talented teams. The girls played to their best and just fell short of the elusive journey to State Finals.

We fielded teams in kanga cricket, volleyball and basketball. All teams played with energy and enthusiasm on the day.

Our summer sport in part, took on a different look and format this year with the introduction of the "Quick Game and Understand" approach. Being trialled in volleyball and basketball, the format for games uses shorter timed games with no half time in basketball and short timed games and no change of ends or sets in volleyball. The approach was developed here at Killara over the last 3-4 years, and is currently in practice for classes in year 3-6. The approach has been frequently used and developed with the sport of handball here at school.

Our basketball teams have learned so much from their experience on the day. A great effort to match it with teams that fielded many more experienced players. Thanks to Jo Fogarty for preparing and coaching with such energy.

Kanga certainly went in with experience in the game. Our lunchtime team were well prepared for their clashes with all schools. Their running between the wicket, intent to score and eagerness in the field certainly made them competitive. Both teams had wins on the day but couldn't quite snare the pennant. A great effort nonetheless. Special thanks to Karen for all her efforts with both Teams

Our Volleyball teams had to deal with keeping up the standard we have long held and adapt to the new game format of playing for time rather than sets. serving, setting and attacking with little risk was the aim and both teams excelled. The final result was both teams moving onto the Zone Finals on the first Friday of next Term. Special thanks to Chris Weedon and Jock for their efforts and preparation time.

Athletics

Yesterday two students from Killara competed at the Zone Athletic Championships. Josh G in the discus and hurdles and Jai W in the long jump and hurdles. Both boys competed well from all reports despite the unfortunate situation of Josh missing out on competing in Discus. However Josh did have success finishing in a tie for first in the Hurdles. Jai

came fourth in Long Jump and also finished first in Hurdles. Both boys will now compete on the 16th October at Regionals.

Special thanks again for the assistance that many of our parents provide to our school teams. Without your continued help with transport and the like many of our teams simply would not be able to even attend. While being extra curricula, I do believe it is important to strive for excellence in our preparation and play and I thank all for supporting this.

Andrew Pizaro

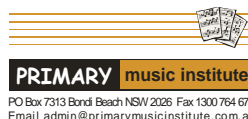
Physical Education and Sport

PREMIERS READING CHALLENGE

Congratulations to all those students that have successfully completed the Premier's Reading Challenge for 2013 which concluded on September 12. We had a fantastic participation rate with 606 students registered and 487 students completing the challenge reading a total of 23607 books. What a fantastic effort. Shortly they will be receiving their participation certificates and, for those students with permission, their names will be published in The Age Honour Roll. Thank you to parents for their support of the challenge in encouraging your child/children to read. The benefits of all that reading are sure to be evident in their learning. Congratulations to the students as well and don't forget to keep up with all that wonderful reading.

Jo Fogarty

Literacy Coordinator



KEYBOARD AND GUITAR LESSONS

New Enrolments are currently being accepted for Term 4. **At only \$11.90 per lesson**, our keyboard and guitar music program is great value!

To ensure a place in Term 4, please register as soon as possible – no later than Week 1, Term 4. For current students that wish to cancel, please do so before the start of Term 4. You can enroll electronically on our website – www.primarymusicinstitute.com.au – or call us directly (07) 3102 7357.

Wishing you all enjoyable school holidays and hoping to see you in Term 4!

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