



# Killara Primary School

*Our Best – Every Child, Every Day*

**Caring Acceptance Responsibility Excellence Support**

Newsletter 32

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## CALENDAR

<b>20 October</b>	Year 5/6 Summer Sports Finals
<b>26 October</b>	Year 1/2 Community Helpers Expo
<b>6 November</b>	<b>CURRICULUM DAY</b>
<b>7 November</b>	<b>MELBOURNE CUP DAY</b>
<b>10 November</b>	T20 Milo Blast Year 5/6 Teams
<b>17 November</b>	Killara Trivia Night
<b>22 November</b>	Prep 2018 Information Night 7pm
<b>28 November</b>	Prep 2018 Orientation Session 1 9.15 – 10.15am
<b>5 December</b>	Prep 2018 Orientation Session 2 9.15 – 10.15am
<b>12 December</b>	Year 7 Orientation Day
<b>12 December</b>	Prep 2018 Orientation Session 3 9.15 – 10.40am
<b>12 December</b>	Year 3-5 Swimming Trials
<b>14 December</b>	Whole School Disco
<b>19 December</b>	Year 6 Graduation
<b>22 December</b>	Last Day Term 4 1:30pm Finish

## FROM THE EXECUTIVE TEAM

### WELCOME

This week we welcome Nadine Murphy and Claire Andrews-Dawson to the Killara staff. Nadine and Claire will be working closely with staff and students in their roles as integration aides at our school. Also joining us this term is David Watson. David will be at Killara on Thursdays and Fridays in a role that will see him working closely with staff to develop our capacity to provide an engaging and safe learning environment for our students.

We wish them well in their endeavours and offer them congratulations on becoming part of the Killara community.

Please make them feel welcome and give them your positive support and encouragement.

### PUPIL FREE DAY

School Council has scheduled a pupil free day on Monday November 6 (the day before Cup Day). The school will be closed on that day, as teachers have undertaken professional learning and other duties outside of normal working hours.

Please make arrangements for your child for that day.

### 2018 PLANNING

It is very important for us that we now finalise, as much as possible, our enrolment status for 2018. Most parents with new preps have enrolled now, but we are aware that there may be a few more that are yet to complete the process. With the orientation program fast approaching, we hope to have prep enrolments fully finalised as soon as possible.

In the same vein, we would be very appreciative if any families that are leaving us at the end of the year due to relocation, or for other reasons, could let us know over the coming few weeks. Please advise the office.

### MATHS NIGHT

What a fantastic event our Open Maths night was! So many families came into the school and participated in a vast array of engaging and educational maths activities. Families were greeted with a display of quotes from professionals outlining how mathematics is playing a significant role in solving the world's problems – from environmental challenges to advancements in medicine and education. Activities covered all areas of mathematics and served as a celebration of the importance of maths in our day to day lives – and also reminded us of how fun mathematics can be!

Thank you to staff who gave up their evenings to attend and assist on the night. Special thanks to our Mathematics Curriculum Team for their efforts in organising the event.

Winning passports will be drawn at next week's assembly.

**Best Wishes,**

**Pete and Andrew**

## CURRENT NEWS

### CSEF FUNDS 2017

For those families who received CSEF funds for camps, sport and excursions this year, please ensure you utilise these funds for any eligible activities this term if possible.

Please contact the office if you are unsure if you have funds still remaining.

### PAYMENTS DUE

**Year 5/6 Summer Sport Finals:** Overdue

**Year 6 Graduation Bear:** Tomorrow

**Please Note:** No late bear orders will be accepted.

### PFA NEWS

#### COLOUR RUN

We are still going through all the paperwork and will have prizes delivered in the coming weeks. We will notify families of collection days/times soon. We will also be notifying families of the profit made once we tally it up. Once again, thank you to everyone who supported and helped out with our colour run.

## TRIVIA NIGHT

Families should receive further information about our trivia night and how to book today. We look forward to a fun community event to relax at the end of a busy year. Get your babysitters organised and join us on Friday 17th November. The PFA is still after any donations from businesses for our raffles and/or silent auction on the night. If you can help us out, feel free to drop donations off at the office or contact us at [killarapfa@gmail.com](mailto:killarapfa@gmail.com).

## SUSTAINABILITY TEACHER OF THE YEAR

On Monday October 16, we went to IMAX Theatre to represent Mrs Smith who was a finalist for sustainable teacher of the year. We had fun learning about what other ideas schools had to be sustainable. Unfortunately Mrs Smith didn't win teacher of the year this time, but we still think she's a winner!

After the all the awards, we had a delicious meal and explored IMAX and the Museum.

By Hamish H and Sarah H Rm 22



## YEARBOOK COVER COMPETITION

We are on the lookout for amazingly colourful designs that showcase life at Killara Primary. Two winners will be chosen, with runners-up displayed on the inside cover. **Must:**

- Include school name and year (Killara Primary School 2017)
- Use full colour to every edge – no blank spaces!
- Be portrait-style, not landscape.
- Be bright and bold!
- Entries due by **Friday November 3**. Hand your designs in to the entry box inside the main building, near Room 9.



## SUNBURY SHOW DISPLAY

Many thanks to all our fantastic students whose work was part of our school display at this year's Sunbury Show. We had a very colourful and interesting table that had many positive comments.

Julie & Marie (Visual Arts Teachers)



## ENVIRONMENTAL CORNER

Ceiling insulation is the most effective barrier against summer heat and the winter cold. A minimum of R3.5 is recommended for most areas of Victoria

## STEAM

As part of our school approach to learning students are investigating activities know as STEAM (Science Technology, Engineering, Art, and Mathematics). There are many fantastic websites that will involve your child(ren) in interesting and challenging activities. These are just a few that you may find interesting:

<https://www.pinterest.com/.../stemsteam-lessons-activities-and-ideas>

[stem-works.com/activities](http://stem-works.com/activities)

[www.playdoughtoplato.com/stem-activities-for-kids](http://www.playdoughtoplato.com/stem-activities-for-kids)

Have fun and don't forget to share your challenges with others.

The Inquiry Team

## STUDENT BANKING

For every deposit made at school, no matter how big or small, 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. Thank you for supporting the School Banking program and don't forget that Tuesday is School Banking day.

Term 4 rewards are pencil case and epic earphones.



## ASTHMA MANAGEMENT PLANS

If your child has asthma please ensure you provide us with an up to date plan.

An asthma action plan allows you and your doctor to create an individual plan for you to manage your asthma. An action plan advises you about what you must do to stay healthy and what to do when your asthma is unstable and you need help.

There is no 'standard' asthma action plan, as everyone's asthma is different. Your plan needs to be written to deal with your individual triggers, signs and symptoms, and medications.

Your action plan might be based on symptoms, peak flow readings or both.

### The Asthma Action Plan

An asthma action plan outlines:

- How to care for your day-to-day asthma (it lists your regular medications and how many times each day you should take them)

- Key things that tell you when your asthma is getting worse or an 'attack' is developing, and the steps you should take to manage it

## HEAD LICE

We would like to stress the importance of checking your child's hair more regularly and where necessary begin appropriate treatment if required. We rely on parental checks to help stop the spread of lice in classrooms. It is extremely difficult to break the cycle of lice in a classroom if all children in classrooms with reported cases are not checked by parents. Please ensure you carry out a check of your child's hair on a regular basis.

Children with head lice are excluded from school until appropriate treatment has commenced. It is recommended that a follow up treatment be given in seven days. The purpose of the first treatment is to kill all lice, the second treatment is to kill young lice hatched over the next six days.

If your child has head lice it is important that you notify the school

## CLASSROOM TISSUES

As we are nearing the end of the year classrooms have a low supply of tissues left so we are asking families to send a box of tissues for use in the classroom. Thank you.



## 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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## COMMUNITY NEWS

### SUNBURY BLUE LIGHT DISCO

Next disco - Friday 27 October 2017, 6-8pm at Sunbury Memorial Hall for primary school age children. Come dressed in your Halloween best! Entry \$7

Sunbury Blue Light provides a fantastic opportunity for primary age kids to have positive interaction with local police and also to socialise with their peers in a safe supervised environment. The disco is a not for profit organisation, run by police members and valued volunteers, all of whom hold a current Working With Children Check.

Please like our Facebook page - Sunbury Blue Light Disco - for all the latest news

### FASHION SHOW – BREAST CANCER AWARENESS

Friday November 10, Clarke Oval Football Club. 6.30 – Midnight, drink on arrival, finger food, silent auction and more. Tickets \$60 per person. Tickets on sale through [trybooking.com](http://trybooking.com). Search for Andrea's breast cancer fundraiser 2017. Raising money for Mummy's Wish, helping to support Mums with cancer.

### WEP EXCHANGE PROGRAM

Have you ever considered inviting an exchange student into your home? WEP is looking for Australian families to join their community of volunteer host families.

Treat your family to an intercultural experience like no other by hosting an exchange student from overseas. Share a piece of your heart and your backyard and support a young person make his/her dream of living and studying in Australia come true.

If you have a room to spare and an interest in other culture, we would love to hear from you! Remember, sometimes the greatest rewards in life come from taking a leap of faith or doing the things you never thought you would. Contact WEP 1300884733 [info@wep.org.au](mailto:info@wep.org.au)

## Great news! The Teeth on Wheels team are coming to your school!



[TeethOnWheelsAustralia](https://www.facebook.com/TeethOnWheelsAustralia) [#teethonwheels](https://www.instagram.com/teethonwheels)

Teeth on Wheels are a highly qualified dental team who will be coming out to our facility. They press their focus on diminishing dental anxiety by practicing pain free dental treatment. Their mobile clinics are designed to be child friendly, making a fun and enjoyable atmosphere.

The onsite dental clinic is able to provide all treatments listed below:

- ✓ Examination
- ✓ X-rays
- ✓ Preventative Fissure Sealants
- ✓ Scale and Clean
- ✓ Fluoride treatment
- ✓ Minor Fillings

We highly recommend signing up with this special program to ensure your child's Oral Health needs are met.

[www.teethonwheels.com.au](http://www.teethonwheels.com.au)

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a positive dental experience



# FAMILY MATHS NIGHT

A big thank you to all the families that joined us last night for our Family Maths Evening. From all accounts, it was a big success and thoroughly enjoyed by all. Many families were amazed by our Technology room with the OzoBots, ProBots, BeeBots and Netbook coding tasks that were on offer. We also had a lot of positive feedback from parents and students regarding how engaged everyone was in our problem solving rooms. The winners of our Passport Prize Draw will be announced at our next school assembly. Best of Luck to everyone who entered the draw.



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