



Killara Primary School

Our Best – Every Child, Every Day

Caring Acceptance Responsibility Excellence Support & teamwork

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TERM CALENDAR

26 August	Keyboard "open lesson" day
28 August	Fathers' Day Stall
29 August	Guitar "open lesson" day
29 August	WALKATHON
4 Sept	Killara family Maths night
17 – 19 Sept	School Production: "WIPING OUT WASTE"

FROM THE EXECUTIVE TEAM

Next week we have our Community Walkathon and we are looking forward to having a fun, community event. Parents are most welcome to attend. We ask that you come into the school via the office to sign in, before moving down to the starting area on the basketball courts.

Children should bring their sponsor forms on the day.

KILLARA COMMUNITY WALKATHON



Date
Thursday August 29



Starting time
1:50pm
On the basketball courts

COLLECT YOUR SPONSORS NOW!

Prizes

All children will receive a bouncy ball on the day

All participants who raise **over \$10** will go into the draw for one of many sports packs (at least 50)

For those that raise **over \$20** – a raffle ticket in the draw for the **main prizes** for each \$10 bracket

1st prize – A Samsung Tablet valued at \$480

2nd prize – A BMX bike valued at \$400

3rd prize – A Toyworld voucher valued at \$100

A special prize draw (for a mystery prize) will occur for parents that walk and raise funds

Sausage sizzle

By order for students (orders close tomorrow), with some available on the day for adults (only) to purchase. Coffee available for adults.
(only 1 sausage per student order)

Fruit

A notice has gone home about fruit distribution. Please fill in the **OPT OUT** notice if you do not wish your child to participate

REMEMBER TO WEAR COMFY SHOES!

FATHER'S DAY STALL

A reminder that our Father's Day stall is next week – on Wednesday August 28. Gifts are available from \$1 to \$10. Many thanks to our PFA for organising this event and getting all the gifts ready.

FAMILY MATHS NIGHT

All families have received an invitation to our Family Maths Night, being held on Wednesday September 4, starting at 6:30pm. The activities available on the night are designed to be thought-provoking as well as highly enjoyable, demonstrating that Mathematics is fun, while encouraging parental involvement in their child's mathematical education. Please send your return slip, so that we have an idea of numbers.

WHY CAN'T I SKIP MY READING TONIGHT?

Research has proven that children who read from a young age and read on a daily basis for sustained periods, achieve at higher rates than those that don't. Consider the following scenario:

Student "A" reads 20 minutes each day. That is 3600 minutes in a school year and 1,800,000 words.

Student "B" reads 5 minutes each day. That is 900 minutes in a school year and 282,000 words.

Student "C" reads 1 minute each day. That is 180 minutes in a school year and 8,000 words.

By the end of year 6, **Student "A"** will have read the equivalent of 60 whole school days. Student "B" will have read only 12 school days. Which student would you expect to have a better vocabulary (so important for literacy development)? Which student would you expect to be more successful in school . . . and in life? (Nagy and Herman, 1987)

At Killara we place great emphasis on home reading. Please continue to encourage good reading practices with your children, as well as spending time reading to them and role modelling good reading habits.

BOOK WEEK

What a wonderfully colourful, creative and visually splendid dress up day and parade we had (see photos).

Book Week celebrations have been very successful. Many thanks to Deb Shepherd for her organisation of Book Week events.

Best wishes,
Phil, Marie & Andrew

CURRENT NEWS

NUDE FOOD CHALLENGE WINNERS WK 4

Preps	00C – Emily Farrell
Yr 1/2	1/2 A – Cynthia Follett
Yr 3/4	3/4 C – Heather Huke
Yr 5/6	5/6 A – Jo Fogarty

DENTAL DONATIONS

We have had a great response to our Dental product collection. Our school community has been very generous.



Thank you everyone.

We are now close to packaging and counting our contributions and so next week will be the final week to contribute.

So please, if you still wish to donate, bring your products to school by next Friday.

We will make a huge difference to the lives of children in India.

Thank you
Mandy Marks-White

SECOND-HAND UNIFORM SALE

With the support of the PFA, help us raise money for our Good Citizen Prizes.

Thursday 22nd August
In the Staffroom
3:45 - 4:30



Items from \$2 each

Gold coin donation to swap quality items for a different size

PUPIL OF THE WEEK TERM 3, WEEK 4

Junior School Preps For a positive farm excursion experience		Middle School Excellent attitude and participation during our Lego excursion	
R1	Joshua Q	R11	Jack W
R2	Kristan B-R	R12	Grace G
R3	Ryley E	R13	Shaun D
R4	Lilah R	R14	Shannon R-H
R5	Hamish H	R15	Emma W
Year 1/2 Handling baby chicks carefully and responsibly.		R16	Luke C
		Senior School Enthusiastically participating in all Asian Rotation activities	
R6	Liam H	R7	Aidan R
R17	Stefan V	R8	Oskar F-G
R18	Cruz H	R9	Jake P
R19	Blake B	R10	Tyler M
R20	Melody G	R25	Sam M
R21	Kingston T	R26	Brandon R-H
R22	Madison S		
R23	Bianca G		
R24	Rylie B-R		

KEYBOARD AND GUITAR PMI

Open Lesson Day

An "Open Lesson Day" is a special day during which parents and family members are invited to attend their child's music lesson. The teacher/s will demonstrate the different aspects covered during a lesson, providing a great opportunity for parents to gain a better understanding of the keyboard program and to interact with the teacher.



Classroom teachers will not be invited to bring their class, as this 'Open Lesson Day' is just for parents and family.

Our keyboard open lesson day will be next Monday 26 August and our guitar open lesson day will be next Thursday 29 August.

COMMUNITY NEWS

HUME CITY COUNCIL SEPTEMBER VACATION CARE

For enrolment forms and booking request forms please visit www.hume.vic.gov.au.

SUNBURY WONGGURI GUIDES CAR BOOT SALE

When: Thursday 22 August

Time: 6.30 pm – 7.30pm

Where: Sunbury Guide Hall, Millar Street, Sunbury

Part proceeds go to Wildlife Victoria.

Pre-loved treasures, crafts, lucky dips, sausage sizzle and drinks and much more.

DYSCALCULIA? (DIFFICULTIES WITH MATHS)! Information Session

Many students with different learning difficulties have trouble with Maths. Anne Williams, a special education teacher and passionate Maths teacher will unravel the mysteries of teaching and supporting students who find maths difficult in an information session to be held by SOLD Inc. on **Friday 30th August 2013**.

When: Friday 30th August 2013

Time: 7.15pm for 7.30pm start
Finishes approximately 9pm
Supper Provided

Where: Sunbury Heights Primary School

Cost: Members \$2 (must be a member prior to this event)
Non-members \$5

"Kids Korner" is available for children of parents attending the session. However, registration of children must be completed by Friday 23rd August 2013 to ensure adequate staffing can be provided. To **register**, please go to www.sold.org.au/events

SUNBURY NETBALL ASSOCIATION 2014 SUNBURY SONICS REPRESENTATIVE TEAM

SELECTIONS INFORMATION

SELECTING TEAMS IN
THE FOLLOWING AGE
GROUPS

**OPEN, 17/U, 15/U
13/U & 11/U**



Selections for all Sonics 2014 teams will be held on Saturdays 5th and 12th October at Boardman Stadium. Selection times between 8.30am and 1.00pm
For application forms and more information go to the website or pick up an application from the Stadium.

SUNBURY BLUELIGHT DISCO

When: Friday 23 August
Time: 6.00 – 8.00pm (primary school age)
Cost: \$5
 Sunbury Memorial Hall
 Stawell Street, Sunbury

For more information contact Senior Constable Kimberley Hunting at Sunbury Police Station on 97448111.

LEARNING TO CONQUER FEARS AND WORRIES

(EXCERPT FROM KIDSMATTER NEWSLETTER)

From monsters hiding under the bed to creepy crawlies and wild weather, children can be scared of all sorts of things, real and imagined. While these fears may seem unreasonable to adults, they're very real to children. Who hasn't looked under the bed for an imaginary monster that elicits just as much fear as a live animal?

Fears change throughout childhood. Babies might be afraid of loud noises and strangers; toddlers of being on their own or invisible creatures; and school-age children of real things that might happen such as being hurt.

Like anger, fear is a normal emotion and can actually help us to prepare for danger – it makes us alert and ready to take action. But unlike anger, it's not always easy to tell when children are frightened or worried. They might be embarrassed about sharing their feelings and instead communicate their fear through lack of confidence to do things they happily did before, sleeping difficulties and complaining of tummy aches or headaches.

Kids need adult support to learn to cope with fears and the good news is there's lots you can do to help:

- Acknowledge how your child is feeling and name it. Saying your child is feeling scared or worried can help them to see it as a normal emotion that can be overcome.
- Tell stories about how you learned to overcome fears when you were their age.

Perhaps you mustered the courage to look under the bed for the monster or watch lightning in the sky during a storm.

- Ask what their favourite hero might do in the same situation. Would Spiderman be afraid of monsters under the bed

PUPIL OF THE WEEK TERM 3, WEEK 5

Junior School Preps For enthusiastic participation in Rainbow Day		Middle School Being able to take risks with their learning	
R1	Bailey M	R11	Zach S
R2	Ashlyn D	R12	Ryan W
R3	Angus Mc	R13	Scarlett E
R4	Cheyenne B	R14	Brock G
R5	Amber N	R15	Jessica A
Year 1/2 Following their teachers' instructions		R16	Mia R
		Senior School Demonstrating confidence	
R6	Zoe W	R7	Alexander W
R17	Lucas N	R8	Jordan C
R18	Alexander L-Z	R9	Jordan Q
R19	Ayla R	R10	Taylah G
R20	Olivia M	R25	Lewis M
R21	Thomas D	R26	Jaxon M
R22	Rabia K		
R23	Angel C		
R24	Lily D		

Specialist Class of the Week Performing Arts

Prep C – Emily Farrell

For the way they worked together for production rehearsals.

Visual Arts

Prep B – Michelle Douglas

For their fantastic help in painting Production costumes.

Physical Education

3/4 D – Simon Hancock

For great focus playing speedminton

Library

5/6 B – Karen Francis

For sharing their non-fiction knowledge.

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BOOK WEEK DRESS UP DAY





