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ANZAC
Our student leaders represented the school and laid a wreath on behalf of our community at the Sunbury RSL ANZAC service. Our students represented the school in a positive and respectful way. Many thanks to Karen Francis for organising our representation and attending with the students.

On Monday morning, we held our school ANZAC ceremony. For those in attendance, it was, as usual, a reflective occasion and our students demonstrated a very respectful attitude, sustaining their attention and involvement throughout. The choir performed 2 songs reflecting on those lost at war and the meaning of ANZAC Day. Readings were read by Katie, Amy, Ben, Chloe and Tate, and Andrew read some words that helped everyone to understand the meaning of the day and the relevance it has to us as a society. All classes were involved in setting up the display that reminded us that it is the 100th anniversary of ANZAC Day and as a symbol of their remembrance. The wreaths are currently on display in the foyer.

Many thanks to Kelli for her organisation and to Julie MacDonald for organising a special display on the light horsemen.

CAMP
Our year 5/6 students had a great time at the camp last week and came back exhausted, but happy. During their time away, the campers were cared for by a number of adults, including staff, parents and pre-service teachers. We are very thankful to each of the people willing to give up their own time to assist with the camp and help to make it the huge success it was.

Special thanks to Chris Weedon for being the camp organiser, ensuring all planning, preparation and at-camp organisation was in place and successful and that the camp ran smoothly.

NAPLAN
NAPLAN testing is fast approaching for year 3 and 5 students. Please remember that it is a point in time measurement of progress and only one piece of information in the assessment jigsaw.

Students are being prepared for the tests, by being familiarised with the format and provided with some simple strategies to assist when solving the problems posed in the test, including asking for help when they need it (teachers are able to read questions to students in the Mathematics component), making sure they read the whole question and all the answer choices, eliminating obviously wrong answers, circling key words, skimming text for answers and checking answers at the end.

All students have also had experience at writing Persuasive and Narrative Texts, one of which will be the task for the Writing component.

The NAPLAN tests will be conducted May 12 – 14. All year 3 and 5 students participate, unless parents formally request that their child does not participate or an exemption is granted.

STUDENT REPORTING
Teachers soon begin the task of preparing half year reports, to be forwarded to parents on June 19.

We aim to provide an effective summary of student progress, highlighting some key achievements and planning for areas requiring further improvement, focus or challenge, and are based on student assessments from across the curriculum, teacher observations and student work.

The reports are followed by Parent Teacher interviews on June 24.

Best wishes, Phil, Andrew and Pete

CURRENT NEWS
EDUCATION WEEK
May 18 marks the beginning of Education Week. This year the focus is a math theme and Killara will be running some school based activities to support this. We also invite parents into their child’s class to participate in Mathematics. Classes will be open on Thursday May 21 from 2.30-4.00pm. Please feel free to pop in and join your child.

SIBLING PHOTOS 6 MAY
Please note that sibling photos will be taken next Wednesday 6 May. If you have any queries regarding photos yesterday please contact Aussie School Photos on 97076655
INTER SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY - MONDAY 4TH MAY
Students will be departing Killara at the commencement of the day to travel down to Clark Oval. 10’s will begin the event followed by the 11’s and then the 12’s.
A worded description of the track has been added physedandsportkillaraps.global2.vic.edu.au
Parents are more than welcome to stand in the middle part of Clark oval with the students to cheer on the runners.

PFA
Thank you to the PFA and Friends of the PFA for volunteering their time today to prepare items for the Mother’s Day Stall.
Term 2 meetings: 19th May and 16th June
Meetings will be held in the conference room, sub committees at 2pm and the PFA meeting at 2:30pm.

TODDLER STORY TIME
Toddler Story Time will be held next Wednesday 6th May in the Library at 2.40pm. The theme will be ‘WILD Animals’. So get ready for some adventure in the jungle. Hope to see you there!
Heather Huke Librarian

MOTHER’S DAY STALL
The PFA and Friends of the PFA would like to ask if families are able to donate towards our Mother’s day stall.
Any donation is greatly appreciated.
Our stall will be held on Thursday May 7th.
Suggested donated items could include, tea towels, gardening items, sports items (towels, drink bottles, socks)
All donations are to be new and unopened. Please do not send food items and ensure donations are handed to the classroom teacher or to the office staff.
Thank you to all the families that have already donated.
Thanking you Killara PFA and Friends of the PFA.

CANTEEN LUNCH ORDERS
As of next week lunch orders will be processed through a new school app called QKR
Families can download the app from the Apple store if you have an Iphone or Android store if you have an android phone.
1. Search for ‘Qkr’ and you should be able to see ‘Qkr by MasterCard’. Download the app.
2. Once you open the app, you will need to register yourself on Qkr
3. Open the app, tap on the magnifying glass in top right of Qkr home screen and type KIPS. The school page should now open. A message will now ask you to register a child. Please ensure you enter your child’s class correctly as this information will direct where the lunch order is delivered to.
An information sheet on the app and how to use it have been sent home with this newsletter.
Ordering can be completed in advance and up until 9.30am on the day.
You can choose to purchase a paper lunch order bag with your child’s order or send a bag to school on that morning. If sending a bag please ensure it is an appropriate size for the order and record on the bag that the order has been processed via QKR.
Those families unable to access QKR may continue to place lunch orders in the usual way.
After this initial introduction we will be adding excursion/incursion and other school payments to our QKR app and we will keep you informed as to when this option will be available.
This new process provides flexibility to place orders at any time and alleviates the need for you to send cash to school for your child’s lunch order. Over the next few weeks we will include handy tips for using QKR in our newsletter but if you require any assistance or have any questions please do not hesitate to ask our office staff.

CLASSROOM TISSUES
As the cooler weather has arrived so has the season for sneezing and runny noses and we are asking families to send a box of tissues for use in the classroom. Thank you.

YEAR 6 TRANSITION FORMS FOR SECONDARY PLACEMENT
Year 7 Transition notes are due back by Friday 22 May. Please ensure these forms are returned on time to secure your first preference.

LOST PROPERTY
The tubs are overflowing with not only Killara uniform items but casual jackets and drink bottles. The tubs will be cleared and donated to charity at the end of term so please take some time to have a look if you are missing any items. The tubs are located at the end of the corridor outside the Art Room.

PAYMENT REMINDERS
Term 2 Netbook fees: Overdue

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