



Killara Primary School

Our Best – Every Child, Every Day

Caring Acceptance Responsibility Excellence Support & teamwork

Newsletter 27

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CALENDAR

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| 31 Aug | Year 5/6 Summer Sport |
| 3 & 4 Sept | Year 5/6 Understanding Ourselves |
| 4-7 Sept | Book Fair |
| 10 & 11 Sept | Year 5/6 Understanding Ourselves |
| 17 Sept | Sausage Sizzle Day |
| 20 Sept | Footy Dress Up Day in aid of Rural Aid (farmers) |
| 21 Sept | Last Day Term 2.30pm Finish |
| 8 Oct | Term 4 Begins |
| 22 Oct | Special Group Photo Day Semester 2 – Graduation Group Photo |

FROM THE LEADERSHIP TEAM

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Hayley G in Grade 1/2E who has earned the Joey Scout Promise Challenge. To obtain this award Hayley needed to show initiative in tackling this challenge, self-discipline, teamwork and leadership with sustained effort over many months and years

YEAR 5/6 SUMMER SPORTS DAY

This Friday our Grade 5/6 students will be representing our school in the Sunbury Summer Sports Gala Day. During the day students will compete in volleyball, basketball, handball, softball and cricket at venues around Boardman Stadium. We wish those representing the school the best of luck in the competition and look forward to hearing their results when they return.

THANK YOU

Thank you to the members of our PFA who have been very busy over the past few weeks organising and conducting a number of events at our school. These have included coordinating the delivery of the cookie dough, a Blue Light Disco and a very successful weekend with Vision Portraits. It is through their efforts that our school is able to raise valuable funds for targeted projects each year. This year funds raised will go towards revitalising the front entrance way of the school and the installation of the new flagpoles is the first step towards this. If you would like to be a member of the group that decides what this area might look like, please keep your eye on future newsletters for information about a meeting date.

TEACHING PARTNERS

As mentioned in a previous newsletter, we are gradually releasing all our teaching teams to work with our Teaching Partners and this week it was the 3/ 4 Team's turn. Once this process is completed all teams will have been released and have co-created an assessment tool that will facilitate writing moderation in the future at

Killara. This will assist our teachers in not only making consistent judgements with regard to the skills and level of attainment in the area of writing, but also support teachers in identifying the teaching focus for individual and small groups of students in their class. Next Tuesday our Grade 5/ 6 Team will be released and our Prep Team early next term to continue the work.

FREE WEBINAR: MANAGING VIDEO GAMING FOR YOUR CHILD

As we are sure all parents are aware of, video gaming is a major part of many children's lives. Whilst this gaming can be a harmless avenue for enjoyment for some, for many children, video gaming can have a significant impact on not only their lives but also the relationships with those around them.

On Thursday, September 13 from 7:30 to 8:30pm, Parenting Ideas for Schools will be running a webinar on how parents can manage their children when it comes to video games. The webinar will tackle such topics as the impact video gaming can have, whether a video game is appropriate for your child and how to effectively set boundaries and limits. This is a highly relevant learning opportunity for our parents and we encourage any of our parents who are finding they are raising the next generation of "gamers" to attend the webinar.

As a member of Parenting Ideas for Schools, we are extremely pleased to announce that parents of Killara can attend this webinar for free. Simply go to <https://www.parentingideas.com.au/product/managing-video-games-and-the-next-digital-craze/> to register for the webinar and at checkout type "BALANCE" into the coupon section.

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

We would like to wish all the fathers, grandfathers and significant male role models in the lives of the students at Killara a very happy Father's Day for Sunday. We hope that the positive influence you have not just on your own children, but those of their friends as well, is recognised and celebrated.



With Father's Day coming up, it is a perfect time to remind ourselves of the importance a positive male figure plays in the lives of children. The following link will take you to an article on the Parenting Ideas website written by renowned parenting educator Michael Grose. This article emphasises the importance of our children having fathers or significant male role models in their lives who are "good men, strong men and men of honour."

<https://www.parentingideas.com.au/schools/insight/kids-need-good-men-in-their-lives/>

**Best wishes,
Michelle and Andrew**

CURRENT NEWS

BOOK FAIR

Book Fair will be held in the Library before and after school from Tuesday September 4 until Friday September 7. Lamont Books will once again provide a wide range of children's fiction and non-fiction books for sale. This is a great opportunity to browse recently released books with your children.



Families wishing to support us in further establishing our classroom libraries, will also have the option of purchasing a book to donate back to the school. Simply select a text, add it to your purchase and indicate to staff which classroom/ team library you would like to donate it to. Be sure to fill out a donation label so we can remember and be thankful to the family who donated the book in years to come. Credit card and cash sales are welcome.

What a way to learn!

AUTHOR VISIT

On Thursday, August 23, the Prep – 2 classes had a visit from Lee Fox, author of books such as “Ella Kazoo Will Not Brush Her Hair”, and “10 Little Hermit Crabs”. The students loved learning songs and doing actions as part of the stories as well as watching “10 Little Hermit Crabs” through the use of a traditional Japanese story box called a Kamishibai. They also recognised rhyming in Lee’s books and learnt about how rhyming can be used in books.



On Friday, August 24, the 3-6 classes had a visit from Alex Miles, author of books such as “Zac Power” and “Olive Black”. Alex worked with our students to identify the obstacles of narrative writing and offered them strategies and mindsets to overcome them. It was great to see how inspired our students were after Alex’s visit.



PAYMENTS DUE
Year 5/6 Summer Sport – Overdue
Sausage Sizzle – 6 September

FOOTY DRESS UP DAY FOR OUR FARMERS


Our next fundraising day will be a FOOTY DRESS UP DAY on Thursday September 20 (last week of term). We ask that those students participating please bring along a gold coin donation in support of RURAL AID – an Australian charity dedicated to supporting both rural communities, and other organisations who support rural communities.

Please remember to ensure your child wears age and weather appropriate (warm) clothing and enclosed footwear.

Student Leadership Council

FATHER’S DAY STALL

Yesterday the PFA held the Father's Day stall and we thoroughly enjoyed helping the students to select the perfect gift. There were plenty of smiling faces from our satisfied customers.

| PUPIL OF THE WEEK TERM 3, WEEK 6 | | | |
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| Prep Being an enthusiastic class member during Book Week | | Year 3/4 Being a great team member by always being on time and ready to learn | |
| R1 | Mamik B | R11 | Ava B |
| R2 | Holly A | R12 | Keeley P |
| R3 | Cleo H | R13 | Emahlen M-C |
| Year 1/2 Including main details when writing a summary about a text | | R14 | Vanessa V |
| | | R15 | Vaughn R |
| | | R16 | Cooper C |
| R4 | Tom G | Year 5/6 Active listening during our Author Visit | |
| R19 | Mackenzie W | R5 | Sam R |
| R20 | Ava C | R6 | Crystal T |
| R21 | Charles H | R7 | Piper S |
| R22 | Ebony G | R8 | Ollie A |
| R23 | Shae P | R9 | Amy Z |
| R24 | Harvey T | R10 | Cameron W/Mia-Lilly C |
|  | | R17 | Rylee S |

COMMUNITY NEWS

DYSLEXIA INFORMATION EVENING

Together we seek to answer the inevitable questions and concerns that parents have about how to best support a young person with dyslexia and give all parents and students a sense of hope and inspiration for the future. Thursday September 6, Gisborne Mechanics Hall 7.30pm. Tea and coffee provided. Cost is \$40 per family. Book Now! www.trybooking.com/XRZC

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