



Killara Primary School

Our Best – Every Child, Every Day

Respect, Resilience & Accountability

Newsletter 02

February 13th 2026

DATES TO REMEMBER

Monday 16th February	Bookings close for Meet the Teacher at 4.00pm today
Tuesday 17th February	Meet the Teacher 2.30pm to 7.00pm
Thursday 19th February	School Photo Day
Monday 23rd February	Special School Assembly—2.30pm
Wednesday 25th February	District Swimming
	Prep Mailbox Walk
Thursday 5th March	Division Swimming
	Parent Helpers Course 2.30pm
Friday 6th March	House Cross Country—Year 3 to 6
Monday 9th March	Labour Day Public Holiday
Wednesday 11th March	NAPLAN testing begins
Thursday 12th March	2027 Prep Tours 2.30pm
Monday 16th to Friday 20th March	Neurodiversity Week
Thursday 19th March	Prep Special Person Afternoon—2.40pm
Friday 20th March	NAPLAN testing concludes
	Casual Clothes Day—Easter Raffle Donations
	Harmony Day Celebration
Wednesday 25th March	House Athletics Day—Year 3 to 6
Thursday 26th March	World Maths Day
Friday 27th March	National Young Leaders Day—Year 6 Student Leaders
Tuesday 31st March	2027 Prep Tours 6.00pm
Wednesday 1st April	Celebration of Learning 2.45pm
Thursday 2nd April	Easter Hat Parade
	Easter Raffle Drawn
	Last Day of Term 1—school finishes at 2.30pm

FROM THE LEADERSHIP TEAM

OFF TO A GREAT START

We have continued to enjoy a very pleasing start to the year, with students settling back in with big smiles, a strong eagerness to learn and excitement about reconnecting with their friends and teachers. Our classrooms are already full of energy, curiosity and enthusiasm.

We have especially loved welcoming our prep students and families into our school community. On Monday, we celebrated the return to school with a Zooper Dooper frozen icy pole for everyone. This was just one way for us to acknowledge the positive and happy start our students have had to 2026, including our newest Killara students — our wonderful Preps!

MEET THE TEACHER

'Meet the Teacher' discussions will be held on **Tuesday 17th**

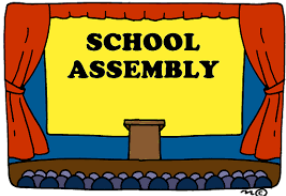
February with 10-minute bookings available from 2:30pm – 7:00pm. Information on how to book your individual time with your child's classroom teacher has been sent last week or you can find the booking details below:

*All bookings can be made through the online booking procedure via **Compass from 4pm Friday 6th February**: <https://killarapsvic.compass.education>. Once logged into your parent portal, please go to 'Conferences' and then to '2026 Meet the Teacher'. If you are unable to access the internet or have difficulties in accessing Compass, please don't hesitate to call the general office so that we can book a time for you.*

Bookings **close on Compass on Monday 16th February at 4pm**. We encourage all parents/carers to make a booking, as these discussions are a valuable opportunity to meet with your child's classroom teacher early in the new school year and further supports the home/school partnership by sharing information pertinent to your child.



STUDENT LEADERSHIP / SPECIAL ASSEMBLY



Student voice, agency and leadership are key parts of a comprehensive education, helping students take ownership of their learning, build confidence and develop lifelong skills. Leadership involves motivating, supporting and guiding others while

working together to achieve our school goals and uphold our values of respect, resilience and accountability. At Killara, we are proud to provide students with a range of opportunities to experience leadership through a variety of formal roles. This could be as a HERO, Class Captain, House Captain or School Captain, or demonstrating leadership through working as a valuable team member in school activities such as Choir, Lego League or Inter-School Sport. Over the past few weeks, we have been incredibly proud of how many students have nominated or shown interest in taking on a leadership position this year. It has been wonderful to see their enthusiasm and desire to represent our school in a formal capacity. A huge congratulations to each and every student who put themselves forward and 'had a go', in true Killara spirit. Well done everyone!

At our special assembly on Monday 23rd February, (2.30pm start) our 2026 Student Leadership Team will be officially announced and presented with their badges by MP Josh Bull. Following the presentations to our Student Leadership Team, our Class Captains, and HEROs (heating, electricity, recycling officers) will also be announced at assembly and presented with their badges. We warmly invite family and friends to attend.

PARENT HELPERS SESSION – SAVE THE DATE!

Killara is strongly committed to building important relationships between school and home. An integral part of our literacy program is parental assistance. Classroom teachers value the help of parents to enable them to provide high quality teaching and learning programs. On Thursday 5th March starting at 2:30pm, Kim Pezzano, Killara's Leading Teacher, will offer a Classroom Helpers session. The session will give an insight into the types of activities that are part of our literacy program, the procedures and protocols involved in assisting in your child's classroom, as well as relevant questions and prompts to support students.



PARENT CHILD SAFE INDUCTION SESSIONS

We strongly value parent assistance at Killara and any parent who would like to volunteer at our school and are likely to be working with a child on a 1:1 or small group basis and/or wish to attend an excursion or overnight camp, are required to hold a current Working with Children Card and have also completed the Child Safe Standards Induction and signed the 'Child Safe Code of Conduct'. We shall hold several opportunities for parents to complete the Child Safe Induction, with the first session planned for: Thursday 5th March at 3:00pm Working with Children application forms can be obtained online at <https://www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au/>. There is no cost to obtain a



Working With Children Card (volunteer) and the check is valid for 5 years. Once you have received your card please submit it at the office and a photocopy will be made for our records.

ISSUE RESOLUTION

Parents/carers are reminded that if you have a concern at all regarding your child, the first point of call should always be your child's classroom teacher and then if the issues continue or you are still concerned, please come and speak to either Anne or myself (Sue). If you would like more information regarding our school's Complaints and Grievances policy and processes, please access this on the school's website on the following link: <https://www.killaraps.vic.edu.au/page>

SAFETY

Student safety is of paramount importance to us all, and as we know, last year in Victoria there were several devastating incidents involving children. Please remember that when dropping off your child to school to observe the signage and use the school crossing supervisors when crossing the road. Hume City Council regularly patrol school drop off zones and will issue hefty fines. **Please be aware that parking outside the school in Phillip Drive is only a 2 minute drop off zone.**



STAFF CAR PARK

A reminder to parents that the staff car park is for staff member vehicles only. Whilst the convenience of parking in close proximity to the school's buildings is very appealing, this is far outweighed by the risk of injury to students and other members of the school community. We appreciate your co-operation on all of these matters, as we all work together to ensure our children are safe.



SCHOOL PHOTOS

School photos will take place on Thursday 19th February.

Individual and sibling photos can be ordered via:

<https://store.theschoolphotographer.com.au/>

Please use the following code to access our orders: **EV5YHVXK**



BOXES OF TISSUES

If you are able, we kindly ask families to consider donating one or more boxes of tissues to support our classroom. Any brand or size is greatly appreciated, and donations can be sent in with your child at any time. Thank you for your continued generosity and support.



Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund

The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund provides payments for eligible students to attend school camps, excursions, and sports and outdoor education programs.

If you have a Health Care Card or Pension Card, you may be eligible to receive government assistance.

Applications are now open for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF). The CSEF helps eligible families cover the cost of school trips, camps and sporting activities. Payment amounts for eligible families this year have increased to \$400 for primary and secondary school students. This is up from \$154 and \$256 respectively. This amount will be held against each eligible child's name and utilised accordingly. Forms can be picked up from the office if needed. If you applied last year at our school, then you don't need to fill another form out this year, your application will go through automatically.

**Best Wishes
Anne and Kim**



PUPIL OF THE WEEK	
TERM 1—WEEK 1	
Year 1 For settling in smoothly and positively to Grade One and the new school year.	
1A	Ellerslie P & Alican K
1C	Charlie L & Uthman K
Year 2 For showing the school values at all times throughout the first week of Year 2.	
2A	Melanie S
2B	Harry C
Year 3/4 For settling back into school routines.	
3/4A	Florence S
3/4B	Logan M
3/4C	Hayden P
Year 5/6 For adapting positively to school routines.	
5/6A	Hugo H
5/6B	Mackenzie F
5/6C	Adhya P
5/6D	Dino D

Killara Primary School's values are respect, resilience and accountability:

- **Respect** - act in a way that shows you care about others' feelings and well being.
- **Resilience** - the ability to bounce back after challenges and tough times.
- **Accountability** - understand that mistakes happen, but they are responsible for making amends when those mistakes happen.



PUPIL OF THE WEEK	
TERM 1—WEEK 2	
Prep For having a fantastic, enthusiastic and positive start to Prep.	
PA	Charlie N & Liam B
PB	Wolfgang S & Jamila A
Year 1 For showing the school value of respect by following classroom routines.	
1A	Oscar H & Isla C
1B	Azariah D & Aria K
1C	Ozan D & Emilia S
Year 2 For being able to explain how and why we demonstrate the school values..	
2A	Harlow M
2B	Savannah H
Year 3/4 For displaying excellent team work during our team building activity.	
3/4A	Nate W
3/4B	Tahlia D
3/4C	Piero L
Year 5/6 For displaying our school values during survival island.	
5/6A	Davina S
5/6B	Kaila L
5/6C	Leah M
5/6D	Levi P
SPECIALISTS	
STEM	Dilan (5/6C) & Nadia (5/6A) for working co-operatively in our STEM team building activity, sharing ideas and having a positive attitude—well done!
Phys. Ed.	Elsie & Koby (5/6C) for an excellent start to PE, participating with confidence, following instructions and demonstrating a great effort.
Perf. Arts	Zac (5/6A) & Layla-belle (5/6D) for great goal setting and resilience during our drama game.
Visual Art	Mayson (5/6C) & Lucas (5/6A) for setting thoughtful and realistic goals for the Art room.

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PHOTO DAY

COMING SOON!

Thursday, 19th February 2026

Head to our website to view the available packages and to place your order

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Parent **HELPERS** Course



Killara Primary School

THURSDAY 5th MARCH

2.30pm to 3.30pm

Killara Primary is committed to building strong and meaningful relationships between school and home. An integral part of our literacy program is the support provided by parents and carers. Classroom teachers greatly value this assistance, as it helps them deliver high quality teaching and learning programs.

The Parent Helpers course provides an overview of the types of activities included in our literacy program, outlines procedures for assisting in the classroom, and introduces relevant questions and prompts to effectively support student learning.



A Child Safety Induction will follow the Parent Helpers course. Completion of the Child Safety Induction is required annually for all parents and carers who assist in classrooms, at school events or on school excursions.



If you are interested in attending, please contact the school office on 9744 6432.



SUNBURY NEIGHBOURHOOD
HOUSE



DROP IN LEGO CLUB

Bring your kids, we supply the Lego (and tea & coffee)

This drop-in group session is for the builders! And is run by SNH volunteers/ parent volunteers (including yourselves!). Working with mixed Lego, let's encourage social connections, inspire creativity and most importantly, have fun!

All participants set up & pack up together and all equipment is provided. Caregiver participation is welcomed or just enjoy a cuppa while the kiddos create (caregivers must be present at all times). You're invited to contribute a piece of fruit to our group fruit snack.

Please let us know of any allergies at sign-in on the day.

Severe allergy? Please phone ahead & let SNH staff know.

Who: Primary School Aged Children & their Parents/Caregivers

Where: Sunbury Neighbourhood House - Activity Room

Cost: Gold Coin Donation is Appreciated

Enrol: Sign in on the day

When: Tuesday's 3.30pm - 5pm (except public & school hols)



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THURSDAY'S

Kids at 4:00pm
Juniors at 5:00pm
Adv Jnr at 6:00pm

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MUSIC LESSONS FOR ALL

Financial Assistance

Primary Music Institute believes every student should have the opportunity to learn music, and we offer confidential financial support (payment options and subsidies) where needed to help families who require assistance.

- Admin@primarymusicinstitute.com.au
- www.primarymusicinstitute.com.au



Ways to Learn

- Private – Solo Performer
- Shared – Dynamic Duo
- Group – Band in the Making



1300 362 824



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2027 PREP TOURS

Parents and carers of children commencing Prep in 2027 are invited to join a school tour or information session to discover our learning environment and community.

TOUR DATES:

Thursday 12 March - 2:30pm

Tuesday 31 March - 6:00pm

Wednesday 29 April - 9:30am

INFORMATION SESSION:

Thursday 14 May - 6:00pm



Scan the QR code to register or
contact the office to book a tour.

www.killaraps.vic.edu.au

