



# Killara Primary School

*Our Best – Every Child, Every Day*  
**Respect, Resilience & Accountability**

Newsletter 16

June 4 2020

## CALENDAR

<b>8 June</b>	Queen's Birthday Public Holiday
<b>9 June</b>	Year 3 – 6 Students Return
<b>26 June</b>	Last Day Term 2 2.30pm Finish
<b>13 July</b>	Term 3 Begins
<b>28 July</b>	Prep Tour & Information Session 11.30am-1.30pm
<b>4 Aug</b>	Prep Information Session 7.00pm
<b>12 Aug</b>	Prep Tour & Information Session 9.30am-11.00am

## FROM THE LEADERSHIP TEAM

### **\*\*PUBLIC HOLIDAY\*\***

Reminder that Monday June 8 is a Public Holiday.

## RETURN TO FACE TO FACE TEACHING

Our Grade 3-6 students will return to face to face teaching from Tuesday June 9. Details regarding this have been provided in a Compass Post to parents yesterday. We would encourage you to read all of the information contained in this letter for details regarding what the return to face to face teaching will look like for the students at Killara Primary School and, if you have any questions, to contact either your child's classroom teacher or a member of the school's leadership team.

## RESTRICTED ACCESS TO THE SCHOOL GROUNDS

Just a reminder for everyone as all our students return to school, access to the school grounds and buildings will continue to be restricted. No parent will be permitted within the school grounds (including visiting the office area) without prior permission from a member of the office staff. **This will include all parents who wish to drop off their child for a late arrival or pick them up early. Please ring the school office ahead of time to enable us to facilitate the social distancing requirements in place at this time.**

## START UP PROGRAM

As with when the Prep to Grade 2 students started, we have made plans to implement a condensed version of the start-up program used at the beginning of the year, for the first four days our Grades 3-6 students return to face to face teaching. The focus during this time will be on re-establishing school routines, learning expectations and student wellbeing. This was very successful for our students in Grades

Prep- 2 and contributed to their smooth return to face to face teaching. Students will continue to access their regular Specialist teaching sessions during this time.

## ITEMS TO BRING BACK TO SCHOOL

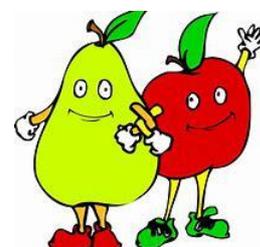
As part of the letter posted to parents regarding the return to face to face teaching, we have also provided a list of items that need to be brought back to school to enable students to participate in learning at school. This list includes:

- Work book
- Writer's Notebook (if applicable)
- Pencil case - ruler, coloured pencils, crayons or textas, blue and red pens, 1 sharpener, 1 eraser, 1 pair of scissors, 1 glue stick, 1 grey lead pencil
- Take home books
- Any device that has been borrowed from the school

Within this, we also ask that all students bring a **named water bottle to school each day** as the bubble taps will be turned off until further notice. Students will be able to fill their water bottles by asking their class teacher to use the taps located in their classrooms.

## CANTEEN

Great news! Our canteen will open for all students for lunch orders from next week! Please remember that this is for QKR sales only- we are unable to take cash sales until further notice. We also ask that parents not send their reusable lunch bags to school until further notice as we are required to use paper bags.



As mentioned in last week's newsletter, a new addition to the canteen menu will be a snack pack that can be ordered and delivered to your child's classroom ready for morning recess times. The cost of these snack packs are \$4.00 and for this students are able to have 1 snack and drink from the following selection:

## SNACKS

- Cheese Toastie
- Raisin Toast (2 slices)
- Savoury Muffin

## DRINKS

- Hot Chocolate
- Strawberry Big M
- Chocolate Big M

## CONGRATULATIONS

We would like to say a huge congratulations to all our parents for the outstanding job they did in supporting our students during the period of remote learning. We know that at times it was tough but we really appreciate your perseverance and the way in which you communicated your needs with us throughout this time. This enabled us to provide the best support we were able to at the time. We thank you too for your support and understanding and, like you, we can't wait for next week when school returns to a little more normal in its routine.

## JUNE REPORTS

The Department of Education has advised schools that due to the impact of Covid-19 and schools transitioning to remote and flexible learning, student achievement reports for Semester 1 will still be provided to all parents.

However, these reports will look a little different. While the reports will still contain a description of the content taught and student achievement related to this, progression points to indicate your child's actual level of achievement have been removed for this semester only.

Our staff are still collecting data to inform planning and to track and monitor student achievement. This information will continue to inform ILPs and individual student goals/ targets.

The reports will be sent home as a paper copy in the final week of Term 2 and will also be available electronically via Compass.

At this stage, Parent Teacher Interviews will proceed as planned during the second week of Term 3. The format for these will be communicated to our school community once we have had official advice from DET and the Chief Medical Officer.

**Best wishes,  
Michelle and Sue**

## CURRENT NEWS

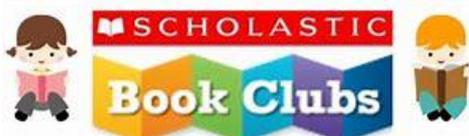
### SCHOLASTICS BOOK CLUB

Issue 4 of Book Club is now available. There are 45 titles at \$5 or less in this issue, WOW!!

Students in Years Prep-2 will receive a hardcopy of the catalogue this week and students in Years 3-6 will receive theirs early next week. If families wish to access the online version, please visit: <https://www.scholastic.com.au/book-club/book-club-parents/>

Please place your orders via LOOP no later than **Friday June 12.**

If you have any questions, please contact Sarah via [sarah.round@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:sarah.round@education.vic.gov.au)  
Happy Reading Everyone!



## SCHOOL CAPTAINS' CORNER

Salutations everyone,  
That's a fancy word for hello. We're back again with the funniest corner in the newsletter; here are some jokes to start us off:

- How do you talk to a giant?
- How do you know the ocean is friendly?
- What are tornadoes' favourite game?

We've heard so many great stories this week and we would love to share them...

One very caring student felt sorry for our crossing supervisor, Graeme, over the shutdown period because there weren't many students at school to use the crossing, so she visited him regularly to keep him company. So thoughtful, well done!

Another very clever student has been sending her teacher emails in Greek, German and Japanese. Thank goodness for Google Translate!

One of our year 5/6s desperately wanted a kitten, but his mum couldn't be convinced it was a good idea. He woke up one morning last week to find a random litter of kittens under his deck; how good was that!

One of our year 1s had an accident last week and fractured his arm in 2 places. 6 weeks in plaster! We wish you all the best for your recovery.

We can't wait to see all our Killara family back at school next Tuesday, it will be an exciting time. Just a reminder to all the Year 3-6s to bring back all your work to celebrate the effort you have put in over the last 8 weeks.

Charleen and Luke - Your School Captains  
Joke answers: You use big words / Because it waves / Twister

### WHAT'S IN YOUR BACKYARD?

Junior Landcare Ambassador Costa Georgiadis is calling on children to get behind the camera. Send in snaps of cool plants and animals in their own backyard and beyond! **The What's In Your Backyard? campaign** encourages the next generation to get outside and document what's in their local environment. Check out the **Junior Landcare Learning Centre** for more great learning activities.

### PREP ENROLMENTS 2021

If you have a child starting at Killara Primary School in 2021 and require an enrolment form they are now available via email.

Please provide a copy of birth and immunisation certificate upon enrolment. All enrolments should be made by no later than Monday 27 July to assist with our next year planning.

Email Andrea at [andrea.heales@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:andrea.heales@education.vic.gov.au) for your enrolment form.