



Killara Primary School

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

Newsletter 17

June 6 2019

CALENDAR

7 June	Alpha Production – King Arthur
8 June	Bunnings BBQ 8am – 4pm
10 June	Queen’s Birthday Public Holiday
12 June	Year 1/2 Historical Incursion
14 June	Year 5/6 Winter Sports
18 June	Community & Fundraising Group Meeting 7pm
20 June	PJ Day Fundraiser
20 June	Reports Go Home
25 June	Parent Teacher Interviews
25 June	School Council Meeting
28 June	Last Day Term 2.30pm Finish
15 July	Term 3 Begins
30 July	School Council Meeting
14 Aug	Author Visit – Andrew Daddo
20 Aug	Fundraising Committee Meeting 2.30pm
20 Aug	Year 5/6 Understanding Ourselves Parent Information Session
21 Aug	CURRICULUM DAY
23 Aug	Father’s Day Night 6.30 – 7.30pm
26 & 27 Aug	Year 5/6 Understanding Ourselves
27 Aug – 6 Sept	Prep Swimming Program
29 Aug	Father’s Day Stall
2 & 3 Sept	Year 5/6 Understanding Ourselves
4 – 6 Sept	Year 3/4 Camp Dewar
6 Sept	Year 5/6 Summer Sports
9 & 10 Sept	Year 5/6 Understanding Ourselves
13 Sept	Killara Trivia Night

FROM THE LEADERSHIP TEAM

****PUBLIC HOLIDAY****

Reminder that Monday June 10 is a Public Holiday.

FAREWELL

Tomorrow will be Nadine Murphy’s last day with us at Killara and, while we will be sad to see her leave, we wish her all the best for the future. Nadine has been an Integration Aide at Killara since 2017 and during that time has provided a number of our



students with the additional support they need while at school. We thank her for her contribution to our school during this time.

ATTITUDES TO SCHOOL SURVEY

Over the past week all students in Grades 4-6 have been completing the Attitudes to School Survey. This survey is completed online and is facilitated by our classroom teachers. The data obtained from this survey provides us with valuable information about the perceptions of our students regarding their engagement with school, learning, safety and connectedness.

PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE DAYS

As explained in last week’s newsletter, our teaching staff have continued to work collaboratively together this week to moderate and discuss the writing of students in their grades. This will enable our staff to make consistent judgements with regard to the level of achievement of our students in writing and also inform future planning for learning. This has meant that over the past two weeks we have had a greater number of emergency teachers at our school than we would have normally. During this time classroom teachers have continued to plan as normal for their classes to ensure that their learning is not disrupted in any way.

PREP ENROLMENTS

Please remember to complete enrolments for new preps for next year as soon as possible and by early next term at the latest.



Planning for next year begins next term and accuracy regarding student numbers is an important part of determining staffing needs.

SEMESTER REPORTS

Teachers have begun the task of completing a variety of assessments to support their judgements regarding student achievement and growth, as measured against the Victorian Curriculum.

As a result of feedback from parents last year, we have made some significant changes to the appearance and information contained in our reports. We look forward to hearing your continued feedback about these changes, and early in Term 3 we will provide you with a more formal process to enable us to determine whether our reporting to you regarding your child’s development meets your needs.

As part of this, this year, written student reports will be sent home, as well as being made available on Compass to parents/carers on Thursday 20th June.

KING ARTHUR PRODUCTION

Just a reminder that tomorrow is the King Arthur Production, don’t forget to bring along a cushion or pillow to sit on.

PARENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS

As part of our end of Semester reporting process we will be holding out Parent Teacher Interviews on Tuesday June 25. Information regarding these and how to book a time with your child's teacher via Compass will go home shortly.

Best wishes,

Michelle and Sue

CURRENT NEWS

BUNNINGS SAUSAGE SIZZLE

Killara's Fundraising Committee will be assisting the Sunbury Lions Club with another Bunnings BBQ on Saturday June 8 from 8am – 4pm. We are urgently looking for parents to help out. If you are available to assist throughout the day for an hour or so (cooking/selling etc.), please ring the school office and we will book you in. Our Choir will also be there to entertain the crowd at 12.00 and 12.45pm. See you there.

PJ DAY – THURSDAY JUNE 20

Make a note in your diary. It's on again! Killara's PJ DAY. Break out your best PJs, dressing gowns, bed socks and slippers (bring along some shoes for outside) for Thursday June 20. A gold coin donation please – we are trying to boost our toilets refurbishment total.

PAYMENTS DUE

Whole School King Arthur Production – June 3
Year 1/2 Historical Incursion – June 7

PUPIL OF THE WEEK TERM 4, WEEK 6

Prep Making and justifying decisions in mathematics		Year 3/4 Verbalising how their thinking changes before, during and after reading a book	
R1	Milla M	R11	Ethan W
R2	Cooper B	R12	Claire H
R3	Indi P	R13	Christine G
Year 1/2 Writing interesting narratives that have a beginning, middle and end		R14	Matilda L
		R15	Maya W
		R16	Isabella M
R19	Gabby C	Year 5/6 Demonstrating enthusiasm on a cold Sovereign Hill morning	
R20	Rebecca H		
R21	Hartlee S		
R22	Holly A	R5	Darcie M
R23	Mia K	R6	Rowan O
R24	Piper W	R7	Megan B
		R8	Harry B
		R9	Callum
		R10	Nash D
		R17	Matthew D

GOOD CITIZEN AWARDS

Prep: Josh Rm 2 – For helping others in the playground

Year 1/2: Lilly Rm 24 – For picking up rubbish on the oval

Year 3/4: Ebony Rm 16 – Getting along with others

Year 5/6: Tautoko Rm 6 – Getting along with others

YEAR 3/4 HANDS ON SCIENCE INCURSION

Last Tuesday, some of the 3/4 classes participated in the Hands-On Science excursion about living things and what they need to survive. We were able to look at different types of seeds and how they travel, such as by the wind or because their spikes stick to animals. We found tiny creatures living in pond water and we were really excited to find a fairy shrimp! We also planted sunflower seeds, alfalfa seeds, water cress and corn. These have just started to germinate. We also have some mealworms that we are watching as they go through their amazing life cycle.

The rest of the 3/4 classes can't wait to experience this incursion tomorrow!

THE 6th GREAT SUNBURY GNOME HUNT FUNDRAISER

Once again we are joining other Sunbury schools in participating in the Great Sunbury Gnome Hunt.

The hunt will take place over the school holidays from June 29 to July 14. Families can purchase a passport from school for \$10 which lists 25 shops and businesses in Sunbury that will be participating in The Hunt.

In each shop there will be a gnome which has been hidden by the shop or business owner. Once you find the gnome you record its name on the passport and receive a stamp from the owner. There is no obligation to purchase anything from the shop, however, your passport will show special discounts available for all gnome hunters.

Return your passport to school after the holidays and go into the draw for some major prizes. Passports are available for purchase from the office.



COMMUNITY NEWS

SUNBURY BLUE LIGHT DISCO

SUPERHEROES & VILLAINS – Friday 21st June 2019, 6–8pm at Sunbury Memorial Hall for primary school age (Prep-Grade 6). Sunbury Blue Light provides a fantastic opportunity for primary age kids to have positive interaction with local police and also to socialise with their peers in a safe supervised environment. The disco is a not for profit organisation, run by police members and valued volunteers, all of whom hold current Working With Children Check. If you would love to help, please contact us via Facebook.

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