



CALENDAR

18 Nov	2021 Prep Information Night 7.00pm – via Webex
24 Nov	2021 Prep Orientation Session 1
1 Dec	2021 Prep Orientation Session 2
8 Dec	2021 Prep Orientation Session 3
8 Dec	Secondary School Orientation Day
16 Dec	Year 6 Graduation
18 Dec	Last Day Term 1.30pm Finish

FROM THE LEADERSHIP TEAM



REMEMBRANCE DAY

Yesterday our school paused at 11am to remember those who have served or continue to serve our country. While we were unable to gather together for our traditional Remembrance Day service, our classes paused to watch a short video that helped us reflect on the sacrifice that so many gave to enable us to live in such a wonderful country. If you haven't had a chance yet, you might like to view the video on our school's Facebook Page. Lest We Forget.

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE SCHOLARSHIP

We are proud to announce that Joel L in Year 6 has been accepted into the Academic Curriculum and Enrichment (ACE) program and awarded the Academic Excellence Scholarship at Sunbury Downs College, commencing in 2021. Selection for the scholarship is based upon the highest result from the ACE entrance tests. The Academic Excellence is a full scholarship, providing for all materials and books during the three years of the ACE program.

We are extremely proud of Joel and wish him all the best for his future.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to the school's sustainability team on being declared the winners of the Wild by Nature Short Film Festival. This is a wonderful celebration of not only the work that was put into the creation of the film, but also the ongoing journey and commitment the school has in raising awareness of sustainable practices that look after our natural environment. We were very proud to be part of the ceremony and to hear the positive comments and messages of support from others there about our school and its initiatives.

THUNDERSTORM ASTHMA

As you will be aware yesterday was a high risk day for Thunderstorm Asthma. On days when Thunderstorm Asthma is at high risk we choose to keep our students safe inside the classroom.

On days where it has been identified that there is a higher than normal risk for Thunderstorm Asthma, our school has the protocol that parents are contacted in all instances where students present to a staff member or sick bay needing to use their reliever medication and puffer.

ESSENTIAL EDUCATION ITEMS FOR 2021

Consistent with DET policy, parents/guardians are responsible for ensuring that their children are provided with essential education items their children use in a range of school activities. Killara Primary School Council makes every effort to keep the cost of items that need to be purchased to a minimum. To assist parents, we will provide an "Essential Education Items Package" for **each** child. This will ensure your child is provided with all essential items as listed in Section A, as well as the resources listed in Section B and C. This is not only extremely economical, it ensures each child has access to the **same resources**, that the materials provided are **correct for that age level** and that they are in the classroom **when they are needed**.

Notes will be going home today with the eldest student in each family outlining Sections A, B and C. Payment can be made through our preferred method, using the QKR school app which can be downloaded for free to your smartphone. You can also pay using cash or direct deposit. We can no longer accept cheques.

YEAR 5/6 1:1 DIGITAL DEVICE PROGRAM 2021

All documentation regarding the netbook program for 2021 went home with students in Years 4 and 5 today. Year 4 students going into Year 5 in 2021 will receive a pack



with information flyers about the netbook program in 2021 and there is paperwork that needs to be signed and returned to the school as soon as possible. The cost of the netbook program in 2021 is \$180 for the year. You can pay the year in advance or pay term by term via QKR, direct deposit or cash. Term 1 payment of \$45 is due by January 27, 2021.

PREP TRANSITION SESSIONS

Transition sessions for our 2021 Prep students start next week with a Parent Information Night on Wednesday at 7pm via Webex. We look forward to meeting with everyone and discussing the ways in which we can work together to ensure a smooth start to each child's year at school. Sessions for students start the following Tuesday with staggered sessions due to the current restrictions. We look forward to meeting our future students and getting to know them a little better.

2021 PLANNING – REMINDERS

A reminder, once again, to let us know of any changes with enrolments for next year. If you know of any Preps yet to be enrolled or families who will be leaving us next year, please let us know.

**Best wishes,
Michelle and Sue**

CURRENT NEWS

CAPTAINS CORNER

Hello Killara,
It's Luke and Charleen back with the School Captains' Corner once again.

There's only 4 more days left for you to put your drawing competition entries in. Please place your entries in the box at the office or drop it into Room 9. If you need the topics you can find them in last week's newsletter. Good luck.

On Wednesday it was Remembrance Day. Remembrance Day is to remember the people who fought in any wars. At the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month we have a minute's silence to pay our respect to those who fought for our country.



*"They shall not grow old, as we that are left grow old,
Age shall not weary them nor the years condemn,
At the going down of the sun and in the morning,
We shall remember them"*

Congratulations to Killara, and our Charleen - she was the voice-over – Our Biodiversity Wonderland video won the Wild by Nature Film Competition at the weekend. Well done to the students of Killara (past and present) and our Sustainability Team for a wonderful effort. Check it out on the school Facebook page.

Here's our inspirational quote for this week:

"Mistakes are proof that you are trying" – Jennifer Lim

We hope you've had an awesome week. Remember: Do your best work, have a go, and never give up.
Your School Captains - Luke and Charleen

REUSEABLE DRINK BOTTLES

A reminder to all families that the student bubble taps are not permitted to be used during Covid-19 restrictions and we therefore remind everyone to ensure all students bring a reusable bottle every day to school clearly labelled with the student's name.



2020 YEARBOOK COVER COMPETITION

The 2020 yearbook cover competition is running again. In your design try and reflect on the year that we've had in your cover. You must colour all the way to the edge and put nothing important on the edge (because your creation might be missing a few bits). You also have to include a **hidden surgical mask** in your entry because of Covid-19.



Don't forget to put your name and room number on the back of your design. Your entry must be dropped in the box outside the office by tomorrow Friday November 13.

Good luck and we can't wait to see your creativity!

KILLARA WINS AGAIN!

Congratulations to everyone from Killara Primary School (including past students) who were involved in the Killara Biodiversity Wonderland film submitted to the Wild by Nature Short Film Festival Competition earlier this year. It was announced last Saturday that our entry won! 28 films were entered from all over Victoria. The entry focussed on our amazing achievement over the last ten years. Killara is definitely a leader in sustainability, especially biodiversity. Check out our winning entry on our school's Facebook page. All entries will be on the Wild by Nature website this week. Sustainability Team



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