



Killara Primary School

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

Newsletter 39

December 17 2020

CALENDAR

18 Dec	Last Day Term 1.30pm Finish
27 Jan	CURRICULUM DAY
28 Jan	First Day 2021 – All Students

FROM THE LEADERSHIP TEAM

2021 START DATE

Please note that the first day for **ALL** students for 2021 is Thursday 28 JANUARY.

2021 TERM DATES

Term 1: Thursday 28 January – Thursday 1 April
Term 2: Monday 19 April – Friday 25 June
Term 3: Monday 12 July – Friday 17 September
Term 4: Monday 4 October – Friday 17 December

2021 CURRICULUM DAYS

Wednesday 27 January
(All other dates will be announced early in 2021)

FAREWELL

As is often the case at this time of the year, we say farewell to some members of staff and welcome some new ones. We will be bidding a fond farewell to the following staff:

- Sarah Round
- Cynthia Marchment
- John Boland
- Sean Sherlock
- Jo Cottell
- Hannah Haarhoff
- Claire Andrews-Dawson
- Louise Ralph



We are very thankful to each of them for their valuable contributions to our school and wish them well in their future endeavours.

Karen Francis will return to Killara Primary from leave at the start of 2021.

New teachers appointed for next year are:

- Kate Wilson
- Scott Johnson

We know that they will be made to feel welcome and will enjoy their time as part of our school community.

2021 STAFF

Principal Team

Michelle Huggan (Principal)
Sue Muir (Assistant Principal)

Administration

Gail Atkins (Business Manager)

Andrea Heales

Prep Team

Sam Burnett Room 1

Kate Wilson Room 2

1/2 Team

Alex Chettle/Shannon Ingleton Room 21

Kelli Brogan Room 22

Kellie Sanderson Room 23

Lauren McShanag Room 24

3/4 Team

Stuart Mills Room 11

Kate Large Room 12

Susan Moloney Room 13

Rebecca Gerber Room 14

5/6 Team

Melissa Bowker Room 5

Scott Johnson Room 6

Rebecca Oliver Room 7

Karen Francis Room 8

Robyn Smith Room 9

Specialist Team

Leonie Wallis PE

Michelle Romic The Arts

Frank Stranieri Japanese

Dianne David Intervention

Integration Support Team

Lineen Milam

Canteen

Andrea Farrugia

Dinah Scicluna

GRADUATION

Last night, we celebrated the end of primary school for our year 6 students. They were treated to a lovely dinner at the Calabria Club, followed by a ceremony and student presentation, which was enjoyed and well received by all.

Many thanks to the teachers and many helpers who ensured this night was a successful one for our (soon to leave us) students.

Thanks also to the parents for their support and for helping the students to present so well on the night.

LAST DAY ASSEMBLY

Unfortunately due to the current restrictions on schools with regards to assemblies, our final day assembly for this year will be a closed event.

Students and staff will gather together earlier in the day to farewell those staff who are leaving and our

Grade 6 students. As in previous years, they will also have the opportunity to watch the performances from the Grade 6 graduation.

END OF YEAR AND LAST DAY

A reminder that dismissal on the last day is 1:30pm. Staff are involved in celebrations and farewells immediately after, so we ask that all students are picked up on time and that there is a rapid clearing of the grounds.

Parents are asked to not delay departure by staying at and around the play areas.

Gates are being locked as soon after the dismissal time as feasible

HOLIDAY SECURITY

I would like to encourage the school community to 'keep an eye' on the school over the coming holidays. Please report any unwanted or illegal behaviours to the police on '000', even if you only have suspicions.

We unfortunately continue to experience occasional vandalism and damage to our school by people using the school grounds. The costs involved with repairing damage cannot be afforded by our school and mean that valuable funds that should be used to support our students may be used to make such repairs.

Also, as a result, I issue this statement:

*"Except for certain limited purposes under the Summary Offences Act 1966, a school **is not** a 'public place'. There is no general right of the public at large to be there, either within or outside school hours. A school ground is not 'public land'. It is land held by the Minister for Education for educational purposes."*

(Victorian Government Schools Reference Guide, Section 6.16 Legal Liability and Associated Matters)

MERRY CHRISTMAS

Wishing all families a wonderful festive season and a very Happy New Year.

Best wishes to all families who are leaving Killara (see below) – we wish you well for the future.

A special farewell to all of our Year 6 students – we wish you a happy and successful future!



Best wishes,

Michelle and Sue

CURRENT NEWS

YEAR BOOK

The 2020 Year Book was distributed last Friday to all students. Many thanks to Lauren McShanag and her able group of helpers for putting together our school year book for 2020 and to all of the classes and specialists for their contributions.

PAYMENTS DUE

2021 Essential Items – 28 January
Year 5/6 Netbook Term 1 – 28 January

SCHOOL OFFICE

Please note the last day for payments and enquiries to the office is Thursday December 17. We are unable to accept payments on Friday December 18, the last day of term. The office will then be open for normal business from 28 January 2021.

SCHOOL CAPTAINS CORNER

Hello Killara,

We're back for our last School Captains' Corner.

We only have one more day left of school. WOW! That also means that the Year 6s only have one more day of primary school left. Like us.

The Year 6s had their Graduation last night. The 5/6 teachers, Michelle, Sue, Kelli, the specialists and parents attended to celebrate the end of our schooling at Killara. There were awards, speeches, dances and presentations during the night. It was a great event and thank you to everyone who helped make it so wonderful.

Today, the rest of the school had a Step-up day. Step-Up day is when you find out your teacher, classroom and classmates for the following year. We hope you all had a great time with your next-year teacher and wish you all the best for 2021.

This year was full of ups and downs, but we all made it. We both look forward to catching up with the Killara family in the future.

Have a lovely, restful break and merry Christmas to everyone.

Your School Captains – Luke and Charleen

FAREWELL TO THE FOLLOWING FAMILIES WHO ARE LEAVING KILLARA AT THE END OF 2020

Amalfi	Antoniades	Armitage
Baines	Balak	Barlow
Brown	Buckler	Cahill
Carrello	Chawla	Christie
Clegg-Smith	David	Dinsdale
Duyvestyn	Efu	Evans
Finlay	Gullan	Hallinan
Harding	Hewavitharana	Horwood
Jenkins	Judd-Bloomfield	Kelly
Lastavec	Le Guier	Linard
Linturn	Logovii	Maxwell
McCarthy	McKeown	McLean
McMahon	Moore	Morris
Murphy	Muscat	Parke
Phelan	Priest	Puts
Rao	Robinson	Sanghera
Sarameri	Sharp	Stapff
Toogood	Trotman-Scerri	Vesov
Wallace	Wishart	Mitchell

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YEAR 6 GRADUATION PHOTOS

