



Killara Primary School

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

Newsletter 32

October 21 2021

CALENDAR

22 Oct	Year 5/6 Students Return
26 Oct	Year 3/4 Students Return to School
29 Oct	World Teacher's Day
2 Nov	MELBOURNE CUP DAY
17 Nov	Prep 2022 Information Night 7pm
23 Nov	Prep 2022 Orientation Session 1
30 Nov	Prep 2022 Orientation Session 2
7 Dec	Prep 2022 Orientation Session 3
7 Dec	Year 6 Transition Day Secondary
7 Dec	Mondo Clothing Collection 8.30-9.00am
17 Dec	Last Day Term 1.30pm Finish

FROM THE LEADERSHIP TEAM

RETURN TO SCHOOL

It has been wonderful to see so many smiling faces walking through our school gates this week. Our Prep students returned to school on Monday, as the first stage of the staggered return to school commenced. The Preps were certainly excited to see their friends and play on the monkey bars in the Prep playground!

Our Grade 1/2s were just as eager for their return to school this morning. They too, quickly settled back into their classrooms and were thoroughly enjoying being with their classmates and were engaged in a range of reading and maths activities when I went around to visit them.

Our Grade 5/6 students join the Grade 1/2s back onsite tomorrow and the 5/6 teachers have been busily planning for their return. The next stage of the staggered return to school will see our Grade 3/4s back onsite next Tuesday.

Staged return to onsite learning for schools

Metropolitan Melbourne
Remote and flexible learning will continue to be delivered to students on the days they are not attending onsite.

Year levels	From Monday 18 October	From and including Friday 22 October	100% fully onsite (including days 1 & 2 November)
Prep	Monday – Wednesday	Monday – Wednesday	✓
Grades 1-2	Thursday – Friday	Thursday – Friday	✓
Grades 3-4		Tuesday – Wednesday	✓
Grades 5-6		Thursday – Friday	✓

Updated: 17 October 2021
Changes in yellow

STAFFING

As has been mentioned previously, Kellie Sanderson 1/2K is about to commence maternity leave. We wish Kellie all the very best for the impending birth of her baby and thank her sincerely for her efforts this year and valuable contributions to Killara PS. The recruitment and selection process for Kellie's replacement for the remainder of Term 4 has concluded, and I am happy to announce that Eboni Muir (no relation to me) was the successful applicant. Eboni is well known to many of our students as she

has taken on a variety of short- and long-term positions previously. Eboni will spend time this week in the classroom with Kellie and the students to ensure a smooth transition.

Congratulations to Di Bell who has been appointed in a 0.6 position to the Visiting Teacher Service, where she will be working with hearing impaired students in the Hume Moreland Network of schools. This is an amazing opportunity for Di and combines her Masters in Audiology with her teaching qualifications. Di will continue in an ongoing 0.4 capacity at Killara PS, where she has successfully implemented the Tutor Learning Initiative this year, including Levelled Literacy Intervention (LLI) and Getting Ready in Numeracy (GRIN). Michael Dullard will take on some of Di's intervention classes between now and the end of the year.

FACE MASKS

Thank you to all of our families for supporting their children wearing face masks as they begin to return to school. Face masks are mandatory for all school students in Grade 3 and above when indoors, including at Outside School Hours Care (OSHC) programs unless a lawful exception applies. Face masks can be removed while outdoors at primary schools. The Chief Health Officer also strongly recommends face masks for Prep to Grade 2 students, as research has shown this helps minimise risk.

CONTACT DETAILS

As we continue to put in place processes to safely manage the return to school, it is important that your contact details held by the school are current. If you have recently changed your phone number or address, please ensure that you let Andrea in the office know as soon as possible, so that she can update our system.

SHADE SAILS GRANT

As our students return to school under the Roadmap to Deliver the National Plan, schools are required to increase fresh air flow into indoor spaces whenever possible and to maximise the use of outdoor learning areas or environments. The School Shade Sails Fund provides grants to schools for shade development to facilitate outdoor learning opportunities. We have submitted our application to the Victorian Schools' Building Authority for one of the \$25,000 grants available and hope to hear whether we have been successful in the coming weeks.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to our HEROs and Kelli Brogan for their submission in the Veolia Future Resources

Program being named as the winner! Your efforts and commitment shown during remote learning to work collaboratively to create an innovative solution for food waste management was outstanding. Please see the article later in this newsletter.

2022 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
Sue & Anne

CURRENT NEWS

WELCOME BACK PREP AND 1/2 STUDENTS



VEOLIA'S FUTURE RESOURCERS PROGRAM COMPETITION

Over the past 10 weeks our HEROs have had the opportunity to participate in an education program from Veolia, known as Future Resourcers. This program, facilitated by Kelli Brogan, challenged them to develop a creative and innovative solution to food waste (known as the 'Pitch'). HEROs gave up a lunch break each week at school during the first 2 weeks of the program, and then an hour of their time each week during remote learning to collaborate and present their solution to waste reduction in the future. They wrote, edited and rehearsed the script, and filmed their parts at home. The Pitch took the form of a breaking news television interview with the students playing the roles of the presenters and the representatives from Killara Future Resourcers Team. Our entry competed against other schools across Australia for the ultimate title of Future Resourcers winner. News was received today that Killara's Pitch was successful and we have taken out the coveted FIRST PLACE. Everyone involved was extremely proud and excited to have been declared the winners. Not only has this group learnt how to reduce waste presently, but was able to come up with a revolutionary concept for how waste could be dealt with in the future. Their Pitch was titled, 'The Smart Bin System'.

A huge thank you to all the parents who assisted with filming at home during lockdown.

To view the winning Pitch, click on the video on the Killara Facebook page.



 **KILLARA PRIMARY SCHOOL'S**
VEOLIA FUTURE RESOURCERS 

YEARBOOK COVER COMPETITION 2021

We are looking for talented artists to design the front and back covers of the 2021 Yearbook!

All entries should be A4 and have the words 'Killara Primary School 2021'. The winning entry will be creative, colourful and filled to the edge with colour!

Make sure all of your important artwork isn't too close to the edge.

Place your entry in the box in the office when we return to on-site learning. Entries close Friday November 12. Don't forget to put your name on your entry so we can let you know if you win.



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