



Killara Primary School

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

Newsletter 5

February 25 2021

CALENDAR

26 Feb	School Photo Day
1 March	Meet the Teacher
2 March	Prep Western Water Incursion
3 Mar	Year 5-6 Sovereign Hill Excursion
5 March	Clean Up Australia Day For Schools
5 March	Year 3-6 Athletics Carnival
8 March	LABOUR DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY
18 March	CURRICULUM DAY
19 March	National Ride To School Day
1 April	Last Day Term 1 2.30pm Finish

FROM THE LEADERSHIP TEAM

DISTRICT SWIMMING COMPETITION

Congratulations to all those students who represented Killara at the District Swimming Championships today. We are very proud of not only your efforts today but also the way in which you displayed great sportsmanship. Thank you to Leonie for doing all the behind the scenes organisation for today and Rebecca, Stuart and Laura for supporting our students during the event.



VIRTUAL ASSEMBLIES

Thank you to all our parents who responded and ensured that we have the most up to date information regarding permission to publish student photos at our school. Now that we have this information we are able to commence planning for how we move forward with virtual weekly assemblies while the current restrictions are in place. Please note however that there will be no whole school assembly for the following two weeks due to our Meet the Teacher and Curriculum Day events.

STUDENT LEADERSHIP POSITIONS

As part of our school's start up program all classes are currently going through the process of nominating their Class Captains, Vice-Captains and HEROS. Grade 5/ 6 students will also be given the opportunity to nominate for a House Captain or Vice-Captain position and Grade 6 students, School Captains. Students in Grade 6 are able to nominate for both the School Captain and House Captain position. Voting on School Captains will occur first, with the successful candidates then withdrawn from the House Captain voting process.



Those students who wish to nominate for either a School Captain or a House Captain/ Vice-Captain role must put their expression of interest in writing and then film themselves making their speech so that it can be shared across the Grades 3-6 classes for the voting process.

Completed letters of interest and copies of the filmed speech **must be to their class teachers no later than tomorrow Friday February 26**. Voting for each of these positions will then be held across the Grades 3-6 students during the following week.

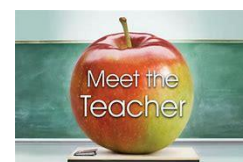
Once all of these positions are filled we will let our school community know how you can participate in the ceremony where their badges are presented. Please understand that this year, it may not be possible for parents to attend this onsite as we will need to ensure we comply with COVID restrictions that are in place at the time.

MEET THE TEACHER

These will be held next Monday March 1. As with previous years, parents will be able to book a time through the Compass platform. This is an important opportunity for you to meet with your child's teacher for this year and share any information you feel is important for them to know in order to support their learning.

If you feel that you need an extended period of time, please contact either your child's classroom teacher or the office so we can arrange an alternative time for you to meet.

If you do not have a Compass login, please contact the office and they can arrange one for you.



PAYMENTS FOR SCHOOL EVENTS

In order for us to comply with the COVID safe plans of many of the places we visit on excursions or organisations we have in to run events in our school, we are required to notify them well ahead of time of the numbers attending.

While we have factored this requirement into the planning of all our excursions, we will need to adhere to a strict payment closure date for all our events. **Please ensure that your child does not miss out on these valuable experiences by handing back all permission forms and making payments prior to the date outlined in the notes sent home.** If at any stage you are experiencing financial difficulties with the payment of a school event please contact the school office so a payment plan can be established.

Best wishes,

Michelle and Sue

PAYMENTS DUE

Year 3-6 Athletics Carnival: 2 Mar
Year 5/6 Sovereign Hill: 3 Mar

CURRENT NEWS

CAMPS, SPORTS AND EXCURSIONS FUND

If you have a Health Care Card or Pension Card, you may be eligible to receive government assistance.

By applying for this funding, if eligible, the school will receive \$125 to be used for your child's excursions, camps and sporting activities. This amount will be held against each eligible child's name and utilised accordingly.

Applications MUST be finalised by tomorrow **Friday 26th February 2021**. Forms can be picked up from the office if needed.

If you applied last year then you don't need to fill another form out this year, your application will go in automatically.

SCHOOL PHOTO REMINDER

School photos will be held tomorrow **Friday February 26**. All students received an envelope last week. If you are ordering online you can use the online ordering code **PRN L5F D85**. If you did not receive an envelope or need a sibling order envelope, these are available from the front office. Sibling orders must be in by no later than Thursday February 25.



ATHLETICS CARNIVAL – HOUSE COLOURS

The Year 3-6 Athletics Carnival will be held next Friday March 5. Students are able to wear their house colours on the day.

Our house colours are:

Geyer – Blue
McKinnon – Red
McMahon – Yellow
Watkins – Green
Whorlow – Orange

ENVIRONMENTAL CORNER

WHAT CAN WE DO TO CUT DOWN ON WASTE?

Here are some positive actions you can take with waste:


- Reduce. Reuse. Recycle! Reduce consumption where possible, especially of single-use items like plastic bags. Reuse existing items rather than repurchasing something new. If you can't reduce or reuse, then recycle.
- Keep recycling: For more on what can and can't be recycled in your area visit contact your local council and www.recyclingnearyou.com.au
- Be a conscious consumer: and consider the packaging of a product when making a purchasing decision. What will you do with the packaging? Is it recyclable in your area? Can you take your own container or buy in bulk to reduce waste?

Practise a circular lifestyle: Look for products made from recycled materials, such as recycled toilet tissue.

Our beautiful planet thanks you!

Sustainability Team

PUPIL OF THE WEEK TERM 1, WEEK 3

Prep Making a positive start to Prep at Killara		Year 3/4 For creating and explaining growing patterns	
R1	Jack B / Kodie T	R11	Braylon S
R2	Dylan W / Eve K	R12	Zara F-W
Year 1/2 Making a positive start to the year		R13	Billy L
		R14	Santina A
		Year 5/6 Demonstrating the school value of respect towards all others	
R21	Dylan S		
R22	Levi P	R5	Aleisha S
R23	Nadia M	R6	Shaylee C
R24	Hugo H	R7	Caleb M
		R8	Vanessa A
		R9	Abigail S
Specialists			
<p>Arts Using technology sensibly during Media Arts 1/2L – Lauren McShanag</p> <p>PE Enthusiasm for participating in long jump 5/6M – Melissa Bowker</p> <p>Japanese Walking beautifully as a class to Japanese PKW – Kate Wilson</p>			

QKR APP FOR SCHOOL PAYMENTS

Our preferred method of payment for excursions, canteen lunch orders and fundraising activities is QKR.

This easy to use free app by Mastercard gives you flexibility to make your school payments at a time and place that suits you.

No need to find cash to send to school with your child, you will have a QKR receipt on your phone and receipt number for your records.

A brochure on how to set up your account is available from the school office or just follow the simple instructions when you download the app.



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