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FROM THE EXECUTIVE TEAM

It is the time of year for celebration and renewal to begin and this is always brought home to us when our new preps arrive for their first visit. A successful orientation was held on Wednesday and the new students settled very well, demonstrating lots of confidence and excitement.

With the “silly season” about to hit us all (!), we move into a period of activity and rounding off. With a number of events and activities occurring over the next few weeks and the challenges of finalising one year and getting ready for the next, it can indeed be a hectic time.

SCHOOL COUNCIL

The School Council had its November meeting on Tuesday night and the following items were key discussion points and decisions:

- Curriculum Days for 2015 were ratified
- Council approved the gradual introduction of navy polo tops to be supplied by PSW (see below)
- Thanks and appreciation were expressed for the working bee helpers and the work that was achieved on the day
- Council approved the extra costs associated with the oval development (irrigation changes and extra grass coverage, landscaping and extra maintenance)
- Council approved the 1:1 Digital Device Program – as previously given the go ahead
- Approval of the introduction in 2015 of “QKR”, a smartphone app allowing payments and canteen lunch orders
- Approval of the reviewed and revised Anaphylaxis food safety policy

Council have one more meeting for 2014, where the work of councillors during the year will be recognised by the Principal, following a brief meeting.

NEW UNIFORM OPTION

Following requests from parents and previous investigations, School Council have approved the gradual introduction of Navy Blue mesh fabric polo tops (with white under arm panel) as part of the Killara uniform, with the eventual intention of phasing out the white tops.

This will happen in a few phases:
- The tops will be made available from 2015 as an item of choice. Production of white tops will begin to be phased out
- From the start of 2016, all students starting in Preps will only be able to purchase the blue tops
- Most likely, from 2017 only blue tops will be uniform

The timeframe for the availability of the new tops is still uncertain, as negotiations with PSW are currently occurring, however it is hoped that the items will be available from early next year.

CHRISTMAS DISCO / PARENTS PICNIC

Once again, this year we will be holding a disco as an end of year celebration for our students. Two separate sessions will be held – one for Prep to Year 2 and one for Years 3-6. The children will be able to take part in the disco suitable for their age group, whilst their parents enjoy a café style BBQ outside. A sausage sizzle and cold drinks and icecreams at canteen prices will be available for parents (and students not involved in the disco session), as well as a coffee van. You are encouraged to bring chairs or a blanket and have a peaceful time whilst waiting for children.

When: Thursday 11 December
Time: Prep to Year 2, 4.30pm to 5.30pm
      Year 3 to Year 6, 5.45 to 7pm
Cost: $2 entry per student
Dress code: “Christmas spirit”

Please return payment and permission form to school by Wednesday 10 December.

For safety and security reasons, children will be expected to remain in the gym throughout their disco session. Parents will be invited in at the end of each session to pick up their child(ren). No students will be allowed to leave until a parent has picked them up. Prompt pick-ups are requested.

CURRICULUM DAYS 2015

A reminder that the following dates are confirmed as Curriculum Days for 2015:
- Wednesday January 28
- Friday March 20
- Tuesday June 9 (day after Queen’s Birthday)
- Thursday August 13
A pupil free day will also occur on Monday November 2 as a day in lieu of after-hours professional learning that teachers will undertake outside of their usual working hours. School Council recognises the low attendance rates (approximately half of the school) for the Monday before Cup Day and sees that a practical application relating to teacher development would be more beneficial to the school and to children’s learning.

2015 START DATE
Please note that the first day for ALL students for 2015 is THURSDAY JANUARY 29.

ONE TO ONE DIGITAL DEVICE PROGRAM
All families of students in years 5 and 6 for 2015 (current year 4 and 5) will be receiving a package of information about this program in the next day or so. We encourage you to take some time to read the materials, then sign the forms and return them to school.

As outlined in the last newsletter, Killara is about to enter a new lease agreement for digital devices for the next 3 years, to enable our successful year 5/6 1:1 program to continue.

The model selected is a next generation tablet style touch screen computer, with keyboard dock (converting the device into a netbook), and stylus.

Once again we will be asking parents of year 5/6 students to contribute to this program by renting the devices from the school at a subsidised rate ($50 per term). The school’s commitment is a combination of part of the lease cost and the provision of technical support and resources.

MATERIALS & REQUISITES 2015
Consistent with DEECD 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 a “Materials and Requisites Package” for each child. In 2015 the cost of this package will be $125.00 per 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, correct for that age level and that they are in the classroom when they are needed.

The Materials and Requisites Package (Essential Education Items – Curriculum requirements and consumables) will be made up of 3 sections:

Section A – “Bookpack” - Each child receives an individual pack of materials & requisites – there will be some variation between bookpacks, depending on which year level your child is in for 2014.

Section B - Each classroom receives a wide range of materials and requisites for students use relative to that year level. This includes a range of papers, pastes, other writing and drawing implements, children’s files, plastic pockets, card, glue, scissors etc.

Section C – Photocopying and specialist program consumables including Art, Performing Arts, PE, AUSLAN and Library, for student use

Killara Primary School locally raised funding is dependent on ALL families paying for their children’s essential items. Students will be issued with their bookpack at the start of the year, once payment is received. Payment options available:

1. Payment in full; or
2. An Instalment Agreement has been signed and the first instalment has been paid

As well as the Materials and Requisites payment, parents of students in years 5 and 6 are asked to make the first rental payment of $50 for the One to One Digital Device Program. A package of information is being sent home over the next day or two to provide all information about this program.

The Materials & Requisites letter was sent home to all families last week. If you have not received this notice please collect one from the office.

Materials & Requisites fees ($125) can be pre-paid from now and collected on Tuesday 27 January 2014.

Payment can be made by cash, cheque, eftpos or direct deposit to the school account.

Instructions regarding direct deposit are detailed on the Materials & Requisites notice.

Best wishes,
Phil, Andrew and Pete

CURRENT NEWS

YEAR 3/4 ATHLETICS DAY
The Year 3/4 Athletics day was a huge success for the school with participating students being given the opportunity to compete in their chosen events. With on average, each student getting at least 2-3 attempts for all their events, it meant every student at every level of ability was getting a great opportunity on the day.

The day was what it was because of the huge support from year 3/4 students and teachers who put their extra time into the preparation and execution of the event. It was unbelievable the amount of parent support we received on the day also. Special thanks to all those who helped make the day fantastic.
YEAR 5/6 ATHLETICS DAY – TOMORROW
The weather is looking superb for the year 5/6 Athletics day tomorrow and we expect that it will be as big a success as the year 3/4 day. We are down on numbers a little for parent support, so if there are parents planning to be there tomorrow for any amount of time, we would love to have some help on events.

PARENTS TO COACH PROGRAM
There are still some spaces available for this single session program being run on Monday 8th of December from 10.00am – 11.00am in the gym. Those participating will shortly receive via an email with further information about the session as well as an outline on how they will be becoming super parent coaches. All participants will receive, as part of the program, a folder of coaching resources, minor games and tips for one on one coaching. It will be an active session, so wear your runners. For further information please do not hesitate to email Piza – pizaro.andrew.b@edumail.vic.gov.au

LIBRARY NEWS
We celebrated our last Toddler Storytime for this year with a pre-Christmas theme. Lots of fun, songs, instruments and sharing Christmas stories. Thanks to all for your attendance and friendship
We are still selling old books for 50cents. So far we have raised over $100 which can be used for popular new titles. Some students are buying presents for brothers and sisters for Christmas. Hope we can get rid of most of the books before then!
Please do a pre-Christmas clean up for all Killara PS barcoded items. Offer rewards for long lost books found under beds, in cupboards, in the neighbours’ garden (just kidding).
Hope to have everything returned before the end of NEXT week.

Thanks Heather Huke

PFA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
At the PFA Annual General Meeting on Wednesday, we elected Tanya Hennessy as President, Karen Johnson as Vice President, and Gayle Burley as Secretary.

Thank you for volunteering for these roles.

Thank you to everyone for attending the AGM and assisting with electing our new office bearers.

Thank you to PFA members this year for volunteering your time to support our school. You have achieved a lot this year; the holiday raffle, walkathon, Mother’s and Father’s day stalls, school concert, school disco/family picnic, vision portraits, as well as many other tasks you have been engaged in to support our school community.

Also a big thank you to Friends of PFA this year for all of your support.

Pete Hansen

LOST PROPERTY
The tub near the art room is overflowing with lost property, please come along and have a look if your child is missing any clothing. All named items are returned to student classrooms. If all other items are not collected by the end of the year they will go into our second hand uniform cupboard and we will be having a second hand uniform sale early in 2015.

STATE ELECTION SAUSAGE SIZZLE
On Saturday 29 November Killara Primary will be a polling booth for the state election. The PFA will be running a sausage sizzle at our school from 10am – 2pm.
Sausages and drinks will be $2 each. Please come along and say hello.
Pete Hansen on behalf of the PFA

PSW UNIFORM SALE
Monday 10 November – Saturday 13 December - 5% off everything. Layby available with 20% deposit.
Visit www.psw.com.au or the store in Sunbury at 106 Gap Road Sunbury. Please note the Sunbury store is open from Wednesday – Saturday.

STUDENT MATERIAL AND REQUISITES FOR 2015
Pay & Collect Tuesday 27th January 2015 10am – 5pm
Prepay prior to end of 2014 year and PICKUP on: Tuesday 27th January 2015 10am – 5pm
A payment receipt must be presented to collect bookpacks

PUPIL OF THE WEEK
TERM 4 WEEK 7

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Senior School
Maintaining concentration and self-management while working in class

R5 | Amy J |
R6 | Blake T / Mia W |
R7 | Ethan C / Talla C |
R8 | Blake C |
R9 | Emily W |

Year 1/2
Teachers Choice

R17 | Jasmin F |
R18 | Abbey C |
R19 | Luke C / Lilah R |
R20 | Lily R / Michael J |
R21 | Lachlan H |
R22 | Dean C / Sienna T |
R23 | Jackson T / Chayse P |
R24 | Rowan O / Hannah L |
R25 | Lucas S / Jaxon JT |
R26 | Samantha A |
R10 | Mia R |
COMMUNITY NEWS

HUME LIBRARY NEWS
Summer Reading Club Party on Tuesday 2nd December 4-5 pm. Captain Ace performing magic tricks. RSVP 93566970. A great summer reading program.

Lego Club at the Sunbury Library

SUMMER KICK
A fun 4 week junior program covering skills, teamwork, fitness and tactics. Each participant shall receive a free training singlet and sausage sizzle after the last session. Tulsa Drive Reserve, Goonawarra on Monday 8th & 15th December, 12th & 19th January. Cost is $20 per player and registration day will be held on 8th December from 5.30pm.

More information contact Jayden 0421464542 or Anthony 0419511721

FUNDRAISER FOR CALLUM
When: Saturday 13 December
Time: 10.30am Sausage sizzle
Where: Priceline Pharmacy Gisborne

Callum is 3 years old and has been diagnosed with stage 4 neuroblastoma and the family are hoping he can participate in drug trial in America. Please come and join us on the day, enjoy a sausage and donate.

VARIETY CONCERT & AFTERNOON TEA
Sunday 23rd November 2014 2.00 – 4.30pm.
Jack McKenzie Community Centre, Green St, Bulla.
Adult $12 Concession $10 Child $5.
For online bookings www.sunburychoral.asn.au Offline bookings & enquiries sunburychoral@gmail.com 0431323734

DUNEIRA MOUNT MACEDON
CHRISTMAS CAROLS IN THE GARDEN
Bring a picnic rug and hamper and listen to a concert of traditional a capella carols sung by one of Australia’s finest choirs Ensemble Gombert.
Gates open from 3pm and close at 6.30pm. In the event of rain the carols will be held at the Church of the Resurrection, Mt Macedon Road.

When: Saturday 13 December
Time: 4.30 – 6.00pm
Cost: $25 single / $50 family
Bookings essential 5426 1490 Mon – Thurs 9am – 3pm.
Full program online at www.duneira.com.au

HUME CITY COUNCIL INVITATION
Hume City Council would like to invite the residents of Sunbury to a ‘Community Fire Preparedness’ information sharing event. Special guests from Victoria’s emergency services will be available on the day to answer any questions. There will be a complimentary sausage sizzle, jumping castle, snow cones, popcorn, and other fun activities for the whole family.

Sunday 30th November, 11.30am – 2.30pm at Sunbury Neighbourhood House 531 Elizabeth Dve, Sunbury.
RSVP Amanda Venda 9205 2262 Email: amandav@hume.vic.gov.au

TERM DATES 2015
Term 1: 28 January (teachers start) 29 January to 27th March (students start)
Term 2: 13 April to 26 June
Term 3: 13 July to 18 September
Term 4: 5 October to 18 December

* The first day of Term 1 is a student-free day in all government schools to allow for appropriate planning to take place for the arrival of students. Each year government schools are provided with four student-free days for professional development, school planning and administration, curriculum development, and student assessment.

HEAD LICE
As the warmer weather has arrived we would like to stress the importance of checking your child’s hair more regularly and where necessary begin appropriate treatment if required. We rely on parental checks to help stop the spread of lice in classrooms. It is extremely difficult to break the cycle of lice in a classroom if all children in classrooms with reported cases are not checked by parents. Please ensure you carry out a check of your child’s hair on a regular basis.

Children with head lice are excluded from school until appropriate treatment has commenced. It is recommended that a follow up treatment be given in seven days. The purpose of the first treatment is to kill all lice, the second treatment is to kill young lice hatched over the next six days.

If your child has head lice it is important that you notify the school.

GOOD CITIZEN AWARDS

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