Dear Parents,

Christmas Concert

Once again this was an amazing night where the school community could get together and celebrate the end of the school year. Special thanks to Mr Jenkins and Miss Rendall for their tremendous hosting – it wouldn’t be the same without the ‘interesting’ jokes that keep slipping in between items!!! Also huge thanks to the staff and all the students for their enthusiasm and bubbly participation that always makes the event something special. I also am always thrilled with the amount of school community members who turn out for the night – a beautiful night, a wonderful crowd and a fantastic atmosphere, well done!! I unfortunately had to leave before the end to go to another function but I am reliably informed the final act was ‘something to behold’!! Might have set a precedent I think!!

Helpers Morning Tea

If you have been assisting us at all this year at school we would love to say ‘thanks’ with a morning tea next Tuesday at 10.40 in the old gym. I hope you have received an invitation by now, but if not please regard this as your invitation and I hope to see you there.

Can you help someone this Christmas??

As a school community we have received excellent assistance throughout the year from many local organisations. We conduct a mentoring program for many of our students through the very generous people at the Casey Christian Reform Church. They so willingly give their time to assist our students and the local community, so now it’s our turn to help them and the Hampton Park community. We will be collecting any non-perishable food items for the next few weeks to donate to the CCRC. We will be presenting our collection to a representative from the church at our final assembly on Friday 21st December. The people from CCRC will create food hampers from our collection and distribute these to families in need within the community. Donations can be delivered to Mrs Newport’s office or taken into class for collection. Many thanks—Sally Newport.

2013 Book Packs

A final reminder to ensure you come to the office to pay for your children’s supplies for 2013. We do require you to pay for your books and other contributions this year. Remember there is a discount on the voluntary contributions if they are paid before the end of the year. You need to get this done by Friday 14th December. Contact the school for direct deposit details.

End Of Year Reports

Due to the Australian Education Union work bans that are in place at the moment, your child’s report when it comes home on 18th December, may look a little different. AEU members participating in this protected industrial action, will not be writing comments on the reports. If this affects your child, they will still receive the progression point dots but there will be no written comments relating to their progress or achievement.

Classes for 2013

Yesterday your child met with their 2013 class and teacher and we saw a lot of excitement around the school. The placement process takes a lot of time, discussion and thought between staff and your child is placed in a class that we feel is best for them to continue their growth and development. I ask you to appreciate the effort taken and also thank you in advance for your acceptance of our professional judgement in this process.

Final Call for Enrolments

I certainly hope there is no one in the school community who has not brought in their enrolment form for 2013 yet. If so bring it to the office ASAP so we can place your child in a class.

End of Year Dismissal

I remind you that we will be dismissing on the final day of term, Friday 21st December, at 1.00pm. Please ensure you make suitable arrangements to collect your children at this earlier time.

Have a great week and keep smiling!

Neil Cunningham
Year 3 camp!
By 3JP.

On Thursday the 22nd and 29th of November the year 3’s went to Taskworks for an overnight stay. The activities were Stomp a Stump, Cable Maze, Build It, Create a Scene, Puzzle Room and Peg Fast. All the year 3’s had lots of fun at Taskworks. We wish you had come too!

Kyle 3TS: I enjoyed the bike the most because you get to compete against other people to see who is stronger.
Taylor 3TS: I enjoyed the Cable Maze because I liked running and sprinting into poles.
Mia 3SC: I enjoyed Stomp a Stump because I got into the grand finals and I was working with a great partner.
Matt 3SC: I enjoyed Create a Scene because I looked funny in a monster costume.
BOOKPACKS & PARENT CONTRIBUTIONS 2013—
HURRY! HURRY! HURRY!

We would like to remind ALL families that payments for next year are now being taken. Notices have been sent home with students. All monies will be required to be fully paid prior to the end of the 2012 school year.

The cost of the book pack across all year levels is $125 per student, which is excellent value and the same cost as the 2012 book pack.

All supplies will be distributed to the classroom teacher in January 2013.

The Curriculum Resource Contribution is $65 per student ($60 if paid by the end of the 2012 school year). This contribution ensures that high quality programs will continue to be provided to your child.

Payments can be made via the following methods: Cash, Credit Card, Cheque, EMA (credit balance only) or Direct Deposit:

Kilberry Valley BSB: 063 616 Account No. 1012 2885

If paying via direct deposit, please contact the school for your family’s individual code.

If you have any questions regarding these matters please do not hesitate to contact the School Office on 9702 8688

EDUCATION MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCE

EMA Applications are ready to be completed for 2013.

To be eligible for EMA, you must be the holder of a current Centrelink pension, allowance or benefit, that is a holder of Veterans Affairs Gold Card, or Health Care Card, or Pensioner Concession Card, be a Veteran Affairs Pensioner, or be a (temporary) foster parent. Eligibility dates (as per stated on card):

Term 1 29th January 2013  Term 3  15th July 2013

To apply for 2013 EMA please complete the new EMA Application Form (available from the School’s Administration Office) and present your Health Care or Pension Card for photocopying.

A VERY BIG THANK YOU

The office staff would like to say a very big thank you to Mrs Turner, Miss Toates and the wonderful students of 4CT and 4JT for their fantastic efforts this year collecting the attendance rolls every Thursday morning. Your hard work, punctuality, enthusiasm and beautiful manners and smile have been greatly appreciated.
Kilberry Valley Primary School

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WELFARE CORNER

Making a positive transition to school:
Making a positive start to the school year is important for
children and their families and teachers. Children who
make a positive start to the school year are more likely to feel:
• Comfortable, relaxed and valued;
• Good about themselves as learners; and
• A sense of belonging within the school community

Beginning a school year involves changes for children and
they can experience many feelings of excitement through
to nervousness. Supporting children during their transition
to their new class is important because making a positive
start to the school year promotes children’s capacity to
learn and make and maintain friendships.

Parents and carers play an important role in supporting
children to manage the transition to their new class
at school. Parents can help their children to feel confident
about starting school and help them to cope with new
social and emotional challenges that a new class brings.

Some other things that parents and carers can do to help
children include;
• Speaking positively and enthusiastically about school
• Listening to your child’s concerns and reassuring them that it is okay to feel nervous about change
• Answer any questions they may have

Zania Cope - Assistant Principal

CANTEEN NEWS
MONDAY 17TH DECEMBER
TUESDAY 18TH DECEMBER
WEDNESDAY 19TH DECEMBER
THURSDAY 20TH DECEMBER
FRIDAY 21ST DECEMBER

CANTEEN CLOSED ON THESE DAYS
(LAST WEEK OF TERM)
STUDENTS MUST BRING THEIR
OWN LUNCHES AND SNACKS

LAST DAY FOR CANTEEN SALES IN 2012
IS THIS FRIDAY, 14TH DECEMBER

THE CANTEEN WILL RE-OPEN FOR 2013
ON WEDNESDAY 6TH FEBRUARY

THANK YOU

EXITING STUDENTS
If your family intends to leave Kilberry Valley at the end of the 2012 school year, would you please contact the School Office as soon as possible as this will assist us with planning for 2013.
Thank you

FRIDAY 14TH DECEMBER
7.30PM-9.00PM
In the Park-Fordholm Road
Next to Hampton Park Shopping Centre

FRIDAY 21ST DECEMBER
LAST DAY OF TERM
SCHOOL FINISHES AT 1PM

NEWSLETTER ONLINE
KVPS families can view our Valley Views Newsletter online.
To do this you need to follow these simple steps:
• Log on to our website—www.kilberryps.vic.edu.au
• On the home page click on “subscribe to Newsletter”
• Enter your email details and follow the prompts.

You will be notified when the newsletter is available via
e-mail to view it on our website. Every hit on the site earns
points towards books for our school and you are helping save
the environment!

KILBERRY VALLEY NOTICES SENT HOME
The following notices have been sent home to families and require your prompt attention:

SWIMMING TRIALS (GRADES 3-5 IN 2012)
Payments and consent forms MUST be returned by Thursday, 20th December, 2012. The cost of this excursion is $6.50. PLEASE NOTE THAT CHILDREN INVOLVED IN THIS ACTIVITY MUST BE ABLE TO CONFIDENTLY SWIM 50 METRES CONTINUOUSLY.

GRADE 6 CAMP 2013
Final payments for camp MUST be received by Monday 4th February, 2013. The cost of the camp is $270.

Students who do not return consent forms and payments by the closing date for incursions/excursions will not be able to participate in the activity. We would appreciate your support and co-operation with these matters. Thank you.

LATE PAYMENTS CANNOT BE ACCEPTED

CAROLS IN THE PARK
Friday 21st December
7.30-9.00pm
In the Park-Fordholm Road
Next to Hampton Park Shopping Centre

Fridays in December
7.30-9.00pm
In the Park-Fordholm Road
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KVPS families can view our Valley Views Newsletter online.

To do this you need to follow these simple steps:
• Log on to our website—www.kilberryps.vic.edu.au
• On the home page click on “subscribe to Newsletter”
• Enter your email details and follow the prompts.

You will be notified when the newsletter is available via email to view it on our website. Every hit on the site earns points towards books for our school and you are helping save the environment!