Dear Parents,

The long weekend saw some sunshine but it was certainly accompanied by some chilly Melbourne winds. I hope you enjoyed the time with your family. I managed to enjoy some family time and the occasional relaxing coffee and walks along the beautiful Mornington cliff tops overlooking Port Phillip Bay. We really do live in a wonderful part of the world.

Road Works in Kilberry Boulevard
The road works have begun and I thank you for your cooperation with the inconvenience this will obviously cause for a short time. I remind you that the school crossing in Kilberry Boulevard near the community Room will be closed for the period of the work. Please ensure you use the crossing closer to Warana Drive to get across Kilberry Boulevard. At times the access through the work site will be restricted so again I thank you in advance for your patience.

Student Safety
I trust you have been noticing an increased presence of the City Of Casey By Laws personnel to ensure our students are safe. They are particularly watching for those people using the pick and drop off spaces at the front of the school in Kilberry Boulevard and anyone double parking to pick up or drop off children. I trust they will not be busy at all due to the fact that you are all obeying the road rules to ensure your children and all the other students’ safety!

Parent Teacher Student Interviews
We have reached the time of year when we conduct our second round of interviews where you have the opportunity to meet with your child and their teacher to talk about their achievements and the best way forward to ensure they keep improving. Staff have completed the reports and these will be sent home on Tuesday 18th June. The online booking system will be open today. Please find the necessary information on how to book on the Home Page of the school website. www.kilberryps.vic.edu.au

I strongly encourage you to attend this important meeting so you can work closely with your child and their teacher for the second half of the year.

Student Achievement Reports
You may have read in the press or heard otherwise that we have a modified reporting process this June. You will notice some differences with the wording of a few curriculum areas. I encourage you to discuss these with your child’s teacher during the interview if you are unsure of their meaning.

One noticeable difference due to the transition from the Victorian Essential Leanings to the AusVELS will be the omission of the hollow dot that indicated your child’s achievements 12 months ago compared with their current achievement.

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ICAS Testing
Please find the following information regarding the ICAS testing still to come:

**Tuesday 18th June – Spelling**
All students enrolled in the Spelling test will need to meet on the deck outside the grade 6 classrooms at 7:50am on Tuesday 18th June so that we are ready to begin testing at 8:00am.
All students will need to bring a 2B or B pencil and eraser!

*Room allocations: (Deck) Year 3 – D1 Year 6 – D2 Year 4 – D3 Year 5 - D4*

**Friday 21st June - Writing.**
All students enrolled in the Writing test will need to meet on the deck outside the grade 6 classrooms at 7:50am on Friday 21st June so that we are ready to begin testing at 8:00am.
The Year 6 students and students in 5TT who are attending the excursion will need to be there at 7:40am so they can start at 7:50am to finish in time to board the buses at 8:30am.
All students will need to bring a 2B or B pencil and eraser!

*Room allocations: (Deck) Year 6 & 5TT – D3 & D4 (7:40 for a 7:50am start) Year 3/4/5 – D1 & D2 (7:50 for a 8:00am start)*

End Of Term Early Dismissal
Term 2 will conclude on Friday 28th June at 2.30pm. Please ensure you have made arrangement for the early pick up on this day.

Whole School Musical – Dates
For those of the school community who are used to the arrangements for the whole school musical please read carefully. We usually run this in the last week of term BUT due to the bookings at the Cardinia Cultural Centre we will be conducting the whole school musical in the third last week of term – **Monday 2nd, Tuesday 3rd, Wednesday 4th and Thursday 5th of September** will be the dates of “The Awesome Super League.” There will be further details next term as to which night your child will be performing but keep the dates free just in case.
We hope to once again pack out the theatre each night and have a tremendous theatrical experience for the students.

Can You Help?
We have a small job to be done that requires a bobcat or similar machinery. We wish to install a new shed and need the ground leveled for the slab to be poured. If you can help, please give Steve Froude or me a ring through the school office.

Footy News
A big Friday night match coming up against the Blues at Etihad Stadium. Carlton are playing steady football and hovering in the 8 so it will not be an easy game. After the week rest I am sure the Hawks will be itching for a run and come out firing. Go Hawks!!

Have a great week and keep smiling!

Neil Cunningham
2MM and 2RC have been learning about…

Measuring objects in different ways. Using informal measurement to find the length of objects.

Exploring the secrets of place value.

Inquiring about magnetic force: Attraction and repulsion.

Discovering moments: Two forces that have opposite moving effects.

Researching our inquiry questions.

Wonder Wall Inquiry
Kilberry Community Library Sessions

Kilberry Valley Primary School would like to invite parents with preschool children aged between 3-5 years old to attend a Story Time session and general book browsing in our school library.

A story will be read at 3:00pm in the library and the session will finish at 3:25pm.

When: 3:00pm- 3:25pm

Term 2 dates are scheduled for:

Friday 14th. June
Friday 21st. June

Please note children must be accompanied by an adult during the sessions.

For any further information contact: 9702 8688

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Breakfast Club

This FRIDAY there will be FREE toast for all Grades 3-6 students

Time: 8:30 - 8:55am
Day: FRIDAY mornings
Place: New Gym
Cost: 20c for 2 pieces of toast
20c for 1 bowl of cereal and milk

We are always looking for parent helpers. If you have a current WWCC (Working With Children’s Check) and would like to help us out on FRIDAY Mornings please contact Mrs Cavanagh (in the new Gym)

(If you are interested in becoming a parent helper please contact the school office)

PEANUT ALLERGIES: Unfortunately we are unable to offer Breakfast Club to children with nut allergies. Although we do not serve ‘nut foods’, we cannot guarantee that our kitchen is a completely ‘Nut Free Zone’.

Thank you for your understanding.

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Kilberry Valley Primary School

About Sibling Rivalry

While many children are lucky enough to become the best of friends with their siblings, it’s common for brothers and sisters to fight. (It’s also common for them to swing back and forth between adoring and detesting one another!)

Often, sibling rivalry starts even before the second child is born, and continues as the children grow and compete for everything from toys to attention. As children reach different stages of development, their evolving needs can significantly affect how they relate to one another.

It can be frustrating and upsetting to watch — and hear — your children fight with one another. A household that’s full of conflict is stressful for everyone. Yet often it’s hard to know how to stop the fighting, and or even whether you should get involved at all.

But you can take steps to promote peace in your household and help your kids get along.

Why Kids Fight

Many different things can cause siblings to fight. Most brothers and sisters experience some degree of jealousy or competition, and this can flare into squabbles and bickering. But other factors also might influence how often children fight and how severe the fighting gets. These include:

Individual temperaments. Your children’s individual temperaments — including mood, disposition, and adaptability — and their unique personalities play a large role in how well they get along. For example, if one child is laid back and another is easily rattled, they may often get into a fight. Similarly, a child who is especially clingy and drawn to parents for comfort and love might be resented by siblings who see this and want the same amount of attention.

Role models. The way that parents resolve problems and disagreements sets a strong example for kids. So if you and your spouse work through conflicts in a way that’s respectful, productive, and not aggressive, you increase the chances that your children will adopt those tactics when they run into problems with one another. If your children see you routinely shout, slam doors, and loudly argue when you have problems, they’re likely to pick up those bad habits themselves.

KILBERRY VALLEY NOTICES SENT HOME

The following notices have been sent home to families and require your prompt attention:

END OF UNIT INQUIRY ACTION VISIT—GRADES 5 & 6 STUDENTS
Final payments will be due by tomorrow Thursday 13th June. The cost of the excursion is $15.

BACK TO BASICS—GRADE 2 STUDENTS
Final payments will be due by Friday, 28th June. The cost of the excursion is $16.50.

GRADE 4 CAMP
Final payments will be due by Friday, 28th June (last day of Term 2). The cost of this camp is $255.

Students who do not return consent forms and payments by the closing date for 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

WOOLWORTHS EARN & LEARN

The Woolworths Earn & Learn stickers program has now finished.

If you have any sheets or stickers at home, please send them to school by this Friday, 14th June. Thankyou for your support!

CHANGE OF CLOTHING FOR STUDENTS

We would like to remind parents that it is a great idea to provide a change of clothing in children’s school bags (preferably some clean underwear, track suit pants, shorts or a dress).

This is handy for ALL children in ALL grade levels as it makes them feel less stressed if they require a change of clothing owing to an accident.

We ask for your co-operation with this matter as our Sick Bay is unable to cope with the large volume of people requiring changes of clothing.

THANK YOU

HELP

♦ We are looking for some wonderful volunteers to help with the sewing of costumes for our school musical. If you are able to help, please come to the Art Room on Friday afternoons at 2pm.
♦ The Art Room is collecting margarine containers with lids. Please send ‘washed out/cleaned containers & lids to the Art Room.

Thankyou for your help.

DIARY DATES –TERM 2 2013

Friday 28th June - Last day of Term
Students dismissed at 2.30pm

Women’s Friendship Cafe
Invites you to a Beginners Computer Course

For the absolute beginner!

• How do I turn it on?
• Find the Learner's Permit practice questions
• Find the Citizenship practice questions
• Make a Facebook page?

Starting Tuesday 4th June. 10am to 12pm
Hampton Park Library, Stuart Ave, Hampton Park, 3976
Book your place please, Places are limited.
Mobile 0427 596 977
Email w.friendship.cafe@hotmail.com
Facebook Women’s Friendship Cafe