Dear Parents,

**Farewell and All the Best**

I inform you that this Friday will be Ms. Crea’s last day at Kilberry Valley for some time as she is taking leave to widen her teaching experiences. We wish her all the best and thank her for the enormous work she has done at Kilberry over her time here. Replacing her for the remainder of the year will be Ms Victoria Rendall. I know you will make her very welcome as she commences next Monday. Please make yourself known to her.

‘Ella and Fella’ – **Whole School Musical**

Rehearsals have commenced and are going very well indeed. The students are so excited and doing a wonderful job learning their songs and moves to ensure Ella and Fella will be the best musical yet!

For those who are new to the school in the last 2 years the staff have arranged the students into groups to ensure all siblings perform on the same night, so you can see all of your children in the one performance on the same night.

**Musical Tickets**

The news is all good. We have been able to keep ticket prices very low to assist you to be able to come along and see your children perform. Ticketing details are explained on page 3 in today’s newsletter. A notice will also be sent home.

**ICT and Internet Code Of Practice**

The School Council has reviewed and updated the school policy on “ICT and Internet Usage Code of Practice.” Students in Year 3 to 6 will receive the updated Policy and I ask you to discuss this with your child and sign the relevant form and return it to school by Friday, 17th August, 2012. This is an important agreement and we need to ensure the correct use of the electronic media available to us.

**ICAS Computer Skills**

Congratulations to all 77 students who participated in the University of New South Wales ICAS Computer Skills competition last term. We recently received the students’ results and I’d like to make special mention of the students who performed particularly well. They are as follows:

Year 3: **High Distinction** – Sasuni

Year 4: **High Distinction** – Kavin, Dasun, **Distinction** – Dulini, Christopher, Amandi

Year 5: **Distinction** – Dilshan, Nihar, Hasini

Year 6: **High Distinction** – Kevindu, Chamil **Distinction** – Monali, Niluk

**HPV Sponsors**

Our Human Powered Vehicle team is in training and we are grateful for the assistance received from our sponsors. To date we would like to thank: Seaford & Charcoal Plus, Stevo’s Gourmet Meats, Bridgestone Tyre Centre Hampton Park, Cablelink and Coles Hampton Park. Without your support it would be difficult to fulfill all the necessary requirements to give our students the best chance to succeed in the event.

**Parent Opinion Survey**

Thank you for everyone who has returned the Parent Opinion Survey. If you still have it at home, please complete it and send it back to the school office as soon as you can.

**Footy News**

Could not have been closer!!!!! What a finish. The Hawks played amazingly to catch up after the Cats shot out of the blocks like Usain Bolt in the recent Olympic 100 metre Final!!! To get in front and then lose it like we did just shows the toughness of Geelong. They do seem to have something over us since the 2008 Grand Final. Maybe next time we meet this hoodoo will be broken. On to next week and we will get back on track with a strong win over Port Adelaide. Go Hawks!!

Have a great week and keep smiling!!

Neil Cunningham
Principal
Environmental Projects

“We have made new toys out of old boxes, bottles and glass jars.”

“UNLESS someone like you cares a whole awful lot, nothing is going to get better, it’s not.’

Dr Seuss

“We need to look after our environment by recycling.”

RUN CLUB

Congratulations to RUN CLUB who made a new KVPS record of ....

56.1km

Most persistent runner is awarded to:

Derwyn 6DR

Most Kms is awarded to:

Calvin 6KR
We would like to remind all our wonderful parents that every Friday afternoon, from 2pm-3.30pm in the Art Room, we need your help with the sewing of costumes for our school musical, “Ella & Fella” If you could spare some time your help would be greatly appreciated.

Alysia Bailey
Visual Arts Specialist

TICKETS WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE FROM THE SCHOOL OFFICE.

Tickets will be issued in the order that forms arrive at the School Office. Also, please contact the office if you require wheelchair access.

We will begin sending tickets home via students from Monday 3rd September, 2012. From Monday 3rd September there will be no limit to how many tickets can be purchased by any family, subject to availability. There will NOT be a waiting list for tickets so sales after this date will be on a 'first come, first served basis.'

WOULD PARENTS PLEASE CHECK THAT THEY HAVE THE CORRECT TICKETS AS SOON AS THEY ARE RECEIVED AS WE CAN ONLY OFFER AN EXCHANGE OF TICKETS WITHIN TWO DAYS OF RECEIPT OF TICKETS.

THANKYOU

“ELLA & FELLA” - TICKET ORDER FORM

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<th>Performance Day (Please Circle)</th>
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TICKETS ARE PRICED AT $18 EACH.

AMOUNT TO BE RETURNED BY FRIDAY 31ST AUGUST, 2012.
KILBERRY VALLEY NOTICES SENT HOME
The following notices have been sent home to families and require your prompt attention:

GRADUATION BEAR & MEMORY BALL - GRADE 6 STUDENTS ONLY
Order forms and payments MUST be returned by this Friday, 10th August. Cost is $15 per item. NO LATE ORDERS WILL BE ACCEPTED.

FOOTY DAY LUNCH DEAL
Orders and payments MUST be received by Wednesday 22nd August. The Lunch Deal is $4.50. Please note that this is not a compulsory activity.

AFROBEAT: AFRICAN DRUMMING EXTRAVANGZA
(WHOLE SCHOOL INCURSION)
Consent forms and payment MUST be received by Friday 24th August, 2012. The cost of this incursion is $2.50. 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

Waverley Gymnastics Centre
NARRE WARREN CAMPUS
Waverley’s Narre Warren campus at Fountain Gate Primary offers fun & challenging gymnastics classes for primary school-aged children of all abilities. Classes are held on Wednesdays & Thursdays!

TERM 3 CLASSES AVAILABLE!
All classes are taken by qualified and registered coaches and are held in the Fountain Gate Primary School Gymnasium
Prospect Hill Road, Narre Warren (Melways Ref. 110 B1)
For enquiries or a FREE trial class, please call the office on 9887-9611 or visit www.waverley.gymnastics.org.au

CASEY MOB INFORMATION NIGHT
Are you or your children Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander? Are you aged 12-19?
Would you like to get involved in a new program that has a range of fun activities.
Come along to Doveton College to hear more about this exciting program.
Thursday 9th August from 5pm-5.30pm at 62 Tristania Street, Doveton
For further information contact Stasia Read on 0457 516 348 or Cindy Zevallous on 0414 855 305
BBQ DINNER PROVIDED

Carol Stephens Retirement
After a wonderful 25 years of teaching Carol will be retiring at the end of Term 3. We are inviting all the children and families who attended Kindergarten with Carol to draw a picture or write a note to say thanks and farewell.
The committee is going to collate all the drawings and notes into a big book as a retirement gift. If you and your child would like to contribute please hand the drawings and notes into Cara Nightingale at Strong Drive Kindergarten by Thursday 6th September.
The book is a surprise so please make sure to not to hand the drawings into Carol.
We will also be hosting an Afternoon Tea for Carol.
When: Tuesday 18th September
Where: 101 Strong Drive, Hampton Park (Strong Drive Kindergarten)
Time: 2.30 pm – 4.00pm

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WELFARE CORNER
Friendship patterns in the primary years
Children choose friends who have similar interests and enjoy similar activities. During primary school close friendships are most often with a child of the same sex. This is related to children’s preferences in play. Boys tend to prefer active kinds of play in groups, whereas girls typically prefer gentler games in pairs or threes and use talk more than action. Such preferences may be especially strong around the ages of 8-9 when many children become more aware of social expectations regarding girls’ and boys’ behaviour. These expectations can create difficulties for boys who are interested in gentler kinds of play and for girls who prefer the kind of active play that is usually associated with boys.

Friends cooperate and communicate more with each other than with other children. They also have conflicts more often, but usually manage to settle them without upsetting the friendship. Friends influence each other’s behaviour. Over time they may take on similar mannerisms, language and preferences. Although friendships usually have positive effects, friends who have behavioural problems may encourage problem behaviour in one another.

As children’s interests and developmental needs change their friendship patterns may also change. By the middle of primary school it is common for children to form small friendship groups based around similar interests. These groups often establish their own rules about who can join them. Setting rules and learning to negotiate them is important for helping children to develop their understanding of social relationships. However, when children lack cooperative relationship skills it can lead to friendship groups being dominated by some children and excluding others.

Creative Problem Solving Competition
Here is your opportunity to show off your problem solving skills and be in the draw for some fabulous prizes.

Where: University of Melbourne
When: Saturday 1st September 2012
Who: From Grades 3 up to year 8
Prizes: 1st = Apple IPad + trophy
2nd = $200 worth of gifts + trophy
3rd = $100 worth of gifts + trophy
Results: Each participant will receive a certificate and a detailed report of their results.
Register: Before August 21st 2012.
Cost: $20.00

If you would like to register for this competition please see Miss Caputo in C6 for an enrolment form