Dear Parents,

KVPS Student Leaders 2013
This is the time of year the senior students present their speeches to become the school leaders for 2013. Once again we were amazed at the number of Year 4 and 5 students willing to ‘put their hand up’ to be a 2013 leader. I congratulate everyone and am pleased to announce the 2013 student leaders.

School Captains: Taylor ASHLEY 5SM Kehan AMARAKOON 5TT
School Vice Captains: Jenna MCLAVERY 5SM Linuka WEERASINGHE 5JR

House Captains: Van Wisse
Haylee DACEY 5RB
Dilshan FERNANDO 5LT
Lindsay
Sasha BELOBORODOVA 5JR
James THOMPSON 5LT
Merrigan
Mutsha CHINDOWA 5LT
Michael MURPHY 5JR
Kettner
Jordyn HOGG 5LT
Ravindu WIJESINGHE 5JR

Vice Captains: Van Wisse
Kyeshia HOSKING-GREGORY 4JT
Kavin KARUNARATNA MUHANDIRAMLAGE 4CS
Lindsay
Christie BEN 4SM
Kyle BARNARD 4JT
Merrigan
Kanksha CHAND 4CT
Seth SAMARASEKERA 4SM
Kettner
Isabeau HART 4CS
Nathan BASNET 4CT

Christmas Concert
The Annual Christmas Concert will be held this Thursday evening, 6th December commencing at 6pm. So break out the Christmas gear and come along to enjoy the time together as a school community to celebrate the season and the end of the school year.

Casual Dress Day Friday 7th December
This coming Friday will be a casual dress day to raise funds for our Social Skills Program. In 2013 we commence the ‘Secret Agents Society’ social skills program and the day will assist us raising funds for some much needed resources. Please bring along a gold coin donation for the privilege of wearing casual clothes.

End of Year Dismissal
I remind you that we will be dismissing on the final day of term, Friday 21st December, at 1pm. I inform you that the City of Casey will not be providing crossing supervisors at this earlier time so I ask you to ensure you collect your children and walk them home safely.

2013 Book Packs
Please continue coming to the office to pay for your children’s supplies for 2013. To enable the correct order to be placed, 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. I look forward to seeing a rush at the office over the next few weeks to get this done by Friday 14th December. Contact the school for direct deposit details.

Half-Day Stop Work Action – Tomorrow
A notice was sent home last week stating the staff who will be involved in the Industrial Action TOMORROW, Wednesday 5th December. If your child’s class teacher is taking this action they will not be at school until 12.38pm to supervise your children. I thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Have a great week and keep smiling!

Neil Cunningham
Principal
Phenomena occur in the world around us

W.A.L.T.
in 2RC and 2MM
We Are Learning To....

Observe, Record and Explain

In our classroom we have been observing how an apple changes state. Our apple has been in a jar since the beginning of Term 4. Over this time we have been predicting what changes we might see. We have made weekly observations, recorded the changes and researched WHY this phenomena occurs.

‘Brown spots are forming around the stem’
AJ

‘The apple went wrinkly and lost its juice’
Devmini

‘The stem is getting fuzzy with blue and white mould’
Nicholas
KILBERRY VALLEY NOTICES SENT HOME

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

GRADE 6 CAMP 2013

GRADE SIX GRADUATION NIGHT & GRADUATION EXCURSION
Consent forms and payments MUST be returned by tomorrow, 6th December, 2012. The cost of this activity is $30 (with an optional Lunch deal for an extra $11—please read your notice carefully).

LIFE SKILLS CHRISTMAS EXCURSION (SELECTED STUDENTS)
Consent forms and payments MUST be returned by this Friday, 7th December, 2012. The cost of this activity is $10.

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

Dear Parents,

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We are collecting:
- Old blankets, towels and sheets
- Pet toys
- Cans of pet food for cats or dogs

Please bring your donation of goods to Room B8 by Friday 7th December.

We hope you can help us care for these animals!

From Prep CS and Mrs Smith

FREE DRESS DAY
GOLD COIN DONATION
On Friday 7th December the children are encouraged to come in Free Dress with a gold coin donation. This is a fundraising event for a Social Skills Program which will be running in 2013. Just a reminder that clothing needs to be Sun Smart.

Thank You.

SPRING MARKET

Saturday 8th December
9am-1pm

Assorted market stalls: New and Used
Including Kitchenware, Clothing, Jewellery, Shoes, Bags, Toys, Plants, Books and much more.....

Bookings: Wendy 9799 0972

HOLY TRINITY ANGLICAN CHURCH
2-4 THE FAIRWAY, HAMPTON PARK

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

CANTEEN CLOSED

STUDENTS MUST BRING THEIR OWN LUNCHES AND SNACKS
LAST DAY FOR CANTEEN SALES IN 2012
FRIDAY 14TH DECEMBER

WELFARE CORNER

Anxiety

Everyone gets anxious in certain situations. In children, fears and worries are not unusual. If anxiety is uncontrolled, it can stop children learning well, joining in with others and enjoying life.

How parents and carers can help

Children with anxiety problems lack confidence in their abilities and feel overwhelmed easily. They are not “putting in on” or trying to take the easy way out. They need to learn how to cope with worries and build confidence. This does not mean just telling them not to be silly. It means providing support and teaching them the emotional and thinking skills that can help them.

Parents and carers can:

- Teach children to be brave by showing them you believe they can do things and encouraging them to have a go even when they are scared or worried. You might remind them of a time when they were brave and it worked.
- Break larger goals into small steps that children can succeed with, and praise their success.
- Help them learn relaxation skills. Breathing slowly to calm down and imagining yourself coping in a scary situation are really helpful ways of managing anxiety. Doing it with them is a fun way to start.
- Teach children helpful self-talk. Instead of saying to themselves “I can do this” encourage them to say “I’ll give it a go”. Help them to see that by worrying less they can do more and feel better about themselves.

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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.

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.