Dear Parents,

School Council Elections
I am pleased to announce that we have received the nominations for School Council for 2013 and I congratulate the successful candidates listed below. I especially appreciate Jacinta Parkinson’s willingness to accept a 12 month co-opted position instead of the 2 year vacancy that was advertised. In doing this we have avoided the need to conduct an election process meaning the four parents who were willing to serve on Council this year can be elected.

The successful candidates are:

Parent Nominees
Preety Sharma
Anirudh 1KS
Jacinta Parkinson
Kaleb Prep CS
Natasha Dacey
Rhys 3SC, Tysyn 4DR, Haylee 6AH
Malal Athauda
Selini 1SD, Dulini 5TT

DEECD Nominee
Kylie Spalding
ICT staff member

I congratulate and very much thank these people for their decision to play this important role in our school’s continual improvement. They will now join Michelle Hosking (Nevan 2CT, Kyesha 5KR) and Linda Mossi (Jack 6SM), Chris Taylor (Assistant Principal) and myself as the 9 members of School Council for 2013.

Online Parent Teacher Student Interview Appointment Process
Today your child should have received a green slip outlining the procedure to book your timeslot for the upcoming Parent Teacher Student Interviews. These are a time for you to discuss with your child’s teacher the goals you will all make for the year. Please log on as explained and if you are having any difficulty please do not hesitate to contact the office or come in and use the computer in the school foyer.

Cyber Bullying Parent Information Session
I again draw your attention to this very important opportunity for you to learn a little more about this topic. This is a growing concern and the better informed we are, the better we can address any issues that arise: or better still recognize the issues and stop them before they get too large.

Monday 4th March at 6.30pm in the staffroom - hope to see you there!

Swimming Sports
Last Monday we had a team competing in the District Swimming sports. Though none of them will go through to the next level, Miss Holmquest and Mrs. Cavanagh were so pleased to see the efforts given and the obvious enjoyment on their faces as they completed their events. Well done!

Year 5 Leaders Stepped Up!
It was a pleasure last Friday to see a group of Year 5 students ‘step up to the plate’ and take control of the senior assembly. Our Year 6’s were in town on an excursion and this group ensured the assembly was organised, ran smoothly and you would never have known it was the first time some of them had done this role. Well done and thank you! Your initiative was tremendous to see.

Have a great week and keep smiling!

Neil Cunningham
Principal
On Tuesday the 12th of February the grade 6’s went to camp BRIARS. We did a range of activities and they were giant swing, pamper pole, flying fox, low ropes course, archery, teddy bear rescue, hut building and canoeing. The grades that went to camp were 6AM, 6KP, 6LC, 6AH, AND 6SW.

On the 13th we had a beach walk, it was about 7km there and back. Mount Martha beach was great. We got to put our feet in the water and play lots of beach games. We played a game called trenches, where we dug holes and then we had to hide in them.

On Thursday night we had a disco, our DJ was Mr HAYES. We were lucky because DJ HAYES had really good songs.

On the last day of camp we had a pamper pole play off, where the 20 finalists climbed the pole to see who was the fastest. DJ Hayes was also good at this, he got the fastest time of 19 seconds.

We all had an awesome time at Camp Briars!

BY AVANTIKA AND ALANA 6AM
HAVE YOU RECEIVED THE SCHOOLKIDS BONUS?

Do you know about the Schoolkids Bonus? It is a new cash payment to help eligible families and students with the costs of primary and secondary school studies. Around 1.2 million families have already benefitted from the first wave of payments in January 2013 – have you?

If you receive a family or income support payment, including Family Tax Benefit Part A, you could be eligible to receive $410 a year for each primary student and $820 a year for each secondary student, with half paid in January and half paid in July.

The Schoolkids Bonus replaces the Education Tax Refund (ETR) and is a much simpler system. You no longer need to collect receipts and payments are made automatically so you don’t have to wait months to make a claim via your tax return. Unlike the ETR you can choose how you use the payment to best support your children’s education – whether it be school books, stationery, uniforms, school fees, or excursions.

Check your eligibility by visiting australia.gov.au/schoolkidsbonus and if you think you might have missed out on the January payment, contact Centrelink – either in person at a Centrelink-Medicare Office or by calling 132 468.

Breakfast Club is Back!
Breakfast Club will start next FRIDAY 8th March 2013.

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 Childrens Check) and would like to help us out on FRIDAY Mornings please contact Mrs Cavanagh (in the new Gym) (Please note that this is a non profit program - all money collected is spent on buying items for our Breakfast Club).

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.
Kilberry Valley Primary School

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KILBERRY VALLEY NOTICES SENT HOME

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

MEET A LIFEGUARD (GRADES 1 & 2)
Consent forms and payment MUST be received by Friday, 8th March, 2013.
The cost of this incursion is $4.

GRADE 5 CAMP
Final payments will be due by Thursday 28th March, 2013. The total cost of the camp is $225.
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

Woolworths Earn & Learn 2012

Families may remember the Woolworths Earn & Learn Program that Kilberry Valley took part in last year. The program involved shoppers getting a sticker for every $10 spent at the store. Pictured above are some of the fantastic resources that we received as rewards for your participation in this event.
Thank you to our wonderful school community for your support!

WELFARE CORNER

Tantrums

It’s something we’ve all seen or experienced. A loud and distressed toddler throwing a tantrum right there in the middle of the grocery aisle at your local supermarket. Somewhere nearby you will find an embarrassed Mum or Dad doing their best to either ignore the child or convince them to stop. The fact is, tantrums are to be expected in childhood, and the first time a child throws a tantrum can be quite hard on parents, especially if there are visitors or you are out in public.

So what’s the reason behind it all?

Sometimes there are no obvious clues as to why a toddler will suddenly throw a tantrum, but most often it is when they are feeling frustrated or angry. Like adults toddlers can become frustrated when they are unable to manage a difficult task or things just don’t go the way they expect. Young children may also not yet know enough words to say exactly what it is they want, become overtired, or not like being told NO.

Of course children being the individuals that they are, some will have a naturally quiet and easy-going nature and may rarely have tantrums, whereas others with quick tempers may have frequent tantrums and will need their parent’s help to grow out of the behaviour. While tantrums often appear as a highly visible form of disruptive behaviour, they present us with the important opportunity to help teach our children how to manage frustration and anger. Knowing how to deal with the inevitable frustrations of life and possessing the ability to express anger in appropriate ways are powerful tools for a successful adulthood.

Gamblers Anonymous

Can help break you free and give you a better life...please call our hotline or go to the website for more information
24hr Hotline : ( 03 ) 9696 6108
Web site : www.gamblersanonymous.org

Cranbourne meetings are held at the Uniting Church hall;
41 Lesdon Ave Cranbourne
Monday – 9:30am – 11am
Tuesday – 7pm – 8:30pm
For further meetings refer to website or call the hotline

ACMA CYBERSMART
PARENT INFORMATION SESSION

Date: Monday 4th March at KVP (Staffroom)
Time: 6.30pm
For: KVPS parents and other interested community members are welcome

LOST

A two-wheeler bicycle has been found in the school grounds and is currently at the School Office. If you have recently lost a bike please contact the School Office so that we can find the owner of this bicycle.
Thank you

HELP

The Art Room is collecting 600ml plastic bottles for an art activity
(like soft drink or water bottles).
Please send ‘washed out/cleaned bottles’ to the Art Room.
Thank you for your help.

DIARY DATES FOR TERM 1 2013

Monday 11th March:
Labour Day Public Holiday