Dear Parents,

I hope you had a great day yesterday and managed to enjoy the holiday.

2012 Kilberry Cup

I would like to thank our Welfare Group for organising our tremendous Kilberry Cup Day activities and it was also great to see so many of the school joining in.

The following is a report from Zania Cope:

This year's Kilberry Cup day was a little bit different. It has been such a huge success in the past with our grade 5 and 6 students we thought it would be wonderful to have our whole school community involved in this event. We were very fortunate that the weather stayed kind and we were able to enjoy a picnic on the oval together. It was wonderful to see so many children, teachers and parents dressing up beautifully for this fun event. A big thank you to all the parents who supplied extra snacks for children to share and a big thank you also to those parents who participated in the parents' fashion on the field.

Spread the word how much fun it was and I am sure we will have an even larger crowd next year.

If you happened to be at school just as the students were eating lunch you would have been treated to “the call of the race”. Our talented Mr Jenkins once again performed a very entertaining call of the staff Kilberry Cup, utilising variations and twists on staff names for the horses. It is always very amusing with Trivia Queen (Mrs Thomas) first past the post this year. Unfortunately Cunningham’s Curse was a late scratching I was told – oh well maybe next year!

The day also sees our Year 6 students taking the lead and organising many of the day’s events. They host the Fashions On the Field, organise activities and the final assembly. It is wonderful seeing their confidence to do this – well done and congratulations.

Kilberry Café

I am told there were 26 parents at the Kilberry Café last Friday – great to see the numbers rising and hope to see you there in the near future.

2013 Booklists

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. Contact the school for direct deposit details.

Have a great week and keep smiling!

Neil Cunningham
Principal
On World Teachers Day, 5RB/5LT were teachers for a day. We had to work in small groups to create a lesson to present to the class. We had to plan and implement our lesson, create all the resources that we needed and provide positive feedback to the other students. Mrs Tulloch and Miss Butler took lots of video for us to watch our teaching styles.

On World Teachers Day we got to experience something new. I think it was fun being a teacher. Paaki (5LT)

I liked being the teacher and bossing people around like a teacher. Thirech

On World Teachers Day we got to be a teacher and each group did a different activity. It was great. Mutsa (5LT)

I liked World Teachers Day because we could teach and be a student. Renee

We celebrated World Teachers Day which was good because we got to feel how teachers feel when they are teaching us. Ayman (5RB)

I really enjoyed World Teachers Day. My group got a chance to teach the class. We also handed out awards to the best behaved people. Shainy (5RB)

On World Teachers Day the kids got to be the teachers and it was fun. It was hard sometimes because they would listen and then stop listening. In the end I had fun. Kelly (5LT)
BOOKLIST & PARENT CONTRIBUTIONS 2013

We would like to remind ALL families that orders and 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 in 2013

The Government is restructuring the Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA) for 2013 to better provide education support to families on a low income. Payments made direct to parents will be increased for eligible recipients at all year levels, with an additional increase for parents with students in Years Prep and Year 7 to support transition costs. The EMA is being restructured to increase the focus on direct support to parents.

The changes to the payment amounts for EMA starting in 2013 include:

$200 for parents of eligible Prep students per year
Paid by 2 instalments annually: 70% March $140, & 30% in August $60

$150 for parents of all other eligible primary school students
Paid by 2 instalments annually: 70% in March $105, & 30% in August $45

School-based EMA payments will be discontinued in 2013.
Note that The School Start Bonus payment has been discontinued.
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.
KILBERRY VALLEY NOTICES SENT HOME
The following notices have been sent home to families and require your prompt attention:

**SCHOOL MUSICALDVD’S**
Orders and payments MUST be received by Friday, 9th November, 2012. The cost of each DVD is $25. (PLEASE NOTE WE HAVE EXTENDED THE DATE FOR ORDERING DUE TO POPULAR DEMAND)

**PREP GRADES – MELBOURNE ZOO**
Consent forms and payments MUST be received by Friday, 9th November, 2012. The cost of this excursion is $20.

**YEAR 3 OVERNIGHT STAY**
Consent forms and payments MUST be received by Thursday 15th, November, 2012. The cost of this activity is $60.

**WILD ACTION INCURSION (EAL STUDENTS GRADES 1-6)**
Consent forms and payments MUST be returned by Wednesday, 21st November, 2012. The cost of the incursion is $10.

**YEAR 6 2013 WINDCHEATER & POLO SHIRT ORDER FORM**
Order forms and payments must be received by Monday, 3rd December, 2012.

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

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**

FREE TOAST @ BREAKFAST CLUB!
Breakfast Club is offering FREE TOAST to a particular year level each week.
This week all SENIOR STUDENTS (GRADES 3-6) who visit Breakfast Club are offered a FREE piece of toast.

Reminder of Breakfast Club details
- **Time**: 8:30-8:55am
- **Day**: FRIDAY mornings
- **Place**: New Gym
- **Cost**: 10c for 1 piece of toast
- **Cost**: 10c for 1 bowl of cereal and milk

Our tally of meals served at Breakfast Club so far this year is now a whopping 2,380 WOW! Let’s see if we can hit 3000! Watch this space again next week and find out!

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 complete ‘Nut Free Zone’. Thank you for your understanding.

REMEMBRANCE DAY 2012
Remembrance Day is on 11th November, 2012. We have 3 types of poppies on sale this year at the School Office priced at 50 cents, $2 and $5 each.
We also have wrist bands priced at $3 each.
Proceeds from this appeal are used in welfare work carried out by the Dandenong RSL.

LEST WE FORGET

COMMEMORATING REMEMBRANCE DAY ASSEMBLY
Please don’t forget that we will be having a Remembrance Day whole school assembly in the new gym at 9am on the 9th November.
We are asking the children to bring a small posie from home wrapped in aluminium foil to present on the day

THANK YOU