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Kilmore Primary School

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From the Principal's Desk...
Welcome to Week 8- Term 2

What a wonderful way to start the week....meeting Asha, our school therapy dog. Asha made an immediate impression on our student body and has visited several classes. I believe that he will fill you in on his first week's experience so enjoy reading his newsletter notes. If you have a child who has expressed any concern or anxiety please let us know so that we can address this early and ensure that a positive resolution is found.

Today the SRC launched their new **Keep KPS Clean** strategy. All classes will be involved and I wish them well on the initiative. It fits in very well with our school value of proud. Next term we will be looking at pride in our appearance and the uniform. We will clarify the school uniform policy and put into place high expectations around how we represent our school while wearing our uniform proudly. It would be really helpful if you could check that your children have the right uniform and remember that we do have a fairly well stoked second hand shop which sells items for \$2 each. If you have uniforms that your children have grown out of and are in good conditions please consider donating them to the school to help families who use this service.

We have heard that school sores are in the Kilmore community at the moment so please be on the lookout for symptoms. We are talking to students about practices that minimise the risk of spreading germs including the flu and the cold. Covering your mouth when you cough, carrying a tissue, washing hands and not sharing food or drink bottles are among the practices we are encouraging and your support in this is greatly appreciated.

Australian Primary Schools Mental Health Initiative

Kim Laffan Principal

It's not too late to apply for the Camps, Sports and Excursion Fund (CSEF).

Parents are reminded that if you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for the CSEF.

The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps ensure that no student misses out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities.

The annual CSEF amount per student is \$125 for primary school students and \$225 for secondary school students.

How To Apply

Contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from the CSEF website. Applications close 3 June 2016.

Further Information

For more information please see www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
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Happy Birthday

Happy Birthday to the following students who are celebrating their birthday in the coming week. We hope you have a lovely day.

June

1st	Adam	FS
	Taliyah	2C
2nd	Ben	6W
3rd	Charlotte	2J
	Madelyn	3T
	Erin	6B
5th	Montana	1T
	Daniel	3T
7th	Ethan	4J



Primary School and children's services centres exclusion for Impetigo (School Sores)

Impetigo is an infection of the skin caused by bacteria. The sores can be found anywhere on the body, but are often on the face near the mouth and nose. Impetigo is very easily spread, but with care spread can be reduced. Students need to be excluded for a period of at least 24 hours once antibiotics have been started and healing has begun. Sores on exposed surfaces must be covered with a watertight dressing. Notification to the school not required.

Source: Victorian Health Department and Royal Children's Hospital. Fact sheet.

Calendar

June



Friday, 3rd June
CSEF Funding application closes today

Book Club Orders Due

KPS Pizza Lunch Day Lunch orders also available

School Dental Screening Permission Forms Due

Wednesday, 8th June Classroom helpers Training Program 9.00 am

> Thursday, 9th June Wallan Dental Visit

Deposit due 3/4 Camp

Monday, 13th June Whole school assembly

Friday, 17th JuneThree way Conferences Bookings close

Wednesday, 22nd June
Three Way Conferences 12.30pm—6.30pm
(pupil free day))

Friday, 24th June Last day term 2 school concludes at 2.30pm

AUGUST

Thursday, 4th August Young Leaders Program 10.00am-2.00pm Broadford PS

3/4 Camp final payment due today

Monday, 15th August -Wednesday, 17th August Grade 3/4 Camp

Wednesday, 31st August-Friday, 2nd September Grade 5/6 Camp

Manners matter This weeks focus

I know how to disagree politely

Kind, Proud and Safe at all times



BOOK CLUB

All Book Club order forms and payments must be placed in the teachers letterboxes by **Friday**, **3rd June 2016**.



Asha's Adventures





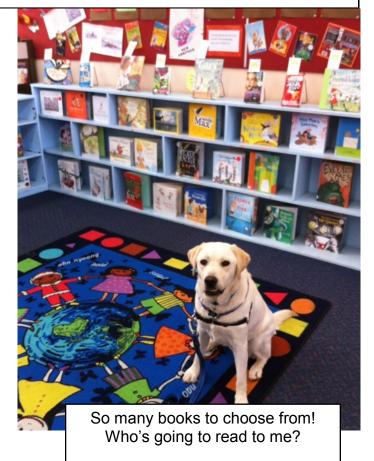


Kilmore PS here I come!



Learning about fractions in 4W was hard work. I wasn't really sleeping – just resting my eyes! It's completely untrue that I fell asleep in another maths session and snored.







I helped Mrs Laffan do yard duty this morning.

Adios! Clever aren't I?! I also went to my first Spanish class. Foundation S were learning all about 'El Perro'. Do you know what that means? Neither did I, but now I know it means dog! I wonder what I will learn next week!

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Asha's Adventures



A message from Asha as told to Ella S and Jess V, Grade 6B:

Hi there!

My name is Asha. For those who don't know me, I am the Kilmore Primary School therapy dog. I only arrived at school on Monday so I'm still getting used to my surroundings. I came and joined you at assembly on Monday morning. Miss Crowther escorted me to the front of the hall. At first I was a little nervous seeing 400 people all at once. I liked the introduction from the school leaders and I quickly got used to your smiling faces. I really liked the warm welcome you all gave me and the quiet way you listened to Miss Crowther explain how to help me settle in. By the way, you have nice tasting flies at assembly – I ate one!

I had a wonderful first day at school with all of my new friends. I dropped in on Sunday but only three people were at school. I was greeted with a lot of pats on Monday which I liked.

For those that see me in the yard, please remember to walk up to me slowly and not crowd me. I might get a little scared if you crowd around me too much.

I'm pretty young and I'm still learning all the school rules. If I get a little too excited and want to jump up, please say to me "Off" in a low, firm voice and use a sweeping downwards hand motion whilst you say it. Sometimes I like to taste test things. If you see me with something I shouldn't have, please tell me to "Leave it." I'm also not allowed to eat any of your food. Please don't feed me. I can't believe I'm saying that! I'll always have an adult with me to help me learn the rules.

That's all from me for now. Thank you all for a great start at school. I can't wait to see what happens throughout the year!

Asha

Q & A with Asha

Asha has received lots of questions this week. Here are his answers. If you have a question for Asha, please put it in his blue box at the office.

Q: What did you do at the weekend?

A: I went to the dog park, played in the paddocks and met some strange new animals called cows. I don't remember seeing any cows in the city where I used to live. I've heard there are things called kangaroos and I've been told I won't be allowed to play with them.

Q: Are you a boy or a girl? A: A boy.

Q: Do you like sleeping? A: Yes! I sleep in the car. I sleep in class. I sleep in front of the fire. I sleep pretty much anywhere.

Q: When are you going to visit 2C? A: I'm visiting a couple of grades each day. I'm hoping I get to visit each grade in my first couple of weeks. I've met lots of people in the yard too.



Book School Interviews Online

Dear Parents/Guardians

You can now book Three Way Interviews at times that suit your family best. Go to https://sentral.kilmoreps.vic.edu.au/portal/login to login to your account and then book your Three Way Interviews.

BOOKINGS OPEN Wednesday, 25th May at 11.00am

BOOKINGS CLOSE Friday, 17th June at 9.00am

If you have not registered for the portal yet, or you have not entered your Unique Family Code, please see the letter that was sent home this Term and the email sent earlier this week, to finalise this process.

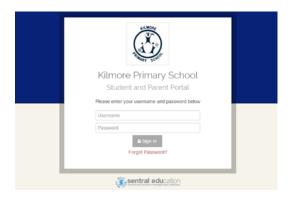
For parents/guardians that don't have access to the internet at home, at work, at a friend's house or on their phones, they can contact the office school on 5782 1268 and a Three Way Interview time will be made on your behalf.

Three Way Interviews are strictly 10mins and spaces are limited. If you require more time, please contact your teacher directly to make alternative arrangements.

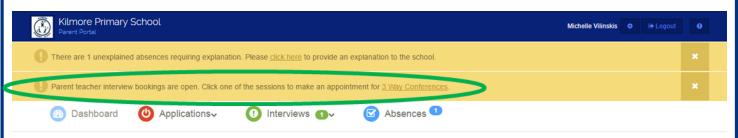
Parents can change their bookings, any time prior to the closing date, by revisiting the <u>Sentral</u> portal. Parents wishing to change their times after the closing date should contact the school directly on 5782 1268.

For instructions on how to book your Three Way Interviews, please see the attached help sheet.

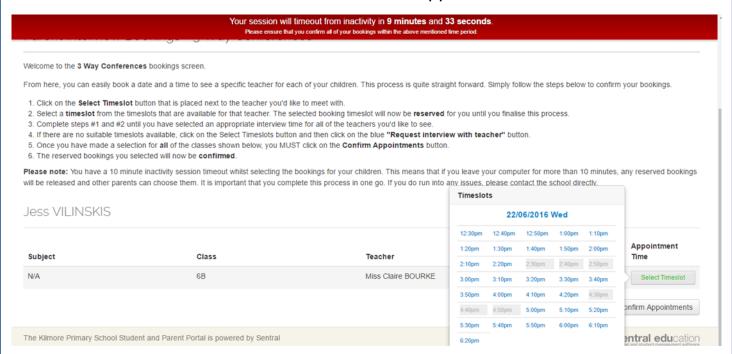
Log into Sentral, via: https://sentral.kilmoreps.vic.edu.au/portal/login



Click on the link to Parent Teacher Interviews:



Scroll down and then click on 'Select Timeslot'. Then select one of the available blue times. Then click 'Confirm Appointments'



You will then see a confirmation of the time you have booked.