Education Week 2014

This year the Department of Education and Communities is celebrating the 60th Anniversary of Education Week. To celebrate this special event this year’s theme is going back to where it all began with the inaugural theme “Lighting the way to a better world.” For Killarney Vale Public School, this theme is close to our hearts as our School Motto “Forward to a Better World” is very similar in content and meaning. Education Week will be held in Week 3 of this school term between the 28th July and the 1st of August.

KVPS will be hosting a special open day on Friday 1st August from 12noon.

9:00am – 11:00am – Normal class operations
11:00am – 12 noon – Lunch as per normal
12noon – 1:30pm – Open classrooms
1:30pm – 2:00pm – Share a picnic afternoon tea with us
2:00pm – 3:00pm – Education Week Assembly (Featuring both our Senior and Junior Central Coast Dance Festival Groups)

During our open classrooms staff will be teaching a specially designed series of 30 minute rotating lessons based around previously short listed books that have been celebrated in Book Week activities. All lessons will be a mixture of English and Creative and Practical Arts. I encourage you to spend this time with us and assist your children in making some wonderful work samples. I wonder if any parents will end up in my weekly spot of ‘Quality Work with Mr Moxon?’ We are looking forward to seeing you all soon.
**Kindergarten Orientation Working Party**

Were you involved in the 2013 Kindergarten Orientation Program? Are you a long term member of the KVPS community? Well this message is for you. I am about to conduct a review of the Kindergarten Orientation Process in preparation for the new Kindergarten Orientation Program for our 2015 Kindergarten cohort and would like to have community feedback to make sure this year’s Orientation program is catering to your needs.

**Date:**
- Tuesday June 29
- Or
- Thursday June 31

**Time:**
- 9am
- 12 noon

**Location:**
- Staffroom
- Staffroom

Or you can email your suggestions to: killarneyv-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

**School Morning Assembly Restructure**

It has been noted that we are almost losing approximately 45 minutes to an hour of teaching time across the week due to the morning school assemblies held under the K-2 Covered Outdoor Learning Area (COLA). The proposal has been passed to the P&C who have agreed that this is something that needs to be put out for community consultation. The proposal is that we have only a full K-6 Morning Assembly on Monday mornings. At this meeting we will be able to give out reminder for weekly events and reinforce our Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) weekly focus. All other messages can be issued to students via our internal messaging systems. For the rest of the week being Tuesday through Friday, students in K-2 would therefore line up under the K-2 COLA and 3-6 would line up outside the office as per normal lunch and recess protocols and move to class as soon as their teacher arrives.

A consultation period of 2 weeks will occur. Please feel free to send in your comments via the Front Office addressed to The Principal or email the School account killarneyv-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au (Attention Morning Assembly Consultation).

I am looking forward to working with you in improving our services at KVPS.

**Quality Work with Mr Moxon**

This week I have been inundated with high quality work samples. Students from Kindergarten to Year 6 have been visiting the office. I also had the privilege of having all of the students from both K-2W and KP visit the office to show me how hard they have been working this term. It is always pleasing to see students visiting the office and this week I would like to acknowledge Hayden of 1/2K who showed me his work on Sharks and Jack and Jeremy from 5/6M for their work samples focusing on forensic science. Keep up the great work.

Have a great week Killarney Vale!

Mr Moxon
Stage 3 News
What a busy start to Term 3 for Stage 3! Our mixed Netball teams enjoyed a Gala Day last week with some of the boys adapting their football passes to the netball court. The Touch Footy Gala Day was another opportunity for Stage 3 students to display their sports skills while keeping fit and developing friendships with students from neighbouring schools. We are very proud of your behaviour and the sportsmanship displayed at these sporting events. The debating team are putting together their final arguments this week as they compete in the last debate for the year. Good luck debaters! Stage 3 are learning about the COGS unit Making Informed Choices in preparation for our end of term excursion to Canberra. If you listen very carefully you might even hear some singing and dancing as we are also practising for our concert performances. Congratulations Stage 3, you are all so talented in so many different ways!!!!

Mrs Reid, Mrs Walpole & Miss Taylor

Touch Footy
Congratulations to the elite Stage 3 athletes who participated in the Touch Footy Gala Day last Friday. In the first round, both the boys and girls teams played a fast paced game against Berkeley Vale. Unfortunately both teams were defeated but our school played with integrity, never gave up and played enthusiastically as a team. Our boys team won their second round against Brooke Ave, improving their ball handling skills and drove the ball forward with quick plays of the ball. The girls’ team had a nail biting second match against Brooke Ave, losing by only one try which was scored in the last few seconds of the game. All students should be proud of the sportsmanship they displayed and improved skills. Thank you to the parents who helped with transportation.

Mrs Michelle Reid
60 Seconds with…

Mrs Walpole

What is the best part about your job?

The best part of my job is working with all the kids. It is really special to watch students learn and strive to improve their personal best. I also really love getting to know the students in my class. It is very hard and sad at the end of the year when my year six students head off to high school.

Do you have any heroes?

My hero is my Dad. My Dad is very positive and always looks on the bright side. No problem is ever too big and he is always there to provide support. My Dad is a really cool guy.

What is your favourite thing to do on the weekend?

My favourite thing would be to go shopping. I love shopping! Buying new things and looking around the shops is very exciting. I also enjoy ‘Movie Night’ with my kids each Saturday night. They take turns picking the movie each week and we eat popcorn and lollies – just like the real movies.

What do you put on your subway?

Oh yes … As you all know I love Subway. I always have a very plain Subway. White bread, ham, cheddar cheese, lettuce and tomato. That is it, I very rarely try anything different!

How many years of study did you do to get to this stage in teaching?

I completed year 12 and then headed off to University. My degree took four years to complete and then I headed to Brooke Avenue Public School to start my teaching career. Now I am at the best school on the Central Coast … Killarney Vale! This is my eighth year here.

If you had to be a Disney princess which one would it be and why?

Disney Princesses are huge in my house… My daughter absolutely loves all of the princesses. If I had to be a Disney Princess it would be Ariel from the Little Mermaid. I would love to be able to swim through the ocean like a dolphin. When I got sick of swimming or it was freezing cold I would choose a rock to sit on and soak up the sun. What a life I would have!

Thank you for spending 60 Seconds with us…

Hello!

My name is Merryn Britton. I am a Caseworker for Horizons Family Services and have just been appointed the new worker for Killarney Village Central (KVC).

KVC will continue to be open to the community on a regular basis, I will be hosting programs that have previously been run at the centre and are hoping to add to the program over the coming months.

Feel free to pop in for a chat to meet me.

Cheers Merryn
CLASS ASSEMBLY AWARDS TERM 3 Week 1

CONTRATULATIONS TO THE STUDENTS BELOW WHO HAVE RECEIVED

ASSEMBLY AWARDS

KD Hunter  STAR quality work all week
KD Trey    STAR quality handwriting in Maths
KL Brock   Fantastic improvement in reading
KL Roshaye Outstanding improvement in reading
K/1G Piper Recognising all the vowels in a sentence
K/1G Zeke  Working well in doubling numbers
1RS Luke   Wonderful use of words in character description
1RS Ashton Blitzing his doubles facts
1S Blake   A settled start to Term 3
1S Mia     Her amazing expression when reading!
1/2K Kyle  Being an enthusiastic performer when practising for our assembly item
1/2K Isabella Being an enthusiastic performer when practising for our assembly item
2BR Frankie Always producing quality work
2BR Jyden  Being an outstanding star student
2/3B Charlotte An entertaining and educational talking topic presentation
2/3B Mason  A sensational start to Term 3
3L Amelia  Expressive moves in movement
3L Aiden   Excellence in kick boxing
4BM Chad   Excellent work in class
4BM Ella   Excellent work in spelling
4G Serena  Super attitude towards learning
4G Kieren  A sensational start to Term 3
5/6E Juna  Consistently striving to improve her personal best
5/6E Tristan  A solid improvement in behaviour and work habits
5/6M Brianna  High standards in all areas
5/6M Sarah-Star Enthusiastically working out long multiplication
5/6R Kai   An interesting speech about satellite communication
5/6R Tabitha Being a kind member of 5/6R
KP Caleb  An outstanding improvement in handwriting.
K/2W Jack A great first week at our school
P&C Meeting - This Thursday 24 July

Join us on Thursday evening for our July P&C meeting and find out what is happening in our school throughout term three. This week, we will be saying a sad farewell to one of our active, dedicated supporters and Mr Moxon apologises that he will not have a “Technology in KVPS” presentation to share with us. I’m sure he will have a fantastic presentation for our next meeting!! The evening gets underway at 7.15pm in the teachers staff room. All welcome.

P&C Executive

Assistant Treasurer: If anyone is interested in assisting our Treasurer with the financial side of our P&C operations, could you please contact a P&C Executive member to discuss or email the P&C for further information.

Year Six Commemorative Uniform

We have one 2014 Year Six Commemorative polo shirt available for sale. We are offering this for the reduced price of $17.00. Please call into the uniform shop or email the P&C if you would like to purchase this shirt.

Entertainment Books


School Banking

Keep saving each Monday to earn some cool rewards. Rewards available in term 3 are:

* Handball, Scented Pencils, Shark or Penguin Keyring, Whale Shark Pencil Case, Moneybox, Swimming Bag

Canteen News

Sticky Beaks Reusable Lunch Bags: Now available from the canteen in a range of cool colours for $9.00 each.

Thompson’s Pies: Look out for our term three order form with next weeks newsletter.

Canteen Roster

Thu 24/7: Michelle       Fri 25/7: Nik, Elysia
Mon 28/7: Tracey, Tammey, Katrina  Tue 29/7: Tanya, Nari  Wed 30/7: Lesley, Kristy W