Dear Parents,

Welcome back to Killara for Term 3. I trust that you and your children all had a great holiday and were able to find a warm spot in the sun and spend time with family and friends. We are looking forward to a busy Term 3 with lots of whole school events to look forward to. On Sunday I received some very exciting news from Mrs Julie Renwick who has given birth to her first child, Jeremy Eric Renwick. Mother and baby are doing well and we are all looking forward to a visit later in the term.

This term we welcome a number of new members of staff to our teaching team here at Killara. Mrs Jane Broomfield has joined us as the 1/2B class teacher and our Relieving Assistant Principal. Mrs Broomfield will be responsible for leading our Kindergarten to Year 2 programs for the remainder of 2013. Mrs Kate Walker will be continuing our fantastic Physical Education program and has a degree in both Human Movement Education and Primary Education and is a wonderful addition to our team. Finally Mrs Jane Croft will be our Teacher Librarian for the remainder of the 2013 school year. Mrs Croft will be in the library Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday each week and a few key changes have been made this term as a result of these changes in library opening days. From this week all students in Years 3-6 will be having their library borrowing day each Tuesday. Please remind your child to return their library books to school each Tuesday. In addition, 1/2B will also be having their library borrowing time on a Tuesday.

Last term a new time on Tuesday afternoon at 2:30pm was trialled for our whole school assemblies. This trial was very successful and it was wonderful to see an increase in parents who were able to attend. Our assembly program for Term 3 is as follows:
- Tuesday 23 July – Semester 2 SRC Leadership Induction Assembly
- Tuesday 13 August – 3/4T Class Assembly
- Tuesday 27 August – Athletics Ribbons Assembly
- Tuesday 3 September – 3B Class Assembly
- Tuesday 17 September – PSSA Winter Sports Assembly

Education Week is from 29 July – 2 August and this year we will be having Open Classrooms on Tuesday 30 July from 9:30am -10:30am. I am also very excited about a Parent Forum ‘Appsolutely Amazing’ which will be held on Wednesday 31 July at 7pm. This year I have invited Dr Kristy Goodwin to come and present our parent forum which will focus on providing parents with practical ideas related to how and what children should be doing with touch devices including iPads and the educational benefits of these new technologies. A flyer with more information regarding this forum is on the reverse of this note.

**Term 3 Calendar and Special Events Coming Up**
- **Tiddalick Drama Incursion K-2:** Monday 22 July & Wednesday 24 July
- **Education Week Open Classrooms:** 30 July
- **Education Week Parent Forum ‘Appsolutely Amazing’:** 31 July
- **Athletics Carnival:** 8 August
- **Book Week:** 19 – 23 August
- **Father’s Day Breakfast:** 30 August
- **Performing Arts Camp:** 10-12 September
- **75th Birthday School Celebration:** 19 September

More information regarding specific grade programs will be sent home in our Grade Newsletters later this week. I look forward to seeing you all at our upcoming events and trust you and your children will have a fabulous term at Killara!

Regards,

Mrs Unity Taylor-Hill