Welcome back!
Welcome back to Killara for what will no doubt be a busy term filled with challenging teaching and learning programs. It has been a delight to chat to the children over the last week to hear about their holiday adventures. I hope you all enjoyed having the children home for the fortnight and that everyone had a chance to rest and get ready for another exciting term at school. The teachers are refreshed and ready to work with you and the children to make this term a happy and productive one. Term 4 is traditionally very busy, with plenty of end of year events. I have listed some key dates on the Term 4 calendar. Our Stage Newsletters, outlining our learning programs for each stage were sent home on Monday this week.

The Time of Our Lives at the Ryde Schools Spectacular!
On Monday evening students from our RSS choir performed at the Sydney Opera House as part of the Ryde Schools Spectacular. Teachers and parents who attended have been raving about the quality of the performances. What an amazing experience for our students to perform at a world class venue at such a young age. Mrs Whiteman and Miss Somerville were extremely proud of the performance of every child, as well as their conduct throughout the evening. Special thanks to Mrs Whiteman who did an outstanding job as artistic director and choir conductor. With over one thousand students on stage for the finale it was certainly a performance that will be treasured by all involved!

Establishing a Friendship School in China
At Killara Public School in 2014, one of our school targets has been a focus on the Australian Curriculum’s Cross-Curriculum Perspective; Asia and Australia’s Engagement in Asia. This focus has involved a series of Teacher Professional Learning modules focusing on this Cross-Curriculum Perspective and embedding an Asian perspective across a range of Key Learning Areas in Term 3 teaching and learning programs. One of our parents at KPS has also been involved in facilitating a relationship between Killara Public School and the Haidian 4th Experimental Primary School in China. On Tuesday 5 November and Wednesday 6 November we will be hosting a group of 22 students and teachers from Haidian 4th Experimental Primary School as they visit Sydney to establish a relationship between our two schools. This is a very exciting initiative and I look forward to welcoming our visitors. Whilst with us at KPS, the students will participate in classroom visits and explore the differences between the two school systems. On Wednesday 6 November the visit will conclude with a performance with items from the students from the Haidian 4th Experimental Primary School and our students. Parents are welcome to participate in these events and more information will be sent home shortly.
Coming or Going?
We are currently in the process of finalising enrolments for the 2015 school year. Enrolment numbers affect staffing and resource allocations to the school and planning for 2015. While next year seems some way off, this planning has already commenced which is why the school needs a clear picture of the number of students we will have enrolled next year. It is important that families let us know if you are not intending to return to Killara PS in 2015. Occasionally families return for the new school year after the official start date, particularly if you have travelled overseas. In order for us to hold a place for your child at the school next year we need confirmation in writing of your return date. This can be done by completing the gold form that was sent home today. It can also be accessed on our school website. This form does not need to be completed for Year 6 students moving on to high school. Please return this form to the front office.

Selective School Applications for 2015
Students in Year 5 have received information about selective school applications for 2016. All applications should be made online through an internet connection. We have a limited number of application packages which will be provided to parents who do not have internet access. Please ask your child for the orange selective schools information note that was sent home on Tuesday and return the expression of interest to the class teacher by 17 October.

Unity Taylor-Hill
Principal
What’s Happening In K/1A?
This term K/1A has been learning about some very interesting topics in our Units of Inquiry. KA is learning about community helpers. We had a visit from a doctor who told us about her job and her responsibilities. Then we dressed up and pretended we were doctors and patients.

1A has been learning about mini beasts. We are researching spiders and learning to write information reports. These are some facts that the 1A students have learned so far:
Jack M: Some spiders have no eyes. These are called cave spiders.
Evie G: Some spiders have eight eyes and some have six.
Hayen L: Female spiders can lay up to 2000 eggs at a time.
Abigail J: Female spiders are usually bigger than male spiders.
Lucy B: Some spiders are poisonous.
Samantha L: Scientists think that spider silk is stronger than steel.
Richard R: The tiniest spider can fit on the end of pencil.
Nathan Z: The tiniest spider is called a patu marplesi.
Sophie L: The spider you usually see on television is called the tarantula.
Jaeda P: The largest spider is called a bird-eating spider.
Cameron W: Spiders have been to space in a rocket.
Oliver M: Scientists know that spiders can build perfect webs with no gravity.
Jesselyn T: Spiders are not insects because they have eight legs.
Ema K: The largest spider is as big as a dinner plate.

Gillian Appave (Classroom Teacher)
ICAS English and Mathematics
Congratulations to the following students who participated in the ICAS English and Mathematics competitions in July and August:

**ICAS ENGLISH**

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**ICAS MATHEMATICS**

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Helene Brunker
ICAS coordinator
School Photos
Our school photos will be held on Monday 20th and Tuesday 21st October. All students are to wear their full summer uniform on Monday and on Tuesday every child must wear their sports uniform.

Please return your child's photograph envelope to their class on Monday if you haven't already done so.

Helen MacDonald
School Photo Coordinator

KPS DRAMA CLUB PRESENTS
‘A NIGHT IN’
Wednesday, 5th November 7.30 pm in the school hall
All welcome.
Gold coin donation.
Students will be watching the performance on Tuesday, 4th November, at 2.15 pm

Come and watch TV with Niamh and her babysitter Izzy. It’s a good night to stay in!
You can watch The Wiggles, a great tele-drama called ‘Goldfields Days of Our Lives’, the News, the finals of ‘Australia’s Got Talent’ and some very interesting commercial breaks.
Welcome back!
Welcome back to band for Term 4. I hope all our students are feeling rested and refreshed, ready for another great term of music making. Band rehearsals and tutorials are well under way so please make sure you get to your rehearsal and tutorial on time and come prepared with instrument, music, practise diary and a pencil.

What to practise!

Senior Band

Senior Band this term are going to be looking at Evening at the Symphony.

Junior Band

Junior Band this term are going to continue to work on Beethoven’s Ninth and Power Rock, as well as The Frog’s Song and Shoo Fly from your red book.

Practise tip!

Make practice a part of your daily routine. If you like practicing in the morning, get up at least an hour early so that you won’t be late for school. If you’re an evening person, do your practice before going to bed or before you become sleepy. If you skip a practice day, don’t worry, but do try to make up for the missed practice session by extending your practice time for at least 5 minutes for your next session.

Section of the week

This week it goes to the………

Flute section!!!

Great work boys and girls.
Keep practising!!

Richard Sandham
KPS Program Manager
TUNING IN TO KIDS

EMOTIONALLY INTELLIGENT PARENTING

A FIVE SESSION PARENTING PROGRAM FOR
PARENTS OF PRE-SCHOOL – PRIMARY-SCHOOL AGED CHILDREN

Would you like to learn how to:

• be better at talking with your child?
• be better at understanding your child?
• help your child learn to manage their emotions?
• help to prevent behaviour problems in your child?
• teach your child to deal with conflict?

Tuning in to Kids shows you how to help your child develop emotional intelligence.

VENUE: Chatswood Community Health Centre
57 Hercules St, Chatswood
DATES: Tuesday 28th October – Tuesday 25th November (5 wks)
TIME: 7.00pm – 9.30pm
COST: $165pp ($140 concession)

PLEASE PHONE 9887 5830 TO BOOK YOUR PLACE IN THIS COURSE

The 5 session course will be facilitated by a qualified Parent Educator from Child and Adolescent Parenting, Northern Sydney Local Health District.
Certificate Of Merit
The following students have received their Certificate Of Merit for achieving 5 Merit Awards at Assembly: Shannelle L, Frances E, Lucinda E, Katie S.

Merit Awards
Term 4 Week 2
| KM/C  | Macy B, Hiroki K |
| KH    | Mitchell Mc, Leo C |
| K/1A  | Ema K, Rohan B |
| 1D    | Nicole V, Harrison Z |
| 1W    | Sophia R-H, Harrison Z |
| 2B    | Gordon L, Sophie L |
| 2T    | Enya C, Rhys V |
| 2/3M  | Joshua C, Darcy P |
| 3B    | No Recipients?? |
| 4B    | Nathanial R, Madison W |
| 4C    | Georgia M, Alexander M |
| 5H    | Theodore J, Kai J |
| 5/6W  | No recipients |
| 6M    | No recipients |
| Music | No recipients |
| Library | Deen A, Ailin I |
| Sport | Campbell Y, Adam O |

Up And Coming Events

17 Oct - SSO Year 2
20 Oct - School Photos
21 Oct - School Photos
21 Oct – 2B Assembly
22 Oct – Kindy 2015 Info Night
25 Oct - Trivia Night
28 Oct – K/1A Assembly
29 Oct – P & C Meeting
29 Oct – AHO Incursion (Stage 2)
29 Oct – Drama Workshop Day
30 Oct – Kindy Orientation
3 Nov - Year 6 Interrelate
3 Nov - Elizabeth Farm (Stage 2)
4 Nov - Drama Assembly
4 Nov - String Day at KHS
5 Nov - Visit from Haidian School China
5 Nov - School Council
6 Nov - Visit from Haidian School China
6 Nov - Kindy Orientation
6 Nov - YMA Auditions
7 Nov – SRC Disco
8 Nov – FLL Comp at Macquarie Uni
10 Nov – Year 6 Interrelate
11 Nov – Remembrance Day Assembly
12 Nov – Zoo Excursion (Stage 3)
13 Nov – Kindy Orientation
13 Nov – YMA Finals
14 Nov – KSP Visual Arts Day
17 Nov – Year 6 Interrelate
24 Nov – Year 6 Interrelate
24 Nov - Field Of Mars Incursion (Stage 1)
25 Nov - Band Assembly
26 Nov – P & C Meeting
27 Nov – Choir Workshop Day
2 Dec - 2015 Leadership Team Elections
2 Dec - Year 6 Gala Day
4 Dec - Mini Fete
4 Dec - End Of Year Band Concert
5 Dec - K-2 Graduation
5 Dec - Summer Sports Assembly
9 Dec – Presentation Evening Rehearsal
9 Dec - Presentation Evening
11 Dec – Combined Scripture Xmas service
11 Dec – Thank You Morning Tea
12 Dec - Year 6 Farewell
16 Dec – Final 2014 Assembly
17 Dec – Year 6 Walkout (2:30pm)
17 Dec - Last Day Of Year 2015
28 Jan - First Day Of School (Yrs 1 to 6)
2 Jan - Kindergarten First Day Of School