

KEILOR PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL

CARING and SHARING

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DATES TO REMEMBER:

Friday May 25	Interschool sport
Wednesday 6 June	Playground equipment installation date Disco run by Parents Club at lunchtime
Monday 11 June	Queen's Birthday public holiday
Tuesday 12 June	Excursion to Science Works (P/1 & 2/3/4)
Friday 15 June	Last day of Interschool sport
Wednesday 20 June	Annual Meeting of school community: 7 p.m.
Friday 22 June	Curriculum Day
Tuesday 26 June	Reports distributed
Wednesday 27 June	Parent / Teacher interviews
Friday 29 June	Last day of term 2 – early dismissal, 2:30
Monday 16 July	First day of term 3

Dear Parents and Friends

This newsletter is coming out a few days early because I wanted you to know that an incident occurred in Keilor Park yesterday between 4:30 and 5:00.

A female teenager was approached about half a kilometre away from the school by an unknown male driving a white van. The unknown male is described as:

- aged between 40-50
- solid build
- thinning hair
- wearing dark glasses

It has been reported to the Department of Education and all schools in the Western Region have been notified. Please be on the alert for any stranger loitering or acting inappropriately in the neighbourhood.

Our staff have discussed Stranger Danger with the students today as they often do. If you see a stranger acting inappropriately the matter should be reported to Police (000). I appreciated one of our parents reporting this incident to me. This is a reminder that schools and parents must be continually vigilant to ensure the safety of our children.

SHOP FOR YOUR SCHOOL

Since 2001, Shop For Your School has provided over \$10 million in educational technology to more than 1,500 primary schools. Keilor Park PS has probably gained more than any other school, having won our section almost every year. Now it's time for our school to benefit again! We would like to win much-needed equipment and are asking you to keep your receipts every time you shop at Westfield.

This year, Shop For Your School is on for 11 weeks from 22 May - 5 August. You can earn one point for our school for every dollar spent once you are a registered shopper (subject to Terms & Conditions). There's a great prize pool including valuable educational technology and fantastic school makeovers by the Better Homes & Gardens team, in conjunction with Channel 7.

How to lodge your receipts:

- By post, using the official reply-paid receipt envelopes
- Drop in the receipt barrels in Westfield Centres or at the Concierge Desk
- Give your receipts to your child to bring into the school office to add to our receipts.

Both throughout and at the end of the program, we can hopefully share in some of these great prizes. Please ask your friends and relatives – in fact anyone you know – to collect receipts for us! The children are really excited about the challenge and we know we can win if we all help out.

Parents can help us earn even more points by completing the Help At Home points card you'll find in the Westfield newsletter dated 21 May. It's a great way to get the kids to help around the house, while helping their school.

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SCHOOL COMMUNITY – WEDNESDAY 20 JUNE

- ✪ What's happening at the school? ✪
- ✪ How are our students achieving? ✪
- ✪ What would you like to see happening? ✪
- ✪ Does the school have a future? If so what is it? ✪

All these questions and more will be answered in the staffroom, 7:30 – 9:00, on Wednesday, June 20th. Please keep the evening free to **have a say in your school's future!**

CURRICULUM DAY – Friday, 22 June

The next Curriculum Day will be held on Friday, 22 June. There will be no school for children on this day. . The staff will be training in web page development to enrich the information technology aspect of all educational programs at Keilor Park PS. The After and Before School Programs will not be operating on the curriculum day.

CLUBS PROGRAM

The Clubs Program began very successfully yesterday. We can still use more parents to help out with extra assistance in one of the established groups. Please see me or your child's teacher if you are able to help.

DISCO WEDNESDAY 6 JUNE

The Parents Club will be running a disco at lunchtime in the GP room on Wednesday, 6 June. The cost will be \$2, which includes a novelty gift. The younger children will have their disco in the first half of lunchtime and the older children in the second half.

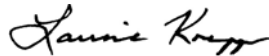
FOOTY TICKETS: MELBOURNE .v. KANGAROOS THIS SUNDAY, MAY 27

We have received tickets for the Melbourne .v. Kangaroos this Sunday, with the following letter:

"Please find enclosed Public Reserve tickets for the game between Melbourne and the Kangaroos at the MCG on Sunday May 27th, commencing at 2:10 p.m. These tickets can be used by adults and children, although I do remind you that for children under 15 the cost of entry is only \$2.20. These passes do not guarantee admission – entry is subject to ground capacity."

See me or Paul Lipari if you would like tickets.

Yours in Education



Laurie Krepp

A child is like a piece of paper on which every person leaves a mark.

Chinese proverb

CARING AND SHARING PROGRAM

Term 2 focus: CO-OPERATION

Next Week: RESPECTING THE OPINIONS OF OTHERS

"An opinion is never right or wrong"

"There is always another way of seeing things."

June 4 - 8: SHARING

Children will investigate the value of sharing all equipment and materials in the classroom and in the playground.

THANK YOU to Julie Leitch who is a distributor for Pure Earth products. Julie generously donated Pure Earth products as a prize in the Mother's Day Raffle.

If you'd like more information about these products, see Tammie Szadurski

ANNUAL REPORTING MEETING

Wednesday June 20 7:30 – 9:00 Staffroom

Supper and childcare supplied (if you let us know)

**COME ALONG TO HEAR WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE
SCHOOL AND TELL US WHAT YOU'D LIKE TO SEE**

Parenting Working Together

Do you feel challenged by your role as a parent?

Many families find it challenging to decide on what is appropriate behaviour, how best to promote good behaviour and how to manage difficult child behaviour. This can be especially difficult when parents have differing ideas about what to expect of children or are feeling unsupported in their relationships.

If you are the parent of a 2-14 year old, are currently in a married or de facto relationship and share the responsibility of parenting with you partner, the Parenting and Family Support Centre at the University of Queensland would love to hear from you. This research project currently underway at the Parenting and Family Support Centre is designed to increase our knowledge about the difficulties in deciding on family rules and behaviours. Participation involves completing a series of questionnaires that takes approximately 30 minutes to complete. If you would like to participate, the questionnaires are available at <http://exp.psy.uq.edu.au/workingtogether>

More information about the project is available from:

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EDUCATIONAL SOFTWARE

Our school is participating in the all new "Gear Up for Success 2007" Community Software Plan (CSP) from EdAlive. Each BRAINtastic! Title is a complete learning system that expands as other BRAINtastic! Titles are added. The current BRAINtastic! Subject area being released is Word Skills. Through the CSP parents have access to award-winning educational software for only \$10 per title.

Accompanying this newsletter is an information leaflet profiling the award-winning EdAlive range. Please consider investing one or more of these products. The home computer is a powerful educational tool and with these EdAlive titles your children can learn while they play. EdAlive titles are directly correlated with the curriculum. Our school will receive \$10 in EdAlive Discount Vouchers for every \$10 title ordered. Please return orders to the school by Monday 28th May.

Demo versions of the EdAlive products can be downloaded from www.edalive.com