Our Vision: Students will be confident thinkers and problem solvers. They will take responsibility for their own learning and will be ready to accept the challenge of secondary school education and beyond.

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Term Dates 2015

Term 3: 13 July to 18 September
PUPIL FREE DAY FRIDAY 14TH AUGUST

Term 4: 5 October to 18 December
PUPIL FREE DAY MONDAY 2ND NOVEMBER

INDIGENOUS GARDENS TREE PLANTING

Thank you to the children, parents and staff who helped with tree planting on Sunday and Monday. The garden beds are looking great! Please come this Saturday 20 June 10.00am – 3.00pm to finish things off (come for all or part of the day)

- plant 150 smaller plants around the oval – holes have been pre-drilled
- tie stakes around the trees on oval
- watering (depending on recent rainfall)

**Sunday 21 June has been CANCELLED** as everything should be completed on Saturday, if you come and help.

Dear Parents,

It’s a Girl!

Congratulations to Kyla Casey on the arrival of Milla Eve Casey. Milla was born on Sunday night. Both mother and daughter are well. We wish her older sister Rose, Kyla and her husband Richard all the very best.

Farewell Diane

Diane Collins will be retiring at the end of this term after spending the past years working at Niddrie Primary School. Diane has worked as both a classroom teacher and in Curriculum support. This year has seen her working with grade 5/6 students supporting and extending skills in Mathematics and English.

Diane is a wonderful member of our staff and a very capable and passionate teacher. We have all enjoyed working with her but know that she will now have much more time to spend with her grandchildren and out on the golf course!

End of Term Early Dismissal

A reminder to parents that next Friday is the last day of term. Children will be dismissed at the earlier time of 2:30pm. After school care will operate from 2:30pm should you be unable to collect your child at this time.

Call the YMCA on 0425788434 for further information or to make a booking.
Juniorkirri

Our grade 3/4 students will be performing their Juniorkirri items tonight at 7:30pm in the secondary school hall. I know they have spent a great deal of time rehearsing with Leanne for this opportunity to perform in front of family and friends. I hope all of our students enjoy the evening.

Mid Year Reports

It’s that time of the year again - I’m sure all the students are eagerly waiting for the day that they will be bringing their reports home. The report you receive is the end product of considerable effort by many people. As a reflection of your child’s progress it is a snapshot of two terms effort. Generally the students have worked very hard. It also reflects your support of your child, and again, this is generally very significant and not always stress free! For the teachers’ part, midyear reports are a tiny summary of the large volume of assessment data they compile each week for every child.

Mid-year student reports will provide the following:

- Clear information on what each student has achieved - this section of the report will focus on the student’s progress, on the basis of assessment evidence gathered by their teacher over the previous semester (January-June).
- Suggestions for areas of improvement that the student should work on next - this section of the report will focus on future learning to be addressed in the next reporting period (July-December).
- Suggestions on how parents can help the student to improve - this section of the report will suggest specific ways in which parents can support the student, taking account of the areas for improvement or future learning.

School Council

On Monday evening our School Council meeting for the month of June was held. As usual a range of correspondence, reports, budgets and issues were discussed which included:

- current enrolment of 280 children
- Preparation for Parent Teacher Interviews next week
- Plans to use fundraising money for blinds for the 5/6 classrooms, new football and soccer jumpers and bibs for netball, equipment for the passive play areas and furniture and dividers to create a learning space at the end of the school hall
- School Wide Positive Behaviour Support
- New school information books

Should you wish to know more about business discussed at School Council, please see Greg or a parent member. Our current parent members are Al Da Silva, Mike Lloyd, Peter Noakes, Peter Weissbacher, Cory Prout, Jess Spring-Brown, Dawn Ziros and Rachel Armstrong.

The next meeting of School Council will be held on Monday 17th August at 7:30pm.

Parent Teacher Interviews

This term’s Parent Teacher Interviews will be held next Wednesday from 3:40pm until 8pm. Grade 5/6S interviews however, will take place early in term 3 as Stefanie Ghiocas will be away on leave. Parents will be notified of interview times by classroom teachers.

Camps, Sports & Excursions Fund

The Camps, Sports & Excursions Fund (CSEF) is provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities. If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent you may be eligible for CSEF. The allowance will be paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child. The annual CSEF amount per student is $125 for primary students.

Application forms are available at the office or you can download a form from www.education.vic.gov.au/csef. Applications must be lodged at the school by 26th June 2015.

2016 Enrolments

If you have a child who will begin as prep next year, now is the time to enrol him/her. Please contact the office or call in for an enrolment form.

Kind Regards,
Greg

PUPIL OF THE WEEK

Week Ending 12th June

GRADE PREP D

Christy S.: for working really well in Read, Write Inc and for using great Fred Talk.

GRADE PREP N

Lucia T.: for carefully listening to the sounds in her words when writing.

GRADE 1/2B

Max B.: for his dedicated approach to all his school work this week. Keep up the good work.

GRADE 1/2T

Lucy D.: for working very hard on her reading and writing. Well done!

GRADE 1/2S

Cody K.: for sharing his wonderful gold medals with his class. Well done.

GRADE 3/4K

Bella J.: for her leadership qualities and her high standards of work. Well done Bella.

GRADE 3/4Kate

Emily T.: for being such a quiet and independent worker.

GRADE 3/4C

Aiden G.: for always being a sensational worker and excellent role model for others in the class.

GRADE 5/6S

Riley T.: for being an encouraging and supportive member of our class.

GRADE 5/6EK

Emily B.: for working well in maths and taking responsibility for all of her learning.

GRADE 5/6C

Kritika B.: for always being a smiling, enthusiastic member of our class.

THE ARTS

Hasna S.: for beautiful printing! Well done.

SCIENCE

Layla G.: for her lovely drawing of her ant’s habitat.

PHYS ED

Mary B.: for always being such a great helper, with a super positive attitude! Well done!

PRINCIPAL

Morteza N.: for such a fantastic attitude towards his schooling.

TEACHER

Diane Collins.: for the fantastic work she does with the Grade 5/6 students.

3/4 CAMP

A reminder to 3/4 parents that the next instalment of $75 for camp is due by the beginning of next term. Full payment of $310 (minus the $50 deposit that has already been paid) is required by the 14th September.
THE PILLOWCASE PROJECT

The Pillowcase Project is part of a school based disaster preparedness education program designed to build children’s knowledge and capacity in disaster preparedness. Sponsored by Disney, the program is part of an international pilot currently taking place in five other countries.

From experience, Australian Red Cross knows that teaching children how to prepare for emergencies can help keep their families and communities safe. This project is part of a broader commitment by Red Cross’ Emergency Services to educate the community on disaster preparedness.

In addition to the 80 minute presentation, run free of charge, students will receive the following Red Cross preparedness resources:

- Emergency Card
- Emergency REDiPlan activity book
- A Household REDiPlan for parents/guardians
- A pillowcase to create their own personal emergency kit

To learn more about disaster preparedness and Red Cross work in Emergency Services, visit http://www.redcross.org.au/emergency-services.aspx.

SPORTS REPORTS

Hi, my name is Kathryn and I was the captain of the Netball B team. We played against St. Vincent’s on the 12th of June. Some of the things that we can work on are calling for the ball and keeping the ball away from our opponents. The score was 1 to 27 their way. Some of the good players were: Sophia for shooting the goal; Vicky and Sara’s good intercepts; and everyone else for doing their best.

I would like to thank Nicole for coaching and Cathleen for umpiring.

Hello, you possibly don’t know me because I am new at this school, if you know me that’s great, my name is Aryan and last Friday I was the captain of the Niddrie Tee-Ball team. We played against St Vincent’s, as usual we lost but no one cared because we had such a great time playing. The scores were, Niddrie 19 runs and St Vincent’s 35 runs. Some of the highlights were Enis and Nicholas for gently stopping the rolling ball, Liam for his first catch and making lots of dead balls, and especially Dex for his first home run and rest of the team for trying their best while playing.

Hello, my name is Jacqueline and I was the captain of the soccer team. We were a little late but we had a fun game. The scores were 0 to 5 their way, so that is a close one. We had a little free play with two balls and had a chat at the same time. Everyone in the Niddrie team was awesome. Here are the highlights: Isaac for great defending; Tommy for always getting the ball; Larissa for good midfielding; and Jacob for the best attacking. After we finished, two dogs came to us and started to run around us like they were congratulating us. They are so cute to do that.

What we need to improve on is not to argue like the defenders did, try to listen to one another and think about where the ball is going next because they are confusing us by sending the ball one way and the next.

Thank you
Join the CrossFit Calder Community for exercise and coffee, Tuesday and Thursday mornings 9.15am to 10.00am

Be a role model for your family with healthy lifestyle choices.
Mention your school and get your first session free!
Bookings essential—
Call Nicole on 0488 005 767 to book for your first session on 28th April 2015
Or email CrossFit Calder on info@crossfitcalder.com.au
Our address is CrossFit Calder Unit 3/43 Slater Parade, Keilor East

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Instrumental Music / Keyboard Lessons
Next term all preps are invited to join keyboard lessons with our keyboard teacher Elaine Potter. Keyboard lessons take place on Tuesday or Wednesday mornings during regular class time and go for 40 minutes. Lessons are $100 for the term and payment is due during the first week of term 3.
Please fill in the form below and return to D’Arne or Nicole as soon as possible.
Thank you,
Chris and Elaine

Prep Keyboard Term 3 2015
Name:____________________________

 Grade:____________________________________
I understand that payment of $100 is payable to the office before lessons commence.
Signed: _________________________________

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