Dear Parents, Staff and Students,

We trust that all our students and families enjoyed the extra long weekend.

Last Friday staff were involved in a productive, though provoking day during which they worked towards common understanding of levels of Inquiry Learning across the school. Mrs Zakryszka led our P-2 staff through the theory and practice of Investigations while Mrs Stapleton led the 3/4 team though the planning and implementation of effective Inquiry. The Year 5/6 team, led by Elissa Campbell planned for the introduction of Challenge Based Learning.

Nyssa Johnson, our DEECD Speech Pathologist trained our team of Integration Aides about how we can support students during our Oral Language sessions by utilizing a Sentence Structuring program.

We thank all staff for their contributions to a wonderful day. At the beginning of Term 3 students across the school will be involved in learning about ‘The Story of Sunbury’.

HOURS OF SUPERVISION IN GROUNDS Please remember students should arrive at school from 8:40am and leave grounds after school by 3:30pm. Grounds are supervised from 8:40 – 8:55am and from 3:15 – 3:30pm. If you need to access the school earlier in the morning and/or later in the afternoon than these times we do have an excellent Out of School Hours Care facility which is managed by the City of Hume. The program coordinator Alev, can be contacted on 9744 6524. We are currently working with Hume to increase the number of students able to access the program on a permanent and casual basis. Please speak to Glenn or Diane if you are having difficulty accessing Out of School Hours Care.

Road Safety
With the wet weather settled in we would like to remind families of the 40 kph speed limit along McEwen Drive. This speed limit has been set for the safety of all of our students and our crossing supervisors.

We ask all families to be considerate of our neighbours during this time by following all road rules and only parking in designated areas.

Results of our recent traffic surveys have been collated and will be shared shortly. Thank you to all who participated.

2014 Enrolments
Our 2014 enrolment has commenced. This information allows us to commence planning for the coming year. As the number of student enrolments determines staffing and classroom numbers, it is vital that we establish student numbers for 2014 as early as possible. When enrolling a child, please bring proof of age (e.g. Birth Certificate or Passport) and a School Immunization Certificate.

Information regarding immunization certificates can be found at: [http://www.medicareaustralia.gov.au/](http://www.medicareaustralia.gov.au/)

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Dates to Remember

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Student Reports & The Introduction of AusVELS

June 2013

AusVELS is the Foundation (Prep) to Year 10 curriculum, introduced in 2013, that provides a single, coherent and comprehensive set of prescribed content and common achievement standards for all Victorian Schools. Standards and expectations in relation to AusVEL have been introduced to our Teaching and Learning programs through team planning, assessment moderation and professional learning. AusVELS incorporates the Australian Curriculum, Foundation to Year 10, for English, Mathematics, History and Science, while retaining Victorian priorities and approaches to teaching and learning.

Our mid-year reports which you will receive on Friday 21st June as part of your child’s Learning Portfolio are based on the new AusVELS standards, resulting in a few minor alterations to the report document. Changes include:

The assessment of students according to **year level expectations**, rather than the 2-year range previously used. Therefore:

- a student in Prep will be working towards achieving “Foundation” by the end of their first year at school
- a Year 1 student will be working towards achieving “Level 1”
- a Year 2 student, “Level 2”
- a Year 3 student, “Level 3” etc.

Alterations to assessment criteria for English and Mathematics; for example, “Reading” will be expanded to “Reading and Viewing” and “Number” to “Number and Algebra”.

As the new Australian Curriculum subjects of English, Mathematics, History and Science have been introduced this year, your child’s mid-year report includes only an achievement grade at the end the first semester - there is no hollow dot to indicate their level of achievement 12 months ago in these areas.

Mid-year student reports continue to 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 a semester

**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 following reporting period

**Information on how the school will help the student to improve** - this section of the report will make recommendations for actions to be taken by the school to help the student’s future learning

**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.

Further information on AusVELS, and DEECD assessment and reporting requirements, can be found at [www.ausvels.vcaa.vic.edu.au](http://www.ausvels.vcaa.vic.edu.au).
Maths Challenge 10

SUE AND LOU HAVE 120 MARBLES BETWEEN THEM. IF LOU HAS ONE AND A HALF TIMES AS MANY AS SUE, HOW MANY EACH HAVE SUE AND LOU.

The answer to Challenge 9 is

The next four numbers in the Fibonacci number sequence is... 377, 610, 987, 1597

MESSAGE FROM THE PTA

We’ve changed the date for the next PTA meeting, it will now be held Friday 14th June at 9:00am

SECOND HAND UNIFORM SHOP

The shop will be open on Friday 14th June at 8:45am

Disco Reminder: RSVP Monday 17th June.

Garden Club News.

We hope that parents have had an opportunity to have a look at the students’ Garden of Goodness. Lots of good things have been planted this term and are growing beautifully. Our Garden Club members - Maddie, Elizabeth, Taia and Nikki - in addition to sowing vegetable seeds in the Garden Club bed - have also been complementing the work of each grade by spending their lunchtimes watering and weeding. Lots of dedicated, good work there!

Thank you, Preps of 2012.

There were two other very good additions to the garden last week. With the money raised by the 2012 Prep classes last year, we have been able to purchase - at a special price – two tumbler compost bins, a worm farm and buckets for collecting compost. Thanks to Sunbury Bunnings for offering us the special price and throwing in the 1000 worms and accessories to get our worm farm going. Last Thursday, Sunbury Bunnings also provided free garden workshops and plants to each of the Grade 1/2s. The 1/2s learnt many good things about worm farms, composting and planting good, healthy vegies. Compost collection has already begun in the grade 1/2s. Thank you, Marie and Tony from Bunnings!

Kismet families, please support Sunbury Bunnings because they support Kismet Park Primary School!

Garden Loving Parent Helpers.

There’s so much good work happening in the garden that we now send out a call to help us keep it going. The Garden Club is in need of more adult help to learn more about working in the garden and caring for plants. We would gratefully appreciate the assistance of some garden loving parents to garden with the Garden Club during lunchtimes. If you could help, please leave your name and contact number at the office or with your child’s teacher. A teacher from the Garden and Sustainability Committee will be in touch with you shortly.

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Congratulations to the following students who were awarded ribbons for Pupil of the Week for GETTING ALONG.

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IMPORTANT MESSAGE FOR BEFORE & AFTER CARE

HUME CITY COUNCIL NEXT TRAINING DAY WILL BE HELD MONDAY 17TH JUNE

THIS TRAINING PROVIDES AN IMPORTANT OPPORTUNITY FOR ALL STAFF TO EXTEND THEIR KNOWLEDGE AND THEIR SKILLS.

IN ORDER FOR ALL STAFF TO ATTEND OUR SERVICES WILL BE CLOSED ON THIS DATE AND WILL RESUME AS NORMAL TUESDAY 18TH JUNE.

ANY CONCERNS PLEASE CONTACT FAMILY AND CHILDREN SERVICES 9205 2564.

Sunbury Youth Choir

We are currently seeking children interested in joining the Youth Choir to recommence after the term 2 break in mid July. The Choir is open to children aged between 8 - 13 under the direction of one of Australia’s best Choral Directors and voice coaches - Mr Adam Przewlocki. It is important to develop good habits early and Adam will instruct members in correct vocal techniques to protect and develop their voices.

Come see us perform on Monday 17th June at 4:30 at Sunbury Square.

For more information please contact 0431 323 734 or email, sunburychoral@gmail.com
I really like our stick insects because they tickle when they are on you. I like the Spiny leaf insect the best. Two of them have shed their exoskeleton.

Stick Insects
The stick insects are so tiny they crawl up on your arm and onto your face and tickle when they are standing on your hand.

Leaf Insects
The leaf insects wobble as if they are in an earthquake on your hand. They are so tiny. They are cool.

Olivia brought three spiny leaf insect eggs to school; we are trying to hatch the eggs.

This is 4W’s insects. We have two spiny leaf insects and two crowned stick insects. They really tickle when they are on you!
We have stick insects; there are four of them but only two types. One type is the spiny leaf insect and the other is a crowned insect. On the 4/6/13 we got to hold them for the very first time. Two of them have shed their exoskeleton. We have three eggs that we are hoping will hatch soon. Everyday we have to wet the leaves around the insects so they don’t dry out. We love our ticklish insects!

They can camouflage really well.

There are different types of stick insects, they are all fragile. Stick insects are interesting creatures.

Every week two students get new leaves for the insects and we keep the leaves wet. When we got to touch them it was cool, they tickle when they go on your face. They are sneaky as they play dead and sometimes jump. They love to climb and are active. 4W has lots of fun playing with them.

Practising Keyboarding skills!