

KEITHCOT FARM PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Welcome to the 2020 school year! A very warm welcome to all the new families who are joining the Keithcot Farm community for the first time. It has been great to see that all children, Foundation to Year 7, have settled in well and have already established some good relationships with staff and other students.

On Tuesday night we had Acquaintance Night. It was great to see the number of parents who came to meet the teachers and find out about the class expectations and procedures.

Thank you also to the parents who attended our Annual General Meeting where the 2019 Annual Report was presented and some directions for 2020 were shared. Thank you to the Governing Council members, both new and old, who attended the meeting. We always appreciate the extra time you give to support our school.

Many thanks to the parents who came to show their support for their student's learning and our school.

We always appreciate your feedback as our students can only be truly successful if we all work as a team.

Staffing News

Welcome back from maternity leave to Georgia Clayton who is teaching Year 6/7's in P3C Monday to Wednesday.

Welcome to our new contract member of staff; Catherine Cunningham in H1A teaching Year 2/3's on Wednesday and Thursday. Welcome back to Alyssa Reid who has a Year 4/5 class in P1C, Ali Warnock in P1D teaching Year 4/5's on Friday, Alex Brook teaching Year 6/7's in P3B on Wednesday and P3C on Thursday and Friday and Stephanie Antich in H1B teaching Foundation students Monday to Wednesday and Karuna Paul in H3A teaching Foundation/Year 1 Monday-Friday.

We have also welcomed 3 new School Support Officers; Suzette Versace-Canova, Rose Charleston and Chelsea Cunningham.

We are looking forward to another productive year in 2020.

Carol Farnworth

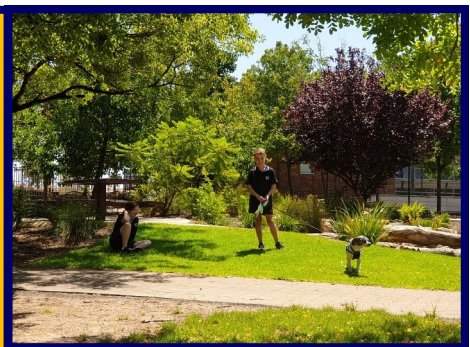
RESILIENCE EFFORT SAFETY PERSISTENCE EMPATHY CREATIVITY TEAMWORK

WELCOME TO KFPS 2020

On Monday the 28th of January we welcomed back all KFPS families including our new foundation students for 2020. Some of our senior student leaders gave them a warm welcome as they walked through the school gate for the first time and kick started a positive and happy first day for 2020. We have had a lot of feedback from parents, students and staff that the first couple of weeks have been a wonderful start to the new school year. Thank you to our student leaders for creating a kind and caring welcome party for our community.



Toby Dunlop, our wellbeing dog sent our community a postcard in the holidays. He had a wonderful time at the beach and up the river. Toby is back on duty for 2020, he has had a fresh haircut to start the new year and is glad to be back with all of his friends.

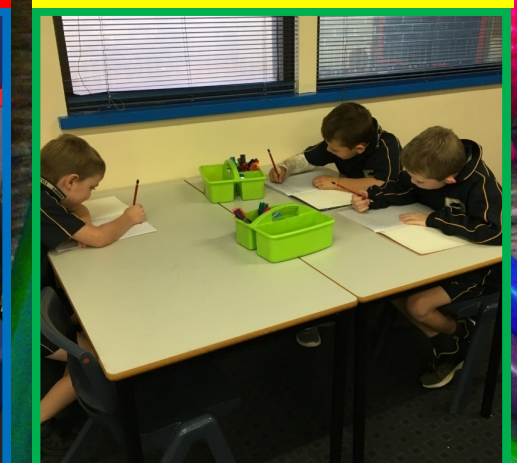
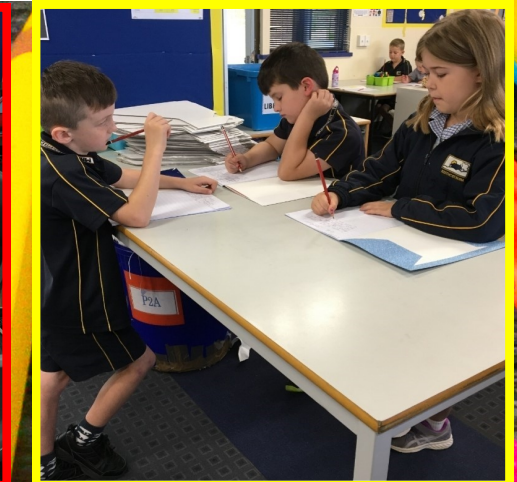


Toby with two of our Paw Patrol students Amity and Aidan

POD 2 AB

Flexible Learning Spaces

Pod2AB have been busy trying out all of the different types of learning spaces in our classroom. We can learn at traditional desks, small tables with stools, the round tables, standing tables, use donut cushions and lap desks in our classroom.



H1A

Are striving for
SUCCESS in 2020

See your goal...

Understand the obstacles...

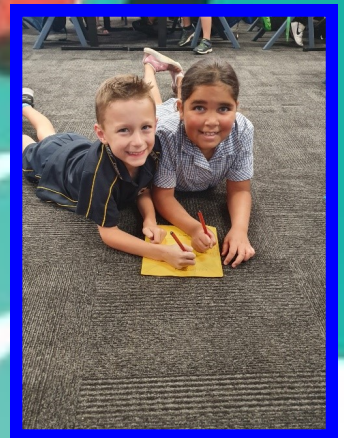
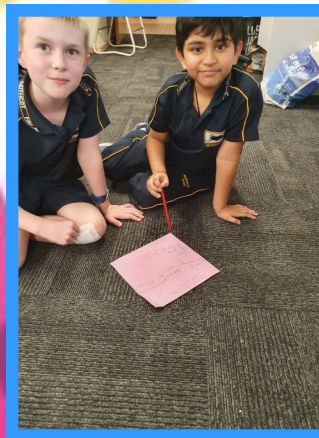
Create a positive mental picture...

Clear your mind of self doubt...

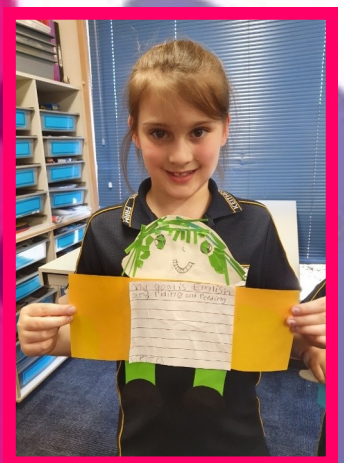
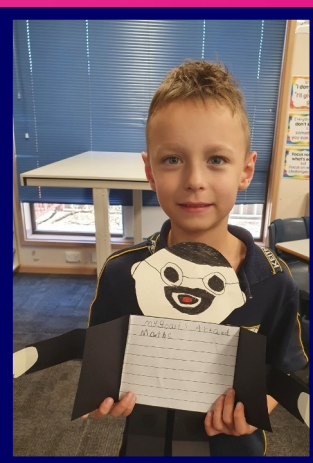
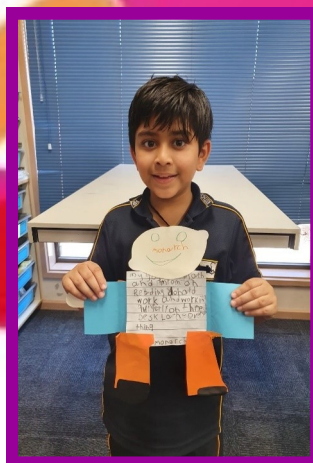
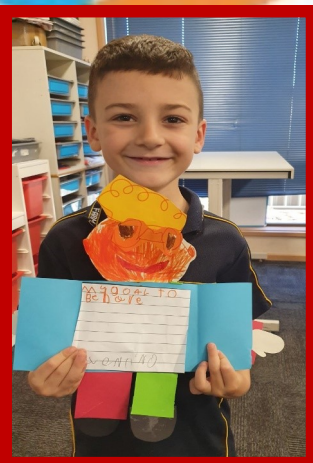
Embrace the challenge...

Stay on track...

Show the world you can do it...



During week 1 of this term House 1A worked on creating our class rules. We discussed the rules in groups and decided on which ones are most important to us.



We have all been working on setting ourselves a personal learning goal for 2020. We displayed our goals in our classroom to help us remember the things we want to work on.

P1A 'Diving into their Learning'



In P1A we have been discussing our Bulletin Board which is about **"Be Amazing"**. We have discussed the values the words represent and then the students chose to illustrate a word and write a sentence about it. We have also been discussing **"Growth Mind Set"** and students painted a poster using a message from the program. Our theme for term 1 is **"Dive into our Learning"** and our class has created a wonderful window display with Ms Wallace.



SAFETY FIRST

To go along with the new wet weather gear purchased last year we have purchased some new crossing monitor hi-vis vests and lollipop flags to make sure our cross monitors are kept safe and seen by all while performing their duties.

**PLEASE ALWAYS DRIVE CAREFULLY
AROUND THE SCHOOL CAMPUS
AND RESPECT OUR MONITORS**



Our Senior Class of 2020

Last week our year 7 students were presented with their 2020 senior tops. It is so wonderful to see them so proud to be the new cohort of senior student leaders of our school. We wish them all the best for a successful and enjoyable final year at KFPS.



Pupil Free and School Closure Days for 2020

Term 1

Tuesday 10th March (PFD)

Term 2

Monday 27th April (PFD)

Term 3

Friday 4th September (PFD)
Monday 7th September (SCD)

Term 4

Friday 30th October (PFD)



School Banking

Our Commonwealth School Banking Program has started up again. Thank you to our lovely banking volunteers who

process all the books each **Tuesday morning**. If you are new to the school or would like your child to join the program you can sign your child up online or in a branch. For more information please see Sue at the front desk.

Each term your child could earn rewards. Term 1 is Terry Denton's Bumper Book of Silly Stuff and a small soccer ball. (*pictured right*)

KFPS Governing Council Committee for 2020 Community Representatives

Darren Walker

Chairman / Finance committee

Scott Walker

Treasurer/ Finance committee

Kelly McDonald

Fundraising GC rep

Nicole McKenna

Fundraising GC rep

Kirsty Warwick

OSHC GC rep

Jennifer May

OSHC GC Rep

Katie Bramley

Sian Schneider

Teresa Thredgold

Brett Ferris

Bernard Toonen

Tabitha Kurniawan

Lisa Aird

Staff Representatives

Carol Farnworth - Principal

Kym Dinedios - AP

Helen Dunlop - AP

Ali Nelson - CLO





A NEW YEAR BRINGS NEW OPPORTUNITIES TO LEARN!

Last year Keithcot Farm PS became involved with the Children's University of Australasia.

Students who enrolled received a learning passport and engaged in high quality out of school hours activities. The Children's University website contains hundreds of ideas also known as Learning Destinations with places to visit and activities to complete. Every activity completed is written in your passport so you can accumulate hours. If you participate in sports, dance or the arts you can also earn 10 hours for your Learning passport. Even the Premier's Reading Challenge can earn you 10 hours. Now in order to earn hours, students who participate in these activities must obtain an appropriate 'Review' form from Catherine Clark in P2D or online. Twice a term we will ask you to hand in your Passport with the review sheets or activities and we will stamp your passport and record your hours.

Student testimonials:

"After 30 hours of learning we were rewarded with a certificate at a Graduation Ceremony at the Adelaide University. Some students completed more hours and received more than one certificate."

"We wore a black gown and a gold stole around our necks. We also wore a mortar board on our heads. It had a tassel which we were allowed to keep."

"When our name was called out we walked on stage and received our certificate from the University Chancellor. It was very exciting."

There is an annual cost and this year it is \$33. School card holders \$16.50. If you need a replacement passport it will cost \$5.50

If you would like to become a member or renew your membership, please come and see Catherine Clark in P2D or visit the front office for some forms.

All money and forms need to be returned by Monday Week 5, 24th February.

HATS! HATS! HATS! HATS!

We wish to remind families we have a **no hat, no play** policy that we enforce. If the UV rating is 3 or over all students must wear a navy, wide brimmed hat.



Rory's School Lunches New 2020 menu is available online or on the Qkr app. Click on the link to access the website. Qkr orders need to be placed before 8.40am.

www.rorys.com.au

LEARN & PLAY

We have had some bright and colourful additions to our paved areas at KFPS. These designs were chosen by our students in 2019. They can be found outside the houses and pods. They liven up the play areas so much and the students have been really excited to start utilising them in their learning as well as their play time.



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 **Grow Wellbeing**

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Grow Wellbeing is an early intervention mental wellbeing service that supports children in their development of positive mental health and academic skills. Simon is a Mental Health Social Worker who sees students at school free of charge under the Medicare system or NDIS funding. To access the service take your child to your local GP to complete a Mental Health Care Plan. Contact Simon direct or Deb at the front office to get a form to be put on the waiting list. Areas our Mental Health Social Worker may provide support include social skills development, conflict and friendships, concentration skills ADHD etc, organisations skills, self esteem, confidence, depression, behavioural issues, fears and anxiety.

Simon can be contacted on simonh@growwellbeing.com

DAILY TIME TABLE

HOME ROOM	8.55 - 9.00
LESSON 1	9.00 -9.50
LESSON 2	9.50 -10.40
RECESS	10.40 - 11.00
LESSON 3	11.00 -11.50
LESSON 4	11.50 -12.40
LUNCH EATING	12.40 - 12.50
LESSON 5	12.50 - 1.40
LUNCH PLAY	1.40 - 2.10
LESSON 6	2.10 - 3.00
HOME ROOM	3.00 - 3.05



Find us on
Facebook

KEITHCOT FARM PS COMMUNITY PAGE

A closed group for parents to communicate and connect with the school & other parents / caregivers. Stay up to date with news, events and information for the whole school.

KEITHCOT FARM PRIMARY SCHOOL 2ND HAND UNIFORM 2ND HAND BUY AND SELL GROUP

This is an public group for all posts regarding 2nd hand uniform only.

KEITHCOT FARM PS SPECIAL NEEDS SUPPORT GROUP

This closed group is a support page for parents and caregivers of KFPS Special Needs Students.

IMPORTANT DATES

TERM 1

Wednesday Feb 19th
Zooper Dooper Day

Wednesday Feb 26th
Principal Tour

Tuesday March 10th
Pupil Free Day

Friday Mar 27th
Colour Explosion Colour Run

Monday 6/4 - Thursday 9/4
Swimming Lessons F- 5

Thursday April 9th
Last Day of T1
(early dismissal 2.05pm)

TERM 2

Monday April 27th
Pupil Free Day

Tuesday April 28th
First Day Back

COFFEE AND CHAT

**ALL PARENTS AND
CAREGIVERS ARE
INVITED TO JOIN
LEADERSHIP FOR A
COFFEE IN THE
HALL AFTER
EACH ASSEMBLY**



**(held on Friday mornings in even weeks
of each term)**

SCHOOL BANKING DAY



IS TUESDAY

**** UNIFORM SHOP ****

**** OPENING TIMES ****

8.15am - 10.00am

Tuesdays and Thursdays

**Today you
are YOU,
that is
truer than
true.**

**There is
NO ONE
alive who
is YOUER
than YOU!**



**zooper
dooper day**

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 19TH

AT LUNCH PLAY ONLY AVAILABLE FOR \$1.00 EACH
UNDER THE VERANDAH NEAR OSHC

Brought to you by the
KFPS Fundraising Committee
THIS EVENT IS TAX COMPLIANT

Every day **COUNTS!**

School success starts
with attendance

Marryatville High School
Special Interest Music Centre
INFORMATION EVENING
Thursday 19 March 2020
6.00 - 7.00pm

The Stables Music Centre
Marryatville High School
170 Kensington Road
MARRYATVILLE

Information about the Special Interest Music Centre, course structures, curriculum and selection process.

For information about the event call 8304 8431
No Bookings Necessary

THE HEIGHTS SCHOOL
Preschool - Year 12

ignite
a program for gifted and talented children

**Parents of Students in Year 7 in 2020
ACER Test**

**The Assessment Day for the Ignite Test is
Saturday 22nd February 2020**

Is your son or daughter gifted?
The Ignite Program is a selective entry program for gifted students entering Year 8 at The Heights School. Within the Ignite program there are opportunities for students to be accelerated, and participate in a range of enrichment activities to extend and stimulate their adept minds. They study, and form friendships with other like-minded peers, in a caring and nurturing environment.

We continue to be one of the leading schools across the Northern Region, with outstanding SACE results. In 2016 our students achieved the highest SACE scores across the Northern Region. In 2017, 20% of our Stage 2 students received an ATAR score of over 80. 11% of these students scored above 90, with our highest achieving an ATAR score of 98.8. In 2018, 98% of students who applied for university positions were offered their first or second preference. In 2019, The Heights School staff are mentoring a student who is currently studying first year University (through the Headstart program at Adelaide University) whilst completing their SACE on campus at The Heights.

If you believe your child would thrive and benefit from the Ignite program, please complete an expression of interest form for your child to sit the ACER test conducted at The Heights School

Expression of Interest Forms available November on online via <http://www.theheights.sa.edu.au/ignite.html>
Additional enquiries can be directed to Michelle Crush (Ignite Services) at **The Heights School on 82636244** or via email: Michelle.Crush23@schools.sa.edu.au

Please note that students can only sit the test once.
If a student sits for the assessment then he/she cannot re-sit the test the following year
so we strongly recommend only sitting the test as a Year 7 student

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\$500 to help with education costs for you or your children

Join Saver Plus and we'll match your savings, dollar for dollar, up to \$500 for education costs.

Contact
Stacey Hall
your local Saver Plus Coordinator
Phone
0417 048 689

Email
Stacey.Hall@thesmithfamily.com.au
Web
www.saverplus.org.au

The Smith Family
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Saver Plus is an initiative of Brotherhood of St Laurence and ANZ, delivered in partnership with Berry Street, The Benevolent Society and The Smith Family and other local community agencies. The Program is funded by ANZ and the Australian Government Department of Social Services. Go to www.dss.gov.au for more information.

To join Saver Plus you must meet all of the below criteria:

- have a Centrelink Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card
- be at least 18 years old
- have some regular income from work (you or your partner)
- have a child at school or attend vocational education yourself.

laptops & tablets uniforms & shoes
vocational education lessons & activities