

# KEITHCOT FARM PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

LINKING LEARNING  
TO LIFE

**ISSUE 24**

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## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

### Parent involvement with our school is valued...

In Term 3 all school parents in the state were invited to participate in a survey which was organised and run by the Department for Education. 107 of our parents responded. From the results, we have identified;

#### Strengths

- People respect each other at this school.
- Teachers and students treat each other with respect at this school.
- I feel like my child is important to the school.
- I receive enough communication from the school.
- Teachers at this school provide my child with useful feedback.

#### Areas for development

- The school provides an opportunity for me to have input about my child's learning.
- The school encourages parents to help students learn.
- The school provides me with useful tips on how to help students learn at home.

In 2021 we will be working as a school to address the areas for development.

**Staffing:** As you are already aware, we are saying goodbye to Helen Dunlop as she leaves to become Principal at Birdwood Primary School after 14 years at Keithcot Farm Primary School.

We want to thank Helen for her enormous contribution to our school and while she will be missed, we know she is excited to be moving on to a new challenge.

We also want to thank Jonathon Measday who is also leaving after 17 years working in our Keithcot Kings' OSHC and 12 of those years as Director. Jonathon has built up our OSHC to be the successful support for our two school communities that it is now. He has also made enormous contributions to our school grounds. Thank you Jonathon and we wish you all the best for your career as a teacher.

Our contract positions are yet to be confirmed by the department, so at this stage, no other staffing announcements can be made.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish our Year 7's all the best as they move on to the next stage of their life at High School. I am confident that your time at Keithcot has prepared you for the challenges ahead.

I would like to give a massive thank you to all staff, students and parents for working together to ensure that we have been able to have a successful 2020 despite all of our usual operating procedures having to change. We have shown our resilience as a school community.

I hope you are able to have a wonderful Christmas and safe New Year. Enjoy the break and then look forward to what we hope is a better year in 2021.

*Carol Farnworth*

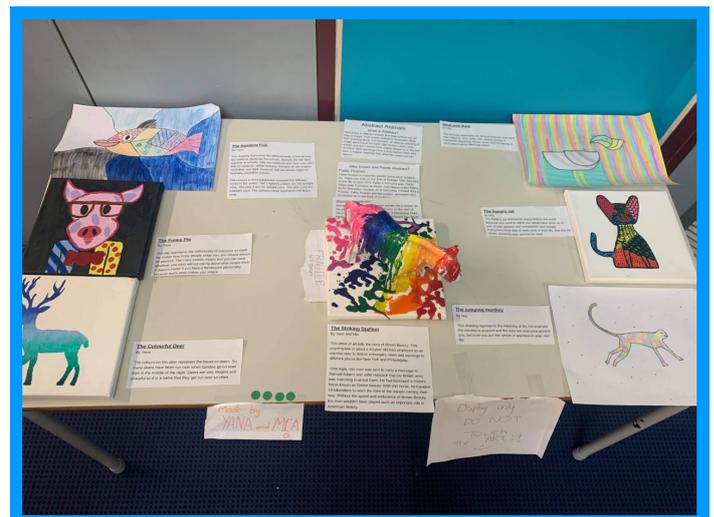
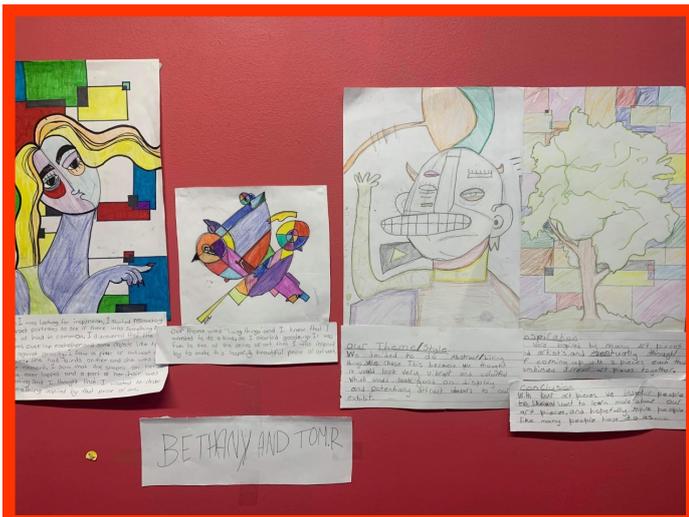
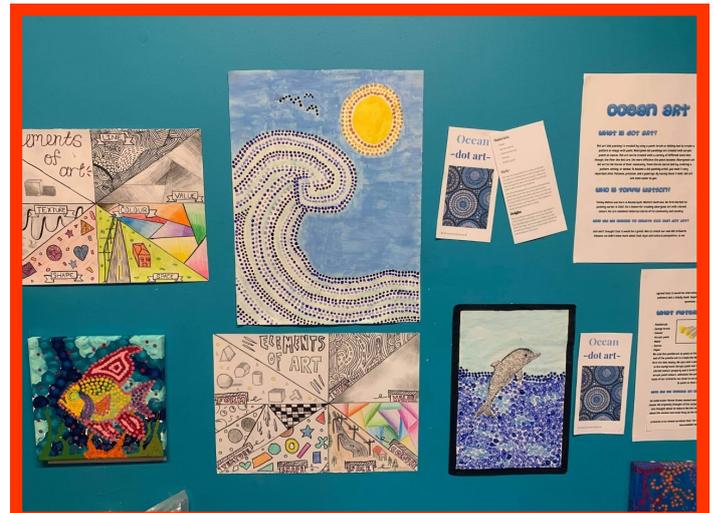
**RESILIENCE EFFORT SAFETY PERSISTENCE EMPATHY CREATIVITY TEAMWORK**

# POD 3 (ABC) ART SHOW

— Newsletter piece by P3C

On Monday the 9th of November the year 7 students in Pod 3 A B & C got the chance to show off their amazing artistic skills in an exhibition held in Pod 3 Central.

They have been working on an art assignment throughout term 3 and 4 which involved them learning about the different techniques and processes used for artworks. They got to choose a certain style of art or artists to focus their assignment on. Along with the art pieces was a written piece that was displayed to share information and the processes each student used.





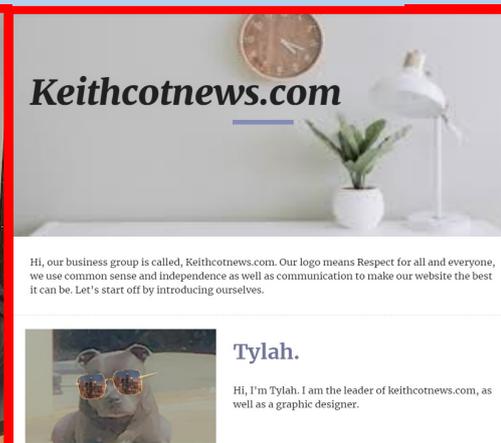
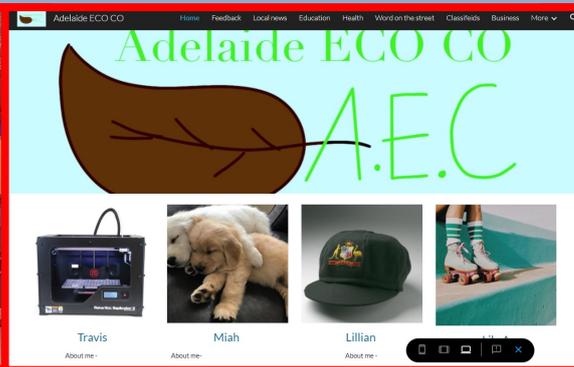
# Media Companies

# Business Simulation

## P3D



P3D has begun their annual business simulation unit. Students come to work (school) each day and collaborate as part of a team to put current news from the school, community and globe online through a website they design. Students are paid for the quality of their work (in tokens) which they can use to purchase things from a classroom 'store'. Here are some photos of the students working and some articles they have started.



# CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES



On Thursday the 12th of November 28 of our students had their Graduation ceremony. While they didn't get to have the usual graduation ceremony in Bonython Hall at the University of Adelaide, they enjoyed a special ceremony held at school with their buddies. They each received a Gus bear with a 2020 mortar board tassel to commemorate the occasion and enjoyed a pizza party afterwards. Thank you to Ms Catherine Clark who oversaw the program for another year. These students should be very proud of their achievements especially in such a challenging year.



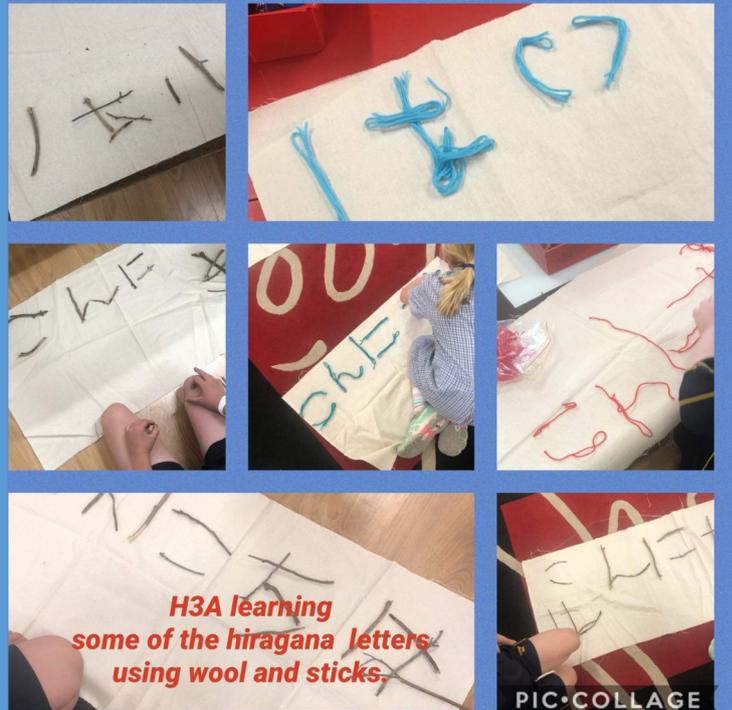
## Christmas Trees

Our students have decorated 3 Christmas trees to be placed at Golden Fields as part of a Tea Tree Gully Council Initiative. Pop down and have a look before Christmas.



## Japanese Learning

The Foundation students have been learning five characters of the Japanese alphabet to spell out the word KO - N - Ni - CHI - WA which means Hello/Good afternoon. They used wool to create the letters.



Year 1/2 students have been learning 11 hiragana characters. By learning the characters the students read the instructions, to begin a lesson in the Japanese way. To reinforce the characters the students have participated in a variety of learning centres.



## Keith is Back!

Watch out for the adventures of Keith on our facebook page to see what he gets up to.



Hello KFPS Students,  
I look forward to being out of isolation on the 1st of December and spending time with you all. Love Keith x



## REMEMBRANCE ROCKS

Thank you to the parents who so thoughtfully painted rocks for Remembrance Day. They will be cemented into place at our memorial by our groundskeepers. Pictured are a few of the rocks we received. Thank you all once again for your wonderful contribution.



## IT'S FINALLY HERE!

Our digital sign is finally up and in action. We will include important reminders regarding both the school and OSHC for our school community.



*To all our wonderful  
K F P S Volunteers*

Governing Council

Darren Walker  
Kelly McDonald  
Nicole McKenna  
Kirsty Warwick  
Jennifer May  
Katie Bramley  
Sian Schneider  
Teresa Thredgold  
Brett Ferris  
Bernard Ferris  
Bernard Toonen  
Tabitha Kurniawan  
Lisa Aird  
Scott Walker

School Banking

Helen Burns  
Tom Kalassery  
Amy Brook  
Rachel Cruz - Bersamina

Fundraising Committee

Susan Toonen  
Kelly McDonald  
Nicole McKenna  
Kathryn Feeney  
Katrina Orrock  
Elise Ferris  
Amy Brook  
Anita Pegg  
Helen Burns  
Amanda McLean  
Lexie Leitinger

*From all the staff at  
Keithcot Farm Primary School*



To all our Volunteers, including the many volunteers in every classroom, we appreciate each and everyone of you for all that you do to help our students continue to thrive. This is especially heartfelt in such a challenging year for all.

# WE ARE A COMMUNITY

It goes without saying that this was a year like no other. We are so grateful to our whole community for joining together to do what was required to get us all through safely. While it was sad to have many events cancelled or altered in some way we made it work and discovered different ways to do things.

With only one week to go of the 2020 school year we wish you all an enjoyable holiday break with your family and friends.



**JPB**  
**DRUMMING IN 2021**  
*Make this your year to get on the drums and rock out for the future*

**6 Reasons why DRUMS ARE AWESOME**

- Drummers are the Boss
- Continual growth as a drummer (and as a human)
- Play along to your favourite tracks in a few weeks
- Maybe, eventually be in the next big rock band
- Have a lot of fun
- Secretly get smarter because that's what learning drums will do. (Proven 🧠)

**SPECIAL OFFER\***

- Enrol before Jan 1st 2021 and receive
- Pete the drum teachers guide to all things drumming and beyond - Valued at \$88. FREE
- Access to Pete's online short course - Valued at \$39.99. FREE.
- But wait! that's not all. You will also receive a pair of drumsticks for free.

That's over \$140 worth of extras for FREE.

**DON'T MISS OUT, ENROL NOW.**

[petebarter.com/drums](http://petebarter.com/drums)

**WHY ENROL WITH PETE?**  
With a passion for bringing out the best in students, results focused while having fun. After 20+ years of teaching privately and in schools, Pete's learned ways to get the best results for students and to continually grow them as a drummer and as a leader.  
Pete is regularly performing on main stages across Adelaide as well as many years of national and international touring experience.

\*enrolment and payment arrangement must be complete before Jan 10th to ensure you are secured into Petes Schedule. Minimum 1 term commitment.

## INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC PROGRAMS

For those wishing to continue or begin learning an instrument in 2021 please see the notice on face book regarding registering for the programs or pick up a hard copy in the front office or from Ms McGill.

We offer:

Piano / Keyboard (F to Y7)

Guitar (F to Y7)

Drums (F to Y7)

Any questions can be directed to Ms McGill by emailing her:

[Alison.McGill289@schools.sa.edu.au](mailto:Alison.McGill289@schools.sa.edu.au)

### 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

## IMPORTANT DATES

### **TERM 4**

End of Year Concert - Monday 7/12

Year 7 Graduation - Tuesday 8/12

Reports Go Home - Wednesday 9/12

Year 7 - Big Day Out - Thursday 10/12

Last Day of School - Friday 11/12  
(2.05pm pick up time)

**FIRST DAY OF 2021**  
**Wednesday 27th January**

**2021 Pupil Free Day**  
**Friday 26th March**

## **Happy Holidays**



## **Love from Toby**



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.

**New! New! New! New!**

### **'FRIENDS OF KEITHCOT FARM PRIMARY SCHOOL' PAGE**

This page is for the broader community, family and friends, old scholars to see what we get up to at KFPS.

**PLEASE FEEL FREE TO INVITE YOUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY TO LIKE OUR PAGE.**

### **KEITHCOT FARM PRIMARY SCHOOL 2ND HAND UNIFORM GROUP**

This is a 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.

## SCHOOL LOCKER UNIFORM SHOP

### Opening in the holidays

Thursday 21st January

8.15am to 12pm

### Week 1 Opening Times

Wed 27th & Thurs 28th Jan

8.15am to 10am

### Normal Opening Hours

8.15am - 10.00am

Tuesdays and Thursdays

**Any queries email the team on**  
**[keithcotps@theschoollocker.com.au](mailto:keithcotps@theschoollocker.com.au)**