

# KEITHCOT FARM PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

### Team Effort

It is during these uncharted times that we rely on our school community to collaborate as a team to maintain calm and normality in our young people's lives.

The advice from Australia's Chief Medical Officer and Prime Minister is that schools will remain open.

Individual sites will only be temporarily closed if there is a confirmed case of COVID-19. We will then follow our protocol in line with SA Health.

There's only one reason your children shouldn't be going to school and that is if they are unwell, and as parents, you are in the best position to know if your children are unwell.

While schools are open, it is unreasonable to expect teachers to be planning and delivering a program for 2 classrooms – the one in the school and the one in the home.

If our school is forced to close, then we will do our best to ensure that our students are able to continue learning at home.

Be assured that we have a Site Management Plan to protect the students and staff within our school.

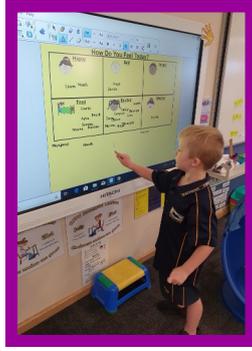
This plan is responsive and will change according to Department for Education directives and emerging information.

Thank you for your understanding throughout these challenging times and let's continue to support each other by working as a team.

*Carol Farnsworth*



**RESILIENCE EFFORT SAFETY PERSISTENCE EMPATHY CREATIVITY TEAMWORK**



# H1B

In H1B we have been learning about number and patterns in Math. We enjoy choosing our own learning activities when we do Math rotations.



In the mornings we do investigations. We discover new things to explore, take risks and make new friendships. We really enjoy playing the fishing game.



In the Child Protection Curriculum we have been learning about feelings and emotions and have been discussing how to feel safe in our classroom and out in the yard.



In H1B we enjoy working with our buddies from P1D. They are helpful and kind. We discuss and work together on different topics. We made friendship clouds together and discussed how to be a friend not a bully.



In our classroom we take turns to be Star of the Week. We do such jobs as take the lunches to the canteen, return books to the library and be a leader at recess and lunch lining up times. We also make a poster about ourselves at home to share with the rest of the class.



**H1B Teachers**  
**Mrs Renata Cannata & Mrs Stephanie Antich**





# KFPS CHARITY DRIVE



Keithcot Farm Primary School's Year 7 leadership team with the support of their teacher, Mr Travis Braithwaite and our Principal, Carol Farnworth organised a charity drive to support the work of Adelaide Koala Rescue, the volunteer organisation helping the koalas affected by the recent bushfires. The group collected a huge amount of donations including: stuffed toys, thermometers, puppy pads, wipes, tissues and medical supplies from the whole school community. The donations were dropped off by Mr Braithwaite, Maryann Pearse, her father Daniel and our CLO Ali Nelson to AKR last Friday morning. They were able to see the work these volunteers do first hand. It was fantastic that our local MP the Hon Blair Boyer came along on Friday morning to congratulate and acknowledge our senior students efforts and praised them for their great work.

**We want to thank everyone for making this such a great success.**



## GGHS Principal Visit

We would like to thank Mr Peter Kuss, the Principal of Golden Grove High School for coming to speak to our Governing Council this week and for answering questions submitted by our school community regarding the transition process of year 7 students starting high school in 2022. We were lucky enough to see the architects fly through of the newly designed \$15.5 million buildings scheduled for completion in October 2021. Questions and Answers will be sent out to the school community in due course.



## Buddy/ Homework Club



Every Monday during lunch play in Pod 3A

The Club is for students who want help with writing, art, reading, maths and other study. It is open to students of all ages (F-7) and will be supported by the year 7 student leaders. We had a lot of success last year with many students improving their reading, writing and maths through regular practice with their 'Big Buddy'.

The homework club is not punitive and only for students who want help with their school work. We will be sending student leaders around over the coming week to remind students that this is available.

For younger students in F/1 that are unsure on where to go, Big Buddies will meet them down by the houses each Monday at the beginning of lunch play to walk them up to Pod 3A.

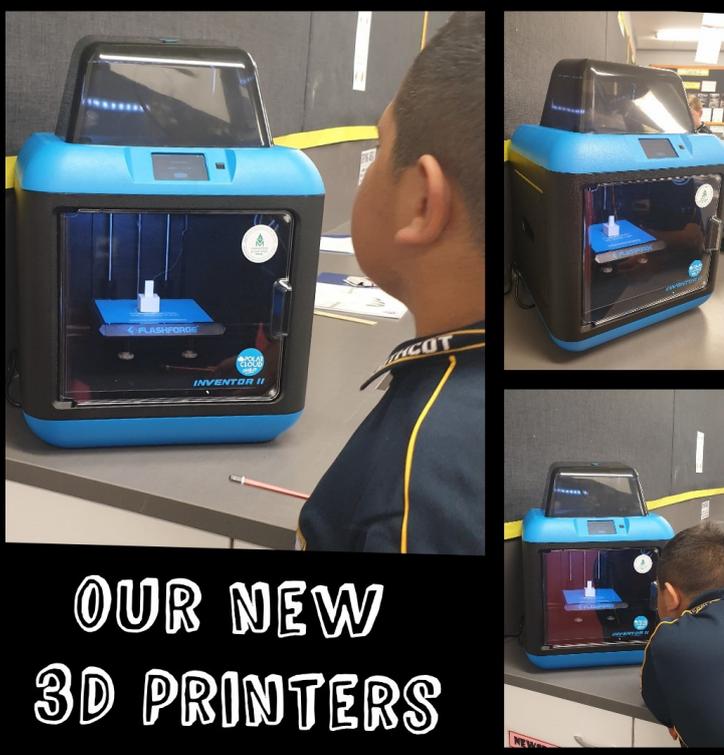
## **WHAT THE STAFF GET UP TO ON PUPIL FREE DAYS**



**PUPIL FREE DAY - A morning was spent with the Golden Way Partnership listening to guest speaker Glen Pearsall talk about the importance of student feedback and using that information to design their learning and the use of other strategies. Our teachers came back to KFPS to work together using this information in their lesson plans. Our classroom SSO's spent the morning at The Heights school with four other schools learning more about Interoception which is the awareness of inner body sensations, involving the sensory process of receiving , accessing and appraising internal bodily signals. Having trouble with this sense can also make self - regulation a challenge.**



We have taken delivery of our new 3D printers and our students and teachers are very excited to get designing and watch their creations come to life.



OUR NEW  
3D PRINTERS

## SAPSASA NEWS

### State Tennis Team

Lily Jewell and Lucas Jones have been selected to represent our Salisbury East District Tennis team. They were lucky to participate this week.

### State Cricket Team

Lillian Thomas and Ethan Dine have made the State Cricket Carnival. Our cricketers were also able to participate this week.

Results will be posted on our school face book page when they come in.

### State Swimming Team

Alyssa Major - Freestyle, Butterfly, Relay team  
Yibin Khuu - Freestyle, Backstroke, Butterfly, Relay Team  
Jessica Moriarty - 100m Freestyle  
Isabelle Dennis - Relay Team (2010)  
Sasha Major - Relay Team (2008)  
Lucas Hartland - Relay Team (2010)  
Ethan Dine - Relay Team (2007)  
Tom Kemp - Relay Team (2007)

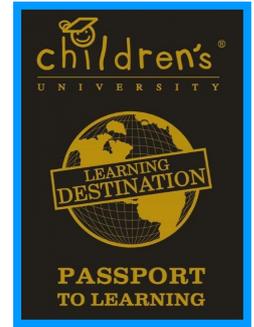
This has been our best swimming result in regards to the number of students who have successfully qualified for the State Carnival.

Due to the COVID -19 cancellations, we will advise the community on any new dates for the state carnivals that haven't gone ahead as soon as we hear anything. Thank you for your understanding.

**Congratulations** to you all from the whole school community.

One very proud PE Teacher - **Kym Stocker**





## READY! SET! GO!

Thank you to all those who have signed up to Children's University for 2020. We have some students returning for their second year along with some new students who are excited and looking forward to a fantastic year of learning and graduating at the University of Adelaide at the end of the year.

Students who participate in sports, dance or music outside of school hours can gain 10 hours of learning by filling in a form and having it signed. Completing the Premiers Reading Challenge qualifies for another 10 hours. There are many activities on the Children's University website along with a monthly challenge to complete. All this would add up to your qualifying 30 hours minimum to graduate. **How easy is that!**

There are learning destinations all over the country so you could be learning while on holidays and not even realise. Please see Mrs Catherine Clark in P2D for any forms and check out the CU website for more information and a list of learning destinations and activities to get you started. <https://cuaustralasia.com/>

## WAKAKIRRI

Australia's Largest Performing Arts Event for Schools

We regret to inform you that we have had to make the difficult decision to **cancel** our school's participation in this years Wakakirri Performing Arts Event. Due to the uncertainty of the event going ahead and the amount of time, money and commitment involved we cannot take the risk.

We thank all the students and parents for supporting this event and look forward to 2021.

- Mr Batsiokis & Mrs Turnbull



5 minutes late a day has an impact on their day and their education.

1 day absent a week = 40 days a year - that is nearly a whole term.

Over a child's primary school years = 1 and a half missed years

Lets work together to achieve learning success.



**Grow Wellbeing** is an early intervention mental wellbeing service that supports children in their development of positive mental health and academic skills.

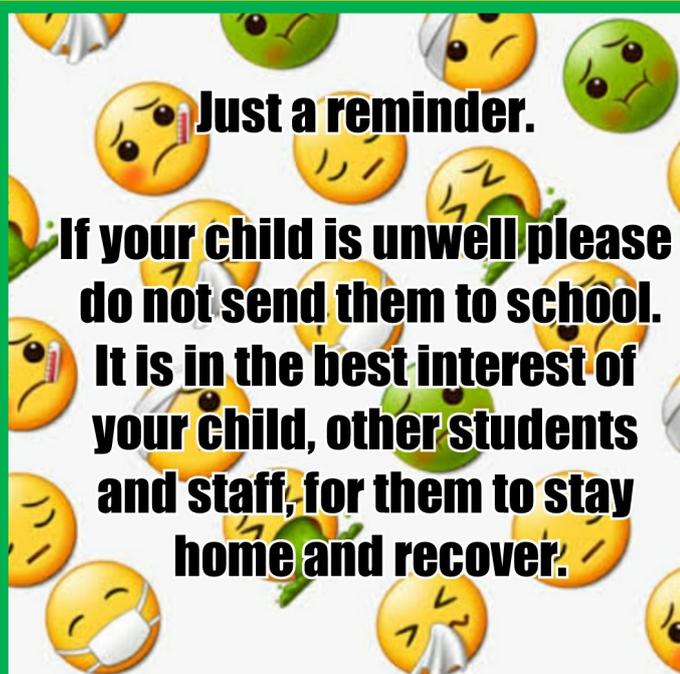
To access the service or for more information please contact Kym Dinedios on 8289 1133 or contact Simon on [simonh@growwellbeing.com](mailto:simonh@growwellbeing.com).

## COLOUR EXPLOSION FUN RUN POSTPONED

The fundraising committee has made the decision to postpone the school's 'Colour Explosion Fun Run'.

Online fundraising will remain open, please continue to support the event.

We cannot provide a new date at this stage.



## KEPS Fundraising Committee

### Community Members

Susan Toonen

Kelly McDonald - GC rep

Nicole McKenna - GC rep

Amanda McLean

Elise Ferris

Kathryn Feeney

Amy Brook

Anita Pegg

Helen Burns

Natalie McAvaney

Veronica Glasson

Amanda Glasson

Lexie Leitinger

Katrina Orrock

### Staff

Deb Whittington

## 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)

Australian Government

# Celebrate HARMONY DAY

**BULLYING. NO WAY!**

National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence

TAKE A STAND TOGETHER

Friday 20 March 2020  
[www.bullyingnoway.gov.au](http://www.bullyingnoway.gov.au)

While these significant days will not be celebrated in the usual way due to current restrictions we need to make sure the message behind them is something we practice every day at home and at school.

## 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

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

**Friday April 10th**  
**Good Friday Holiday**

### TERM 2

**Monday April 27th**  
**Pupil Free Day**

**Tuesday April 28th**  
**First Day Back**

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**\*\* UNIFORM SHOP \*\***

**\*\* STILL OPEN \*\***

**8.15am - 10.00am**

**Tuesdays and Thursdays**

## CURRENT POSTPONMENTS

**ASSEMBLIES**

**COFFEE N CHAT**

**SCHOOL BANKING**

**PARENT / TEACHER INTERVIEWS**

**SCHOOL VOLUNTEERING**

**SAPSASA EVENTS**

**SCHOOL F - 5 SWIMMING**

**COLOUR EXPLOSION FUN RUN**

**CAMPS/EXCURSIONS**

**PARENTS IN CLASSROOM**

**PRIVATE MUSIC TUITION ON SITE**

**WAKAKIRRI – CANCELLED**

**THANK YOU FOR UNDERSTANDING**

**WE WILL KEEP YOU UPDATED WITH ANY**

**FURTHER CHANGES**

**KEEPING OUR COMMUNITY SAFE TOGETHER**

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