

KEITHCOT FARM PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

LINKING LEARNING
TO LIFE

CELEBRATING 30 YEARS IN 2021

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

External School Review

Last week we had a 2 day school review where 3 members of a review team conducted class visits and talked with students, teachers, leadership and parents. It was a very intense 2 days and it will provide us with a report which will detail our strengths and areas for school improvement.

When we receive this report it will be available on our school website.

Site Improvement Plan Update

One of the actions to support us to achieve our maths goal of increasing the number of students achieving in the higher bands of NAPLAN Numeracy is;

- Teachers extend knowledge around addressing misconceptions and plan appropriate intervention for students.

To support us with this we had a Pupil Free Day on the 25th February for teachers to participate in an online training which addressed this action.

What are misconceptions?

Misconceptions describe what happens when a child's conception or idea about something in mathematics is fundamentally opposed to what we are trying to teach them. A misconception is something that a child truly, intuitively believes, rather than an error or mistake. They are also almost always developmental, something that a child came up with themselves, rather than something that they were taught. That makes them much more powerful and also harder to deal with.

If we don't deal with misconceptions now, chances are our kids will still have them years down the track, and it will affect all of their maths learning from now on. Significant progress has been achieved for students when their misconceptions have been identified and addressed.

Keithcot Kids are Kind

For Anti-Bullying and Harmony day we have had a banner made with 'Keithcot Kids are Kind.' On Friday all students will put their handprint on the banner which we will then be displayed. With that handprint, all of our students are committing to being a kind Keithcot kid.

Carol Farnworth

RESILIENCE EFFORT SAFETY PERSISTENCE EMPATHY CREATIVITY TEAMWORK

Japanese - せつぶん - Bean Throwing Festival

Learning Intention: to explore Japanese culture through a celebration.

Success Criteria: I can explain the traditions of the Setsubun Festival.

Setsubun is a fun Japanese festival that is called “The Bean Throwing Festival. It is celebrated the day before the first day of Spring. This year it was on 2nd of February.

Families celebrate by throwing roasted soybeans outside the door of their house to chase out the oni (the monsters) or, even more fun, throwing roasted soybeans at someone from the family dressed up like a monster.

When the beans are thrown, the children (and adults) shout, "**Oni wa soto! Fuku wa uchi!**" which means Oni out! Happiness in!

Another tradition on **setsubun no hi** is to eat a long, uncut sushi roll called **ehōmaki**. In 2021, when eating the ehōmaki you must face south, south-east.

These are the Oni masks we made. Oni's can be red or blue in Japanese culture.

Arigatou! Hanna Sensei and Wallace Sensei



Making the Hiragana letters using wool.



H1B - IDENTIFYING OUR FEELINGS

In H1B we enjoy doing art. In our Child Protection Lesson we have been learning how to identify our feelings. In our art lesson we created faces using play dough. We used natural objects from outside and also some man made objects. Here are some comments from the children.

My face is happy.

My face is scared. (Jackson)

My face is an owl. It is happy. (Layla)

My face is worried. (Sophie)

My face is excited and happy. (Ruby H).



P1B Little Rays of Sunshine



In Science, Pod1B have been focusing on Biological sciences. We have been researching and learning about the lifecycles of plants, animals, food chains and how they all interact with one another in an ecosystem.

We have recently planted dwarf sunflower seeds in our classroom. Each student planted and named their own seed. Everyone is required to write a weekly observation report on their sunflower, using the language learned in class (such as – the germination process). We discussed and each wrote a hypothesis after planting our seeds, to make an informed guess if our seed would germinate and had to explain why, or why not.

Above are some photos of students with their sunflowers.

Student comments:

Amber: My sunflowers are growing so fast! I accidently have two seeds, as I lost one then found it again.

Piper: My sunflower is growing way faster than I though it would. I can't wait to see how big it ends up.

Rhylee: My sunflower is called Sunnie. I hope it keeps on growing until it flowers.

WE HAVE 11 NEW ENROLMENTS IN POD 3

The students in pod 3 have all enjoyed watching the eggs they have had in the incubator hatch over the past week. Lots of our students have visited the chickens. They are very cute and fluffy and are being cared for very well with no shortage of helpers.



THE HOUSE THAT SAM BUILT

We have been lucky to have the always smiling Sam with us for the last 2 and a half years. Last week we farewelled him with a morning tea and special gift from the staff and students at KFPS. Sam has made some huge improvements around the school grounds, including building the cubby land village and he will be greatly missed. We have dedicated the latest cubby down at the houses in honour of all his hard work.

Thanks Sam for always bringing your smile to work.

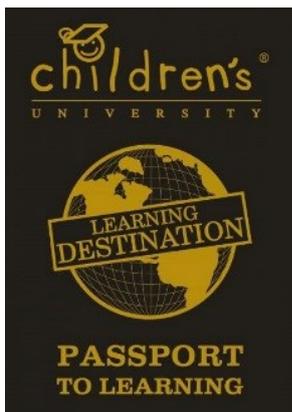




Our passports have arrived and a letter went out to our CU families. If you hand up your passports to the front office on Thursday morning they will be returned on Friday. Passports can be placed in the specially marked Children's University drawer where school payments and school banking drawers are.

For more info head to <https://cuaustralasia.com/>

KFPS CU Coordinators
Travis Braithwaite - AP
Ali Nelson - CLO



BUILDING ATTENDANCE HABITS

How to help your child build a habit of going to preschool or school every day.



regular evening and bedtime routine and enough sleep



limit the use of electronic devices in the evenings



help your child be organised in the morning to get them to school on time



arrange alternative transport in case something unexpected happens



take family vacations during school holidays



make appointments outside of school hours or in school holidays



talk positively about school



show interest in what your child is learning, their progress and their friends



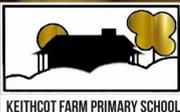
regularly communicate with your child's teacher



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PALs (play at lunchtime) Clubs

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
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| Dance Club (F-7) Mrs McGill Meet: Music Room Student Leaders: Ava, Maddi, G'Arna | Hobby Club (year 5-7) Mr Braithwaite Meet: Pod 3D Student Leaders: Emily, Lily A | Sub Club (year 6 and 7) Mr Perkins Meet: STEM Room Student Leaders: Archer and Alex G | Chess Club (F-7) Mrs Dinedios Meet: Library Student Leaders: Charlotte and Jaxon E | Wellbeing Club (F-7) Miss Taylor Meet: Pod 2 Central Student Leaders: Tayla P. Amelia |
| Homework Club (F-7) Mr Batsiokis / Mrs Turnbull Meet: Pod 3A Student Leaders: Oscar, Mea-Mea | | Strategy Games (F-7) Mrs Farnworth Meet: Japanese Room Student Leaders: Noah S and Josh | | |



November 6th
2021

30th
ANNIVERSARY

KEFPS Community Fete



**WEAR AN ORANGE
T SHIRT OR A
SPLASH OF ORANGE**

**Harmony/Anti Bullying Day is
FRIDAY MARCH 19TH**

POD 3

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Lunch orders can be placed up to 2 weeks in advance via the qkr app orders must be in before 8.30am on the app or each morning via the classroom.

Parent Helpline is available after 9.30am on 0413 575 800



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**.

Community Notice Board



PLAYFORD INTERNATIONAL COLLEGE

SPECIAL INTEREST MUSIC APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN

Applications for current Year 6 and 7 students are now open for Special Interest Music scholarships commencing in 2022.

The audition process is open to any students who play an instrument, including voice, and we encourage all students who have a passion for music to apply.

Applications close on Friday April 30, 2021. Scan the QR code or apply or via the website.

For more information please contact Playford International College.

E: dl.0910.music@schools.sa.edu.au
P: 8255 7566
W: <https://playford.sa.edu.au/>



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Smash your savings goals and we'll match it up to \$500



Saver Plus will match your savings for school costs, dollar for dollar, up to \$500.

To join Saver Plus you must be 18 years plus, have regular income from work (you or your partner)*, have a child at school / starting next year or be studying yourself, and have a Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card and an eligible Centrelink payment*.

*Many types of income and Centrelink payments are eligible, please contact us for more information

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|  laptops & tablets |  camps & excursions |
|  uniforms & shoes |  lessons & activities |
|  sports fees & gear |  books & supplies |

The Smith Family
everyone's family

saverplus

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

R - 12 OPEN NIGHT

WEDNESDAY 7 APRIL 2021

Join our Student and Staff Leadership team on a guided tour of our College, showcasing our teaching and learning programs, student life opportunities and facilities. Tours commence with an address from our Principal, Mr Kevin O'Neil.

First tour: 4:00pm
Last tour: 7:00pm

Bookings essential

Follow the link to secure your booking

<https://bit.ly/3aTrvD>

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If you are unable to attend our Open Night, please make a booking for our next College tour which will be held on Thursday 29 April at 9:20am
<http://www.ccc-sa.edu.au/school-tours.html>

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Are you ready to Net Set Go with Us?

Tea Tree Gully Netball Club



DATE: SCHOOL TERM 2—28th April > 10th June 2021

TIME: 4.30—5.30pm

LOCATION: TTGNC Courts - Brand New Courts @ Banksia Park Sporting Hub

COST: \$70.00—this also includes special SunCorp Net Set Go Pack (T/shirt & Ball)
(can use Sports Voucher with the credit of \$30 can come off your Summer Fees)

REGISTRATION LINK: <https://netballresultsvault.com/common/pages/reg/signin.aspx?file=128&type=6&prodid=436329&id=915958&entryid=44349>

ENQUIRIES: Sarah—fgncreg@gmail.com



Kevin Brooks Basketball

“No Kid Left Behind”

Join one of our programs at Golden Grove Recreation Centre!

For more information or to register scan the QR Codes or visit playsport.com/kevinbrooksbasketball



Kevin Brooks Basketball—All Programs

- Academy
- School Holiday Camps
- 1 on 1 sessions



Junior Social Competition - Join our club to play in the Adelaide Community Basketball Association Social Competition

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DAILY TIME TABLE

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| 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 1

Harmony /Anti Bullying Day
Friday 19th March

Kytos Easter Fundraiser
Final Orders Due
Tuesday 23rd March

SAPSASA
Girls Netball / Boys Football
Thursday 1st April

Weeks 9 and 10
Mon 22nd March - Thurs 1st April
3 WAY INTERVIEWS

Good Friday
Friday 2nd April

Easter Monday
Monday 5th April

R - 5 Swimming
Tuesday 6th - 9th April

Last Day of Term 1
Friday 9th April
(Early Dismissal 2.05pm)

*** PUPIL FREE DAYS FOR 2021 ***

FRIDAY June 11th

MONDAY August 30th

MONDAY November 1st



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.

'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

Normal Opening Hours

8.15am - 10.00am

Tuesdays and Thursdays

Any queries email the team on keitheotps@theschoollocker.com.au

SCHOOL BANKING DAY



IS TUESDAY

Absentee SMS: 0408 482 972

SMS your child's name and the reason for their absence. (Reason can be family / illness etc.)