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NEWSLETTER

WEEK 3 TERM 3

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Families,

Term 3 has started really well and there has been a really good vibe across the school. This was reflected in our Green and Gold day last week when our students showed their support for the Aussie Olympic team. As well as raising money, more importantly this was a chance to have some fun and it was lovely to see our students learning together in their colours. Events like this promote community, togetherness and our students enjoy them. Well done to the students (and parents) who organised a cake sale – this was a great effort and demonstrated great student initiative!

EXCELLENT LEARNING AT KEITHCOT FARM

At Keithcot Farm we are constantly working to improve the teaching and learning at our school – we know that this is our core business and what makes a difference to our students, equipping them with knowledge, skills and understanding to thrive in the future. The new Purpose and Strategy for Public Education underpins our school vision to support all our students to learn and thrive.

We are continually improving our approach to teaching and learning and one way we do this is through Professional Development – this can be through things such as staff reading, attending external training, staff meetings, pupil free days, team discussions, accessing new resources or arranging for external experts to advise us or visit our school.

Much of the learning staff have undertaken this year has been in the teaching of literacy with the aim to implement a high-quality phonics program R-2 which is built on and consolidated in years 3-6 by explicitly and systematically teaching English spelling and morphology. This will help our students achieve the best phonics outcomes and is based on the latest research. If you would like further information about how your child learns phonics, spelling and morphology please see the class teacher.

NEW RECEPTION CLASS UPDATE

New students have settled in really well and it's been great to welcome them to the Keithcot Farm community. I would also like to extend a warm welcome to all our new families to the school. There's no such thing as a silly question – please ask and/or reach out for support if you need it.

PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS

This term parents will have the opportunity to meet with their child's class teacher. These interviews are optional – you will a letter over the next few weeks outlining the process for organising a meeting if required. As before, this will be managed through the School Interviews online system.

PLANNING FOR 2025

It may seem early but we're already starting to think about how our school and classes will be structured and organised next year. Please let us know if your child will not be returning to Keithcot in 2025 – this is vital information as we plan student numbers and staffing.

Derek Gallamore - Principal

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Year 5/6 AFL MAX CAMP



FUN!
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FUN!



POD 1C SCIENCE LESSON

In science **P1C** examined some soil samples as part of our Earth and Space unit and are now experts in all things soil! Next time you do some gardening we will be able to let you know if the soil you are using to garden is full of nutrients.



POD 3D SCIENCE LESSON

In science **P3D** have been looking at adaptations of animals and plants that help them to survive. One animal we looked at was bats and how they use echolocation.

To demonstrate this, we took the classroom outside and played Bats and Moths on the courts.



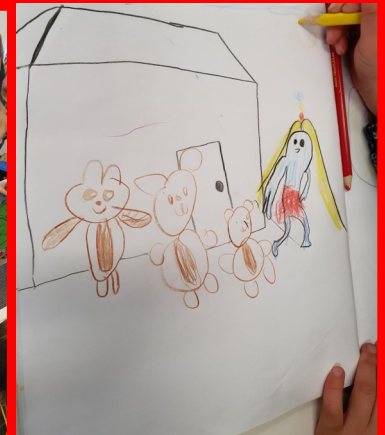
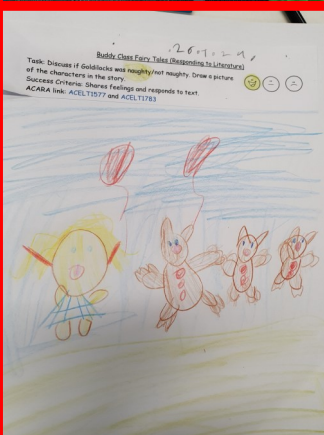
Welcome to KFPS H2A

We welcomed our new reception class this term and P1B were so excited that they get to be the official buddy class of H2A. We hope that all the students and their families enjoy their time at KFPS.



H1B working with their buddy class P1D.

We practised our sounds and irregular words and then we listened to the story of Goldilocks and the Three Bears. The students discussed if they thought Goldilocks made the right choices. They also drew a picture of the characters in the story.





BOOK WEEK DRESS UP PARADE & Open Classroom Day MONDAY 19TH AUGUST 2024



Book in a Jar

Are you ready to dive into the magical world of books in a whole new way? Get ready to unleash your creativity and bring your favourite book to life.

Hedley Beare Library is excited to announce the 'Book in Jar' BookWeek Competition.

- Pick your favourite book.
- Imagine and Create: Imagine stepping into the world of your chosen book and capture its essence inside a jar.
Use toys, clay, drawings and crafty materials to create scenes or characters from the story.
- Show off your creation: Bring your jar masterpiece into the library by Monday 12th August. (Term 3, Week 4)
- Make sure to write your name, year level, class and title of your book on a piece of paper and attach it to your jar.
- Categories: Reception—Year 2
Years 3-4
Years 5-6
- Winners will be announced during BookWeek.



Hedley Beare Library invites the school community to come and visit the library and enjoy the amazing creations. We also invite the adults in your life to join in on the fun and create their own Book in a Jar.



BookWeek 2024

Author Visits!

Trips to the author's den are like plunging into a treasure trove of creative wonders! Unraveling the enchantment of mesmerising characters and gripping narratives. Hedley Beare is thrilled to introduce our special lineup of visiting wordsmiths!



Deborah Abela
Tuesday 27th August
Audience- Yrs 3 to 6 classes



Andrew Joyner
Thursday 22nd August
Audience: Reception to Year 2 classes

Dress Up Day and Open Classroom

Monday 19th August (Term 3, week 5)

Students can dress as their favourite book character or be inspired by the Bookweek theme 'Reading is Magical'.

Parade Information for Families: Start 9.10am

Families are welcome to sit or stand on Pod 1 or Pod 2 steps. Classes will parade through the areas and return to their classes. Please be courteous and wait for all classes to walk through before leaving.

Open Classroom Event

After the parade classes will be open for families to visit and participate in a Bookweek or reading activity. At 9.50am a bell will ring to signify the end of the open classroom event.



DESIGN A BOOK COVER COMPETITION

Let your inner artist run wild and design a fresh cover for your top book pick!

- Pick your favourite book - Fiction, Non-Fiction, Graphic Novel...the options are endless!
- Get imaginative: Draw, paint, collage, build, dressup, snap a pic - let your creativity roam free!
- Entries must fit on an A4 page.
- Present your masterpiece! Hand in your creation to the library by Monday, 12th August (Term 3, Week 4).
- Don't forget to put your name, year level, and class on the back of the entry.

Categories:

Reception—Year 2

Years 3-4

Years 5-6

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BACKPACKS FOR SA KIDS PYJAMA DRIVE

These two rockstars (Stella and Pozia) along with their amazing Mum wanted to do something for Backpacks For SA Kids pyjama drive. We put out a call for our community to donate pyjamas and P2D helped with being our collection point and together we collected 135 sets of pyjamas. Carol Farnworth who volunteers at Backpacks for SA Kids came out as a representative to thank our community on their behalf.

Thank you to all who donated. Together we can achieve amazing things like this!



GREEN N GOLD FUNRAISER

Grace, Indi, Shaelyn & Valentino organised a bake sale on green and gold day to raise money for garden utensils so students can use them at break times. Together they raised a total of \$260. What a fantastic outcome!



NEW ENROLMENTS AND SCHOOL TOURS AVAILABLE

If you have a child at Keithcot Farm Primary school and they have a younger sibling yet to start, please come in and see our front office staff to grab an enrolment form so they are enrolled and ready to start their learning journey at KFPS.



JOIN US IN 2024 /2025
CALL US TO BOOK A TOUR

**Keithcot Farm Primary
at 5 Keithcot Farm Dr
Wynn Vale**



Principal
Derek Gallamore

8289 1133

dl.1847.info@schools.sa.edu.au

Call us to arrange a tour.

**We have a new mid year
Reception class starting**



**SHEETS ARE DUE BACK TO
MRS P IN THE LIBRARY BY
WEEK 7 OF TERM 3**

Discover Keithcot Farm Children's Centre
- A Place for Growing Minds!

Keithcot Farm Children's Centre: 2025 Preschool Registration of interest

Keithcot Farm Children's Centre offers a nurturing and stimulating environment for your preschool-aged child, emphasising play based learning to foster creativity, curiosity, and a love for learning.

**Register your child today
and watch them flourish in
a loving and enriching
environment!**


Our qualified and passionate educators are dedicated to supporting each child's individual development and preparing them for school success. With a commitment to inclusivity, we ensure every child and family feels welcomed and valued.

Does your child turn 4 before 1 May? Then they are eligible to start preschool at the beginning of 2025
Does your child turn 4 on 1 May to 31 October? Then they can commence preschool in Term 3.

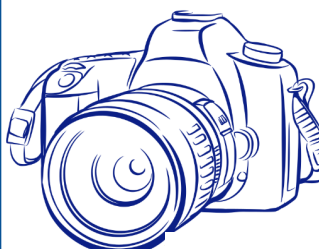
Keithcot Farm
Children's Centre
for Early Childhood
Development and Parenting
Government of
South Australia
5 Keithcot Farm Drive, Wynn Vale 5125

Ph: 8251 2700
e: dl.4631.admin@schools.sa.edu.au

SAY CHEESE!



**KFPS
Photo
Day**



Envelopes go to the
photographer on the day

Wednesday 14th August 2024

Book Week



2024 THEME

**READING IS
MAGIC**

17TH - 23RD AUGUST

FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE



The KFPS Fundraising Committee presents



WEDNESDAY
28TH
AUGUST
2024

SECOND
CHANCE FOR
PURCHASING
ON THURSDAY
29TH AUGUST
2024

Cards are \$1
Gifts between
\$4 and \$8



THIS EVENT IS TAX COMPLIANT



KFPS Fundraising Committee presents



Gold coin donation to

WEAR YOUR CLUB COLOURS

Wednesday 25th September

This can be a scarf, hat, socks or guernsey,
anything that has the colours of your team

It is not limited to football, soccer or netball.
Dance club colours are also allowed.

ALL CLOTHING MUST BE SUN SMART
AND MUST HAVE SLEEVES.



This event is tax compliant



Drakes Community Dollars

Download the Drakes app and select
Keithcot Farm Primary School in the
Community Dollars section to support our
school.



The KFPS fundraising committee presents

THE BLUE GUMS HOTEL KFPS SCHNITZEL NIGHT

Monday 21st October

\$5 from every
schnitzel
purchased goes
directly to
Keithcot Farm
Primary School



The Blue Gums Hotel
345 Hancock Road, Fairview Park

Get a group together and book your table on 8251 1588 or online
<https://bluegumshotel.com.au/contact-us/>

This event is tax compliant

COMMUNITY NEWS

COMING TO KING'S COMMUNITY CENTRE MARK LE MESSURIER

Mark Le Messurier is a teacher, counsellor, public speaker, and the author of 18 publications. He is the recipient of the prestigious Australia Day Council's 2022 Senior South Australian of the Year award.

5 community workshops to support you and your family, professionals, parents, carers - everyone is welcome !!!

The 5 topics and dates include:

- 26th of June Childhood changes and Parenting styles
- 31st of July The art of managing tricky behaviour (children and Teens)
- 28th of Aug The Beauty and wonder of Neurodiversity
- 11th of Sept Building emotional resilience in young people
- 6th of Nov Grrr get off that device....

All workshops are FREE

Doors open from 6:30 for a 7pm start.

Kings Community Centre, 93-95 Wynn Vale Drive, Wynn Vale



King's Baptist Church



CITY OF
TEA TREE GULLY
Naturally Better



Keithcot Farm
Children's Centre
for Early Childhood
Development and Parenting



MOBILE FOOD HUB WYNN VALE SUPPORT

COMING THURSDAY THE 15th August 2024!!
For those on a low income - referrals delivered on site

LOW COST
GROCERIES

FREE FRUIT & VEG
AND BREAD

Payments via EFT or Basics card



WE ARE A SHOP - ON WHEELS!

99 WYNN VALE DRIVE,
SALVATION ARMY CARPARK

15/8/24 10.00AM TO 11.00AM

EVERY
FORTNIGHT

What we have:

Fresh meat & dairy
Frozen Meat & vegetables
Pantry Staples - breakfast, lunch, dinner,
snacks Hygiene & Personal Products
Baby Food & Animal Food + more

*This service is offered to provide food relief to those in need. Those accessing this service will need to have a Food Hub referral from a Foodbank supporting agency. Limits may apply. Some products may be past best before date. Any questions contact 8351 1136 or email bonnie@foodbanks.org.au

MAN WITH A PRAM

Free Event!

Man With A Pram In The North Father's Day Walk Family Fun Day

Sunday 1 September

@ Carisbrooke Park

9.00am for a 9.30am start

Fun For All The Family!

Face Painting
Sausage Sizzle
Hot Coffees
Heaps of Outdoor Games
Goodie Bags for The Dads

FREE

FREE RAFFLE!
AWESOME PRIZES
FOR THE DADS!

FOR FREE REGISTRATION!
Use Promo Voucher Code
"salisbury24"

REGISTRATIONS OPEN!

Simply Use The QR Code
Tap SIGN UP & REGISTER as a PARTICIPANT
Select & Join Our Team

Carisbrooke Park, Salisbury 24

FOLLOW THE PROMPTS TO THE PAYMENT PAGE

Use Promo Voucher Code "salisbury24"

FOR FREE REGISTRATION

And you'll be ready to walk!

For All
Registration Enquiries
Call 0408 191 143

Salisbury

Getting ready for reception



In South Australia, the first year of primary school is called reception. Children who turn 5 years old:

- **before 1 May** can start school in term 1
- **between 1 May and 31 October** can start school in term 3 (mid-year intake)
- **after 31 October** can start the next year.

Children who start school at the beginning of the year will complete 4 terms of reception.

Children who start school in a mid-year intake will complete 6 terms of reception.



Scan or click here to register your interest to start reception



We have uniform items on sale at discounted rates until they are sold out. These items remain part of the current uniform but will be phased out over the next few years as part of our transition to the new uniform provider. Payment can be made on the Qkr app and uniform will be sent home via the classroom. Please make sure to select the correct size. **Special white striped senior polos are available for year 5 / 6 students for \$25 each.**



DISCOUNTED UNIFORM ITEMS



LOW PRICE

SCHOOL BAG
\$30



LOW PRICE

SKORT
\$25



LOW PRICE

DRESS
\$30

PURCHASE ON THE QKR APP OR IN THE FRONT OFFICE.



DEVON now has all the stock from School Locker. Only items/ sizes that have sold out will be produced by Devon at this stage.

HATS with the school logo are now available in store.

Devon clothing is located at:
Clovercrest Plaza Shopping Centre
24 / 429 Montague Road
Modbury SA 5092
Ph: 8350 7930

Follow the link below to order online
<https://onlinestore.devonclothing.com.au/shop-by-school/keithcot-farm-primary-school/>

The Government has increased the sports voucher for 2025 to 2 x \$100 per child.

<https://www.sportsvouchers.sa.gov.au/>

2 X \$100 SPORTS VOUCHERS
PER CHILD

Now includes music lessons

TERM 3 IMPORTANT DATES

School Photo Day
Wednesday 14th August

National Day Against Bullying & Violence
Friday 16th August

Book Week Dress Up Parade
Monday 19th August

Author Visit R - 2 Students
Thursday 22nd August

Author Visit Yr 3 - 6 Students
Tuesday 27th August

Father's Day Stall
Wednesday 28th &
Thursday 29th August

School Closure Day
Monday 2nd September
OSHC Available

Pupil Free Day
Tuesday 3rd September
OSHC Available

Festival of Music Concert
Monday 9th September

Wear Your Club Colours Day
25th September

Last Day of Term 3
Friday 27th September



Offering Before and After School Care as well as
Vacation Care and Pupil Free Day Care.

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MOB: 0401 121 583

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Find us on
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KEITHCOT FARM PRIMARY SCHOOL PAGE

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



Want to thank a staff member?

Follow the link below to THANK and ACKNOWLEDGE a KFPS staff member (Leadership, Teacher or SSO) who has made a difference to the school community you are a part of.

[https://www.education.sa.gov.au/
webforms/thanked](https://www.education.sa.gov.au/webforms/thanked)

Absentee SMS: **0408 482 972**

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

Assembly Roster

Term 3

Week 4 - Friday @ P3B
9.10am in the gym

Week 6 - Friday @ P3C
9.10am in the gym

Week 8 - Friday @ H1A, H1B
9.10am in the gym

Week 10 - Friday @ P3A, PA
9.10am in the gym