



## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Term 3 is speeding by! It has been really busy in school over the last few weeks and it has been great to see the students getting involved in so much rich learning. On top of our ongoing classroom learning programs, the last few weeks have included Book Week, Festival of Music Choir performance, the Hiragana (Japanese) competition, school sport soccer and High School transition for some of our Year 6 students!

It is important that we don't take events like these for granted – they are the result of a lot of hard work and the dedication of our teachers. We are committed to providing a broad range of opportunities for our students in order to enrich their learning experience.

### FESTIVAL CHOIR

On Monday night our Festival of Music Choir performed to a packed audience at the Festival Theatre. They were amazing and did a fantastic job – they did our school proud. A special mention to Eliza in Year 5, who has been selected to be a host this year. Well done! Thank you, too, to Alison McGill for her work in organising this experience for our students.

### BOOK WEEK

This was a very well organised event by Rosie Papageorgakis and her committee. The theme this year was Reading Is Magic. It was great to see the students dressed up and getting involved. The week also included two author visits, which were very well received. The Hedley Beare Library at Keithcot Farm, which we share with Kings, is a fantastic asset to our school. Please pop in for look if you get a chance – it would be great to see parents exploring this space with their children.

### HIRAGANA COMPETITION

This takes place this Thursday and good luck to all involved. This is another great example of the fantastic extra-curricular opportunities which we provide our students. Thank you to Wallace Sensei for her work in organising this. The Hiragana competition gives students the chance to showcase their Japanese learning by competing against other schools.

### PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Bookings are now open for our optional Term 3 interviews. Visit <https://www.schoolinterviews.com.au/code/5df2s> to make a booking. Bookings close at 3pm Friday 13th September.

### GROUNDS

We are continually looking at ways to improve our school. As part this drive to improve facilities, I'm excited to share news that the theatre in our Performing Arts building is being upgraded. This includes an upgrade of the AV equipment and new state-of-the-art projector system, deep clean and painting. The offices in the pods are also being upgraded. There are to be painted next week - followed by carpeting and new office furniture.

### 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. It is vital that you let the front office know if your child will not be returning to Keithcot in 2025 as soon as possible – this information informs our planning of student numbers and staffing.

**Derek Gallamore - Principal**

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Book Week 2024

# Reading is Magic

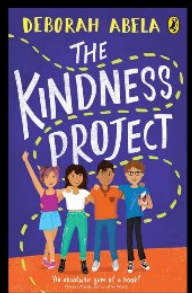






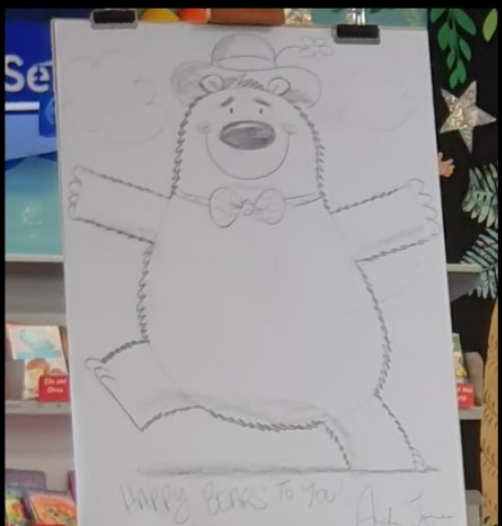
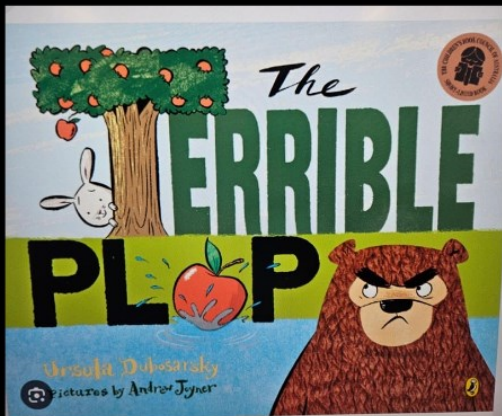
## Author - Deborah Abela

Award winning author Deborah Abela visited our middle and upper primary students. Deborah was very engaging and helped the students understand the process she goes through to create a book and students came away very enthusiastic to read her books. We have a few copies of each of her books in our library and they will be popular for quite some time. Below are the books Deborah talked about with the students, the first three are a trilogy.



## Author Visit—Andrew Joyner

Andrew Joyner is an author and illustrator, he shared his books with our junior primary students as part of our Book Week celebrations. He showed the classes how to draw a bear and an elephant from his books, Too Many Elephants and The Terrible Plop. The students were given the opportunity to ask questions and he was very impressed with the student's drawings.



You can view Andrew's drawings in the window of our library.





## THE OPENING CEREMONY!



# Pod 1 Potato Olympics

During the Olympics our Year 3/4s in Pod 1 competed in their very own Potato Olympics!

They designed and decorated their own flags and uniforms for their potatoes before sending them off to an Opening Ceremony. Their potatoes then competed in a variety of events including gymnastics, relays, weightlifting, spud rolling and breakdancing! We finished off with a Closing Ceremony where we shared and danced with our buddy classes. They all finished off a fun event by dancing to "Hot Potato".

Congratulations to all our medal winners and for everyone showing amazing sportsmanship, collaboration and resilience throughout the day!





# Festival of Music

On Monday our Festival of Music Choir travelled to the Festival Theatre to perform in front of a packed audience. It was an amazing evening and we hope all the families enjoyed sharing the experience with their children. A special mention to Eliza H in year 5, who was selected to be a host this year. We are very proud of all of our Festival Choir students. A big thank you to our Performing Arts teacher, Alison McGill for making this possible for our students and to SSO Danni for helping them on the big day.



This week, our district was proudly represented by Zoe C, Ava N, Ben, and Noah T at the prestigious School Sports SA State Hockey Carnival, a showcase of the top hockey talent from across the state.

**Girls' Team:** Battled hard throughout the competition and secured a commendable 10th place finish.

**Boys' Team:** Demonstrated resilience and skill, finishing 9th overall.

We are incredibly proud of our students' dedication and outstanding performances on the field. Their effort, sportsmanship, and teamwork truly reflected the spirit of our district.



## State Hockey Carnival



A group of our year 5 students took part in the Hiragana Competition that was held at One Tree Hill Primary School today. Congratulations to Greenwith Primary for coming first on the day. Wallace Sensei was very proud of our students and the effort they put in to the event.

Thank you to Wallace Sensei for organising the event along with the Japanese Teachers from the other schools that participated.

## Hiragana Competition



## 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 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](mailto:dl.1847.info@schools.sa.edu.au)

Call us to arrange a tour.

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

## 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

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We would love to welcome your family to become part of our community!

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

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



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.

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.

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

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.

Ph: 8251 2700

[e: dl.4631.admin@schools.sa.edu.au](mailto:dl.4631.admin@schools.sa.edu.au)

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

## Have you been thinking of volunteering at Keithcot Farm Primary School?

If you would like to join our Governing Council or Fundraising Committee in 2025 or volunteer in other areas of the school, please contact our front office on 8289 1133 to arrange to receive a volunteer pack or get more information.

# FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE



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 eg: Green and Gold for Australia  
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



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



**myDrakes.**

**Drakes Community Dollars**

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



Thank you to our fundraising committee for putting on another wonderful Father's Day stall. Our Mother's Day and Father's Day stall are always popular with our students and it gives them a sense of independence to purchase a gift for their loved one. We couldn't do this without the help of our volunteers. We hope you all loved your gifts and enjoyed your special day.



# 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
- 5th 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



## MOBILE FOOD HUB WYNN VALE SUPPORT

COMING THURSDAY THE 12th & 26th of Sept  
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

12 & 26/9/24 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](mailto:bonnie@foodbanks.org.au)



## SIMPLY SPORTS



**WHO:** R - 2 students from Kings Baptist or Keithcot Farm Primary

**WHAT:** KICKstart beginner soccer program

**WHERE:** School oval next to gym

**WHEN:** Tuesdays 3:30pm to 4:30pm

October 22nd to November 26th

**COST:** FREE if using \$100 SPORTS VOUCHER

or \$100 without it.



**REGISTER:** [simplysports.com.au/schools/wynnvale](http://simplysports.com.au/schools/wynnvale)

**CONTACT Ph:** Adrian 0402 418 580

**Email:** [info@simplysports.com.au](mailto:info@simplysports.com.au)



## VACSWIM PROGRAM DATES



DECEMBER & JANUARY 2024/25

**BLOCK 01** 16TH TO 20TH OF DECEMBER 2024

**BLOCK 02** 6TH TO 10TH OF JANUARY 2025

**BLOCK 03** 13TH TO 17TH OF JANUARY 2025

**BLOCK 04** 20TH TO 24TH OF JANUARY 2025

**GENERAL PUBLIC ENROLMENTS FOR VACSWIM ARE NOW OPEN!**

Enrolments for the highly anticipated VACSWIM season for 2024/25 are now open.

Popular locations booking fast – get in quick to secure your spot!

Enrol here [www.vacswimsa.com.au/enrol](http://www.vacswimsa.com.au/enrol)



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.



**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

Trading Hours:  
Monday to Friday 9am – 5pm  
Saturday 10am – 1pm  
Closed Sundays and Public Holidays

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

**Wear Your Club Colours Day  
25th September**

**Last Day of Term 3  
Friday 27th September  
Early Dismissal 2.05pm**

## TERM 4 IMPORTANT DATES

**First Day of Term 4  
Monday 14th October**

**Schnitzel Night Fundraiser  
Monday 21st October**

**Sports Day  
Friday 25th October**

**Pupil Free Day  
4th November**

**Children's University Graduation  
12th November  
9.45am - 12 noon**

**Absentee SMS:  
0408 482 972**

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



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

PH: 8289 2649  
MOB: 0401 121 583

Email: [oshc.keithcot2@schools.sa.edu.au](mailto:oshc.keithcot2@schools.sa.edu.au)



Find us on  
**Facebook**

### 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>

### Assembly Roster

### Term 3

Week 8 - Friday @  
9.10am in the gym

H1A, H1B

Week 10 - Friday @  
9.10am in the gym

P3A, PA

## COFFEE N CHAT WITH LEADERSHIP



SHARE A COFFEE &  
CHAT WITH  
LEADERSHIP & OTHER  
PARENTS

ALL WELCOME



THIS FRIDAY  
IN THE GYM  
AFTER ASSEMBLY