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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

The end of the school year brings the expected joy at finishing another year, and perhaps some sadness at leaving behind a year filled with great experiences, teachers, and friends.

Consider that this may be a bittersweet time for your child, and help them celebrate all that they have achieved this year as you ease any anxiety associated with a change of teacher and class in 2020.

It has been another busy, but enjoyable year at Keithcot Farm Primary School.

Some of the highlights have been;

- Developing the outdoor play areas down at the houses.
- Celebrating our first Children's University graduates.
- An outstanding achievement in the Wakakirri performing arts event.
- Our successful well-attended Sports Day.
- Celebrating the learning growth of our students.

Staffing News

There are no permanent teacher changes to our staff and our contract positions are yet to be confirmed by the department, so at this stage, no staffing announcements can be made.

I would like to thank all staff, students and parents for working together to ensure that 2019 has been a great year for our school community.

Have a wonderful Christmas and safe New Year. Enjoy the break and then look forward to another exciting year in 2020.

Carol Farnworth



RESILIENCE EFFORT SAFETY PERSISTENCE EMPATHY CREATIVITY TEAMWORK

POD 3 AQUATICS CAMP 2019



On the 18th of November, the four Pod 3 classes attended camp at Victor Harbor. Our Year 6 and 7s were lucky enough to get to experience aquatic activities while on camp. After dropping off our bags on day one, we made our way to the beach. The weather was stunning and the waves were perfect! Students eagerly formed activity groups and began their first activities. Both boogie boarding and surfing were on the agenda today. Many students shared excitement over catching their first ever waves!

"I really enjoyed boogie boarding because I caught lots of good waves." **Charlotte Williamson**

"My favourite activity was surfing because I haven't done it before and I was pretty good at it." **Charlotte Camburn**

Our day came to a close, and we made our way back to set up our rooms. Lucky for us, the meals at camp were fantastic! We enjoyed things like chicken schnitzel, roast lamb and spaghetti bolognese. That evening we went on a night walk to The Bluff.

On Tuesday we woke to a slightly colder day but that did not stop the excitement for what lay ahead! We spent the day in our activity groups going kayaking and snorkelling, followed by a walk to Granite Island.

"My favourite activity was the kayaking, because we played chasey and made bridges." **Harvey Forster**

"When snorkelling, we went to a lake. In the lake there was a lot of fish. Some of the fish were fairly big." **Jayden Stockwell**

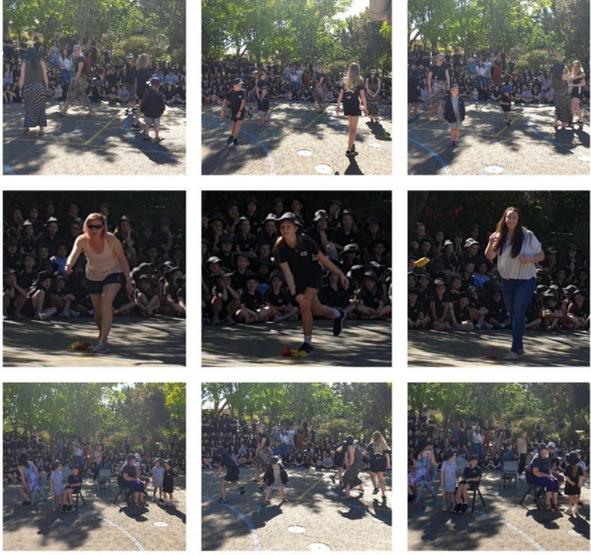
We ended the night with the long awaited Talent Show! The show proved just how many incredibly talented students we have (and some rather funny and creative ones too).

The weather on Wednesday was rather hot. This meant that we had to do our final activity, surf life saving, earlier in the morning. After packing our bags and engaging in our last activity for camp, we made our way back to school. Everyone was rather tired and sad to leave at that point. However we were happy to be back with our families.

This year's camp will never be forgotten – life long memories were made!



PE WEEK



PE Week was held from the 11th to the 15th of November. Students learnt about the benefits of eating healthy and keeping active throughout the week. On the Monday we held an opening warm up where students, teachers and parents came together to play games and compete against each other. A big thank you to Mr Stocker and his helpers for organising a great start to the day. Well done to all the parents, students and teachers who participated in the games. Parents and staff came away with the win this year by one point.



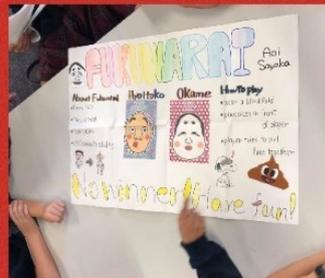
PE WEEK

A warm welcome to our visitors from Japan

On Tuesday 3/12 KFPS hosted 14 students from Ritsumeikan Junior High School in Kyoto, Japan.

Students from P3A and P3C played a Quiz with the Japanese visitors and P1D did some cultural activities. A big shout out to P3D students who volunteered to take the students on a school tour!

Linking their learning in Japanese to real life experiences.



Congratulations



GRADUATING CLASS OF 2019

We are so proud of the 27 students who attended their Graduation ceremony held at the Adelaide University's Bonython Hall on November 6th. These students completed 30 hours or more of extra curricular activities during 2019. We look forward to continuing the program which is available to students from year 3 to 7 in 2020.

By Catherine Clark & Ali Nelson



Welcome to our Foundation Families for 2020

It was a packed house at the welcome morning tea for the parents/caregivers of our 59 new foundation students for 2020. While the children went off to experience school for the first time and meet the teachers, parents enjoyed a coffee and chat with our leadership team (and Toby)

It was great for you to share this experience of becoming part of our school community with your children. **See you all in 2020!**



What a welcome morning tea!



Parent Information for 2020

The **Materials and Services charge** for the 2020 school year is \$350 per student. Invoices will be sent home in the first week of school. Payment can be made via cash, eftpos, Qkr. Direct debit payment plans are also available. School card application forms are available from the front office. Please contact Ingrid in the front office to discuss further.

You **do not** need to purchase any **stationery items** for your child as this is included in the materials and services charge.

All students must wear a **navy school locker hat** and **full correct school uniform**. We have a no hat, no play policy.

You can download the **Qkr app** for android or iPhone. All school payments for M & S charges, Rory's school lunches, camps, excursions, incursions, sports and music levy and most fundraising events can be paid for at any time using this app.

Our first **fundraising committee** meeting will be held on **Monday 10th of February** if you would like to join please contact the school.

Our **Acquaintance Night and AGM** will be on **Tuesday 11th of February**. If you would like more information about joining **our Governing Council**, please contact us. More information and a nomination form will be sent out to families prior to the AGM. We hope to see you there.

School Banking is done on Tuesday mornings by our wonderful volunteers.

The **two Kiss n drop zones** are on Keithcot Farm Drive in front of the KFPS admin building and outside the Keithcot Farm Children's Centre. Please follow the rules on the signs as **finest apply and student safety is a priority to us**. Older students are on duty at the Children's Centre kiss n drop to take younger students up to their classrooms each morning. Teachers are on duty before school from 8.35am and after school until 3.25pm.

Email is the current form of official school communication. Please make sure the office has your correct current email address and update these details as required. Our email address is dl_1847@schools.sa.edu.au

Exemption Forms - If your child is going to be absent from school for 3 or more days for holidays, an exemption form is required and needs to be approved by the Principal.

The Skoolbag app can be downloaded onto your device or visit our **website** www.keithcotps.sa.edu.au to view newsletters and other info.

Keithcot Farm PS Community Page is a closed facebook group for parents/ caregivers to facilitate communication and help you keep connected with the School Community.

Keithcot Farm PS Special Needs Support Group is a facebook support group for those with children with special needs to connect with each other that you are welcome to join.

Keithcot Farm Primary School 2nd Hand Uniform Group is a public facebook group to buy n sell 2nd hand uniform.

KFPS Uniform Shop is open on Tuesdays and Thursday between 8.15am - 10am for trying on and purchasing. Orders can be made via the school locker website <https://theschoollocker.com.au/schools/keithcot-farm-primary-school> and sent home via post or the classroom.

The **School Locker uniform shop** will be open on site **on Tuesday 21st and Thursday the 23rd of January from 9am to 4pm** to get the last minute items before school starts.

Canteen orders can be placed via Qkr by 8.45am or via the classroom lunch order box. The canteen is run by Rory's School Lunches, a menu can be accessed via their website and clicking on the KFPS menu option.

We look forward to seeing you all for the first day of the 2020 school year on Tuesday the 28th of January.

FAREWELL TO STUDENTS OF OUR CLASS OF 2019

Next Tuesday our year 7's will celebrate their graduation with a ceremony at the Highbury Hotel. We are so proud of this group of student leaders. They have been an amazingly kind, caring, enthusiastic and delightful group of students. We often hear comments from leadership and teachers in the staffroom that this group of year 7's are a beautiful bunch of kids that we will be sad to send off on their next adventure. We want to wish them all the best for their last week with us at KFPS, we hope they have a wonderful night on Tuesday and remember their time with us at KFPS fondly. To our parents who are also going on a new adventure as the parents of a high school student we thank you for entrusting us with your child over their primary school years and you will also be sadly missed. We love seeing students come back and watch them grow (often very tall) and become the young adults we all hoped for.

YOU'RE OFF TO GREAT PLACES

TODAY IS YOUR DAY

**WE CELEBRATE YOUR
ACHIEVEMENTS AND SEND YOU ON
YOUR WAY**

FROM ALL THE STAFF AT KFPS



Fully booked is our online booking system and is also your enrolment system. You must ensure that your child's medical, dietary and custody requirements are uploaded onto the system along with a risk minimisation plan. This is really important to ensure we have up to date information about your child. Prior conversations or documentation provided does not count. It must be uploaded onto fully booked. Bookings can no longer be made over the phone, all bookings must be made via fully booked. Please follow the link to access <https://keithcotkingsoshc.fullybookedccms.com.au/family>

Thank you from the OSHC Management Team



Last week we had our thank you morning tea for all our lovely volunteers who do an enormous amount of work in various roles across our school. We understand that some of you were unable to attend due to prior commitments however we are very grateful for everything you have done to contribute to our school over 2019.

We also acknowledged three people who are a special part of our community and whose work has made a huge difference to so many in our school community.



Congratulations

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To Darren Walker on being awarded the Member for Wright Volunteer of the year award. Presented by Blair Boyer MP.

To Kirsty Warwick for being awarded the KFPS Volunteer of the year award. Presented by Darren Walker Chairman of KFPS.

and to Eliza Warwick for being awarded an honorary volunteer of KFPS award. Presented by our Principal Carol Farnworth.

Thank you for all your dedication and hard work and for making our school great.

Lids 4 Kids

Supporting envision.org.au

Your Plastic Bottle Lids Can be recycled and Turned into 3D Plastic Prosthetic Arms for Kids.

Please Drop Lids off here for collection, from our supporter:
Keithcot Farm Primary School

For more information check out:
@Lids4KidsAU
@EnvisionESI
<http://envision.org.au/envision-hands/>

Keithcot Farm Primary School is collecting lids and bread tags to support **Lids 4 Kids**. If you would like to help please send your **lids and tags** to the front office and we will send them off to become **prosthetic arms for kids** in need of our help. Only number 2 and 4 lids can be used in this amazing initiative, lets join as a **community** to make a difference in someone's life.

(Please help us by washing all lids)

We are collecting until the last day of Term 4

Thank you to those who
have already donated.

Christmas on the Hill



Our middle choir joined the Kings Baptist School Choir to perform at the 2019 Christmas On The Hill. Our students always love the opportunity to perform on the big stage in front of a packed crowd. Fantastic job by our Performing Arts teacher Alison McGill and the middle choir for a wonderful performance with the Kings School Choir.



2019 CHRISTMAS RAFFLE
\$2 per TICKET

1ST PRIZE: 42 inch DIGITAL TV
2ND PRIZE: SEGA MEGA DRIVE & TEA TREE GULLY GOLF PASS
3RD PRIZE: \$75 BP VOUCHER + GIFT PACK

EVERY FAMILY WILL RECEIVE A BOOK OF 5 TICKETS
MORE BOOKS WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE FRONT OFFICE

PLEASE RETURN ALL MONIES AND TICKETS IN AN ENVELOPE or a ZIP LOCK BAG TO THE OFFICE NO LATER THAN FRIDAY 6TH DECEMBER

DRAWN at THE END OF YEAR CONCERT: MONDAY 9TH DECEMBER

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT
WE WISH YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND SAFE HOLIDAY SEASON
ALL MONIES RAISED ARE GOING TOWARDS IMPROVING OUR PLAY AREAS

THIS EVENT IS TAX COMPLIANT



Tea Tree Gully Community

Christmas Parade

On the 2nd of November a group of parents and students joined our Principal Carol Farnworth in the Tea Tree Gully Community Christmas Parade. The children (big and small) had a fabulous time waving to their friends and family along the route and proud representing our school community. It was a magical day that was enjoyed by everyone. Thank you to all who came along to participate and also those who cheered them on from the sidelines.

I hear there are already big plans being made for next years event.



Keith Is Back!

This week we welcomed Keith our Elf back for another year. Keith has made quite an entrance sneaking around the school to make sure all our students are following our school values so he can report back to Santa. We have lots of little leaders who are very protective of Keith and his magic. We heard lots of screams of delight when the students would locate Keith around the school.

"Don't touch Keith or his magic will disappear" - Lily S H1A

Keith will be here for the rest of the school year. You may even spot Keith at our End of Year Concert next Monday.



He arrived!

OFFICIAL LETTERHEAD FROM
The North Pole
Dear KFPS Students,
Christmas is coming and I know you are all trying to do your best to stay on the nice list.
I have sent one of my elves "Keith" your way. He is going to keep a watchful eye on you all and report back to me each night.
Keep making good choices and make me proud of you.
From Santa

What does an Elf learn at school?

The 'Elf'abet



Can you find me?



Hanging around in the library



Watching out the Japanese Window



Who will make the list?



*Merry Christmas
&
Happy New Year!*

FROM ALL THE STAFF AT KEITHCOT FARM PRIMARY 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 GROUP

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 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

Final Whole School Assembly
Friday 6th December
(Hosted by P3C)

End of Year Concert - 6pm
Monday 9th December

Year 7 Graduation
Tuesday 10th December

P1B/P1D Aquatic Centre
Wednesday 11th December

Year 7 Big Day Out at Waterworld
Wednesday 11th December

Last Day of School for 2019
Friday 13th December
(Early Dismissal 2.05pm)

First Day Of Term 1 2020
Tuesday 28th January 2020

COFFEE AND CHAT



**ALL PARENTS AND
CAREGIVERS ARE
INVITED TO JOIN
LEADERSHIP FOR A**



**COFFEE IN THE
HALL AFTER
EACH ASSEMBLY**



(held in even weeks of each term)

**** UNIFORM SHOP ****

**** HOLIDAY OPENING TIMES****

**Tuesday January 21st &
Thursday January 23rd 2020
9am - 4pm**

****NORMAL OPENING TIMES****

**8.15am - 10.00am
Tuesdays and Thursdays**