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Tuesday 5th March
Assembly 9am
Governing Council
7 – 9pm

Monday 11th March **Public Holiday**

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Pastoral Care Worker – I am delighted to announce that Rachel Tatera has won the position of PCW at our school. We look forward to her joining our team when she starts

next week.

positions:

Our **Governing Council AGM** On Tuesday 12th February, followed by the inaugural meeting for 2019, was very successful. Thank you to all who attended. Welcome to our new Governing Council members: Katrina O'Neil, David Broderick and Sasha Drexel. Our continuing members are: Kelly Pearce, Mary Clark, Fiona Young, Belinda Smith, Bec Thomas and Chris Tagg. The following were elected to our vacant

Chairperson: Chris Tagg Vice Chairperson: Mary Clark Secretary: Fiona Young

Vice Secretary: Katrina O'Neil Treasurer: Kelly Pearce

Vice Treasurer: Bec Thomas

Our new Governing Council ensures the governance of Kersbrook Primary remains in good hands. Thank you to our new and continuing members for their work on behalf of the whole school community. Any member of the community is most welcome to attend the meetings. We meet twice per term and the next meeting will be Tuesday 5^{th} March 7.00 - 9.00pm

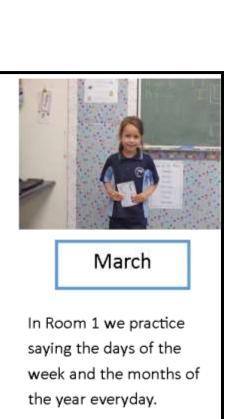
Year 6 students to High School – a number of people have been asking me about this recently. The most current information indicates that at the end of 2021 all Year 6 and Year 7 students will go to High School to start in Year 7 and Year 8 in 2022.

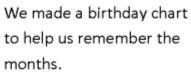
Our 2018 Annual Report has now been finalised and sent to the Department for Education. It will be returned to us in a locked format and will go on our web site in the near future.

We have been offered the opportunity to host **South Korean Home Stay students** again this year. We will only be able to host up to six students. They will arrive on Sunday 28th July (Term 3 week 2) and depart on Saturday 17th August. Please let me know if your family is interested in hosting this year. We will be planning some interesting excursions and activities for our whole school during this time.

Jill Gurner Principal









August







September

November

December

Book Club

Thank you to all parents who have ordered Book Club books. Catalogues are sent out twice a term, except in Term 3 when we have Book Fair. Buying books from school helps to resource our library as we receive reward points when you purchase. Book Fair will be held in the Front Office area in August (Term 3) and provides the opportunity for families and students to browse and buy. We love to encourage reading at Kersbrook



Primary and students can borrow from the library or from our Adelaide Hills Mobile library and take books home to read. Reading with your children at home will accelerate their literacy and love of books. The ability to purchase quality books (from \$2) is a win win. Some students come in with their own forms and pocket money to purchase via the front office or you can order on-line with LOOP. Details in your next catalogue!

Welcome to Rachel



Hey, I'm Rachel, the new Pastoral Care Worker at Kersbrook Primary School.

I am very excited to start working at your lovely school this year and looking forward to meeting you and your beautiful children.

I currently work as a PCW at Fulham North Primary School and have been there for just over two years. I've just recently moved into Kersbrook in the middle of last year and hope to build relationships and connect with the local town community.

I've previously completed my studies in Counselling in 2013, then worked as a PCW at Westbourne Park PS and Seaton Park PS and also have volunteered in several youth agencies.

It is a privilege for me to work in your school community as a positive role model and provide practical and ongoing support. It is my passion to help support young people with purpose, value and hope. I look forward to meeting you soon.

Yellow Permissions

On the first day of school, paperwork was sent home including School Card information and yellow permission slips to be signed. If you give permission, please sign these slips and return them to avoid disappointment. If they are not returned the student will not have permission for local school walks or photographs in the newsletter.

Car Park

Families may be aware that later in the year Adelaide Hills Council are remodelling our school car park to ensure it complies with current standards and is safer for our children. Plans can be found on School Stream or at the Front Office.

In the meantime, it would be appreciated if everyone could take extra care during school drop-off and pick-up. If you intend staying in school for some time, please be mindful when choosing a car park. Normally parents rely on the smooth flow of traffic forward without the extra risks of having to reverse. If your car is at the front and you intend on staying for a while, it will hinder the flow of pick-ups.

Garden Helpers

Ms Fechner and Room 3 are looking for helpers next Tuesday 26th February from 9am to 11am. If you can spare this time to help students with establishing the garden beds, it would be appreciated. Either see Ms Fechner or ring and let us know your availability. It will be fun. The raised beds will be prepared for initial plantings. NO DCSI REQUIRED

Playgroup



Playgroup meets each Wednesday morning from 9am to 11am in the Old School Building (OSB). Please come along with your preschoolers and join the fun. It is a good way to connect with other parents or grandparents - a sharing and learning environment. We engineered a bus last week and went travelling!





