

# NEWSLETTER



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## Dates To Remember

**Public Holiday**  
Monday 12<sup>th</sup> March

**Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> March**  
Election Day Stall

**Thai Students**  
Arrive 18<sup>th</sup> March

**Mon, Tues, Wed and  
Thurs 26<sup>th</sup> - 29<sup>th</sup> March**  
Parent Teacher Interviews

**Pupil Free Day**  
Term 2 – Week 1  
Monday 30 April

**Right Bite**  
Daily fruit and lunch on  
Thursdays

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Dear Students, Parents and Caregivers,

On Friday 16<sup>th</sup> March, Kersbrook Primary School will unite with thousands of other Australian schools to celebrate the eighth National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence. Our students will be doing some activities and sharing ideas around the theme of "imagine a world free from bullying". I thought it might be timely to clarify the definition of bullying.

The national definition of bullying for Australian schools says:

Bullying is an ongoing misuse of power in relationships through repeated verbal, physical and/or social behaviour that causes physical and/or psychological harm. It can involve an individual or a group misusing their power over one or more persons. Bullying can happen in person or online, and it can be obvious (overt) or hidden (covert).

Bullying of any form or for any reason can have long-term effects on those involved, including bystanders.

Single incidents and conflict or fights between equals, whether in person or online, are not defined as bullying.

Behaviours that do not constitute bullying include:

- mutual arguments and disagreements (where there is no power imbalance)
- not liking someone or a single act of social rejection
- one-off acts of meanness or spite
- isolated incidents of aggression, intimidation or violence.

However, these conflicts still need to be addressed and resolved.

**Election Day Barbecue and produce stall** – Kersbrook Primary school will be a polling booth on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> March. We will be fundraising with a barbeque and produce stall on the day. Please see further information in this newsletter.

**Pupil Free Day** – Friday 9<sup>th</sup> March is a Pupil Free Day and will give families a four day break with the public holiday on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> March. All staff will be busy on Friday with Professional Learning to support our ongoing improvement of Literacy teaching and learning. We hope everyone has a relaxing and safe long weekend.

**Jill Gurner**  
Principal

# This Page created by Mrs Judd and Students of Room 2

We have been learning about place value (thousands, hundreds, tens and ones). We made castles out of MAB blocks and recorded their worth.



I cut out 6 Hundreds blocks and then I cut 2 10 blocks and made them into doors. My castle is worth 676. **Jacob**

I cut out 8 Hundred blocks, 3 ten blocks and made my castle. I then added a king and a knight and then I drew a princess. **Stephanie**



I made my castle out of hundreds, tens and ones. It was fun because we learnt where to place numbers when adding and subtracting. **Hannah**

## Pupil Free Dates

On Pupil Free Days staff attend Partnership Training Development with other schools in the Adelaide Hills. There is one School Closure Day that we normally use as a 'Show Day' for students. Please note these dates are also on your School Stream calendar. These dates have been approved by Governing Council and are as follows:

### Term 2

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> April (First day of Term 2)

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> June

### Term 3

Friday 31<sup>st</sup> August

Monday 3 September (4 day weekend) for Pupil Free and School Closure Day.

## Election Day BBQ – Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> March

It would be greatly appreciated if you could donate baked goods or provide fresh produce for the stall or volunteer any of your time to assist on the day. We will be starting to set up and cook from 7.00 am. If you can help out it will be a lot of fun. Suggested times to roster on (or for any part of a 2 hour shift) are:

7.00 until 9.00am

9.00 until 11.00am

11.00 until 1.00pm

1.00 until 3.00pm

Please let Lynn know if you are able to help. Cakes and baked goods can be delivered to school on Friday or dropped off on the day when you come to vote. It is now a requirement that all ingredients are identified on baked goods. This can be as simple as a label or sticky note with a list of ingredients. Please contact us if you need any labels, sticky notes or lists photocopied as we are very happy to help.



### Continuing with thoughts about support young people to have a growth mindset -

When we have a **growth mindset**, then we believe that we can develop who we are with strategies of dedication, hard work & persistence — having brains and talent are just the start. Using growth mindset gives us a love of learning and a resilience that we need to achieve.

In the next Newsletter I will conclude the final 8 of 25 ways to support children in the development of a Growth Mindset by Sara Briggs.

### 25 Ways to Develop a Growth Mindset – Sara Briggs 9 - 17)

#### 9. Celebrate growth with others.

If you truly appreciate growth, you'll want to share your progress with others.

#### 10. Emphasise growth over speed.

Learning fast isn't the same as learning well, and learning well sometimes requires allowing time for mistakes.

#### 11. Reward actions, not traits.

Tell students when they're doing something smart, not just being smart.

#### 12. Redefine "genius."

The myth's been busted: genius requires hard work, not talent alone.

#### 13. Portray criticism as positive.

You don't have to use that hackneyed term, "constructive criticism," but you do have to believe in the concept.

**14. Dissociate improvement from failure.**

Stop assuming that "room for improvement" translates into failure.

**15. Provide regular opportunities for reflection.**

Let students reflect on their learning at least once a day.

**16. Place effort before talent.**

Hard work should always be rewarded before inherent skill.

**17. Highlight the relationship between learning and "brain training."**

The brain is like a muscle that needs to be worked out, just like the body.

Cited From: <https://plus.google.com/u/0/101796324413630088793#ixzz3YaEqYHle>

*Regards Skye Keller, PCW*

## Playgroup



Playgroup on Wednesday mornings is lots of fun. If you know someone who would like to come along, please encourage them to join in. It is from 9am to approx. 11.30am. It is free and a good chance to socialise and have some fun with the children.

Hannah, Jasmine and Rhylen are pictured here having fun painting and making things.



# Calendar Term 1

TERM 1 2018					
7	Monday 12/3/18	Tues 13/3/18	Wed 14/3/18	Thurs 15/3/18	Friday 16/3/18
	<b>Public Holiday</b>		Playgroup 9am	<b>Right Bite Lunch</b>	<b>Grip Leadership</b>
8	Monday 19/3/18	Tues 20/3/18	Wed 21/3/18	Thurs 22/3/18	Friday 23/3/18
	<b>Thai students arrive 18 March</b>	Warrawong Sanctuary Incursion Governing Council 7pm	Playgroup 9am <b>Harmony Day</b>	<b>Right Bite Lunch</b>	
9	Monday 26/3/18	Tues 27/3/18	Wed 28/3/18	Thurs 29/3/18	Friday 30/3/18
	Parent Teacher Interviews this week Mon - Thurs		Room 1 hosting Assembly 9am Playgroup Sporting Schools Tennis	<b>Right Bite Lunch</b> Sporting Schools Tennis	<b>Good Friday</b>
10	Monday 2/4/18	Tues 3/4/18	Wed 4/4/18	Thurs 5/4/18	Friday 6/4/18
	<b>Easter Monday</b>		Playgroup 9am Sporting Schools Tennis	<b>Right Bite Lunch</b> Sporting Schools Tennis	
11	Monday 9/4/18	Tuesday 10/4/18	Wed 11/4/18	Thurs 12/4/18	Friday 13/4/18
	<b>Thai students depart</b>		Playgroup 9am		2pm Pick Up
TERM 2					
1	Mon 30 <sup>th</sup> April	Tues 1 <sup>st</sup> May	Wed 2 <sup>nd</sup> May	Thurs 3 <sup>rd</sup> May	Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> May
	Pupil Free Day		Playgroup 9am	<b>Right Bite Lunch</b>	
2	Mon 7 <sup>th</sup> May	Tues 8 <sup>th</sup> May	Wed 9 <sup>th</sup> May	Thurs 10 <sup>th</sup> May	Fri 11 <sup>th</sup> May
	Start Smart Financial Literacy		Playgroup 9am	<b>Right Bite Lunch</b>	Mother's Day Sunday
3	Mon 14 <sup>th</sup> May	Tues 15 <sup>th</sup> May	Wed 16 <sup>th</sup> May	Thurs 17 <sup>th</sup> May	Fri 18 <sup>th</sup> May
			Assembly Playgroup 9.30am	<b>Right Bite Lunch</b>	National Walk to School Safely Day
4	Mon 21 <sup>st</sup> May	Tues 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	Wed 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	Thurs 24 <sup>th</sup> May	Fri 25 <sup>th</sup> May
			Playgroup 9am <b>Nat Simultaneous Storytime</b>	<b>Right Bite Lunch</b>	
5	Mon 28 <sup>th</sup> May	Tues 29 <sup>th</sup> May	Wed 30 <sup>th</sup> May	Thurs 31 <sup>st</sup> May	Fri 1 <sup>st</sup> August
	<b>National Reconciliation Week</b>		Playgroup 9am	<b>Right Bite Lunch</b>	

# Birdwood High School



**Open Day**  
*5th April 2018*  
*9:15am start until 11am*

- Principal's Address
- School Tour
- Morning Tea with Leadership Team

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