NEWSDEWER

Dear Students, Parents and Caregivers,



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Friday 8th March, 2019

See our calendar at www.kersbrookps.sa.edu.au

Public Holiday Monday 11th March

Fundraising Meeting
Old School Building
Tuesday 12th March 7pm

Pupil Free Days 2019

Term 2 Friday 10th May

Term 3Thursday 29th August
Friday 30th August
Friday 27t^h September

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Welcome to our new students - Penny in Year 1 and Sophie in Year 5. We currently have 76 amazing

students enjoying our wonderful school.

High speed fibre optic internet – is on its way to our school! This year will see our school enjoying the benefits of having dedicated, high speed fibre optic internet connection. Planning has commenced and

the contractor has met with me and viewed the site. We will require some trenches to be dug as part of the installation. This will provide a much better service than NBN and is going to be paid for by the Department for Education.

Wi-Fi upgrade – Matthew Murton, the business engagement officer for NAPLAN online for the Department for Education has recently confirmed our Wi-Fi upgrade. The upgrade has commenced and will be completed before our Year 3, 5 & 7 students undertake NAPLAN online early in Term 2. The total cost of the upgrade would be in excess of \$30,000.00 and is being provided to us free of charge. The new system will support our school and students well into the future and will be an even great asset when we get high speed fibre optic connected.

Positive Play Awards - have been introduced and are having a very significant impact on student's behaviour during recess and lunch play times. Staff are looking for good behaviour and rewarding it with a positive play award. Students write their name on the award and put it into the raffle box in the office. Winners are drawn three times a term at our whole school assemblies.

Occupancy Warning System – Following my meeting with the Department for Education representatives last month to discuss the scope of our project I have been advised that the process is now well underway. At this stage we anticipate the project to be completed before the end of Term 2.

Governing Council – A very special welcome to Kath Cottrell. She is continuing on in her role as Governing Council member this year. Her name was inadvertently omitted from the list in our last newsletter, sorry Kath.

If you wish to attend one of our Governing Council meetings they are at 7pm in the Library on the following dates:

Tuesday 21st May
Tuesday 18th June
Tuesday 6th August
Tuesday 10th September
Tuesday 29th October
Tuesday 26th November

Fundraising Committee Meeting – Tuesday 12th March, Old School Building 7pm. All welcome.

South Korean Home Stay – If you are interested in hosting a student please let me know as soon as possible. The students are due to arrive on Sunday 28th July and depart on Saturday 16th August.

Pupil Free Days and School Closure Day – Our 2019 dates were ratified by Governing Council at our last meeting. The dates are in this newsletter and are for Terms 2, 3 and 4. I hope this gives parents plenty of time to organise childcare. Happy Haven will be providing full day care for each of the days and parents will be invited to register closer to the dates. The days will be used by staff to attend Professional Development with other schools from our Torrens Valley Partnership.

2019 Wellbeing and Engagement Collection – All students in Years 4-12 will take part in this collection. Letters to parent have been sent home today. If you do not want your child to participate please contact the school as soon as possible. As with previous years, the de-identified wellbeing data will be provided in a report to our school early in Term 2.

Sports Day date – I can confirm that our Interschool Sports Day is scheduled for Friday 25th October which is Friday of Week 2 Term 4.

Jill Gurner Principal

Pupil Free Days

Torrens Valley School Partnership Pupil Free Days for 2019 have been confirmed and ratified by Governing Council. These and other event dates are on our calendar at: www.kersbrookps.sa.edu.au
On these days, staff undertake Professional Development with their colleagues from other school sites. If you would like OSHC on these days, please phone Happy Haven on 81555444.

Term 2

Friday 10th May – Week 2

Term 3

Thursday 29th August – Week 6

Friday 30th August – Week 6 (School Closure)

Friday 27th September – Week 10

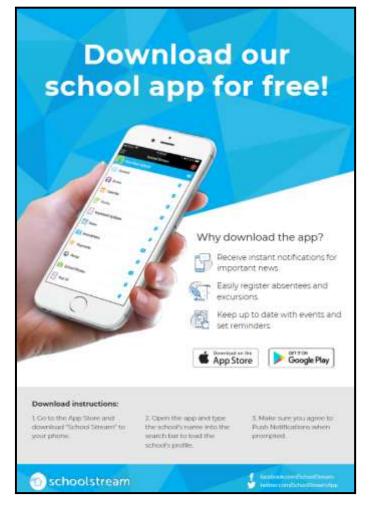
Term 4

Monday 21st October - Week 2

School Stream

School Stream is an easy to use App which is one of our communication platforms. Next time you open it you will be asked to log in if you have not already done so. This ensures that only families we know are using the App. If you have anyone using it who we may not recognise (ie. a Grandparent with a different family name), please let us know that they are family. The log in is so simple that even Andrea

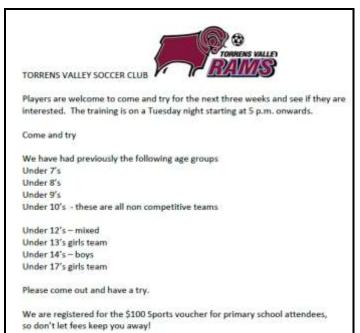
is happy with it!





Steve from Gawler Light Rotary Club came to present us with \$250 as proceeds from the BBQ they ran for us at the Christmas Concert. What a great way for us to raise money. Thank you Gawler Light Rotary, you always do a great BBQ for us.





Any further information contact Miss Miranda Miller on 0468 542 803

