

Kersbrook Primary School

Number 5

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

Assembly Tuesday 26th March

National Practice Day NAPLAN Thursday 28th March

Parent/Teacher Interviews Monday 1st April to Thursday 4th April

Playgroup SA Visit Wednesday 10th April

> Pupil Free Day Term 2 Friday 10th May

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Dear Students, Parents and Caregivers,

Dinner at Parliament House - The Education Minister, the Hon John Gardner MP and Dr Richard Harvey MP, our local member for Newland, hosted a dinner at Parliament House on Tuesday 19th March. Chris Tagg, our Governing Council Chairperson and I joined Principals and Governing Council Chairs from other local schools to attend this event.



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Governing Council Training – Sascha, David, Chris and I, from Governing Council attended a two hour training session at Birdwood High School on Wednesday evening. Some of the topics included - governance vs management; roles and functions of governing councils; membership composition; office bearers; committees; meeting procedures; legal obligations and conflict of interest; dispute mediation; information privacy principles; engagement vs consultation vs representation.

Continuing improvement for our students – All staff have been working with Zoe from the Learning Improvement Division as we continue to pursue excellence in all that we do. Teachers have been released to meet one on one with Zoe and she has facilitated several professional development staff meetings so far this term. We all look forward to continuing to work with Zoe this year.

NAPLAN – Next Thursday 28th March is the NCPT (National Coordinated Practice Test). This is not to test our students but rather to test the system and in particular to confirm that our ICT and administrative processes are all in place for NAPLAN online next term. Please see more details re NAPLAN online in this newsletter and if you are interested you can go to the public demonstration site to try the format of the online testing. Just click on a year level and then choose conventions of language (grammar, punctuation and spelling), reading or writing.

This is not a full test but simply a sample of the key features, interactive navigation, types and format of questions and onscreen tools that students can access during the test.

Thank you to our staff- Have you ever wondered what Mrs Rawlings gets up to when we let her out of the office? She plays on the equipment! On a serious note, I would like to thank all of our SSOs and Teachers who work so hard to support our students and our school.

Jill Gurner Principal



Descriptions of our favourite food.

Room 2 are learning how to write descriptions. Can you guess what we love to eat?



It is kind of orangey, yellowy It is solid. There is honey all over it. Part of it is meat



It is red and hard. It has a wrapper. It is full of sugar and sticky. You buy it at a shop. It takes a long time to eat.

It is Asian You can buy it at most shopping centres The filling can be any colour It's outside comes from the sea and is black. The inside is soft and white





It has cheese on top. It has pasta in the middle. It is savory. Its yellow and brown. Its served hot. You have it for dinner. It is solid, it is crunchy when it's not cooked. It is a pale yellow. It is savory. You can eat it on its own or with other things. You generally eat it at dinner.

It is sweet and unhealthy. It has sugar all over it. It is orange. It has some brown pieces in it. It can be soft and hard. Its solid. It's been made and comes in different shapes. It's quite small and you buy them in a packet.





It has got bucket loads of sugar in it. It has a crunchy wrapper. You can suck on some and bite on others. It is very sweet. There are lots of shapes and colours. Children love them. Adults not so much. They are a treat.

It is hot it is served with rice it usually has chicken The colour is orangey reddish it is sweet it is an Indian dish





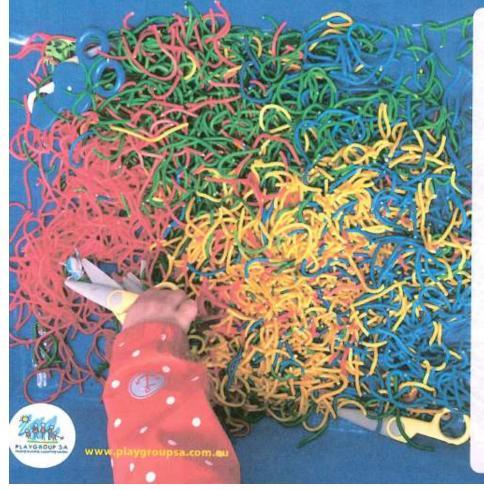
It comes from a sea creature. It can be hard to chew. You can serve it spicy or plain. It can be crunchy. You normally have it with chips and salad. It is normally a circle shape.

Crows Footy Clinic

On Friday 15th March, Brooke, Sam and the Crows Community Team, came to school to teach us about Growing with Gratitude and Positive Places. We learned that to be positive has lots of benefits to our health, to our friends and team. Sam and Brooke did a presentation in the Library and then we went out onto the oval for some drills.









Playgroup SA is coming to Kersbrook Playgroup to run a Messy Play session!

Explore the value and benefits of Messy Play, be engaged and have fun watching your child enjoy getting their hands messy! Messy Play is essential for children's

Messy Play is essential for children's cognitive and physical development through the process of exploration, creativity and imagination. Bring a change of clothes and come and join us for a fun-filled Playgroup experience.

When: Wednesday 10th April 2019 9am-11.30am

Where: Kersbrook Primary School 1 Bowden Street Kersbrook SA 5231

> For all enquiries please contact Belinda on 8389 3068

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NAPLAN Year 3, 5 and 7 – Practice Tests

It is well known that the more familiar you are with a test, the better you can perform! We encourage all families to practice the NAPLAN tests at home. We are working hard at preparations at school as well. NAPLAN can be presented as a happy challenge. See this link: <u>https://www.nap.edu.au/online-assessment/public-demonstration-site</u> It looks like you might need log ins, but you don't, so just go to the appropriate Year level and go *next*. If you have trouble accessing or navigating the site please contact us for assistance. Students will be practicing and preparing at school. There is a National Coordinated Practice Test on Thursday 28th March at 10am. NAPLAN testing is from Monday 13th May.

Entertainment Book

Our staff think the Entertainment Book is a win win! You can nominate to have it on your phone and share it with one other, or you can have a book with vouchers. Both give you discounts to various venues around South Australia including participating restaurants, supermarkets and activities. If you are using a phone often, the digital membership is easy to use and always with you. You can find participating venues near you or by location and restaurant staff have always been keen to assist. It is easy to open the app and venue staff will hit *redeem* and deduct your bill. The link is below or at: https://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/1602w06 Proceeds from each sale will support our Year 7's trip to Canberra this year.

Hurry! Bonus Early Bird Offers. LAST CHANCE!

Kersbrook Primary School is fundraising with Entertainment!

Your support really helps our School, so we're thrilled to let you know about special bonus Early Bird Entertainment Membership Offers for loyal supporters.

Pre-order the NEW 2019 | 2020 Entertainment Membership and receive bonus offers you can use right away!

SUPPORT US NOW.

SAPSASA

We have entered a Girls Netball team into the SAPSASA knockout competition. Whilst the dates for the competitions are not yet known, we wish them all the best. Notes to families involved will be sent when we have more information.

Unfortunately due to lack of numbers we were unable to do a Football or Soccer team this year. However, there are plans for a Lightning Carnival in Term 3, where these sports are planned to be offered again.

Sherie Fechner



Playgroup is vibrant and a lot of fun. If you know someone with preschoolers, please encourage them to come and join in. See our previous flier for our special event on 10th April.





Thank you to Dr Richard Harvey MP for hosting Chris Tagg, Governing Council Chairperson and I, at dinner last Tuesday. The Hon John Gardner, Minister for Education joined us, along with representatives from some of the other schools in the electorate of Newland. Chris and I were delighted and thoroughly enjoyed visiting our beautiful State Parliament House. What a great opportunity for us.





Happy Haven presents the ...

2019 Charity Dinner & Auction

to support



Supporting seriously ill children

The 'Little Heroes Foundation' is a South Australian based not for profit organisation that supports seriously ill children and their families. TLHF's mission is to raise funds towards essential equipment and services for seriously ill children and their families. Their vision is to fulfill the unmet needs of seriously ill children and their families, to ensure they have access to the very best care, regardless of how rare their diagnosis.

Where: Salisbury Football Club – Corner of Memorial Avenue & Orange Avenue, Salisbury, 5108

Time: 6:00pm Finish: 10:00pm

Date: Wednesday, April 17th 2019

RSVP by: To receive your \$5 auction money please RSVP by the 12th of April (receive \$5 auction money per family)

Meal: Three Course All-You-Can-Eat Buffet - see menu on the next page

Cost: GOLD COIN DONATION on arrival

This will now be the 9th year Happy Haven OSHC will host the Charity Dinner, and we expect to have a great turn out. During the dinner we will host a live auction, a fun trivia, as well as other entertainment, e.g. bouncy castles, bingo, face painting, photo booth, and more. All proceeds from this night will be donated to the 'Little Heroes Foundation'. Help us make this night great and register your interest today!

REGISTER YOUR INTEREST

Website: <u>http://www.happyhaven.com.au/charitydinnerregistration/</u>, Email: admin@happyhaven.com.au or hand in the slip (on the next page) to your local service.