

NEWSLETTER



Kersbrook Primary School

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End Term 4
Friday 14th December
2pm pick up

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Dear Students, Parents and Caregivers,

Staffing update for 2019 - It is with great pleasure that I can announce that our staffing for 2019 is now complete. Our three class teachers remain the same but there will be a swap of teaching spaces with Nina Judd and her middle primary class swapping rooms with Lauren Johnson and her upper primary class.



We welcome Sherie Fechner to our team next year. Sherie will be teaching three days a week. Please see Sherie's self-introduction in this newsletter.

Lynn and Andrea are our permanent SSOs so will be continuing next year with the slight adjustment of Lynn reducing her time by one day a week. All of our current SSOs will be continuing to support individual and class learning next year. They are Karen, Mel, Denise and Lyndall. Dean our groundsman will continue next year with his nine hours per week.

Farewell - Sadly at this time of the year we farewell staff who will not be returning next year. Farewell to Muy Jhou Moo who has been teaching Japanese and HASS this year. We also say farewell to Skye Keller our Pastoral Care Worker who will be leaving us after supporting Kersbrook students for the last two years. Please see Skye's letter in this newsletter.

New PCW for 2019 - Skye's position will be advertised soon and Bec Thomas (Governing Council Rep) and I have met with Phillip Mcllwraith the Regional Manager of the Schools Ministry Group and David Gee from Kersbrook Church of Christ to start this process. It is anticipated that the new PCW will start in about week 6 of next term.

A time to reflect – As this year draws quickly to an end it is a good time to reflect on the many wonderful achievements that we should celebrate. They include our class set of Spheros (programmable robots), our new 3D printer, new school web site, our values pencils on the fence, new signs, OSB painted, 150th birthday celebration, sports day and delicious lunch. Our Camp to Aldinga Beach was a highlight for many, along with swimming for Rec to Year 5 and aquatics for Years 6 & 7 students. Our school featured in The Advertiser, four times in The Courier, and twice in Along the Grapevine, which was exciting for all of us. Please see the list of highlights from the students on the next page.

Thank you - I would like to thank students, staff, parents, carer and community members for their ongoing support this year. We have all worked to provide the best possible options for the students at our school. I hope everyone have a wonderful Christmas and a safe and enjoyable holiday. I am looking forward to seeing everyone next year for another exciting year.

Jill Gurner
Principal

2018 Student Highlights

As well as normal class lessons, this is what our students have told us they have enjoyed this year:

Aldinga Camp
Sports Day
Japanese
Tennis
Volleyball
Swimming
Soccer
Maths
Dancify
Harmony Day

Book Week Parade
Right Bite
Typing Club
Little Athletics
Yoga
Making Show Bags
Body Parts (Life Ed)
150th Birthday
Deadly Awards
STEM and using Spheros

Warrawong Visit
Hosting Thai and South
Korean Students
Aboriginal Art ANZAC Day
Disco
Strawberry Day
Tooth Defender Program
Assemblies
Literacy
Year 7 Canberra Trip

Thomas: I liked the Running Relay at Sports Day because the team work helped me run faster.

Amber: I like swimming because I got to go in the deep end. It was scary at first and then fun.

Seb: I liked yoga breathing buddies.

Nate: I liked Little Athletics and the 150th Birthday.

Aish: The best thing was having Craig here to help with tennis. Also going on camp at Aldinga - going on the nature walk and getting to try the *shut up tree* and all different things, like a really small plant that was really hot.

Kalan: Cricket was very fun because it was a sport that I play and we were trained by a professional.

Zoe: My highlight of this year was volleyball, soccer, tennis, sports day and cricket. In tennis I learnt to balance a ball on a racquet, something I was not able to do before.

Grace: I enjoyed algebra with Ms Johnson because I found the algebra fun, intriguing and it was something new. I enjoyed the 150th birthday and giving the elderly tours and learning what they did when they were in school.

Jett: The best thing that happened this year was Sports Day and Camp. At Sports Day we won and gave it our best shot. I think everybody had a good time.

Mikayla P: I have enjoyed working with Miss Moo in Japanese. I like saying the words. I like doing times tables in Maths and writing in my journal. Dancing is fun.



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Student Representative Council

SRC RECOUNT

Maddi-

In SRC this year I have learnt a lot about leadership and being the Chair person and running meetings. SRC was definitely a fun learning experience. I liked being one of the SRC for 2018.

Jack-

This year being a SRC I have learnt to be loyal to my friends and other people in my class and other classes. This was my first time being SRC and I have enjoyed it all the way. My favourite thing was discussing what we are going to do.

2018

2018 SRC

Thank you to SRC for their contribution this year. SRC were: Isla, Lincoln, Grace, Angus, Sean, Mikayla, Stephanie, James and our Chairperson for Term 1 and 2 was Jack and then Maddi for Term 3 and 4.

SRC came up with some great ideas and changes around the school including the grounds. Lots of work and discussions go on behind the scenes when any changes are made and there were many this year.

SRC also have input to fundraisers such as helping decide how classes can contribute to fundraisers and liaising with their peers and classroom teachers. SRC begin to discover how the processes of decision making work and how to meetings are organised and run.

SRC make a great contribution to their school community.



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Health Information

All Student medications will be sent home with students on the last day of school. Please pick your child up with their medication at the front office at 2pm. If your child requires a new medication plan (they only last 12 months) please ensure they come back to school with the required medication and new plan on day 1 Term 1 2019 (Tuesday 29th January). If you have any questions about health conditions or medication management, please ask our staff. If you need a medication plan, you or your doctor can download them from our website www.kersbrookps.sa.edu.au

Volunteer Morning Tea

Some of our valuable volunteers attended morning tea on Tuesday 8th December, which gave us an opportunity to thank them for their contribution to the school and their work. Our volunteers help with lunches, fundraising, choir, auction, library, reading in the classroom and many other activities. We are so proud that we have such great parent and community support.

Our **Volunteer of the Year** was awarded to Bec Thomas. As many people are aware, Bec and her team have been very active with fundraising this year and her assistance was pivotal in making our major fundraiser, the Quiz night such a great success.

Thank you everyone! Together we continue to build a vibrant and successful school community.

Farewell from Skye

Dear Kersbrook school community, students and families,

It is with great sadness that I want to let you know that this will be my last term at Kersbrook Primary. I have enjoyed the 2 years that I have been here, and have felt very much a part of this warm, friendly community. I will take with me some very fond memories of Choir, Playgroup, a very long trek in the wilderness with Mr H and Mrs Judd's class, assemblies, helping in the reception class, getting to know visiting overseas students, the 'Just too deadly awards', hanging out with students and the Kimochis and the amazing school camp!! I am moving to the south of Adelaide and starting a new full time job in Childcare as team leader in a Nursery room on December 31st.



Warmest Regards,
Skye Keller, Pastoral Care Worker

Image above: Skye will be missed by us all and in Playgroup each Wednesday morning.

Welcome to Sherie Fechner



Hello to the community of Kersbrook Primary School. My name is Sherie Fechner and I will be the new Physical Education/Health and Arts' teacher next year. I am a young and enthusiastic teacher, with six years teaching experience. In my spare time I enjoy riding my horses and dabbling in my many crafts. I have already had the opportunity and privilege to meet many of the students this year through relief teaching but am looking forward to getting to know everyone better and doing some fun new activities. I hope everyone has a great holiday break and I can't wait to start next year.

Farewell to Students



Farewell to our Graduating Year 7's and their happy times at Kersbrook Primary School. We will miss Emily, Maddi, Jack and Adelle. We know you all will do well at high school.

This year we will also farewell Ava Mae, Brooklynn and Aish from Ms Johnson's class. We wish them well at their new schools.



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Car Park Upgrade

You may be aware that representatives from Adelaide Hills Council and the Department of Transport have had on-site meetings regarding the school car-park with a view to improved safety and amenity. Council have now developed a concept plan for community consultation. Below is information from Ashley Curtis, Manager Civil Services. This information is also on the school notice board for your viewing. If you would like the plan e-mailed to you, please let us know. If you would like to discuss or make comment on the plan, please note Ashley's invitation for you to do so.

Dear Jill,

As discussed, could you please seek feedback from the school community regarding the attached concept plan.

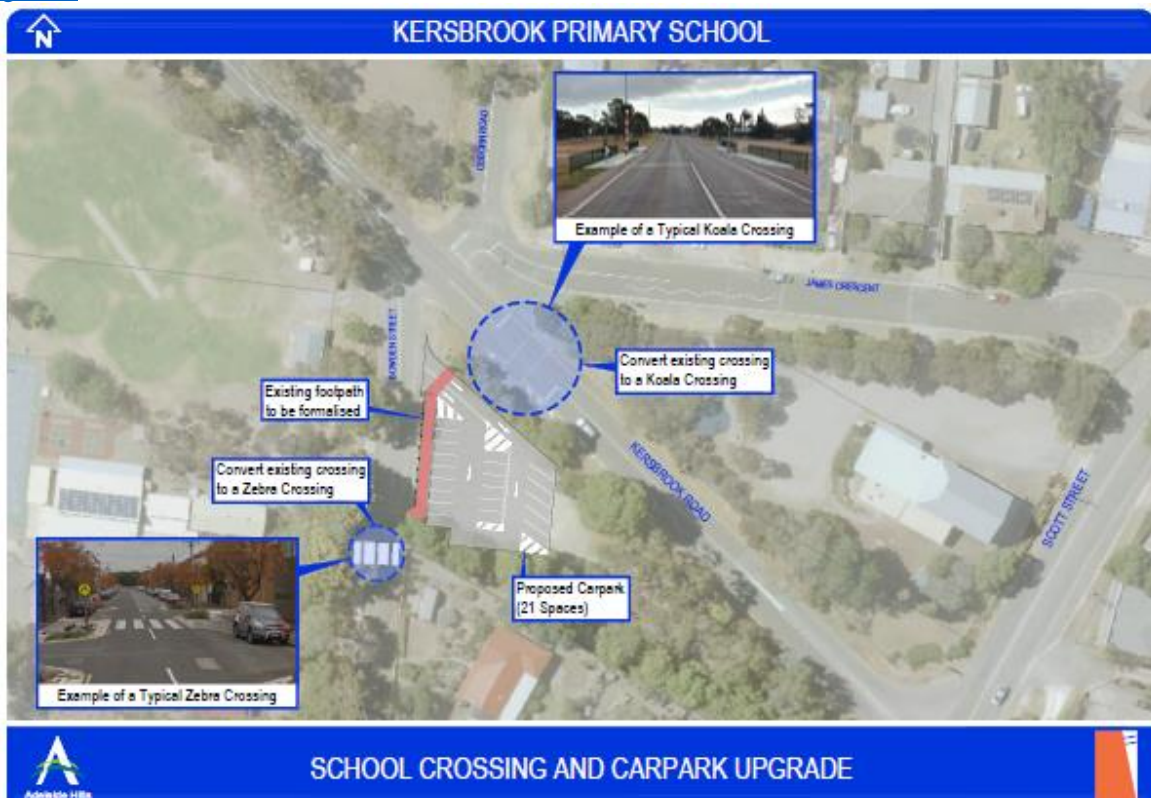
This project is a State Government funded initiative, with the key component being the conversion of the existing crossing on Kersbrook Rd to a Koala (flashing light) crossing. The project will be delivered by Adelaide Hills Council.

Council is also taking this opportunity to review existing parking and crossing provisions on Bowden St, with the concept reflecting proposed upgrades to bring these items in line with current standards.

If you could please ask interested persons to provide feedback by writing to PO Box 44, Woodside SA 5244, or to the email address below. I am also happy to be contacted directly on the below number to discuss.

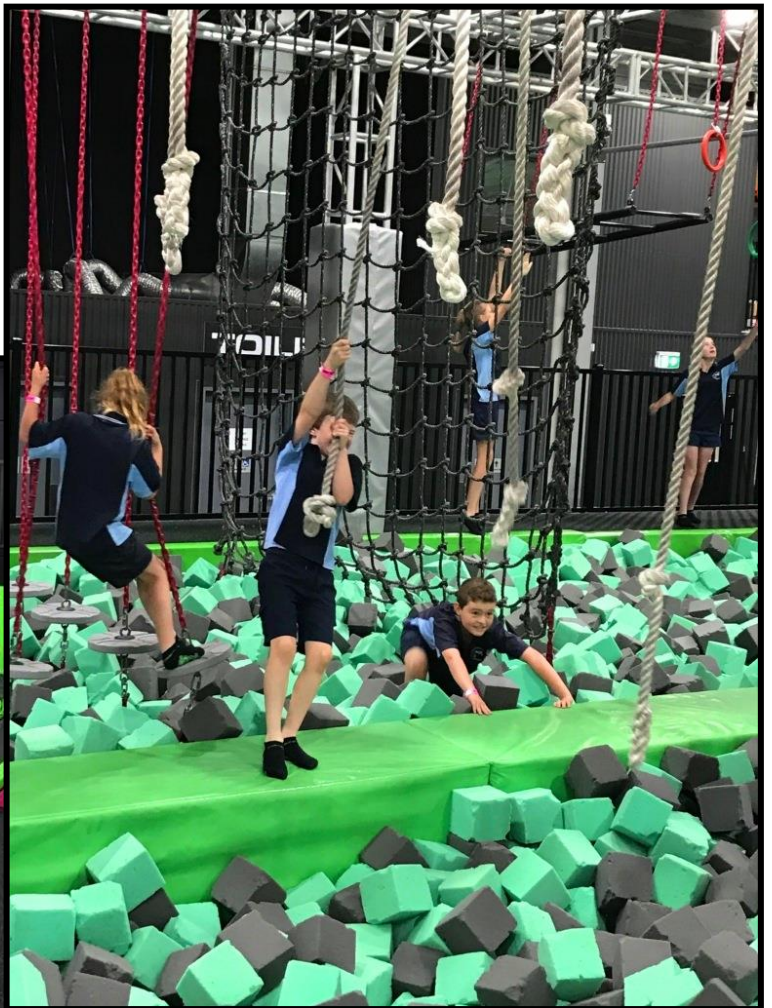
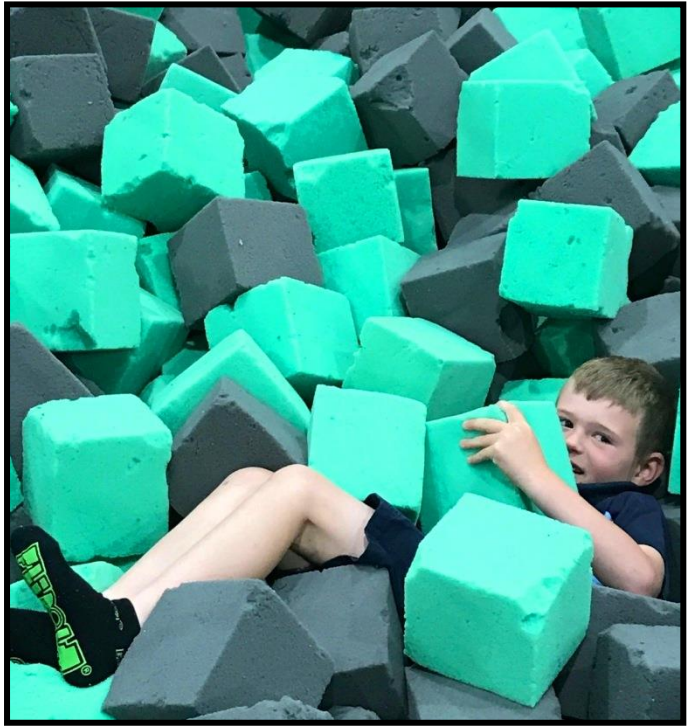
Regards,

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Flip Out



Kersbrook Hall:

Schools out Disco: Friday 14th December 6 to 8pm \$5 includes light supper

Make Mum a Christmas present workshop: Tuesday 18th December 10am to 12noon \$5

Random Acts of Kindness in a school community



We see ‘Random acts of kindness’ in this school community everyday – parents helping students, families helping each other, staff helping students and families. When a community shows care and support it filters down – what children see us adults doing is what they mimic and how they learn. I attended the ‘Safe from bullying’ conference recently and one of the things I noted is communities that work together and where students have good examples of care and support are the ones that do not have issues with bullying. That is a school and a community we should all strive for. Skye Keller, PCW

Mill Square Christmas Music Festival
15-16 December 2018

6:00pm - 9:00pm daily
Mill Square, Old Woollen Mill site, Lobethal
FREE family entertainment

Saturday 15 December presented by Adelaide Hills Council

Live music by Ben Searcy and Band, Bobby Digger and Band, and member of the Woodside Jamz, plus free children’s activities and face painting.

At the home of the former Onkaparinga Woollen Mill we would love to see your favourite picnic rug - you might even end up with a prize for the most interesting blanket!

Sunday 16 December presented by the Lights of Lobethal

Live music by talented local students, led by band instructor and music teacher Simon Gould.

Students from year 4 up to year 12 will present acoustic solos through to bands of rock and pop, showcasing their varied talents and celebrating their hard work.

Bring a family picnic, plus enjoy free face painting!



VACATION CARE PROGRAM Dec 18/Jan 19

| Monday 17th | Tuesday 18th | Wednesday 19th | Thursday 20th | Friday 21st |
|----------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------------|
| Make your own Bon Bons | 3D Trees | Games Food Fun Party Day | Gingerbread Men | Fine Cone Elf |
| Christmas Gift Boxes | Crazy Reindeer | | Festive Sand Art | Embossed Foil Stars |
| Monday 7th | Tuesday 8th | Wednesday 9th | Thursday 10th | Friday 11th |
| Kite making and Flying Day | Smash & Toppie Catapult | Dinotopia Fossil Dig | Dance Challenge | Wind Spirals |
| | Build a castle | Explore the Ice Age | Singing Challenge | Screen Free Day! |
| Monday 14th | Tuesday 15th | Wednesday 16th | Thursday 17th | Friday 18th |
| basic in the park | Fancy Birds | Wheels Day | Tacos for lunch | Cooking |
| Mosaic Designs | | Tour Down Under (Helicopter landing) | We explore Mexico | FOODIE FUN |
| Monday 21st | Tuesday 22nd | Wednesday 23rd | Thursday 24th | Friday 25th |
| HAPPY ICE CREAM | TIE-DYE | Popstick Puzzle | Water Play | Charcoal Drawing |
| Fruit Kebabs | Bring a t-shirt to dye | Fish Weaving | Clay Play | Sausage Sizzles for lunch |
| | | | | Indigenous Fibre Animals |

GUMERACHA PRIMARY SCHOOL PHONE: 8389 1871 Open Mon - Fri 7.30am to 6.30pm

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Santos Tour Down Under

An exciting time in the Hills for the whole family!

Thursday 10 January

Santos Women's Tour Down Under
Stage 1 Finish: Birdwood

Join us in leafy and historic Birdwood for the opening stage of the 2019 women's race. Activities for all in the gorgeous grounds of the National Motor Museum.

Saturday 12 January

Santos Women's Tour Down Under
Stage 3 Finish: Stirling

A challenging and dramatic finish that utilises part of the famous circuit used frequently by the men's race. Enjoy the food, entertainment and a festival atmosphere of Stirling Spin.

Thursday 17 January

Santos Tour Down Under

Subaru Stage 3

Start: Lobethal

The second time in race history that the race comes to Lobethal. Join passionate locals at Mill Square for community spirit and local produce.

Finish: Uraidla

Watch the peloton complete an unprecedented seven laps around Piccadilly Valley whilst enjoying a delicious range of food and drink, a variety of street entertainment, and children's activities.

For route maps and all the latest information from the community, bookmark ahc.sa.gov.au/visitor/TDU and keep on top of this wonderful annual event.

Youth Programming

Saturday 19 January

XiTH42 (Xbox and PC LAN Gaming Event)

9:30am - 8:30pm

10yrs+ | \$15

Lobethal Senior Citizens Hall

Lunch and dinner provided

Register via [XiTH42 Facebook event](#)

Nintendo DS Pokémon Tournament

11:30am - 3:30pm

8yrs+ | \$5

Lobethal Senior Citizens Hall

Lunch provided

No bookings required

Program Organisers

Coventry Library
63 Mt Barker Road, Stirling
(08) 4808 0400

Woodside Library
28 Onkaparinga Valley Road,
Woodside
(08) 8408 0400

Gumeracha Library
45 Albert Street, Gumeracha
(08) 8408 0400

The Summit Community Centre
4 The Crescent Drive, Norton
Summit
(08) 8390 0457

Torrens Valley Community Centre
45 Albert Street, Gumeracha
(08) 8389 1711

Youth Advisory Committee
(08) 8408 0590

* With thanks to the Department of Human Services

^ In conjunction with Aldgate Table Tennis Club



Summer 2018-19

Children & Youth School Holiday activities in the Adelaide Hills Council district



ALL BOOKINGS:
adelaidehillscouncil.eventbrite.com



Thursday 10 January

Build and Create:
LEGO at the Summit*
10:00am - 12:00pm
2yrs+ | FREE
The Summit Community Centre
Morning tea provided
Bookings essential

Bliss Balls and Sorbet*
10:00am - 11:30am
8yrs+ | \$5
Torrens Valley Community Centre
Eat your creations!
Bookings essential

Friday 11 January

Virtual Reality
10:00am - 1:00pm
8yrs+ | FREE
Torrens Valley Community Centre
Bookings essential

Tuesday 15 January

Macramé and Weaving Under the Trees
10:00am - 12:00pm
7yrs+ | FREE
Coventry Library Lawn, Stirling
No bookings required

**Tuesday 15 - Friday 18
January**

ARCADE GAMES!
Twin Daytona Cars, plus:
Retro gaming table with 60 games
Frogger
Space Invaders
Pacman
And other favourites

Available at all times during
library hours | FREE
Coventry Library, Stirling
No bookings required

Wednesday 16 January

Bliss Balls and Sorbet*
10:00am - 11:30am
8yrs+ | \$5
The Summit Community Centre
Eat your creations!
Bookings essential

**Table Tennis Expo and
Competition^**
1:00pm - 3:00pm
7yrs+ | FREE
Coventry Library, Stirling
No bookings required



Thursday 17 January

**Face Painting and activities for
children at the Santos Tour Down
Under!***

11:00am - 2:30pm

All ages | FREE

Red Shed, Uraidla

No bookings required

Movie: Mary Poppins original (G)

2:00pm - 4:00pm

All ages | FREE

Coventry Library, Stirling

Afternoon tea provided

Bookings essential

Tuesday 22 January

Beeswax Wraps

10:00am - 11:00am AND

11:30am - 12:30pm

5yrs+ | FREE

Torrens Valley Community Centre

Bookings essential

Dash and Dot Robots

Drop-in fun

2:00pm - 4:00pm

7yrs+ | FREE

Coventry Library, Stirling

No bookings required

Wednesday 23 January

Create an imaginary garden

2:00pm - 3:30pm

7yrs+ | FREE

Coventry Library, Stirling

Bookings essential

Build and Create:

LEGO at Gumeracha*

10:00am - 12:00pm AND

1:00pm - 3:00pm

2yrs+ | FREE

Torrens Valley Community Centre

Morning/Afternoon tea provided

Bookings essential

All Holidays

National Summer Reading Club
All ages | FREE

All Adelaide Hills Council Libraries

No booking required

Scavenger Hunt using QR

5yrs+ | FREE

Coventry Library, Stirling

No booking required

DIY Crafts

5yrs+ | FREE

All Adelaide Hills Council Libraries

No booking required

Table Tennis

6yrs+ | FREE

Coventry Library, Stirling

No booking required

Thursday 24 January

Movie: Swallows & Amazons (PG)

2:00pm - 3:30pm

FREE

Coventry Library, Stirling

Afternoon tea provided

Bookings essential

Friday 25 January

Virtual Reality

10:00am - 1:00pm

8yrs+ | FREE

Torrens Valley Community Centre

Bookings essential

PLUS!

Come and try Petanque*

An event for the whole family!

Date and time TO BE CONFIRMED

All ages | FREE

Uraidla Bowls Club

Sausage sizzle provided

Check the [website](#) or [Eventbrite](#)

for up-to-date details!

