

NEWSLETTER



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

Tuesday 12 February

Assembly
9am

**Parent Acquaintance
Night**

5.30 - 7pm

Governing Council AGM
7 to 9pm

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Dear Students, Parents and Caregivers,
Term 1 is off to a great start. We are looking forward to many exciting things this term.



Welcome – I would like to extend a warm welcome to Mia and Sierra who started at Kersbrook on Monday of this week. Mia is in Year 6 and Sierra is in Reception.

Slides for sale - During the holidays we had a new double slide installed to replace the two single slides. Each of the two single slides was in perfect condition but just not compliant when placed side by side. The new double slide came at a cost of \$3,700.00 so we are hoping to sell our two single slides to recoup some of the cost. If you are interested in a single yellow plastic slide (no ladder – see photo next page) please contact the office with your offer before Friday 15th February.

Dogs on site - Just a reminder to everyone that dogs are not permitted on site while students are present. OSHC does not finish until 6.00pm. The exception to this could be for a 'one of' short visit eg a new puppy for a child to show and talk about for morning news. This would need to be negotiated with the class teacher and approved by me prior to the visit. We have opened our grounds to the community to exercise their dogs early in the morning and later in the day as we are fortunate enough to have one of the few fenced areas where owners can let dogs off the lead to have a run in safety.

School uniform policy reminder – Students are so proud of our school uniform and it has been a pleasure to see all of our students looking fantastic in their school uniforms and/or school colours. Our uniform policy can be found on our website at <http://www.kersbrookps.sa.edu.au> and I would like to remind parents that for a number of reasons dyed hair is not acceptable for primary aged students at our school, nor is nail polish, thongs etc.

Thank you to two of our local community businesses for their support - Miss S is working on getting our garden up and growing! She wants students to be able to grow, harvest and prepare food as part of her Health unit this year. We have received donations for the garden from the **Kersbrook Thrifty Link** and the **Ashton Co-op**. We would like to thank them both for their support. If you have any surplus seeds or cuttings that you think might be useful please contact Miss S (Sherie Fechner).

Jill Gurner
Principal

CALLING ALL GIRLS & BOYS!

PLAYERS NEEDED FOR SEASON 2019!

Kersbrook Netball Club

If you're interested in netball, we want you to join us!

We are hoping to fill 3 teams in 2019:

UNDER 9s (girls & boys)

UNDER 11s (girls & boys)

UNDER 13s (girls only)

ALL SKILL LEVELS WELCOME

NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY!

All games played at Woodside Netball Courts:

Under 9s & 11s - Saturday morning

Under 13s - Friday nights

TRAINING WILL BE TUESDAYS 4PM



If you're interested, please contact:

Emma Pearce on
0413031150

or

Danielle Coad on
0415875834

By February 15th 2019



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Old slide (top) new slide (right)! For sale – 2 single yellow slides (no ladder) please make an offer at the front office by Friday 15th February.

At Kersbrook Primary School we value Respect, Responsibility, Confidence and Resilience

Governing Council Annual General Meeting

We would like to invite you to our Governing Council AGM which will be held next Tuesday, 12th February after Parent Acquaintance Night (see details below).

Governing Council works with the Principal to help set and monitor the direction of our school. Meetings are twice per term from 7 – 9pm sharp, in the Library. This is where the action is!

Benefits include:

- Working with the Principal to develop direction and vision for the school
- Sharing your thoughts and opinions and hearing what other people think
- Getting to know other parents and staff
- Developing an understanding of how the school works
- Becoming informed and providing good governance for our school

Governing Council members need to be positive, respectful, confidential and part of a team to work with others to ensure our school continues to provide high quality education and maximises opportunities for all our students.

We look forward to seeing you at our meeting on Tuesday night. For this and other events, please see our calendar at <https://www.kersbrookps.sa.edu.au/news-and-events/calendar/?year=2019&month=2>

Acquaintance Night

Parent Acquaintance Night will be held before our Governing Council Annual General Meeting next Tuesday 12th February. Each teacher will make a short presentation and you are invited to attend. Teachers will be in their classrooms from 5.30 to 7pm.

5.30pm	Admin Building Ms Sherie Fechner (Physical Education, Health and Arts)
5.50pm	Room 1 Mrs Lianne Zalac (School House)
6.10pm	Room 2 Mrs Nina Judd (Transportable)
6.30pm	Room 3 Ms Lauren Johnson (Admin Building)



Students turning 10 this year or older undertook Traffic Monitor Training with Rob Grinter from SAPOL on our first day back at school.



Welcome to Ava who started first day, and Sierra and Mia who came to Kersbrook this week.

School Garden



This year as part of the Health Education program, classes will be participating in the school garden.

Being places where children spend a large portion of their time, schools have a critical role to play in educating students about nutrition and the benefits of a healthy diet and lifestyle.

School gardens are a wonderful way to use the schoolyard as a classroom, connect students with the natural world and the source of their food. Gardens teach students valuable gardening, agriculture concepts and skills that integrate across the curriculum in subjects, such as math, science, art, health and physical education.

Miss Fechner (Miss S) will be working with Room 3 this term to prepare the garden beds. Miss S has already sourced some supplies from Ashton Co-op and Julie and Peter at Kersbrook Hardware who have generously donated items for our gardens. Miss S and students hope to be producing food, cooking and displaying their produce soon.

School Card Criteria

Your family might be eligible for School Card which provides financial benefits to families. For more information see Lynn and/or go to <https://www.sa.gov.au/topics/education-and-learning/financial-help-scholarships-and-grants/school-card-scheme> Below is a guide to income limits.

Eligibility income limits for a student attending a government school

Number of dependent children	Gross annual income limit	Gross weekly income limit
1 child	\$59,432	\$1,143
2 children	\$60,493	\$1,164
3 children	\$61,554	\$1,185
4 children	\$62,615	\$1,206
5 children	\$63,676	\$1,227