

School Newsletter No 13
12th August 2021



From the Principal

Classroom Walkthroughs

Classroom walkthroughs have become an embedded practice at Kapunda Primary School. Walkthroughs have many benefits, including creating a “cycle of continuous improvement”, providing leaders with valuable data about instruction. They allow the school leadership team to gain a snapshot of the type of instructional strategies and pedagogy occurring across the school, gauge a climate of the school and stay in regular communication with students and teachers.

At times, we all get busy with tasks that need to be completed, but as a leadership team, we are finding it really refreshing to see what is happening in classes, talking with students and teachers about the learning and seeing the implementation of our Site Improvement Plan. If your children are reporting that they have had the leaders in their room regularly, this will explain why.

Term 3 Assessment

In Term 3, students participate in two standardised assessments. The first is the Year 1 Phonics Check, which will commence from Week 5. The Phonics Screening Check (PSC) is a simple assessment that tells how your child is progressing in phonics. Phonics is the relationship between letters and sounds and is

vital in learning to read. The results help us design targeted, differentiated learning for our students as part of an integrated reading program.

The next assessment work is later in the term and are the Progressive Achievement Tests (PAT) from ACER. All students from Reception -Year 7 undertake the assessments for reading and mathematics. There are the Standard of Educational Achievement (SEA) that apply to each year level. Like the phonics screening check, the results are used to support teachers to design targeted, differentiated learning and identify students for intervention.

2021 School Engagement Parent Survey

The Department's parent survey is a great opportunity to get valuable insights into parent engagement of our students' learning. You will have been sent an invite directly from the department on Monday 2nd August 2021. The survey is open until Sunday 29th August. We encourage you to complete the survey.

Pupil Free and School Closure

Later in this term we have a Pupil Free Day, on Friday 3rd September. KOSHC will be open for bookings should you need your child to be cared for. Monday 6th September will be a School Closure day and KOSHC will be open if you need care for your child.

Kind regards,
David Pitt
Principal

UPCOMING EVENTS

TERM 3

Starting Monday 23rd August
Book Week

Tuesday 24th August
Festival Choir Rehearsal

Thursday 26th – Friday 27th August
Year 3-4 Camp – Glenhaven

Thursday 2nd September
Book Week Parade

Friday 3rd September
Pupil Free Day

Monday 6th September
School Closure

Tuesday 7th September
Festival Choir Concert

Wednesday 15th September
Rotary Achiever Award

Monday 20th September
SAPSASA Athletics Adelaide

Friday 24th September
End of Term 3 – Dismissal 2.10pm

Please note that these dates are subject to change

Assembly Timetable - Term 3

Date	Host Class
13 th August 2021	Mrs Jones's Class
20 th August 2021	Wellbeing Assembly
27 th August 2021	Mrs Schultz's Class
3 rd Sept 2021	Wellbeing Assembly
10 th Sept 2021	Ms Conway/Ms Flower's Class
17 th Sept 2021	Wellbeing Assembly
24 th Sept 2021	Mrs Mikan/Mrs Valentine's Class

Due to current COVID Department guidelines, unfortunately family members are unable to attend school assemblies.



Dear Families,

Congratulations to all of the students who have now completed the 2021 Premier's Reading Challenge. Just a quick reminder that all completed PRC record forms need to be returned to me by **Friday, 3rd September, 2021 (Week 7, Term 3)**. If your child needs another student record form, please ask them to see me in the library and I will give them a form.

Thank you,
Davina Holthouse

Funny Memes

After 2 weeks of not going out, the animals came to check if everything is OK



Joke of the Week

Q: Why did the banana go to the doctor?

A: Because it was not peeling well.



A word from WORROLL...



Student Wellbeing News – Term 3 Week 4

Kia ora everyone.
It's great to be back.

I'd like to thank students, staff and the wider community for their messages of support over the last few months and the warm welcome I have received on return. It has made the road far less rocky knowing I've got an army behind me. My heartfelt thanks to you all.

Buddy Benches donated by 'The Men's Shed' of Kapunda.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the hard working and generous blokes down at the Men's Shed for making our school not one, but TWO unique Buddy Benches to be used in our yard to support students to make friends. These benches have been donated to the school and will be established in the yard in the next few weeks. At our Wellbeing Assembly last Friday we discussed how the Buddy Bench should be used. Students should be encouraged to use the bench after they have tried the below strategies.

1. Plan before you play:

- What will you do at recess/lunch?
- Who can you play with?
- What can you all play together?

2. Look around:

- See if you can find anybody to play with and ask if you can join.

3. Try the Buddy Bench:

- If you cannot find someone to play with, have a seat.
- If someone comes and invites you to play, join them.
- Two people on the bench can invite one another to play.

4. Play Again:

- If you've made a friend from the Buddy Bench, ask them to play again.
- The bench should not be used by the same people every day. It is a tool to help make and keep friends.

5. Be Caring:

- Check the Buddy Bench if someone needs a buddy.
- Student Voice Leaders and School Captains will also be Buddy Bench Spotters to support you.

We look forward to seeing the finished products. Thank you again to the Kapunda Men's Shed for supporting us with this initiative.

Thanks for reading everyone.

Ka kite ano (I'll see you again) NZ Maori

Jemma Worroll

Student Wellbeing Leader

Leadership Student Shout Outs

We have been watching and listening to students in the yard and in classrooms. We would like to acknowledge these students this week:



Imogen Davies

Displaying confidence and resilience by standing up for herself.

Bailey Rogers

Asking thoughtful questions and having excellent conversational skills.

Pippa Leslie

Showing courage.

Well done to these people!

From Mr Pitt, Mrs Giles and Mrs Worroll

Pastoral Care Worker – Karrissa Buck

Pastoral Care Worker what is this and who does this role in our School:

At KPS we are lucky enough to get Federal funding to have a Pastoral Care Worker on site 10 hour a week, this role has had many different names over the years from Chaplain to Pastoral Support Worker to Pastoral Care Workers or PCW's as we are now known. The role of a Pastoral Care Worker is to offer support to students, staff, and families of the school they serve at. They are available to speak to students, staff, and families about wellbeing, they are an extra person when the need arises to talk or to



seek help. They run programs like, seasons for Growth and kimochis to craft activities or quizzes or scavenger hunts at lunch times. They help in breakfast clubs, source food hampers, and help find assistance within the local communities for people that may need it. I am glad to be the Pastoral Care Worker at KPS

Hi my name is Karrissa Buck, a little about me would be I am a mum of three, I have my Chef certificate so spend a lot of time in the kitchen throughout the years, I still enjoy cooking and baking, as well as doing some crafts. I have 2 cats thanks to Mrs Haywood, 1 dog and 1 bearded dragon, and would love to one day own a miniature highlander cow.



For my role at KPS, I am here to offer support to students, staff and families. I enjoy seeing students in the morning at breakfast club and talking to them about their weekends, learning all about Sharks or listening to a story as they practice their reading, and we have a chat, seeing their creative side as they join me at lunch time in the FISH group (Craft), watching students grow in themselves and learn new skills. Being able to help families, having a coffee and listen as they tell me stories of their children, offering programs to help our community grow stronger and be a part of something bigger than just our families.

I have support from the local Churches and a wonderful support group who allow me to have resources and undertake training to be better equipped to face challenges and help support our KPS students, staff, and families.

If you have any questions for me or would like to speak to me, please feel free to email me at Karrissa.buck214@schools.sa.edu.au or Stacey at the front desk can pass on a message and I can get back to you. I am at KPS on Mondays and Tuesdays.


Book Week Parade Thursday 2nd September

This year's Book Week theme is 'Old World, New Worlds, Other Worlds' The book week parade will be held on Friday 2nd September. Students are encouraged to dress up as their favourite book character. Please note that parents will not be allowed on site for the parade, however will endeavour to come up with a solutions for parents to view the fun!






Enterprise Day



KPS Enterprise Day & Casual Day


Friday 24th September 2021



Classroom stalls include:

- Biscuit decorating
- Fudge
- Pop corn
- Lolly bags
- Cakes & Slices
- Key rings
- Glow sticks
- Fidgets
- Bracelets

And many more....



Students will have the opportunity during lunch time to purchase various items from classroom stalls. Items will range from \$1 to \$5.



Don't forget to bring along your loose change \$\$

SALA South Australian Living Artists Festival

Throughout August 2021 Mindful Reflections

Art Exhibition by Tricia Matthews
*Mannequin mosaics with
Messages for the soul.*



Venue: Schluter Wines
Phone: 0437 570 107
56 Adelaide Road,
Greenock, 5360.
(Next to the Greenock Tavern)
Friday: 12 to 5pm
Sat & Sunday: 11am to 6pm



About the Artist

*This is my
first SALA
exhibition!*



Local emerging artist!

Phone: 0484 303 810
Email: tricia3@live.com.au
Instagram: [tricia.matthews.art](https://www.instagram.com/tricia.matthews.art)

Art has become an essential way to express myself and a key role in my wellbeing. As my passion for mosaics grew, I began to create 3D works using mannequins, glass, mirrors and ceramics.

FREE: Bee Bath Mosaic
Demonstrations
Saturday August 7th & 21st at 2:30 pm.



Want \$500 to help you with school costs?

saverplus

Saver Plus is a financial education program for families and individuals on a tight budget to develop life-long savings habits.

To join Saver Plus, you must:

- ✓ Have a current Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card **AND** an eligible Centrelink payment*
- ✓ Be studying yourself **OR** have a child in school (can be starting school next year)
- ✓ Have regular income from work (either yourself or your partner)*
- ✓ Be 18+ years old

*Many types of income and Centrelink payments are eligible

Here are some of the school costs the \$500 can be used for:



For more information, please contact your local Saver Plus coordinator:

Stacey Hall, Saver Plus Coordinator
stacey.hall@thesmithfamily.com.au
0417 048 689

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everyone's family
Find out more
at saverplus.org.au

Saver Plus is an initiative of the Brotherhood of St Laurence and ANZ and delivered in partnership with local community organisations. The program is funded by ANZ and the Australian Government Department of Social Services.

NURIOOTPA TOWN BAND

THE CONCERT BAND OF THE BAROSSA VALLEY



PROUDLY PRESENTS

AN AFTERNOON WITH NURIOOTPA TOWN BAND

Celebrating 140 (+1) years!

16TH OCTOBER, 2021 @ 2PM

NURIOOTPA SOLDIERS MEMORIAL HALL

Come and help the Nuriootpa Town Band celebrate 140 (+1) years of banding!

Put this date in your diary, you won't want to miss out!

Featuring the one and only N.T.B. playing a great mix of pieces, to celebrate 140 years of rich banding history.

Tickets are \$15.00 for Adults, \$5.00 for Students and Children under the age of 5 get in Free!

Follow the QR Code below for more details and to book tickets!



NTB ONLINE

Check out our website:
[Nuriootpatownband.com.au](https://nuriootpatownband.com.au)
Or find us on Facebook:
[Facebook.com/nuriootpatownband](https://www.facebook.com/nuriootpatownband)



CELEBRATE CLARE NAIDOC 2021

Sunday, 29 August 2021 | Clare Showgrounds

First Nations people living on Ngadjuri Country - we'd love to see you there!

FREE TICKETS: clarenaidoc2021.eventbrite.com.au

Roo tail cooking | Stalls | Weaving workshops
Live music | Ngadjuri dancers | Animals Anonymous
Food and drinks | Art for sale | Speakers
11am start: Welcome to Country





Australian Childhood Anxiety TREATMENT STUDY

Free home-based assessment and treatment for 7 to 12 year old children with fear and anxiety disorders.

Does your child become very afraid of certain situations or objects, worry about a lot of things, get very distressed, or try to avoid things they fear?

About the study

Our team at Griffith University may be able to assist you. We are conducting a nationwide study that includes the following services at no cost to families:

- A thorough assessment of your child's anxiety with a trained psychologist via the telephone;
- Your child receiving one of two kinds of home-based treatments delivered on a PC, laptop or tablet; and
- Two follow-up telephone assessments with a trained psychologist 6- and 12-months after treatment to track your child's progress.

The study aims to find out if these two treatments are as effective as each other, and which children have the best response to each kind of treatment. This will mean that there are more evidence-based treatments available for helping anxious children.

About the treatments

Each treatment involves your child completing treatment sessions at home on a PC, laptop or tablet.

Each treatment involves your child learning practical strategies to better manage anxiety.

- One treatment helps children learn to control the focus of their attention on helpful things around them.
- The other treatment helps children learn to think differently and approach things they fear.

Each treatment includes information, telephone or email support for parents in assisting their child to better manage anxiety.

Prior studies have shown that children who complete each treatment experience significant reductions in anxiety.

Contact us

This study is being funded by the National Health and Medical Research Council and is led by Professor Allison Waters and a team of experts in childhood anxiety disorders.

For more information about our study and our team, or if you would like your child to participate, please contact us:

☎ (07) 3735 3351

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🌐 griffith.edu.au/childhood-anxiety-treatment-study



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Kapunda Primary School Health and PE Semester 2 – 2021

	PE	Whole School	Interschool/SAPSASA
3	JP Team Games Create your own game MP Invasion Games – Touch Rugby Net and Court Games – Badminton UP Invasion Games – Touch Rugby Net and Court Games – Badminton		SAPSASA Soccer Carnival Year 7 – Mon 9 th – Wed 11 th Aug Week 4 Year 6 – Mon 30 th Aug – Wed 1 st Sept Week 7 SAPSASA Hockey Carnival Mon 9 th – Wed 11 th Aug Week 4 SAPSASA Golf Tournament Mon 16 th August New date due to COVID restrictions SAPSASA Athletics Adelaide Mon 20 th Week 10
4	JP Gymnastics MP Gymnastics UP Gymnastics	PE Week Week 5 Year 5 -7 Lunchtime Basketball Competition Year 4-7 Splash 'n Dash Swimming Carnival Fri 3 rd Dec Week 8	SAPSASA Cricket Carnival Mon 1 st – Thurs 4 th Nov Week 4 SAPSASA Tennis Carnival Mon 8 th – Thurs 12 th Nov Week 5

SAPSASA

At this stage all the planned SAPSASA carnivals and events are to go ahead. Please be aware that closer to the date they may get postponed or cancelled due to restrictions surrounding COVID-19. There are also regulations at all of these carnivals surrounding how many spectators can be present and where they must view from. If your child is trying out or is selected in a SAPSASA team please read the notes carefully to ensure that you are aware of any restrictions.