



# KANGAROO INN AREA SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER

TERM 1 WEEK 3 - 17/02/2023

### FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Welcome back to 2023!

This year we spent the first two days preparing the students for successful learning in the year ahead. They worked on a range of activities from collaborative wellbeing activities based on the Play is the Way program and the Resilience Project, to lesson organization including diary use and setting up books and folders, together with practical skills including how to send an email and save documents in an organised way. We can already see benefits in the classroom with the way the students have settled into their work. In 2023, we will also be partnering with Foodbank to support their organisation. Lynne from Foodbank in Mount Gambier, came to talk to the students last week and each term, a primary and secondary class, will work on fundraising with the proceeds going towards this worthy cause.

Welcome to our new students and their families and, to our new staff,

- Reception / Year 1 - Kayley Irvine
- Year 2-4 - Elke Sharp on Fridays
- Year 4-6 - Lisa Russell
- Maths and Science - Kaz Neilson
- Art - Feresh Pizarro
- Ag and Science - Sam Freeman
- English and Humanities - Kate England
- SSO'S - Sally Sapiatzer, Sam Caithness
- Wellbeing - Keelin Winterfield

The homegroup and classroom teachers will be contacting families via phone and email in the first few weeks to introduce themselves, let you know about your child's teachers and answer any questions you may have. If you would like to contact us, you are welcome to call the office (87343046) or send an email to an individual staff member and they will get back to you in working hours. For any after-hours queries, please call the school mobile phone (0409861958) rather than individual staff members.

Sports Day is coming up on Friday the 3rd of March 2023. For our new students, this is a day when families and friends come along to school and cheer the Emu (green) and Dingo (yellow) teams while the children participate in track and field (Yr 2-12) or tabloid (Pre-1) sports. The KIAS Social Club will be catering, so bring your chairs, sit under the trees and enjoy the day!

Please consider joining our Governing Council or our Social Club. Both groups are involved in improving our school for the benefit of the students and families. This may involve welcoming new families, supporting school events, encouraging a sense of community, fundraising and representing parent voice in decision making. We are very fortunate to have dedicated groups of parents taking on these roles. The KIAS Social Club meet during the day, usually about once a month, and Governing Council meet twice a term at night. Please contact the office if you would like to join either group.

I look forward to working with you all during this year and seeing you at Sports Day!

Kind regards,  
Annie Matthews  
Principal

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### DATES TO REMEMBER

**Wed. 22nd February** - Yr 9 Ewens Pond

**Mon. 27th February** - School Photos

**Tues. 28th February** - 1500m / Hurdles

**Thurs. 2nd March** - Chinese Teacher visit

**Fri. 3rd March** - Sports Day

**Fri. 10th March** - Interschool @ Lucindale

**Mon. 13th March** - **PUBLIC HOLIDAY**

**Tues. 14th March** - Governing Council AGM

**Wed. 22nd March** - Yr 7/8 Immunisation information session

**Tues. 28th March** - Yr 7, 8 & 10 Immunisations

**Fri. 7th April** - **GOOD FRIDAY**

**Mon. 10th April** - **EASTER MONDAY**

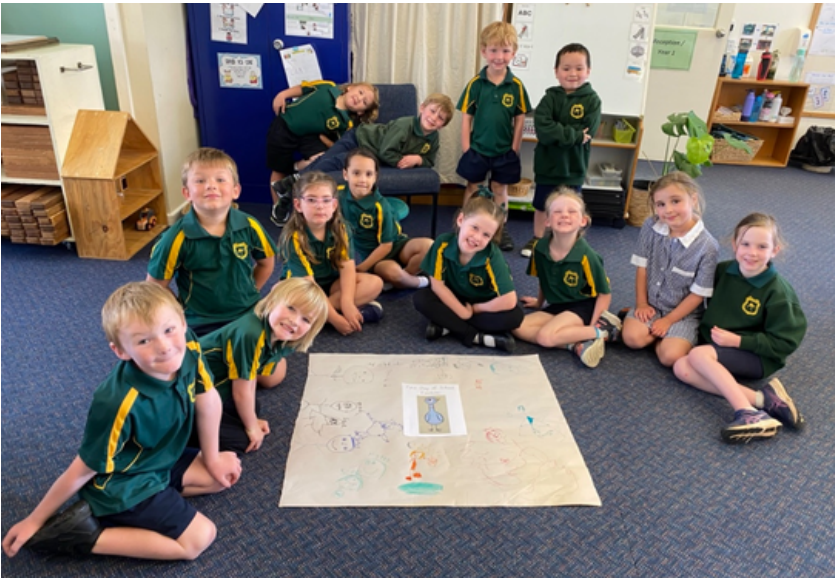


Congratulations to Airlie Freer who received a Merit for her English studies. Airlie, together with her family attended a presentation ceremony at Government House and will commence a Bachelor of Medicine at Flinders University this year.

# Term 1 Happenings in R/1 Class



What a busy and fun-filled start to Term 1! We welcome Scott Maxwell who is the Lead Teaching Artist for the Song Room. He will be leading a high-quality music and arts program for the students across all primary classes. We also welcome Aunty Michelle who will be continuing to educate students about growing up strong in Boandik country; movement over land, sites, hunting, stories and season.



The first day of school can create lots of mixed emotions. The main character from Mo Willem's Pigeon Book Series has helped the students transition into the school routine, express their feelings about their first week of school, create a ready to learn plan as well as formed the study of persuasive texts for Bookmaking.





# SAPSASA Dates 2023

## SAPSASA DATES 2023 MID SOUTH EAST

DATE	TERM	WEEK	EVENT
Wednesday February 22nd	1	4	Girls' Softball Trial Day (Penola)
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Friday March 3rd	1	5	District Swimming Day (Penola)
Monday March 20th	1	8	Boys' Football Trial Day (Millicent)
Monday March 20th	1	8	Girls' Football Trial Day (Millicent)
Monday March 27th	1	9	District Golf Day (Penola Golf Course)
Mon 3rd-Wed 5th April	1	10	Softball State Carnival (Adelaide)
Wednesday April 12th	1	11	District Track & Field Day (Newbery Park Primary School)
Friday May 5th	2	1	State Swimming Championships (Adelaide)
Tuesday May 9th	2	2	Hockey Trial Day (Blue Lake Sports Park)
Friday May 12th	2	2	Regional Cross Country (Naracoorte)
Wednesday May 17th	2	3	Netball Trial Day (Millicent)
Mon 22nd-Wed 24th May	2	4	Boys' Football State Carnival (Adelaide)
Mon 22nd-Wed 24th May	2	4	Girls' Football State Carnival (Adelaide)
Thursday June 8th	2	6	State Cross Country Championships (Adelaide)
Thursday June 15th	2	7	Boys' Soccer Trial Day
Thursday June 15th	2	7	Girls' Soccer Trial Day
Wed 21st-Fri 23rd June	2	8	Hockey State Carnival (Adelaide)
Mon 26th-Wed 28th June	2	9	Netball State Carnival (Adelaide)
Thursday August 3rd	3	2	District Basketball Day (Millicent)
Friday August 11th	3	3	Regional Basketball Day (Mt Gambier)
Wed 16th-Fri 18th August	3	4	Soccer State Carnival (Adelaide)
Friday, August 25th	3	5	Regional Golf Day (Naracoorte)
TBA	3	7	Cricket Trial Day (Millicent)
TBA	3	7	Tennis Trial Day (Glencoe)
Thurs 7th & Fri 8th Sept	3	7	State Golf Finals (Adelaide)
TBA	3	8	State Basketball Finals (Adelaide)
Monday September 18th	3	9	State Track & Field Championships (Adelaide)
Tues 14th-Thurs 16th Nov	4	5	Cricket State Carnival (Adelaide)
Wed 22nd-Fri 24th Nov	4	6	Tennis State Carnival (Adelaide)

## Free Home Internet for Families

As part of the Digital Strategy, the new [Student Home Internet Program](#) has now been launched for the 2023 school year. This will ensure all students have access to internet at home for educational use. All families without reliable home internet can request free internet from the department. With the introduction of this program all existing internet services that the department provided to schools to assist with remote learning have been disabled.

Unlike the services provided during COVID, families are required to initiate a request for a service and not schools. To continue these services under the Student Home Internet Program please follow the steps below.

### What families need to do

The [request form and user agreement \(PDF 651.5KB\)](#) must be submitted to Kangaroo Inn Area School by the parent or carer.

Only 1 form is required per household, as each internet service can support multiple students. Families also need to:

- re-apply each year, as the service is deactivated at the end of term 4
- let the school know if they no longer need the service (and return internet devices to the school).

Families can visit [free home internet access for students](#) for detailed information.

<https://www.education.sa.gov.au/students/curriculum-and-learning/student-home-internet>

# TERM 1

	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT/SUN
WK1	30/01 <b>SCHOOL STARTS</b>	31/01	01/02	02/02	03/02	04-05/02
WK2	06/02	07/02	08/02 PLAYGROUP 9-11	09/02	10/02	1-12/02
WK3	13/02	14/02	15/02 Yr 7/8 Team Building & Yr 9 Art Excursion PLAYGROUP 9-11	16/02	17/02	18-19/02  Newsletter
WK4	20/02	21-02	22/02 Yr 9 Ewen Pond Excursion PLAYGROUP 9-11	23/02	24/02	25-26/02
WK5	27/02 School Photos	28/02 1500m / Hurdles	01/03 PLAYGROUP 9-11	02/03 Chinese Teacher Visit	03/03 <b>SPORTS DAY</b>	04-05/03
WK6	06/03	07/03	08/03 PLAYGROUP 9-11	09/03	10/03 Interschool @ Lucindale	11-12/03 Newsletter
WK7	13/03 <b>PUBLIC HOLIDAY</b>	14/03 Governing Council AGM	15/03 PLAYGROUP 9-11	16/03	17/03	18-19/03
WK8	20/03	21/03	22/03 Yr 7/8 Immunisation Info. Session PLAYGROUP 9-11	23/03	24/03	25-26/03
WK9	27/03	28/03 Yr 7, 8 & 10 Immunisations	29/03 PLAYGROUP 9-11	30/03	31/04	01-02/04 Newsletter
WK10	03/04	04/04	05/04 PLAYGROUP 9-11	06/04	07/04 <b>GOOD FRIDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY</b>	08-09/04
WK11	10/04 <b>EASTER MONDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY</b>	11/04 Parent Interviews →	12/04 PLAYGROUP 9-11	13/04	14/04 Assembly 12:30pm  EARLY CLOSURE 2:30	15-16/04

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