



# KANGAROO INN AREA SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER



### FROM THE PRINCIPAL

TERM 3 WEEK 3 - 09/08/2024

I would like to welcome back Amy Oswald who is now sharing the principal role with me. We will be working the following days -

- Monday to Thursday - Annie Matthews
- Thursday and Friday - Amy Oswald

We are excited to announce that Emma Wheal and her husband, Jack, welcomed little Ruby Rosemary into their family on the 16th of July.

#### Snow Camp

The Yr. 10/11 students are having a fantastic time in the snow this week!

The many photos and videos on Facebook demonstrate the students (and staff) excitement, resilience and joy at learning a new skill, supporting each other in the nighty 'Hero' chat and having an adventure.

Our thanks go to

- Ange Leopold and Emma Wheal who organized the camp
- Supervising educators - Keelin Winterfield, Ayden Reid, Jack Francis, Tom Davidson and Ange Leopold
- The Robe and Districts Community Bank - Bendigo Bank for their kind donation

Special thanks go to the amazing group of families who decided that nothing was going to stop their children from having a snow camp. Over a two-year period, Emma Chambers, Sam Uotila, Bob Ballantyne and Pete Andre with the help of the other Yr. 10/11 parents, raised \$28,000 to reduce the cost for every student! Their selflessness and care for all our children is much appreciated.

#### NAPLAN results

This week families of Year 3,5,7 and 9 students will receive the NAPLAN results. We are pleased with the results, which indicate growth in a number of areas and especially in Year 3 where the students achieved above the national average in all but one area.

If you have any questions about your child's results, please arrange to discuss them with your child's class teacher or the secondary Math's and English teachers.

Later this term we will be completing the Progressive Achievement Tests (PAT) which gives a yearly snapshot of learning. Both sets of results are analysed to determine successes and growth areas for our teaching programs.

#### School Closure / Pupil Free

Just a reminder about the school closure on the 6th of September for the Royal Adelaide Show and the Pupil Free day for staff training on the 9th of September.

Kind regards,  
Annie Matthews

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### COMMUNICATION

#### Community Portal



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### DATES TO REMEMBER

Sun. 4th - Fri. 9th August - Yr. 10/11 Snow Camp

Mon. 12th August - Yr. 10 Girls STEM Excursion

Tues. 13th August - Yr. 10 Girls STEM Excursion

Tues. 13th August - Governing Council 6.30pm

Fri. 16th August - Yr. 4/5/6 Science Excursion

Mon. 19th August - Get Home Safe Parent Session 6pm

Thurs. 22nd August - Fri. 23rd August - Yr. 4/5/6 Camp

Mon. 26th August - **BOOK WEEK**

Tues. 27th August - Pre - Yr. 6 Gymnastics

Wed. 28th August - **DRESS UP & CAKE**

Wed. 28th August - Yr. 10-11 SACE Info. Night

Fri. 30th August - Primary Patch Theatre

Fri. 30th August - KIAS Show Day

Fri. 30th August - Yr. 7 Transition Students Visit

Mon. 2nd September - Spring Book fair

Tues. 3rd September - Thurs. 5th September - Royal Adelaide Show Camp

Tues. 3rd September - Pre - Yr. 6 Gymnastics

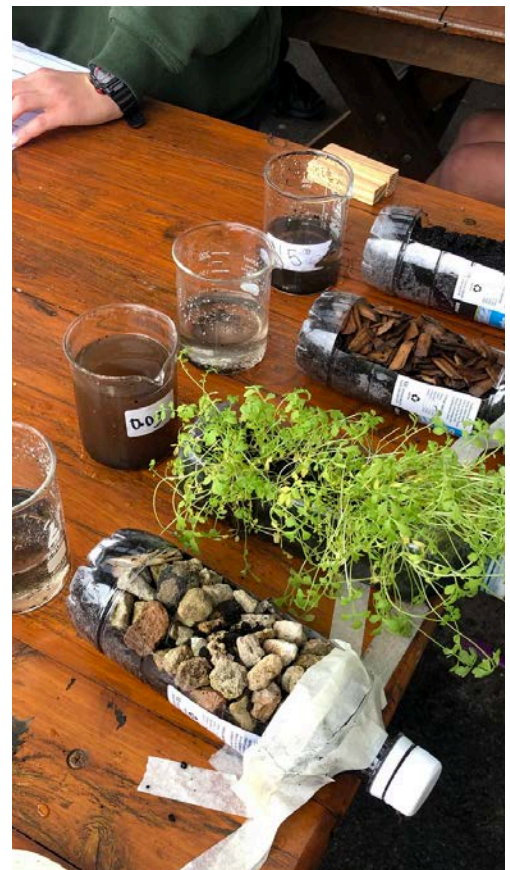
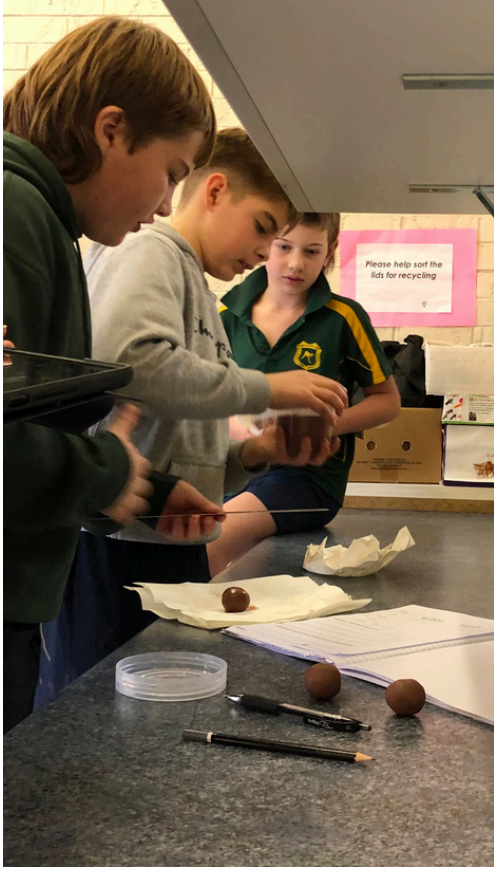
Fri. 6th September - **SCHOOL CLOSURE**

Mon. 9th. September - **PUPIL FREE DAY**

**STRIVE FOR LIFE**

# Year 4/5/6 Learning

The Year 4/5/6 class have been exploring natural disasters and how our local environment changes over time. The students have explored the impacts of erosion and weathering while completing experiments. Students will then use this information while town planning with a focus on erosion minimisation and natural disaster protection.



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## A crucial session for all parents.

Your family and our school community need you to attend.

**Over 600 teenagers are injured on our roads each year - You can do something about it! If your child has their Learners Licence (or is due to get it this year) then this will be an essential session for you as a parent or carer.**

*Parents are most likely to provide much of the driver education for their child, think about this;*

- Do you know how to develop and build their driving experiences?
- Do you know how to reduce the risk of crashing or change the severity of the outcome?
- Are you really prepared for the task of supervising a novice driver?
- Have you kept up-to-date with road rule changes?
- Do you know what to look for in a Driving Instructor?
- Do you know what to look for regarding your child's first car?

Many South Australians believe that road fatalities and serious injuries are the result of risk taking or extreme behaviours. However, research shows that more than half of fatal crashes and 90% of injury crashes are due to mistakes, inattention or common lapses in judgement. **Researchers believe that too many young drivers are not being taught well enough or equipped with enough skills and knowledge to drive safely.**

Simply increasing awareness of the dangers of high-risk driving does not necessarily lead to less risky behaviours. Save A Life Australia (an independent road safety company) has developed a longer-term approach, which we believe will help to make our families safer on the road.

**This highly acclaimed program is coming to our school. The program involves students AND parents and is presented by Darren Davis (ABC Radio road safety expert and Get Home Safe Foundation President).**

It is essential that you attend our parents/supervising drivers evening session and help to make our whole school community more aware of how to make our new drivers better equipped for a safe driving future! The parent's session will last for approximately one hour and is an informal discussion-based session that could make a real difference to your family.

**We do NOT sell lessons or advertise any driving school. This session is to help parents with their choices.**



Date: Monday 19th August  
Time: 6.pm start  
Location/Venue: Kangaroo Inn Area School



R.S.V.P – Appreciated but not essential.



I would highly encourage everyone to listen to a podcast episode from The Imperfects – ‘**How I Built Dis – The Resilience Project Story**’. The episode covers how and why Hugh van Cuylenberg created TRP! A journey he started on 12 years ago.

I have attached a link to Spotify – however you should be able to locate the episode on Apple Podcasts or any other podcast app.

[How I Built Dis - The Resilience Project Story](#)

## Gratitude

Paying attention to what we have.

Now that we are across what it means, it's time to action it!

Some benefits of practising gratitude are:

- After 21 days, you start to scan the world for positives.
- After 42 days, you become:
  - More optimistic, energised & focused.
  - Less likely to get sick.
  - You will sleep better.
  - Anxiety and depression decreases.

A few quick and simple ways to practise being grateful are:

- Journalling – at the end of each day (maybe before going to sleep), write down 3 things that went well for you that day or follow some of these prompts:
  - What is one good thing that I often take for granted?
  - What do I appreciate about myself?
  - What/who made me smile today?
- Write a gratitude letter to somebody special, telling them why you are grateful they are in your life (if you're comfortable, text your letter to the person!)
- Have a family discussion around the dinner table, on the way to sports trainings etc. about the things that went well that day or made you smile/laugh.



# TERM 3

	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT/SUN
WK1	22/07 <b>PUPIL FREE</b>	23/07	24/07 Playgroup	25/07	26/07	27-28/07
WK2	29/07	30/07 Yr. 10 Vaccinations Catch Up	31/07 Playgroup	01/08	02/08 Yr. 7/8 Mushroom Excursion	03-04/08
WK3	05/08 Yr. 10/11 Snow Camp	06/08	07/08 Yr. 9 Science Experience Playgroup	08/08	09/08 Newsletter	10-11/08
WK4	12/08 Yr. 10 Girls STEM Excursion	13/08 Yr. 10 Girls STEM Excursion Governing Council	14/08 Playgroup	15/08	16/08 Yr. 4/5/6 Science Excursion	17-18/08
WK5	19/08 Get Home Safe Student Session - AM Parent Session - PM	20/08	21/08 Playgroup	22/08 Yr. 4/5/6 Adelaide Camp	23/08	24-25/08
WK6	26/08 <b>Book Week</b>	27/08 Pre - Yr. 6 Gymnastics	28/08 Yr. 10-11 SACE Info. Night 6.30pm Dress Up & Cake Playgroup	29/08	30/08 Primary Patch Theatre Excursion KIAS Show Day Yr. 7 Transition Students Newsletter	31/08 -01/09
WK7	02/09 Spring Book Fair	03/09 Pre - Yr. 6 Gymnastics Royal Adelaide Show Camp	04/09 Playgroup	05/09	06/09 <b>SCHOOL CLOSURE</b>	07-08/09
WK8	09/09 <b>PUPIL FREE</b>	10/09 Pre - Yr. 6 Gymnastics Governing Council	11/09 Playgroup	12/09	13/09	14-15/09
WK9	16/09	17/09 Pre - Yr. 6 Gymnastics	18/09 Playgroup	19/09	20/09 Newsletter	21-22/09
WK10	23/09	24/09	25/09 Assembly & Walkthrough 12.30pm Playgroup	26/09	27/09 <b>LAST DAY OF TERM 2.30PM FINISH</b>	28-29/09