

# Newsletter

Term 1 Week 4 Thursday 23 February 2017

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Keller Road School



Salisbury East

## Important Dates

Assemblies now  
at 9.00am

**01/03/17**  
**Wednesday**  
Principal's  
Tour  
9.00 am

**03/03/17**  
**Friday**  
Assembly

SAPSASA  
Swimming

**08/03/17**  
**Wednesday**  
Fundraising  
Meeting  
9.00am

**10/03/17**  
**Friday**  
**Pupil Free Day**

**13/03/17**  
**Monday**  
**Public Holiday**  
Adelaide Cup

**15/03/17**  
**Wednesday**  
Governing Council  
Meeting

**17/03/17**  
**Friday**  
Volunteer & RAN  
Training  
9.30am - 11.00 am

### Safety Message

For the safety of our students please remember that the **Staff Car Park** is for **DECD Staff Only** and not to be used for student drop off or pick up. This is putting our students at risk.



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Child Development

## From The Leadership Team

### Welcome AGM

Thank you to all those who attended our AGM last week. It was lovely to see some new faces and we welcome our new members to our committee. The 2016 Annual Report and Finance Report were presented and the election of new Governing Councillors for 2017 was held. In addition, Guest Speaker, Labhaoise Upton, provided a hands-on Guided reading session for parents focusing on comprehension strategies. At the conclusion of the AGM, the first Governing Council meeting for the year was convened and GC Office Bearers were elected.

### The 2017 Governing Council consists of:

Joanne Wilson (Chairperson)	Pauline Bird	Melissa Franklin
Paul Wilson (Vice Chair)	Belinda Whitfield	Yuki Teoh
Julie Nelson (Treasurer)	Ann Marie Bigley	
Linda Sherrah (Secretary)	Paula Anderson	
Narelle Kusabs (Principal)	Amanda Herring	
Toni Webster (Staff Rep)	Susan Tshombe	

### Site Improvement Plan

Literacy is a major focus for Keller Road Primary in 2017. Our Site Improvement Plan outlines our rationale for such a focus, our intended actions and initiatives for improving the Literacy learning outcomes of all learners.

Staff are highly committed to introducing our uninterrupted Literacy Focus block from 9-11am daily. During these times students will be engaged in Reading and Viewing, Writing, Listening and Speaking, Grammar and Spelling activities with a particular emphasis on the explicit teaching of a range of Comprehension strategies.

We ask all parents/carers to support teachers with this Literacy Block initiative by ensuring the following:

- \* All students arrive at school by 8.50am at the latest.
- \* Students are able to manage all organisational tasks for starting the school day independently.
- \* All students are bringing take home readers and sight words daily.
- \* Students are sharing what they are learning during this literacy time on a daily/weekly basis.
- \* Students are bringing their water drink bottles and 'brain food' to school daily.
- \* All appointments (where possible) are made outside of school hours, especially during 9-11 am.
- \* Students are reading a range of material including fiction and non-fiction texts on a daily basis.

We will continue to use our newsletter forum to keep you updated with our literacy programs and initiatives, as well as providing useful articles /website links/ helpful hints for supporting your children with Literacy learning experiences at home.



## Our thoughts about Year 2 so far...

*Emily: it is fun because I like to learn new things 😊*

*Erelee: it is fun because I like it when we do maths and learn to solve problems 😊*

*Shyan: my favourite thing has been learning how to change fonts on the computer and meeting new classmates 😊*

*Krystal: I liked playing tennis in P.E 😊*

*Tyler: I like doing the little spelling books where we write the word and draw a picture 😊*

*Tyson: my favourite about year 2 is P.E, daily sharing, computers and I like Miss Batson 😊*

*Mahnaz: it was fun playing the what am I game in spelling 😊*

*Bengi: I have made lots of new friends and I have done lots of work 😊*



## Parent Reminders

### Reminder

**Pupil Free Day Friday 10th March 2017 and Public Holiday, Adelaide Cup Day on the 13th March 2017.**

### Skoolbag App

To keep up to date with school events and information in 2017 please ensure that you have downloaded the Keller Road Skoolbag App onto your smart phone. If you require any assistance please come into the front office.

### Nunga News

**Naa marni! Welcome back to everyone from Paitye Pirku (Deadly Crew)!**

**A very special welcome to our newest member of Paitye Pirku, Emma Carr, in Reception.**

**As Paitye Pirku explained to us all at assembly recently, the NAIDOC theme for 2017 is *Our Languages Matter*. This year we will be looking at Kurna, the language of the Adelaide Plains. You may have noticed some new signs around the school. We will use songs and games to learn more, and work with our Indonesian teachers on exciting language activities!**

**Nakutha! (goodbye)  
Labhaoise and Tammy**



On Tuesday the 21<sup>st</sup> of February four students from Keller Road attended the Grip Leadership conference at the Adelaide Entertainment Centre.

Mrs Webster, the Deputy Principal drove the four Executive Student Leaders of our school to the Adelaide Entertainment Centre located in Hindmarsh to develop our skills in the area of leadership along with 800 other students from different schools.

The day was split into three sessions. The first session consisted of us learning about our strengths and weaknesses as well as other's strengths. Most activities were based on the movie 'Zootopia', a movie that shows viewers no matter who you are or what you look like you can always succeed if you surround yourselves with the right people that have both, strengths and weaknesses.

In our second session we focused on the four Expectations of Responsibility. They are; Role Modelling Values, Upholding the Trust of Others, Responding to Needs and Developing our own strengths.

The first expectation, Role Modelling Values. What this means is no matter what anyone else does you should always respect the rules and show others what is the right thing to do. Demonstrating the correct way to act in the community is also what a good role model would do.

Upholding the Trust of Others is to follow the instructions given and not get distracted easily. Once others trust you, you must respect the trust or it will be broken.

When you're in a situation where you should respond to needs just take it upon yourself to help others as a leader.

To develop your own Strengths you must first understand your weaknesses in that strength. Then practise how to get better at that weakness until you can't get it wrong.

The four executive leaders enjoyed themselves at the Grip Leadership conference as the day passed with lots of fun and exciting things that were done.

By David, Latesha, Nao and Zahra, the four executive leaders of 2017.



### **Volunteer and RAN (Reporting Abuse and Neglect) Training Session for Parents. Term 1 2016**

If you would like to attend please return this slip to your teacher by Thursday **9th March 2017**.

We will be holding sessions in the **Science Room** at the following time:

**Friday 1 7th March 9.30 -11 am**

Parent Name.....

Child's Name (Eldest).....

Class Group.....

*Developing a quality learning community through our values of: Tolerance, Honesty, Trust, Co-operation, Respect and Care*

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Success



Free parenting seminar  
The mysterious world of teens:  
survival tips for parents



Are you the parent of a teen or pre-teen?  
Come and join us or watch our live webcast.

Find out:

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- what it means to be a teenager in a digital world
- how best to communicate and what to do when things get tough
- what parenting style works best.

Presented by Kirrilie Smout, an Adelaide psychologist working with children, teens and their parents

Register to attend in person or view the live webcast at:

Online: <http://parentingsa.eventbrite.com.au>  
Phone: 8303 1660  
Email: [health.parentingsa@health.sa.gov.au](mailto:health.parentingsa@health.sa.gov.au)

*This seminar is designed for an adult audience.*

Wednesday 22 March

When: 7.00 - 9.00pm  
Where: Riverbank Room  
Adelaide Convention Centre  
North Terrace, Adelaide

Presented by Parenting SA.  
For more information about raising children and teenagers visit  
[www.parentingsa.gov.au](http://www.parentingsa.gov.au) or  
[www.cyh.com](http://www.cyh.com)

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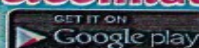
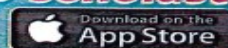
## Book Club LOOP

**LOOP** is the Scholastic Book Club  
Linked Online Ordering & Payment platform.

It's easy to order and pay online for your child's Book Club order using your credit card. If your school is not yet in the **LOOP**, speak with your school's Book Club Organiser.

Head to [scholastic.com.au/LOOP](http://scholastic.com.au/LOOP)

or



Para Hills High School

# Open Day

Tuesday 16 May, 2017

4:00pm—7:00pm

Interactive demonstrations, tours and  
a free sausage sizzle



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Your vision Your future

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