



Newsletter

Term 3 Week 9 Thursday 21st September 2023
Principal: Narelle Kusabs Deputy Principal: Toni Webster

Important Dates

Tues 26th Sept
RSPCA Aware R-Yr2

Friday 29th Sept
Last Day Term 3
Casual Day
Early dismissal 2pm
(Yaitya Unit 1:45pm)



Mon 16th Oct
Term 4 begins

FUTURE KEY DATES

Tues 17th - Wed 18th Oct
Kurra Unit Road Safety

Tues 24th - Wed 25th Oct
First Aid for Schools

Wed 8th Nov
Governing Council

Please note Important and Future Key Dates are subject to change



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From The Leadership Team

Preschool to School Transition for 2024

We are excited to have our new Receptions for the beginning of 2024 visiting Keller Road soon. We know that success at school can have a long term impact on children's lives. A successful beginning to school is important. When children are supported to move between settings for activities and events, they have the opportunity to learn the culture of the new setting in non-threatening ways and to acquire new friendships whilst maintaining confidence and self-esteem. The Department's Same First Day initiative supports all children and families in the Salisbury Partnership starting preschool and school in 2024.

Individual preschools and schools will have transition visits on the same day, at the same time. These visits will occur on the following dates.

- * Wednesday November 15th 9-11am
- * Wednesday November 22nd 9-11am
- * Wednesday November 29th 9-12.00noon
- * Wednesday December 6th 9-12.00noon

An information session for new families will be run at 9:10 on the first visit, Wednesday Nov 15th.

Communication

We are currently reviewing our channels of communication and would appreciate you filling out our survey on your preferred options. A survey will come home with students Friday.

Staffing Changes

Sarah Reynolds will be backfilling for Maddy Pitcher in the Yaitya Purple Room full time next term and Kirsten Hatswell will be working full time in the year 3 class. Gaby Centofanti will be taking over Digital Technology lessons in the STEM room.

R U Ok Day

R U OK? Day 2023 was Thursday 14th September, which is our national day of action when we remind Australians that every day is the day to ask, 'are you OK?' and start a meaningful conversation whenever they spot the signs that someone they care about might be struggling. Here at Keller Road Primary School, we help children learn how they can support each other and be good friends. We encourage our students to look out for their classmates and check in with them. Last Thursday students and staff were encouraged to wear yellow to support awareness for the day and classes around the school participated in various activities. On the back of our newsletter you will find some photos of students in the Kuta unit with some conversation starter suggestions that students could use to check in on a peer or loved one.

Materials and Services Charges for 2024

Please see inside for our Materials and Services Charges for 2024.

Casual Day

Our last day of term will be a casual day, no donation necessary. An early dismissal reminder that school finishes at 2:00 pm on Friday.

Happy Holidays

We take this opportunity to wish all of our students and families a safe and relaxing holiday. We look forward to welcoming all of our families back on Monday 16th October.

Paitya Pirku

We began our Young Doctors Malpa program this term and it has been great. Our lessons are planned around 6 key themes to teach our students how to be health ambassadors in *Environmental Health, Nutrition, Health Literacy, Hygiene, Leadership and Well-being*.

Earlier this term, students enjoyed an excursion to the Connection to Culture Children's Day. We were able to watch Dusty Feet Mob and Uncle Moogy perform and make connections with our community, services, elders and many more. Our students spent quite a bit of time being taught how to weave and create key rings with Aunty Janice Rigney, we participated in rock painting and drawing with symbols and lots more.

We look forward to having Kurna Elder Uncle Tamaru visiting our school to do language and cultural sessions on Thursday 21st of September. He will also be back the following week to help us plant some bush tucker in our garden and share his knowledge on bush tucker nutrition and cooking.



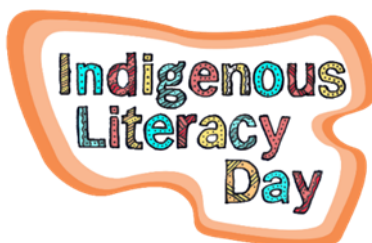
6 September – Indigenous Literacy Day

Indigenous Literacy Day is a national celebration of culture, stories, language and literacy. This day raises awareness of the disadvantages experienced in remote communities and advocates for more access to literacy resources.

Keller Road students tuned in to watch the Indigenous Literacy Foundation live stream on Wednesday 6th of September. The live stream took students on a journey across the

country to Barunga in the Northern Territory, Rubibi (Broome) in Northwestern Australia and Weipa on the

Cape York Peninsula in Queensland into First Nations storytelling and learn some new words in Kriol, Yawuru and Thaynakwith languages.



Parent Information

Parent Notices

Materials and Services Charges (school fees)

The Principal along with the Governing Council members have determined the Materials and Services charge for 2024 will be \$295.00. We will send the breakdown of this charge out to families once the Minister has approved them early next term.

All parents/caregivers are welcome to attend the next Governing Council meeting at 9am on Wednesday 8th November to discuss this and approve the charge.

School
F E E S



A reminder to all families to pay any outstanding school fee payments as soon as possible please.

For those wishing to apply for School Card, please do so if you have not already as the cut off for applying happens soon. To find out more information and to apply online visit: SA.GOV.AU - School Card scheme (www.sa.gov.au)

If you have any questions regarding school fees and School Card please phone the front office on 8258 3842 and our Business Manager will be happy to assist you.

Variety Grant

On behalf of the Keller Road school and community we would like to thank Variety - the Children's Charity of South Australia for their generous grant to help cover the cost of swimming therapy sessions for our Yaitya Disability Unit students and also transport to swimming and other excursions.

You can find out more about Variety, the grants they are able to provide and make a donation on their web site:

www.variety.org.au/sa



Sun Safety

Spring is here and as per our Sun Protection Policy, Keller Road implements

additional sun protection strategies as the weather changes and the UV levels rise. Classrooms are equipped with sunscreen for students and they are encouraged to apply it before break times.

Please ensure your child has a navy blue sun safe hat at school for outside play with their name on it. Keller Road school logo hats are available to purchase via the front office for \$12 each and are always kept in stock.

Our Sun Safe Policy can be viewed on our web site.



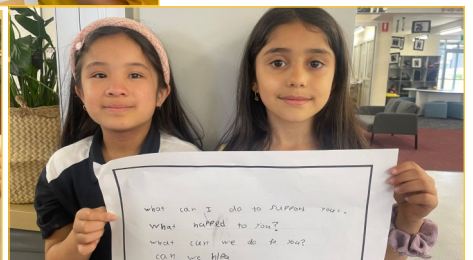
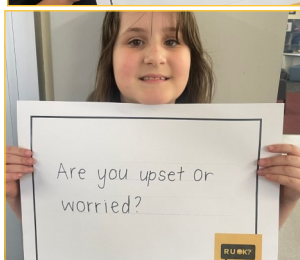
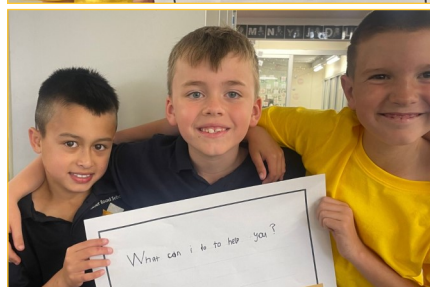
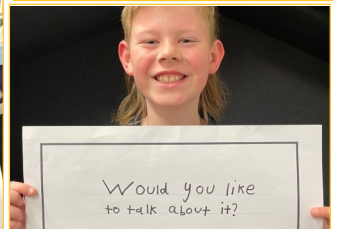
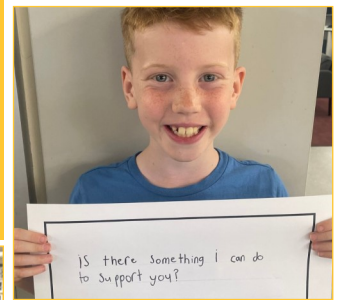
With Love Formal Wear

With Love Formal Wear is an Adelaide non-profit organisation that gifts donated Year 6 and Year 12 Formal Wear at no charge to students experiencing financial hardship.

Please contact them via their Facebook page (under Services) or via emailing joss@withloveformalwear.com



JAM Band visit 1st Sept



School Holiday Fun



You can find **Happy Haven's OSHC School Holiday Program** and more information on their fees and services on their web site: www.happyhaven.sa.edu.au/kellerroad



Check out the **City of Salisbury's School Holiday Program** for lots of fun low to no-cost activities to keep the kids (inc teens) entertained these school holidays.

Many require booking so get in quick. www.salisbury.sa.gov.au/activities/events