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Newsletter

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Term 1 Week 2 Thursday 6th February 2025 Deputy Principal: Toni Webster

Important Dates

From The Leadership Team

Tue 13th Feb Acquaintance Night 5-6pm

Tue 18th Feb 9am AGM Governing Council

> Fri 21st Feb Pupil Free Day (OSHC available) No School

Mon 24th Feb Swimming week starts Yrs Rec-5

Mon 3rd Mar Dental Van visits begin

Mon 10th Mar Adelaide Cup Public Holiday No School

> Wed 12th Mar NAPLAN begins Yrs 3 & 5

Fri 14th Mar Police Band visit

FUTURE KEY DATES

Tues 25th Mar Governing Council

31st Mar & 1st Apr **RAA Street Smart**

Wed 9th Apr Year 6 Aquatics

Fri 11th Apr Sports Day Last Day Term 1 Early dismissal

ase note Important and Future Key Dates are subject to change



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We welcome back all our students and families to another very exciting school year. We hope you and your children enjoyed the break and that your children have enjoyed their first week back. A special welcome is extended to all of our new students and their families.

Classroom programs have started with our Beginning of the Year Program, focussing on getting to know one another and unpacking whole school issues. Each class will explore issues relevant to their year level but within a common theme. Themes include: school values; curriculum awareness; classroom and yard behaviour processes and expectations; key school policies; class routines; positive culture of learning; quality work etc. This focus enables staff and students across the school to have a similar understanding of our expectations and priorities to best support student learning. We are all working together to make Keller Road a safe and successful place in which to learn and play.

AGM

Welcome

Our AGM will be on Tuesday 18th February at 9.00am, followed by the Governing Council Meeting. Governing Council are hopeful of meeting as many families as possible at the AGM as we take the time to reflect on our achievements from last year and plans for 2025. Nomination forms will be sent home via Seesaw in week 3 or are available from the front office. All welcome.

Acquaintance Night

We are looking forward to meeting many of you at our Acquaintance Evening next Tuesday 11th February. Teaching, Specialist Staff and Leadership will be available to meet families between 5:00 and 6:00pm. Classrooms will be open from 5-5:30pm to meet teachers and have a look inside the classroom spaces. Students are invited to take their families on a tour around the learning spaces, specialist teachers will be available for parents wishing to learn more about their programs. From 5:30-6pm you are invited to meet together on the blue court for a free community sausage sizzle. As part of our commitment to fostering an inclusive and respectful environment for all our students, we have chosen to use halal sausages for school meals and events. This decision ensures that all children, regardless of their dietary restrictions or religious beliefs, can enjoy the same meals together.

By providing halal options, we respect the dietary requirements of our Muslim students and make our school a more welcoming place for everyone. It also simplifies our meal preparation process, ensuring that we can cater to a diverse student body without the risk of cross-contamination.

We believe that these steps not only promote inclusivity but also teach our children the values of respect and understanding for different cultures and traditions. Thank you for your support in making our school a nurturing environment for all.



From the Leadership Team

Enrolments and Teaching Staffing

We have started the new school year with 14 classes - 4 in the Primary Years, 6 in the Early Years and 4 in our Disability Unit. Our teaching staff for the beginning of 2025 is as follows:

Early Years Team	Primary Years Team
Rec - Nada Cava	Year 3/4 - Caitlin Hopkins
Rec - Jacquie Bowler	Year 4/5 –Celine Barr
Year 1 - Abbie Winterfield	Year 5 - Aleesha Schloithe
Year 1/2 - Erin Pallant	Year 6 - Kirsten Hatswell
Year 2 - Isaac Eckermann	
Year 3 - Kelsey Piltz	
Disability Unit	
Rec-Year 4 - Lucinda Lee	Year 1-6 - Sam Southwood & Bec Glynn

Rec-Year 2 - Meg Ahrens & Leanne Guerin Year 2-6 - Janet Ward

Other staff members are:

Principal - Narelle KusabsDeputy Principal - Toni WebsterD/U Coordinator & Autism Inclusion Teacher - Nathan LoweWellbeing/AET - Glen HughesScience/STEM & ICT - Bridgette AyrisHealth/PE - Declan Hamilton & Ian DenhamACEO - Pam FrancisEALD/Literacy Intervention - Kate Baric and Nicolette Lelos

Support Staff

SSOs play a very important part in supporting the students at our school. Our SSO and support staff for term 1 2025 are as follows:

Kathy Hudson Karen Roberts Nicole England Karen Grear Kay Stewart Allison Roling Jessica Wilson Kellie Westlake Jess Andrews Kimberly Jones Kaitlyn Starr Carly Randall Nicole Madronio Jo Wilson Jack Weniton Leah Grigorev Farah Ghofrani Patricia Madronio Rachel Davis Zannah Baldwin Mele Fangalooka Susie Willington Megan Scholten Brianna Horn Lakiyah Peterson Shiana Roberts Henry Groot Obbink Courtney Groot Obbink

Pupil Free Day

Governing Council have approved a pupil free day on Friday the 21st of February for professional development. We are completing the Strengths-based strategies for teaching and learning Master Class to support our trauma aware practice. We look forward to sharing more information with you in coming weeks.

2025 NAPLAN

This year again sees NAPLAN fall at the start of the school year. This will allow teachers and leaders an extended time to work with the data that the testing provides.

There will be a coordinated practice test held Australia wide on Tuesday February 25th. Student performance in the practice test is not assessed or reported on. The purpose of the test is to make sure that the administrative processes, devices and school networks all work effectively.

Formal NAPLAN testing begins Wednesday 12th March. Students will have a written component, spelling, reading, grammar and numeracy tests. Tests are scheduled in the morning and run for approximately 50mins per test. Year 3 and 5 students will be bringing home an information sheet this week focussing on what happens with the student information collected.

School reminders and information

Materials and Services Charges 2025 (School Fees)

School fee information and invoices will be sent home next week. All families will receive this information. Please take note of payment due date. If you are intending to apply for school card, please do so as soon as possible.

School Card 2025

Information on the eligibility criteria, income limits and the application process for School Card is available online at SA.GOV.AU School Card Scheme.

Paper application forms are also available from the Keller Road front office. Our Business Manager can offer assistance to complete the forms if required. If you need assistance, please contact the front office or phone the School Card information section on 1800 672 758.

School Communication

To help keep up to date with school events and information in 2025, please take note of the various methods of communication we use, as listed inside this newsletter.

Student and Family Detail Update

Please ensure throughout the year you inform the front office if any of your details change. Changes include new phone numbers, home or postal addresses, student health information or changes to emergency contacts (who are also authorised to collect your child).

Collecting students early

Please note that student play/break times are from 11.30am-12pm and 1.50pm-2.10pm. If you need to collect your child from school early please collect your child before or after the break.

Road Safety

Please observe school zone speed limits and street signs and take extra care when dropping off and picking up your children at school. To avoid accidents it's important for parents to follow safety rules.

- Please observe school speed limits there is a 25 km zone around schools when children are present
- Do not park in no standing zones or across school entrances. Please do not park or pull over in or in front of the staff carpark driveway, this is not only hazardous to children but also restricts access for Department staff.
- Please respect local neighbours and their right to access their driveways
- Do not double park
- Please ensure that children exit their car onto the footpath.

In addition if your child rides a bike, scooter or skateboard to school please ensure they are familiar with the road rules and travel to school safely obeying road rules along the way.

Sun Smart

As per our Sun Protection Policy students are required to undertake sun protection strategies from 1st August to 30th April and at other times when UV levels reach 3 and above. Students have access to sun screen in the classrooms and are required to wear a hat at outside play times. If students do not have a sun safe hat they will be asked to sit in the shade. Hats are in stock and available to purchase at the front office for \$12. Please ensure your child has a water bottle every day.







Communication channels at Keller Road Primary School

At Keller Road Primary we place great importance on communication. We have various methods of communication with our families to provide information in regard to student learning, school events, reminders and notices.

If you require any further information or support please contact the front office on 8258 3842 or via email on <u>dl.0632.info@schools.sa.edu.au</u>



Newsletters

We produce regular newsletters throughout the school year. This publication is available to view on:

- Our school web site https://kellerrdps.sa.edu.au/ (under Parent Information)
- Our school Facebook page (a link to the newsletter on our web site is published)
- Via email on request (a link to the newsletter on our web site is emailed)
- Printed copy sent home on request (if you do not have access to the internet)



Facebook

Our Keller Road Primary School Facebook page enables us to showcase our wonderful school site, share photos and information about school events and post notices and reminders to our school community. Links to school newsletters are also posted on Facebook. You can find us by searching "Keller Road Primary School" on Facebook.



Images of students with external photograph permission may be used on our page. If you have any questions please contact the front office.



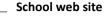
Txt message

Occasionally we use txt messages to get important reminders or information out to families. Please ensure the front office has an up to date mobile number.



Notes home

Notes such as letters, general notices and consent forms will come home with your child from time to time.



You can find information about our school, parent information, policies and the latest newsletters on our school web site.

kellerrdps.sa.edu.au



Seesaw Learning (families and classroom) App

For communication between families and your child's classroom teacher including class specific information and general school reminders and information. Access is gained by utilising a sign up code issued by your child's teacher. Includes language translation options.

It's been a very busy week in Reception!



Practising doing 'curved lines'





Relaxing with YOGA





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Nelo

Thomas

Mrs Cava Parker

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Mehreen



Problem solving

Parent & Community Information



ICE BLOCKS



EVERY Friday Term 1

\$1 each

Available during the first break

in the *breakfast club area*



👻 entertainment

You can order an Entertainment digital membership at any time throughout the year via our school's fundraising link:

https://www.entertainment.com.au/orderbooks/1t62558

