



CALENDAR

TERM 1

Tues 21 st February	KPPS Update
Wed 22 nd February	Student Leaders – shortlisted applicants announced
Fri 24 th February	Student Leaders – copies of speeches & profile sheets submitted
Mon 27 th February	10.15am Student Leaders – election assembly (whole school)
Tues 28 th February	KPPS Update
Tues 28 th February	2.15pm Assembly – Rm 11
Wed 1 st March	7.00-8.45pm AGM & Parent Meeting
Thurs 2 nd March	Nature Education Centre – U3 & U5
Mon 6 th March	Nature Education Centre – U4 & U6
Tues 7 th March	Newsletter
Fri 10 th March	Nature Education Centre – U2D, U2E & U1
Mon 13 th March	PUBLIC HOLIDAY – Adelaide Cup
Tues 14th March	PUPIL FREE DAY
Tues 21 st March	KPPS Update
Tues 21 st March	Harmony Day
Tues 28 th March	KPPS Update
Tues 28 th March	2.15pm Assembly –Room 9
Tues 4 th April	Newsletter
Wed 5 th April	School Photos
Tues 11 th April	KPPS Update
Tues 11 th April	2.15pm Assembly – U3

NOTES SENT HOME

- Governing Council Nomination (*form attached*)
- Nature Education Centre Incursion (*U1, U2D, U2E, U3, U4, U5 & U6*)
- C Grade Cricket notice (*all team members*)
- Student Update forms, Permissions and Invoices (*keep an eye out, to be sent home later this week*)



PUPIL FREE DAYS

Learning Design, Assessment & Moderation

This year we will once again have 4 Pupil Free Days and a Closure Day for the Royal Adelaide Show. DECD has directed that two of the Pupil Free Days must be used for learning design and moderation. We will focus on this topic across the primary schools in our Partnership. We are going to be busy!

Day One Tuesday March 14th

Day Two Monday August 21st

A number of staff meetings will be included in the training and development.

What's it all about?.....

DECD Preschool – Year 12 Learning Design, Assessment and Moderation Strategy (LDAM):

From 2017 **Collaborative Moderation** is the *required practice* for schools, used to inform learning and assessment design. **Collaborative Moderation** is identified in current research as a practice that is significant in driving intentional and responsive learning and assessment design demonstrated in high achieving schools and education systems.

The practice of Collaborative Moderation has dual purposes:

- Strengthening consistency of teachers' professional judgements of progress against the AC achievement standards using the A-E grades. This quality assurance process ensures that this data is valid and reliable and can be confidently used to gauge learning improvement alongside NAPLAN, PAT and other data sets.
- Teachers critically reflecting on their initial learning design to ensure high expectations and achievement can be realised for every learner. Teachers collaboratively designing learning and assessment tasks which intellectually challenge and engage all learners will lead to higher standards of learner achievement.

This project commences with a range of professional discussion and training. Teachers will then be grouped from across sites to work on developing a collaborative STEM unit of work using the Learning Design, Assessment and Moderation process. The unit will then be taught in classes and finally teachers will moderate student work from the different schools.

STEM Learning – Parent Meeting

We hope you can join us for our parent meeting next Wednesday 1st March. It will be an informative night outlining some of our key strategies for 2017, how they fit within DECD priorities, especially the STEM initiative.

- What is the Connected Curriculum?
- Why don't students sit at desks all day?
- Is STEM all about teaching science?
- Why should students have a voice in their learning?

Our presenters will be Sandra Gibbons (Deputy Principal), KPPS students and Jo Campbell our DECD Primary Learners Project Officer.

A crèche will be available but must be pre booked, via the link below.

Please click on the following link to book your spot for this informative parent session.

<https://form.jotform.co/70512732041847>

2017 STUDENT LEADERS

Our selection process for our student leaders is now underway. Once again, it will be a competitive and tough competition as we have a terrific bunch of competent Year 7 students. Students have access to all forms to participate in the process. Stage one is shortlisting followed by presentations and voting on February 27th.

- Wednesday February 22nd Shortlisted applicants announced
- 9am Friday February 24th Copies of speeches & profile sheets submitted
- 10:15am Monday February 27th Election assembly (whole school)

STUDENT ACTION TEAMS

Planning has started for our 2017 Student Action Teams.

These teams take on a particular project to make a difference to our school or wider community.

Last year's teams included:

- *Adventure Playground Action Team* - designing our creek area at the back of the school
- *Community Awareness Action Team* - creating awareness about local and global issues and fundraising to improve the lives of others
- *Sports Action Team* - Assist in the maintenance and wellbeing of class sporting equipment, coordinating lunchtime sporting activities
- *Joy Action Team* - Running a variety of activities, events and displays to create a joyful school
- *Multimedia Action Team* - Managing our multimedia equipment for school events, creating displays for events, provide training for students and staff
- *Connected Curriculum Action Team* - Work collaboratively with staff to design our units of work and then introduce the units at assembly each term

These teams have been successful in making a difference to our school community and skilling our students with a variety of leadership and organisational skills. Most teams are for our Primary & Middle Years students.

We would like to expand the program in 2017. If you think you have the skills and interests in an area that might engage a group of students and that will make a difference to our school or wider community then share your concept with John by Friday afternoon – john.clarke739@schools.sa.edu.au

Students are currently suggesting topics as well. All of the info will be collated and teams selected in March. Teams normally meet fortnightly; students take the lead with adult support.

SWIMMING

Swimming has moved to week 3, term 2 (Monday 15th – Friday 19th May) for our Foundation to Year 5 students, to avoid NAPLaN. Information will be sent home later this term. Lessons will now be held at the recently renovated Parks Swimming Centre.

PIANO and FLUTE LESSONS

I currently teach piano and flute at the school, which are individual lessons. Lessons will take place once a week. So if you think your child would like to learn one of these instruments then please leave your details at the front office with Carol or you can come and see me at the school on a Tuesday or Friday. *Tanya Welsh*

Want to help shape our school? – nominate to join our Governing Council!

Contributing to the growth and development of a school can be a stimulating and rewarding experience. It can be a great feeling to know that you are making a difference to the lives of hundreds of children by ensuring their safety, providing first class learning facilities and helping in their academic, moral and social development. In 2017 the GC will lead the planning of our 50th birthday events! Nomination forms attached.

THE GOVERNING COUNCIL (GC) FACTS –

- Governing Council meets twice a term usually on a Thursday from 7pm (to be negotiated)
- Any parent and community member can nominate for GC but he or she must complete a nomination form and must not have been declared bankrupt nor convicted of any offence of dishonesty (see nomination form)
- Members must have a current Relevant History Screening (previously known as a Criminal History Screening) from DCSI
- GC has an executive consisting of the Chair, Deputy, Secretary, Treasurer and Principal. The executive meet separately to plan the GC meetings and to review the finances of the school.
- Executive positions are filled at the first meeting of the newly elected GC
- If more nominations are received than the declared number of vacancies an election will occur at the AGM
- GC members can also be a part of a subcommittee and take on the role of link between a committee and GC

Qkr app

To help reduce the congestion in the front office in the mornings, we have introduced the QKR app. All payments to the school can be made via the app, M&S fees, uniforms and purchases, excursions etc. You can also order your child/ren's lunches via the app.

PLEASE CHECK IT OUT! We have received very positive feedback with how easy and convenient it is to use. Give it a go and download it today.

M&S FEES

M&S Fees are due by 20th March 2017

Prompt payment would be appreciated. M&S charges are \$330 per student. The charge of \$330 will cover costs relating to class supplies for students, resources for use in the teaching program, photocopying and printing, the purchase of new equipment, replacement of existing equipment (eg. computers etc), library books and physical education equipment. It is expected that lost or broken items will be replaced by the student. KPPS has a voluntary building fund levy of \$40 per family. This contribution is tax deductible.

Preferred payment is via the Qkr app, but payment options also include:

Direct payment into the bank account: BSB: 065152 Account: 10280656 (Reference: Child's name)

Direct Debit: by instalments, application forms at the front office

Cash, Cheque or Eftpos available at the front office.

School Card application forms, for those eligible, are available from the front office and must be completed at the beginning of **each year**.

OSHClub NEWS

Care times include: before and after school, as well as holiday programs. If you feel throughout this school year you may require care, or have queries about our services please do not hesitate to contact us on: 0448 955 392 in regards to enrolling your child/ren.

Fundraiser

There is an exclusive early screening of 'The Lego Batman Movie' on Sunday 19th March, 2.00pm for a 2.20pm start, Piccadilly Cinema (North Adelaide) hosted by Adtrans (an automotive retail group). Raffles will be available on the day at a cost of \$1.00 and prizes will include a family voucher to the Beachhouse, Batman Lego, Toys, food and drinks.

Tickets are available from Desley at OSHClub – Adult \$20 Children \$16

Proceeds gained from the event will be donated to organisations such as 'Kids in Need', 'Youth Opportunities', 'RDA Australia' and 'The Royal Society for the Blind'. If you feel you would like to attend the event please visit Desley in OSHC.

LIBRARY NEWS

Digital Literacy Program Trial

This term our school is trialling a digital literacy program called *Sunshine Classics*. The program has been developed by Sunshine Books – a highly respected Australian Educational Publisher. The program offers all our students access to a digital library of over 300 levelled e-books and 1000 interactive activities. We would encourage your child to access this program at home for reading practice and enjoyment. The program can be used on an iPad or on a computer.

The school's access details are:

Username: kidman

Password: blue5025

To access Sunshine Classics on an iPad, first download the free app from the App store by searching for "sunshine classics". Then log in with the above login details.

To access Sunshine Classics on a computer, go to: www.sunshineclassics.com.au and log in as a STUDENT using the above login details.

The top 10 schools in Australia with the highest usage during the month of March will win a whole school 12-month subscription to Sunshine Classics.

SPORTS NEWS

Cricket

I saw our two enthusiastic C Grade Cricket teams hi out against each other last Saturday, thanks to coaches Shayne and Sandie Golledge and Andrew Mibus. Further information sent out this week and always check the roster updates at the website: www.wspsc.sa.cricket.au

Netball

We have three large Netball teams – Under 9, Under 11 and Under 13. Thanks to coaches Emma McLaren, Kylie Smith, Cam Neal, Karen Mitchell, Lisa Mestrovic and Yvette Flood.

Training for the teams is Tuesday. Game time for Under 9 is 5.45pm this Wednesday, but byes for Under11 and Under13 for this Thursday. There have been glitches with the SportFix app, but should be fixed later this week.

All coaches appreciate parent support as is the KPPS tradition. If you have skills to offer, please put your hand up.

Basketball

We have a number of players across all age groups, but not enough to form individual or combined teams for this season. Recruit your friends in the meantime and we'll try for teams next semester.

Soccer

Notes will be given out soon to all players who returned yellow slips at the beginning of term. But if you have decided not to play, please let us know now. If you haven't returned your slip, but would like to play, collect a form from the front office and return immediately. But no guarantees of a spot on a team.

Terry Ahern

Sports Coordinator

SPORTS RESULTS

C Grade Cricket

The C Grade season commenced on Saturday, with both Kidman Park teams playing one another.

All players on both teams contributed well in what was a good first hit out and an enjoyable morning. Special mentions go to Chanelle W, Edison N, James M and Ben M who all made great debuts for KPPS in Grade Cricket.