



Working in partnership with students and families

From the Principal: Alistair Williams

Kadina Memorial School is truly a democracy where staff, parents, students and the community work together to ensure that the education of our students is effective and at a high level. This newsletter will highlight many of the groups that you or your child have the opportunity to join to help influence and understand the school.

Student voice is an important aspect of all schools as teachers and leaders strive to find out how we can improve student engagement. A critical body at Kadina Memorial is the KMSC, with each sub-school having a group to share their views and that of their peers. I am fortunate to attend some meetings but receive and read minutes from all. This assists me to garner student opinion and meet their needs within school planning.

Whilst these bodies help drive school direction, I welcome other less formal student groups to meet with staff to clarify various issues which may arise. I recently met with students who are looking into the boundaries for each sub-school; they put forward a compelling argument as to why this needed to change.

This will now be discussed by leaders to determine whether their ideas can be put into action. Along with this, I was thoroughly impressed by a group of young students who wanted to change the school culture on rubbish and invited me to their class. They were, once again very persuasive and it was therefore something talked about at the last whole school assembly.



Above, Year 5 students vote in this week's Primary KMSC elections.

Early Closure Day

Week 6 Tuesday 5 March.

School dismissed at 2:10pm, buses depart 2:20pm.

Teaching staff will be working with colleagues from across the NY Partnership in Network Learning Groups at various school sites.

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Principal's Report continued:

These groups of students learn valuable meeting skills; meeting protocols, minute taking but more critically they learn how they can make a difference and that their voice is valued, something that will help them throughout their lives. We call these 'soft skills' which are highly valued by future employers.

We also have many parent bodies involved in helping determine the direction of the school.

Our Governing Council is an important body and looks after critical aspects of the school including the finance and policy development. This year we will be reviewing the ICT and Fundraising policies and representatives of these bodies will be sharing the parent voice. As a member of this group you are kept up-to-date with the intricacies of how Kadina Memorial runs and are given the opportunity to view information that is often not more widely shared, such as the School Review and internal improvement plans. The Governing Council has been well supported for many years and there will be a few spots open to new members this year - I encourage parents who would like to have a say in the school's future direction to join.

The Governing Council Annual General meeting will be held on **Wednesday 27 March**, Hospitality Centre, 7pm.

Parents and Friends (P&F) always welcomes new people and it's an excellent body for those who want to learn a little more about the school. Last year a number of guest presenters met with P&F, including the Student Wellbeing Leaders who outlined the processes for student wellbeing as well as school initiatives. P&F provides valuable insights into how various policies and events affect families. Whilst P&F supports the school through fundraising, these events are minimal and the group is more for parents and caregivers wanting to learn about specific aspects of the school. Last year, along with the Pastoral Care Worker, P&F organised a weekly morning walk for at school drop-off time. This was a great social outlet, which fundraised for the school and promoted healthy lifestyles.

The next P&F meeting will be held on **Wednesday 13 March**, in the Staffroom, 7:30pm.

Induction and Yr 12 High Achiever Assembly

In the next few days students will receive letters informing them of their KMSC and House Captaincy positions. I thank all students who put their hand up, wrote and delivered speeches and were willing to represent their peers. The successful candidates will be inducted next **Friday 22 February**, at the CCSLC, 9:15am. We will also acknowledge and congratulate the highest 2018 Year 12 achievers – an inspiring cohort who we look forward to sharing with us their future pathways.

Media Consent Forms

We enjoy sharing student work with our wider school community through various media forms, including newsletters, the local paper and on social media.

Should, at any stage, your child's media consent change from your initial enrolment form we ask you to inform the Principal in writing.

Accompanying today's newsletter is a Media Consent Form for those students transitioning into Year 7 Middle School. We ask Year 7 families to complete this consent form to ensure our records are current.

Please return the signed consent form to your child's Care Group teacher by **Friday 1 March** to assist us with our record keeping.

Meningococcal B Immunisation Program

Students in Year 10 and 11 have been given a Meningococcal B Immunisation Consent form to participate in the program this year.

Administered by nurses from Kadina Medical Associates (KMA) the immunisations will occur on **Thursday 9 May** and **Wednesday 31 July**. If your child is absent on any of these days please call KMA to arrange a catch-up.

For further information about the program please visit the link www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/menbprogram

Family Information Night

It was great to see so many families on Tuesday night. I love seeing a busy school, from students showing their parents classrooms and work, to sub school presentations and a sausage sizzle!



Regards,

Alistair Williams
Principal



Sub School News

R-6 Corner

It was great to see so many attending the Family Night this week. We value the opportunity to meet you as it helps us to really know the children we teach. Sports day (**Thursday 7 March**) and Interview week (**beginning Monday 1 April**) are two more dates we encourage all to add to their diary.

Years 3 to 6 students have this week enjoyed the opportunity to travel to Wallaroo for their water safety lessons. These aren't swimming lessons: they are part of the keeping all safe learning at schools. This opportunity assists students to learn in context to make swift and sound survival choices that keep them and others safe in the water.



Above, even during inclement weather students learn important lifesaving skills through the water safety program.

I have enjoyed watching and listening to students reading at school. Many have avoided the 'summer slump' when their reading level significantly drops over the holiday period. Maintaining or improving this is a sign that they have been reading and thinking in their own time which indicates a truly independent reader. Years 3-6 students read books from the Lexile range and undertake a quiz to ensure they are reading for meaning. This quiz can be accessed at home which often increases students reading mileage as they can quickly read, sit the quiz and borrow a new book. For details re this, contact your child's teacher.

In library times students have learnt our school library is open from 8am to 4pm each day with learners able to borrow books before and after school. It's great to see students taking this opportunity to read, read and read!

Debbie Terrett
Head of R-6
Deputy Principal



Unit News

Firstly, a huge thankyou to the families who attended the Family Information session on Tuesday afternoon. This is always a fantastic opportunity for staff and families to come together to share and learn about programs that are being delivered to the students.

Unit students have been enjoying the activities relating to the Multicultural theme in all areas of the curriculum. Over the past two weeks we have focussed on Australia and in particular the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island culture.

The students have made flags, cooked damper, designed and built some of the icons of Australia in STEM lessons, and dot painted pieces of bark in Art. There have been opportunities for the students to view videos, and learn about Aboriginal history and culture when Nigel Raymond and Leanne Toogood came to visit last Monday. They have been very interested in learning about the impact seasons have on different cultures and how this determines their daily way of life.

This week we are beginning to practise for Sports Day, and are busy doing lots of jumping, throwing, running and kicking in PE lessons to become familiar with all of the required events. Notices will be sent home shortly with more information about how families can be involved on the day.

Sandy Mumford
Unit Coordinator



Middle School

Thank you to everyone who came along to Family Night on Tuesday. For those who couldn't make it due to prior commitments we'll feature the presented information on a regular basis in the newsletter over the coming weeks.

I've been extremely pleased with how well the students have settled into Middle School routines and lessons.

Visits to classes show students engaged in learning and on-task to meet their realistic goal setting targets.

Which brings me to Sports Day on **Friday 8 March**. It's great to see students are wearing their house polo tops during PE lessons as they learn and practise for various sports day events.

A reminder: aerosol deodorants are not permitted at school with a number of students suffering from respiratory conditions, exacerbated by deodorant cans. We encourage students to apply a good quality deodorant before they come to school and use a roll-on version should they require it during the day. Thank you for your support in keeping everyone safe.

Tarryn Germein, Head of Middle School



Middle School HASS Civics and Citizenship

Students in Year 7 to 9 take the privilege of voting in the KMSC Elections seriously, for they know that being a citizen of Australia entitles adults to vote, just as being a student at Kadina Memorial entitles you to a vote in the election for representation on the Middle School Kadina Memorial School Council. They understand and are currently in a stage of learning that people have rights and responsibilities in the roles that they take on whether it is being a citizen of the classroom, an elected rep on KMSC, a digital citizen or a citizen of the local community. KMSC is not so much about ego, but about doing what's best for our school and our school community.

Senior School

Kadina Memorial congratulates Year 12 student Amelia Ryan and 2018 Year 12 students Patrick Newton and Chloe Martin who received their Merit awards at Government House recently.

Chloe and Patrick received a merit for Psychology and Wood Technology, respectively.

Amelia received a merit for her Research Project enquiring 'To what extent can instability in the Middle East be cited as a contributing factor as to the rise of right wing groups in Germany?'



Above, Stage 2 Psychology teacher Miss Danielle Hicks with Amelia, Patrick and Chloe.

2019 senior students on target

Senior School students in Miss Tucker's classes have a daily 'visual' of their individual academic targets in 2019. The creative and colourful reminder is a promise to themselves to strive to the best of their ability and reach their goal.



Welcome to Australia

We are pleased to introduce Mr Matthew Kinsman to Kadina Memorial School, who is here on a teacher exchange. He's literally swapped house, car and 'life' with Mr Luke Atkinson and family, who are now living and working in Canada.

As Mr Kinsman explains, learning is life-long!

'I'm very excited to be part of the KMS staff for the upcoming school year. I am currently in my seventh year of teaching. Back in Canada, I have taught at all year levels but spent a majority of my time teaching Year 4. While at KMS I have the opportunity to learn about Australian history as I am teaching Year 8 and 9 HASS. My language skills will be tested as well as I am also responsible for Year 8 and 9 English. It's a big change for me, but that's pretty much what the exchange program is supposed to be, right?

I've been spending my time outside of school visiting beaches, swinging in my hammock, and enjoying the warm weather. I am hoping to visit the Gold Coast, Yorke Peninsula, and the Great Ocean Road on my way to Melbourne.

I'm blown away at how welcoming the Kadina community has been to me. I hope I can return the favour by providing a bit of Canadian culture to this already amazing school.'



The playground at Mr Atkinson's school in Canada!

Staff Profile

Name: Miss Ali Doolette, Year 4 teacher

Studied at: University of Adelaide and Flinders University.

Previous experience: I moved to Port Lincoln from Adelaide in 2016 and taught there for two years. In 2018 I lived in a small Japanese village where I taught English to kindy to Year 6 students.

What are you looking forward to at Kadina Memorial?

Learning about the local area, meeting lots of new people and becoming part of the school community.

Hobbies and sports: photography, yoga, camping, travelling. Not in any particular order or at the same time!



Volunteering and Mentoring

Would you like to be involved at Kadina Memorial School but are unsure how?

VOLUNTEER or MENTORING might be what you are looking for!

They say 'it takes a village to raise a child' and this we know is true. The Volunteer and Mentor programs are a great way to meet new people and develop skills in a flexible and enriching environment. Our programs are fun and enthusiastic and designed to assist students develop in areas such as communication, compassion, empathy, respect, opportunity, resilience and confidence just to name a few.

Some of our activities include arts/crafts, cooking, playing games, listening to students read, helping in the library, canteen, special projects around the school, or you may have ideas of your own. The Term 2 Volunteer Induction session will be advised shortly. If you have already undertaken the Induction and are ready to volunteer or mentor please ring the Front Office on 8821 0100 to discuss the 2019 program times which will best suit you.

Pictured right, family and community members often volunteer their time at school.





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Please join us for a FREE session where we will learn and discuss strategies relating to the Power of Positive Parenting including: Ensuring a safe, interesting environment - Creating a positive, learning environment – Managing tricky behaviours - Having reasonable expectations - Looking after yourself as a parent.

Workshop 2. Raising Resilient Children Term 2 – workshops offered at Pt Broughton, Wallaroo and Moonta

In the second workshop we will learn about resilience including the topics: Recognising and accepting feelings - Building a positive outlook - Developing coping skills - Expressing feelings appropriately - Managing negative feelings - Managing stressful life events.

Workshop 1: Monday 25th Feb 9.30am – 11.30am Pt Broughton Area School
Wednesday 13th March 9.30am -11.30am Wallaroo Primary School
Tuesday 26th March 10.30am -12.30pm Moonta Area School

Workshop 2: Monday 27th May 9.30am – 11.30am Pt Broughton Area School
Wednesday 12th June 9.30am to 11.30am Wallaroo Primary School
Tuesday 25th June 10.30am -12.30pm Moonta Area School

Registrations: www.nypartnership.eventbrite.com.au

For further information about the workshops contact Simone Mercer 88210 100
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DMC & School News

Decision Making Committee

The Kadina Memorial School Decision Making Committee is a representative committee consisting of staff, students and parents who meet each fortnight. The next DMC is scheduled next week, **Monday 18 February, 5pm** in the Staff Room.

Approved proposals:

Proposal: Year 10 T20 Knock Out Cricket

Date: Friday 15 February

Proposer: Pat Keane

Proposals tabled for consideration:

Proposal: Cultural Market

Date: Friday 15 March

Proposer: Adele Frost and Hanlie Truter

Proposal: Mr Mick's - tapas

Date: Wednesday 5 June

Proposer: Adele Frost and Hanlie Truter

Proposal: ICAS Maths and English Competition

Date: English: Tuesday 17 September; Maths: Thursday 19 March

Proposer: Alix Hillebrand

Guided Readers Amnesty!

A stocktake of school readers has shown we are missing a number of readers in the R-6 world.

We love that your child is super keen to read but we need to ensure students are reading the right level reader and that we have complete sets.

If you happen to find a reader at home could you please return it to school – no questions asked but gratefully received.



Above, some of the readers which have been returned and have already been re-issued to this year's students.

Canteen News

IMPORTANT Canteen information for Sports Day

** Please note - FOOD and DRINKS will be served from the ANZAC building (same as last year), behind the HOUSE teams.

**There is a SPECIAL Sports Day menu on each of the Sports Days. The normal Canteen Menu is not available if you are involved in Sports Day.

We have our Annual Sports Days, coming up on the **Thursday 7 March and Friday 8 March**. Like last year, our wonderful staff and volunteers at the canteen will sell food and drinks on the day in the ANZAC Canteen. Please read the following to understand how it will proceed, so we don't have any starving children and they get all the energy they need to have a successful Sports Day. Please note the KMS School Canteen will still be open for the rest of the school, as per a normal day. A coffee van will be onsite both days.

R-6 Sports Day: Thursday 7 March

ALL ORDERS MUST BE PLACED VIA QKR SPORTS DAY MENU OR CLASS CANTEEN BOX BY **FRIDAY 1 MARCH**

Families and friends can still purchase food and drink from the ANZAC building CANTEEN from 9am-1.30pm. (Yr 7-12 use normal School Canteen only)

**Our restricted Sports Day Menu is available on Qkr. Please select "SPORTS DAY MENU". Teachers will direct students at their allocated lunch time.

7-12 Sport Day: Friday 8 March

PLEASE NOTE that QKR should not be used on this day for Yr 7-12

Students, families and friends, can purchase food and drink from the ANZAC building Canteen from 9am-1.30pm. PLEASE NOTE- There are no preorders for this day. (Rec-6 use normal School Canteen only).

We appreciate any help if you are available on the day. We need helpers from 11am – 1pm. Thank you to those who continue to volunteer in our school and community. We really appreciate your help and valued support.

****If Sports day is cancelled and rescheduled the following week, all preorders will be held for then. If there are any adjustments, cancellations or queries, please ring Vicki direct on 0419 866 471.**

Thanks,

Vicki, Annie, Jeanette, Amelia and all our wonderful Volunteers at Canteen.



Community News

Bute Netball Club: We are seeking players for the 2019 netball season for Net-Set-Go, H Grade and G Grade. Please contact President Beck Crosby on mobile 0438 626 469 or email butenetballclub@gmail.com

The United Archers: New members welcome, archery held on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month all year round, 2pm. A small fee for hire of equipment (if required) and use of the field, Blyth Oval. For further information contact Secretary Joanne on 041 300 4908, email unitedarchers@outlook.com or find us on Facebook. All ages and abilities welcome. Participants under 16 years of age must have a parent/guardian in attendance.

Michael Carr-Gregg Workshop: NY Partnership presents Real Wired Child, 'What kids are doing online and how to keep them safe', Tuesday 26 February, CCSLC, 7pm-8pm. RSVP essential: www.nypartnership.eventbrite.com.au Free crèche provided by Wallaroo PS and Community OSHC.

Living with Young People



The teenage years bring a new stage in your child's development and many changes for the whole family....

2 free engaging and informative workshops for parents of teens aged 12 to 18 years

Learn and chat with other parents in a relaxed, comfortable atmosphere. Refreshments plus crèche plus movie night for the kids!

Workshop 1 Living with Young People 6.30 – 9.00 pm Wednesday 13 March

- About young people
- Adolescent development
- What parents can do

Workshop 2 Managing Conflict with Young People 6.30 – 9.00 pm Wed 20 March

- Peer pressure
- Young people and feelings
- What about behaviour?

Where: Kadina Memorial School
5 Doswell Terrace, Kadina

To book: Contact **Simone Mercer** on 8821 0100 or Simone.Mercer130@schools.sa.edu.au

Everyone is welcome, however *bookings are essential*

** Please arrive 10 minutes earlier to register **

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TERM 2019	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Week 4	18 th February KMSC Training Day money due Literacy Workshop Middle School ATSI students Adelaide Crows Clinic, L5&6 8/9 KO Cricket, Maitland DMC, 5pm	19 th February Stage 2 Kayak Prac, First Aid training KMSC Training Day	20 th February	21 st February Finance mtg, 3:30pm	22 nd February KMSC Induction, House Assembly, 2018 Yr 12 High Achievers, CCSLC, 9.15am
Week 5	25 th February Mid North RP Expo, Yr 11's	26 th February Stage 2 Kayak Prac, L3&4 KMS GJ Rehearsal with Clare High School at KMS, 4:30-7pm Michael Carr-Gregg parent Workshop, 7pm	27 th February 7pm Governing Council	28 th February Year 7 Adelaide 500 Excursion NEWSLETTER	1 st March Yr 3-9 100metre time trials

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1. Phone: 8821 0100
2. Text: 0437 010 328 with name and class
3. E-mail: dl.0778.frontoffice@schools.sa.edu.au, or
4. Write and sign a note in your child/ren's diary.

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