

Kadina Memorial School NEWSLETTER

Term 3, Issue 1: Thursday 29 July 2021



From the Principal: Alistair Williams

Welcome to term 3!

It has been an unusual start, particularly for our 10 new students and their families, during a statewide seven-day lockdown.

Firstly, thank you to all students, families, and staff for the incredible way they swiftly moved to remote learning.

This is our third lockdown in 18 months and our students are leading the way in adaptability, focusing on learning, and making the best of the situation.

While 'stay at home orders' have been lifted it has been made extremely clear from SA Health we remain on alert and do everything we can to minimise the spread of the highly contagious COVID-19 disease.

The biggest change to date is the wearing of masks for all Year 8-12 students while inside and on school buses. (More information in this newsletter).

We also request the following:

- No visitors onsite until further notice. Please say goodbye to your child at the gate and a staff member will walk them to the classroom. (Make sure you have a conversation with your child about where to meet in the afternoon).
- If a parent/caregiver does need to attend, QR code check-in is necessary
- Students and adults are not to enter if unwell. Stay home until recovered (please ring the Front Office if your child is absent due to illness – 8821 0100)
- Students to bring their own named water bottle to school. Water bottles can be refilled at school. (We do not have any new spares to offer students)
- Regular hand washing / sanitising at school (sanitiser available in classrooms)
- Off-site sport and excursions have been postponed until advised by SA Health.

Virtual SACE Meetings

We are going virtual for our Year 10 and Year 11 SACE Information for Parents meetings, next **Wednesday 4th August**, starting 6pm.

Current Year 10 parents are invited to a virtual meeting to discuss senior school expectations and subjects on **Wednesday 4th August**, 6pm. This will occur through your child's Year Level MS TEAMS meeting. The recorded session will also be on Teams. in the General channel. A link will be posted in DAYMAP.

Current Year 11 parents are invited to a virtual meeting to discuss senior school expectations and subjects on **Wednesday 4th August**, 7pm. This will occur through your child's Year Level MS TEAMS meeting. The recorded session will also be on Teams, in the General channel. A link will be posted in DAYMAP.

Head of Senior School Verity Williams, VET Coordinator Erin Schneider and Year Level Managers Al Woods and Megan Tucker will be available to answer questions.

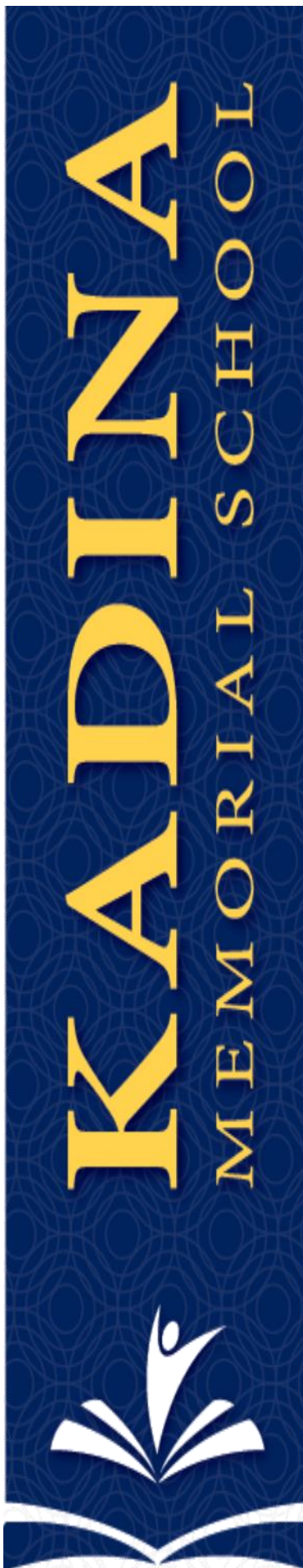
Senior School Subject Selection

Term 3 is an important time for Year 10 and Year 11 students to select 2022 subjects.

Each faculty teacher has pre-recorded a brief video showcasing their subject, outlining prerequisites and content. These videos are available in the Year Level TEAM. Students will meet with a Subject Counselling team member to discuss subjects for further study and job pathways. At this time a telephone consultation can occur with parents.

Please discuss subjects and potential careers with your child, as this often leads to more questions and potential opportunities for study and employment options.

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Principal's report continued:

Virtual Year 9 Parent Evening

Current Year 9 parents are also invited to a virtual meeting to discuss senior school expectations and subjects on **Wednesday 11th August**, 6pm. This will occur through your child's Year Level MS TEAMS meeting. The recorded session will also be on TEAMS, in the General channel. A link will be posted in DAYMAP.

Each faculty teacher has pre-recorded a brief video showcasing their subject, outlining prerequisites and content and this is also available in TEAMS. Students will meet with a Subject Counselling team member to discuss subjects for further study and job pathways. At this time a telephone consultation can occur with parents.

Current Year 8s subject selection for 2022 will begin towards the end of term 3. Keep an eye on Daymap, Newsletters and Facebook.

R-6 Parent Teacher Interviews

At this stage R-6 parent Interviews will go ahead with the option to meet face to face with social distancing and adults wearing masks. Alternatively, a phone interview can be arranged. Please contact your child's teacher via Class Dojo to confirm your meeting details. Interview bookings visit: www.schoolinterviews.com.au CODE **4mucx** Interviews will be held **Monday 9th August – Friday 13th August**.

Staffing News

At the end of term 3 we farewelled Student Services Officer (SSO) Dee Wigzell. Dee is an outstanding educator and will be missed by students and staff. We wish Dee all the best as she takes a well-earned break.



Above, Business Manager Carol Saunders, Dee Wigzell and Deputy Principal Debbie Terrett.

In other staffing news, we welcome SSOs James Sherwin, Jess Campbell, and Samantha Schilling in classroom support roles. James is currently studying a teaching degree, while Jess and Samantha come to us with experience from other local education settings.

Tenille Ziersch has won the Leader of Disability, Intervention and Support position, with Leanne Wait on maternity leave. Tenille will also continue the R-6 Student Wellbeing role on Fridays.

We are fortunate Jade Daniel has returned from maternity leave, stepping into Tenille's Special Options

teaching position, working within Tracy Henderson's and Sandra Hawes' classes. Jade has extensive expertise in special education with students quickly showing her the 'ins and outs' of the new Kapyong classrooms. In the Disability Unit, we welcome back Sandy Mumford from Long Service Leave and thank Rachel Foster and the team in the Unit for their work during term 2.

Kimberly Hodges, pictured right, joins our team in a Teacher Pathways role.

We look forward to seeing Kimberly relief teaching across our site for the remainder of term 3.



Welcome Preservice Teachers

Kadina Memorial has a solid reputation for mentoring future educators, with eight Pre Service Teachers currently appointed to our school.

They've had a valuable introduction to their placements observing how educators can change from face-to-face to remote learning at lightning speed. Flexibility, lots of preplanning, a good rapport with students, and innovative ways to deliver content has been an invaluable experience of the teaching profession.

Thank you to our Kadina Memorial educators who have taken on this additional role in specialised areas such as History, Science, and Maths. We are fortunate we can offer such a strong place for student teachers to develop their teaching abilities in a regional setting. I trust they'll enjoy their experience at Kadina Memorial School.



Back, Principal Alistair Williams, Dominick Hentschke and Ethan Hauptman. Front, Grace Inman, Olivia Watson, Joanne Read, Hayley Wilson, Molly McCarthy and Nusaiba Khair.

Update Contact details

The recent lockdown was a reminder of the importance to provide the school with updated contact details. Mobile phone numbers and emails are the primary way

we communicate with families during these times. Please complete and return the form in today's newsletter if you have new contact details.



Regards,
Alistair Williams, Principal

Violet Day tomorrow, 30th July, has been POSTPONED until later in term 3.

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

As part of our continuous school improvement process, we will be involved in an external school review with a Department for Education review panel.

The purpose of external school reviews is to support us to raise achievement, sustain high performance and provide quality assurance to build public confidence in government schools.

All government schools are externally reviewed every 3 years.

The focus of the external school review is to evaluate our school's performance. The review panel includes a review officer and a trained review principal. Our school review will occur on **Monday 16th to Wednesday 18th August**.

The review panel will identify aspects of our school's improvement that have been verified through the review processes, as well as the improvements that we need to make in the future.

During the external school review, some students, parents, governing council members and staff will be asked to provide information to the review panel in a number of ways. These include:

- individual interviews
- group discussions (with students or staff or parents)
- meetings (governing council, staff meeting)
- visits into classrooms.

The ESR process will work with the principal to ensure it will be adhering to the current advice from the SA Health and DfE guidelines regarding COVID-19.

We appreciate everyone's support and time in helping us with this external school review process.

If you **do not** want your child to participate in the review, please inform the Front Office by **Monday 2 August (week 3)**.

If you would like more information, please contact me via the Front Office on 8821 0100.

The previous three-day review was held in 2018. This report is available on the school website by visiting: [Kadina-Memorial-School-External-School-Review.pdf \(kms.sa.edu.au\)](#)

Regards,



Alistair Williams
Principal
Thursday 29 July 2021

2021 STUDENT CONTACT DETAILS

STUDENT NAME: _____ CAREGROUP: _____

PARENT/ CAREGIVER EMAIL: _____
(Preferred email to contact regarding home learning)

PARENT 1 MOBILE NUMBER: _____ PARENT 2 MOBILE NUMBER: _____

PARENT 1 RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS: _____

PARENT 2 RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS: _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT NAME: _____ MOBILE: _____

RELATIONSHIP TO STUDENT: _____

Please return to your child's caregroup teacher if your contact details have changed.

Masks at school: A key protection that allows us to return to our normal daily activities while the COVID-19 risks remain is the use of face masks.

Face masks must be worn by:

- students in year 8 and above should carry a mask with them and wear it indoors – and where congregating (ie canteen)
- adults while indoors, except when teaching or engaging with students
- staff in meeting rooms when present with other adults, and not eating and drinking
- on school buses and public transport

The following exemptions from face mask use apply:

- primary school students
- any student who attends a disability setting
- staff when teaching or engaging with students
- during PE lessons
- all staff and students when outside
- students or staff who have a medical condition, such as problems with their breathing, a serious skin condition on the face, a disability, or a mental health condition.

Thank you for your support.

TERM 3 2021	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Week 3	2 August	3 August SAASTA (online at school) 5pm DMC (tbc)	4 August Yr 8/9 Ag Club, lunchtime Yr 10 & 11 SACE Information for Parents mtg (VIRTUAL – visit Year Level TEAMS) MASA Quiz Night, 7-9:30pm (POSTPONED)	5 August 3:30pm Sport & Rec Mtg (tbc)	6 August
Week 4	9 August R-6 Parent Teacher Interviews www.schoolinterviews.com.au CODE: 4mucx SAPSASA SOCCER & HOCKEY POSTPONED	10 August R-6 Parent Teacher Interviews www.schoolinterviews.com.au CODE: 4mucx SAASTA, CYS (to be advised) SAPSASA SOCCER & HOCKEY POSTPONED	11 August R-6 Parent Teacher Interviews www.schoolinterviews.com.au CODE: 4mucx Year 10 Immunisations CONFIRMED Stage 2 Outdoor Ed Bushwalk (tbc) Yr 8/9 Ag Club, lunchtime SAPSASA SOCCER & HOCKEY POSTPONED Yr 9 Parent Information Evening for 2022 (VIRTUAL – visit Year Level TEAMS)	12 August R-6 Parent Teacher Interviews www.schoolinterviews.com.au CODE: 4mucx Stage 2 Outdoor Ed Bushwalk (tbc) 3:30pm Grounds Mtg (tbc) NEWSLETTER	13 August R-6 Parent Teacher Interviews www.schoolinterviews.com.au CODE: 4mucx Stage 2 Outdoor Ed Bushwalk (tbc)

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To inform KMS that your child/children are absent or late with reason:

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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