

KPS Powerful Times

KILKENNY
PRIMARY SCHOOL

WEEK 3, TERM 1

FEBRUARY 2018

DIARY NOTES:

12/3 Adelaide cup
19/3 School Photos
29/3 Sports Day

Reminder to all parents, children are supervised at school from 8.30am - 3.30pm. Any children arriving at school before 8.30am or not collected by 3.30pm will be booked into OSHC

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Principal's Report

Dear Families,

After a very busy start to 2018 we have full facilities available for our school staff and learning programs.

Our new facilities have been completed and apart from some minor items to complete and defects fixed we are excited about the possibilities our new facilities offer. Thank you to all our staff for your work, patience and perseverance in continuing to provide excellent learning programs amongst some times of adversity and challenge.

Our 'meet the Teacher' night where you had an opportunity to share your Childs learning journey was well attended and gave this early opportunity to be

part of your child's education. A strong school/ family partnership is important

As part of our commitment to student/school safety is to promote Kilkenny community. I remind everyone of our "Street Mural Painting" this Saturday! From 9.00am the Kilkenny community is invited to be part of our paint 2 paint road murals as part of our safety campaign. With a sausage sizzle from 9.00am we look forward to seeing all families during the day/

Finally I invite our community to our Kilkenny P.S AGM on 26th of Feb-

ruary. A focus on the night will be the opening of our new STEM facilities. We will have student demonstrations of STEM activities, a keynote talk by Ryan Westell (parent, G.C member & STEM guru) and a short Annual General Meeting report our journey 2018 to setting up our new Council members for 2019. all families welcome; all people welcome in Governing Council. A crèche will be provided for the short meeting time.

Look forward to continuing to build our community partnerships.

Peter Dunstan
Principal

JANE ST AND BLANFORD ST ROAD MURALS

Join our road mural painting community event on
SATURDAY, 17 FEBRUARY 2018
9AM - 4PM

JANE AND BLANFORD ST, WEST CROYDON

Road mural painting,
music, BBQ and activities for children



PRESCHOOL — Louise Cutri / James Golin

The preschool children have settled in well and we have been focusing on establishing routines, boundaries, and expectations. We have also been meeting the Program Achieve characters.

Program Achieve is a Social-emotional Learning Curriculum designed for children aged between 4 and 6 years.

There are 5 characters, Oscar Organisation, Ricky Resilience, Gabby Get Along, Pete Persistence and Connie Confidence.

The children have responded positively to their messages. They put their belongings in the correct place, take 3 deep breaths to calm down when they are upset, are friendly and share, never give up and have a go at new things.



RED 1 — Year 2 — Cat Acha / Steph Johnson

Red 1 have had an exciting couple weeks back getting settled into their new class and starting up a daily routine. We have had lots of fun in kitchen cooking pasta, making tomato sauce and also yummy fruit platters.



RED 2 — Year 1/2 — Lana Krueger

Red 2 have made an awesome start to the year. We are revising counting backwards and forwards. We are also counting by 2, 5 and 10's so we can count larger amounts quickly. We are practising skip counting by 3 as well as recording our results. We have begun The Daily Five in literacy and have improved our stamina when 'Read to Self.'

Last week we met our buddy class Barn 1. The story of Elmer the elephant helped us to learn that it is okay to be different. We had fun working together in groups.



RED 3 — Year 1/2 — Sharonlee Kritzki



Students in Red 3 have been settling in nicely to their new classroom and new routines. They have been working hard to improve their stamina during our 'read to self' time. We started only being able to focus for 2 minutes and 17 seconds. Now we can stay focussed for 10 whole minutes! Keep up the good work Red 3!

RED 4 — Reception — Jaimee Charter

Red 4 has been enjoying their FIRST week at Kilkenny Primary School. We have been getting to know routines, rules, our way around the school and other children and teachers in the school. Our favourite time of day is kitchen. We have kitchen once a week with Kate. We are learning how to set tables, keep our hands clean and safe and

work as a team to prepare food for us to share. We have cooked some delicious dishes with some fantastic parent helpers. We have made fresh pasta and tomato sauce, cucumber boats, fruit platters and banana smoothies.



RED 5 — Reception — Renee Asclipenos

What a wonderful start to school the Receptions in Red 5 have had! Over the past few weeks students have been mastering their organisational skills within the new classroom setting, have been learning additional social skills and important school values. Red 5 children are excited to have started their cooking lessons and gardening activities too. They have also met up with their Year 3 Buddies in Blue 4 and enjoyed reading books and working on an art activity together. Red 5 students are looking forward to developing their Growth Mindset this year and becoming Powerful Learners who will thrive on challenges and demonstrate independence and persistence during their learning journey at Kilkenny Primary School!



RED 6 — Rec/1— Alison Duggan

We have made a wonderful start to the year. We have talked about the schools caring agreements and what they mean and the classroom values and routines. We have enjoyed being involved in many new learning experiences. For some children, new to the school playing in the scrub has been a new experience and cooking in the kitchen. We cut up fruit and vegetables, made pita bread and pear smoothies. We sat at the tables and shared the food together. Talked to Mr. Tony about the garden lesson and sharing our knowledge about what insects we find in the garden. What a busy start we have had to the year!!!!



GREEN 1 & 2—Year 6/7 — Teigan & Rhiannon

We welcome Miss Rhiannon to Kilkenny Primary as well as our two new students Elsie and Macy into Green 1 and 2.

2018 started off fantastic with the students straight into designing. They own the classroom so their first task was to create a space they would love to learn in. They had many different types of furniture to work with to create their ideal space. After 2 days of moving, measuring and designing they had to present their ideas to their peers. Finally our classroom is set up and we have started some powerful learning, we have worked with our buddy classes, participated in garden lessons, problem solved in Maths and STEM, learnt about the 6D process, started a class novel and have been very creative. We have been focusing on ways to have a growth mindset in all areas to ensure we can attempt anything we set our minds to.



GREEN 3— Year 5/6 — Paige Vogelsang

We have settled in to our classroom this term very nicely!

In Green 3 we have flexible seating options. This means that the students can choose an area where they learn best and can collaborate with others to ensure only their best will do!

In other news, we have begun our English assignment for the term. It's called 'Storytelling with Geometry' – keep an eye out for the sculptures we are designing and creating in class and the creative stories written about the sculptures.



GREEN 4 — Year 7 — Jon Stewart

Students in Green 4 have been engaged in the Literacy program Project Seuss. The project provides opportunities for the upper primary students to read independently to develop their word knowledge and vocabulary, as well as to read aloud to a partner to improve their oral language and reading fluency. Each lesson students are presented with a challenge, based on a literacy concept, such as a spelling convention, use of grammar or a writing technique.

For the past fortnight students in Green 4 have been reading *Dr. Seuss' Mr Brown can moo, can you?* The target skill was Onomatopoeia. Onomatopoeia is a word that phonetically copies, looks like or suggests the sound that it describes. Pairs were required to research and brainstorm their own examples to present to the class.

The QR code is an audio recording of Lachlan Halman. If you download the free app QR Code Reader you will be able to hear Lachlan read *Mr. Brown can moo, can you*

Over the next fortnight the readers in Green 4 will tackle *Dr Seuss' Hop on Pop*. The literacy challenge will be to brainstorm rhyming words to improve spelling skills when using short and long vowels.



BLUE 2 — Year 3/4— Aleisha Brine

The students have settled well in Blue 2, spending our first couple of weeks getting to know each other and familiarising ourselves with the roles and routines in our new learning space. We have been using 'Circle Time' as a strategy to help us develop positive relationships with our new teacher and classmates. We have also discussed the importance of having a growth mind-

set with our learning. A growth mindset challenges us to have self-belief, develop enthusiasm for new learning and understand that failure is an opportunity to grow and succeed. Finally, our Kilkenny Care Agreements have been a major focus, collaborating in small groups to develop our

ideas of what an ideal classroom would look like with these 5 care agreements in place. We are getting set for an action packed year!

BLUE 3 — Year 4/5— Jenne Ellis-Kells

Last Wednesday our class, Blue 3, elected two people for SLC. The process took two days and by the end we had two SLC reps Jaiden and Lucy. We also elected two backup SLCs; Meg and Ella. We had to write an application to get the job and we had one week to finish it. We read our applications to the class and then they voted. After the voting was finished, we all graphed our results in our Maths books. We all worked hard and were happy that our hard work payed off. As the elected SLC we will attend SLC meetings with Mr Taylor and organise our class meetings each week. I'm very excited to be an SLC in Blue 3 and am looking forward to our next meeting next week.

By Lucy Russell



BLUE 4—Year 3—Judith Felton

All students in Blue 4 have settled well into the new school year. One of our activities in getting to know each other was to decorate a paper bag with illustrations that tell us a little about themselves. They were also able to pop something in their bag from home that they would like to share with the class. Everyone did a fantastic job!



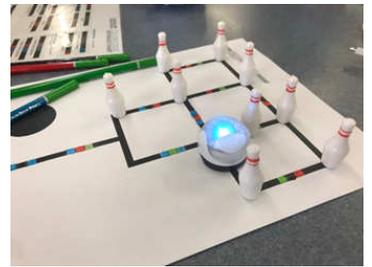
BLUE 5 — Year 4/5 — Michael Kennett

We have had a wonderful start to 2018 in Blue 5. We are loving our new space and the learning opportunities it provides. Our growth mindset and collaboration skills have formed a solid foundation for a successful year ahead. We give a special welcome to Mora, who is new to K.P.S this year. Highlights so far include the Bike Education program; we have been enjoying learning new skills whilst riding in the school grounds before venturing onto the road in week 5. After only 2 sessions, our first timers are already zooming around the yard! We have been deconstructing persuasive devices of cereal boxes and using this new knowledge to design our own. Come past Blue 5 to check them out! Mr Kennett is looking forward to working with us and loves the positive, successful learning he has seen already. Have a great Term 1 everybody



BLUE 6 — Year 3 — Meg McLeod

Welcome 2018! Blue 6 have had a busy start to the year recapping our caring agreements and focusing on having a growth mindset! We have been working with the Ozobots to learn coding and practice our problem solving skills. We are planning a class maths challenge around these robots to see how much of the mathematic curriculum we can cover! The first few weeks have also seen our first kitchen and garden lessons, which have been a bit hit. Please let me know if you are able to volunteer your time. Thank you to all the families who were able to attend the 'meet the teacher' night, your time is greatly appreciated. If you have not yet downloaded the class dojo app, please do so. If you need any help setting it up, just come and see me!



BARN 1 — PR Special Class — Laura Bennets

Barn 1 students have had an excellent start to the year. As well as a new classroom structure, we have welcomed four new classmates, Emanuel, Ekaterina, Sankeeth and Kingsley. We have been enjoying getting to know the new students and they are adjusting to our class commendably. With our days busy with cooking, gardening, science, swimming, choir, bike ed and the other key learning areas, Barn 1 students are in for a jam packed year.



BARN 2 — JP Special Class — Irene Ioannou

Barn 2 have dived straight into our learning and welcomed 3 new students Tyler, Henry and Lukesh who are very quickly proving to be Powerful Learners. We have now settled into our routines and have enjoyed various activities including meeting our year 7 Buddies, gardening, swimming and developing independent life skills in the kitchen.



BARN 3 — IELC 2-3 — Sarah Stevens

Welcome back to school! I am Miss Sarah and I am very excited to be working with Barn 3. We have had a superb start to the year. We have been exploring the Caring Agreements, Bucket filling and Growth Mindset. This term we will also be focusing upon our unit 'All About Me'. We have been working hard in recount writing and are also developing our descriptive writing. Take a look at our progress! Well done Barn 3.



BARN 4 — IELC R-1 — Fiona Lyons

Welcome back to 2018! We welcome a couple of new students to barn 4 who have all had a very successful start to their schooling here at Kilkenny PS.

This term we are focussing on 'all about me', we are very excited to learn more about each other and our families.

BARN 5&6 — IELC 3-4/5-7 — Emma Kelly / Ulla Hoffman

Welcome to 2018 in barn 5 and 6. We have a new teacher, Ms. Ulla in our class this year and we have had a nice time getting to know her. This year barn 5 and 6 are working closely together. Our focus will still be on learning English across several areas of the curriculum. This term we are learning 'all about me'. Our focus will be on how to write a recount and a description in English. Of course we will still be having maths as a main priority and we will still have other areas, such as STEM, PE and RBL. We are all looking forward to a happy and successful learning journey

KITCHEN— Kate Harbison

Kitchen classes have kicked off this year with the younger students.

We keep the first lessons very simple, with a strong emphasis on safety, and kitchen behaviour. The garden has been providing us with an abundance of summer vegetable and fruits. Children have been identifying, preparing and eating them very simply. A fruit platter, or salad vegetables cut up and arranged nicely is an easy start for the littlies. We often find they are more willing to try new things in this way. The sweet corn goes down well, along with cucumbers, tomatoes, plums, peaches, apricots and figs. This week we are stepping up a bit with fresh pasta, and fresh tomato and basil sauce. We also discovered that figs make a great crumble!

Always we need more volunteers to help with kitchen and garden classes. If you would like to join the fun, come and see me at drop off time in the morning, except Fridays.

Cheers Kate



GARDEN— Tony Bryant

Hi all,

The orchard has given us plenty of Jams, preserves and fresh fruit. First garden classes had orientation, bee facts, harvesting and hard labour. Thanks all, our 10c recycling returned \$230.80 not bad for rubbish!! and our scrap metal returned \$95, all adds up.

Some honey may be collected soon..

Looking forward to a great year, garden volunteers more than welcome and needed.

Keep it Green

TONE



INDONESIAN— Bu Emma

Hai semua - hi everyone – *Selamat tahun baru 2018* – happy new year 2018 and welcome to our new Indonesian room (the old OSHC building)!

Classes have settled in really well and have been getting stuck into building stories (the humour here is hilarious), interviewing, singing songs, playing games generally having a fun learning together in Indonesian.

I am really enjoying watching the students learn in a collaborative manner. Here's to a fun year in Indonesian!

*Students from Blue 3, or as we call it **Biru tiga**: Meghana is colouring in a batik cover page, Johnny and Jaiden are drawing a picture for the sentence I say in Indonesian and Alen is writing his own funny sentences.*





Hi,

My name is Steph Johnson. I have been teaching at Kilkenny Primary School for two years now. I have 8 ½ years teaching experience both in the country and city as well as in London. I have previously worked very closely with school counsellors at other sites and Wellbeing is my passion. This year I am excited to begin a new role as your Student Wellbeing Leader on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays and sharing the Red Iclass with Miss Cat, where I will be teaching on Fridays. In my new role I will be implementing whole school wellbeing strategies, responding to students who need assistance in their wellbeing and helping families with wellbeing matters also. I will be working as a part of a team alongside Karyn, Hayley, Linda and Cindy. I look forward to working with you if needed.

Thanks – Steph Johnson

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SPORTS NEWS FROM MR JAMES

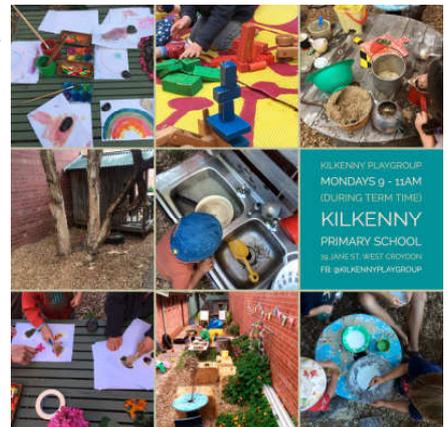
2018 SPORTS VOUCHERS HAVE BEEN SENT HOME THIS WEEK, THE VOUCHER IS TO BE RETURNED TO YOUR SPORTS CLUB AND NOT TO KILKENNY PRIMARY SCHOOL

COMMUNITY NEWS

We have had a good start to Playgroup for 2018, welcoming lots of new families. it has been great to lots of new faces!

We have spent our time cleaning up our outdoor space and making some new decorations for our play areas. There has also been lots of time spent playing in the sandpit, cubbyhouse, water play and mud kitchen, as well as singing songs at group time.

*We had some help from Tony and Peter this Monday getting our storage shed in order with some new shelves! We always love to see new faces, we are run by parent volunteers and meet every **Monday from 9am - 11am. cost is \$2 per family plus a piece of fruit to share***



A MESSAGE FROM HAYLEY

Welcome for 2018!

A very warm welcome to each new family who has joined the Kilkenny community, it is great to have you with us! To those whom I don't yet know or whom I haven't had a chance to meet, I am Hayley, the Pastoral Care Worker at KPS. I am here to care for and support the wellbeing of students, staff and families. I am at school on Monday, Wednesday and Fridays- so please come and say hello. **“Wellbeing is far more than the absence of illness or distress. It is the ability to thrive for and live for and to our absolute potential”**. I am looking forward to seeing each member of the Kilkenny community thrive this year to their greatest potential! Each Friday mornings you and your family are also welcome to join us for **Breakfast Club** in the kitchen from 8:15-8:45am.

If you want to chat or touch base about anything during the year, please:

- Come and visit me in my office (in the building near the preschool)
- Email me: Hayley.Walker983@schools.sa.edu.au
- Come and say hello in the yard
- Post a little note in my letterbox (near the canteen)
- Call the school to chat on the phone (8345 4138)

Looking forward to journeying with you in 2018!

Hayley



COACHING ATHLETICS PROGRAM FOR PRIMARY SCHOOLS (CAPPS)



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What We Do

Through the CAPPS program, Little Athletics SA offers Primary Schools in South Australia the opportunity to provide their students with fun and engaging development sessions run by the associations best accredited track and field coaches.

The objective of CAPPS is to develop students knowledge, fundamental movements skills, and technical understanding of athletics, so students can participate and compete safely and successfully.

What We Offer

- Accredited and experienced Little Athletics coaches.
- All year round coaching, including before, during or after school.
- Coaching assistance at sports days.
- Specialised coaching for any track and field events.
- Skill development and technique refinement.
- Coaching tailored to meet the specific needs of the school.
- Preparation of students for athletic carnivals i.e. school sports days, SAPSASA, SACPSSA.

Pricing

A standard CAPPS session runs for no more than 40 - 50 minutes.

- **One or two sessions: \$50.00 per session, per coach**
- **Three or more sessions: \$40.00 per session, per coach**

There is an additional \$10.00 coaches travel fee per VISIT.

The pricing above does not include GST.

Testimonial

I cannot say enough positive words about the coach at our school last term. She was engaging of all students and adjusted her lessons according to different ability and age levels.

We choose to have a 10-week block focus on Athletics in the lead up to Sports day and the positive feedback I received from staff, students and parents was amazing. The students hand eye coordination and basic gross and fine motor skills improved dramatically.

We will definitely like to make this a yearly thing, especially looking at Term 1 with sports day.

*Kate Nelson - PE Coordinator & Teacher
Mt Barker South Primary School*



BE YOUR BEST.

AWARDS



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| Preschool | <i>Eva K, Bassam I, Luan K, Indie S</i> |
| Red 1 | <i>Amir A, Maeve M</i> |
| Red 2 | <i>Hugo M, Hareda U A</i> |
| Red 3 | <i>Thomas F, Seynab U A</i> |
| Red 4 | <i>Henry L, Sabina T</i> |
| Red 5 | <i>Josh S, Ruby H</i> |
| Red 6 | <i>Archer T, Evie R</i> |
| Green 1 | <i>Lily H, Isaiah O</i> |
| Green 2 | <i>Gaby M B, Adam H</i> |
| Green 3 | <i>Niah S, Charlie G</i> |
| Green 4 | <i>Lachlan H, Eddie W</i> |
| Blue 2 | <i>David T H, Katie L</i> |
| Blue 3 | <i>Meghana S, Meg F</i> |
| Blue 4 | <i>Violet P, Jackson S</i> |
| Blue 5 | <i>Jaylah C, Ben S</i> |
| Blue 6 | <i>Ethan B, Lavinia W</i> |
| Barn 1 | <i>Michaela B, Jake D</i> |
| Barn 2 | <i>Hamza A, Lukesh K</i> |
| Barn 3 | <i>Jayani K</i> |
| Barn 4 | <i>Sebastian Q, Muhannad A</i> |
| Barn 5 | <i>Yamen E H, Kefon S</i> |
| Barn 6 | <i>Heba A, Ved C</i> |



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