FROM THE PRINCIPAL

School continues to be a busy and productive place. Term 3 is the business end of the year for our year 12 students. The next few weeks will go by very quickly and I remind students that this is just the first step on their career journey. All they can do now is strive to do their very best by working efficiently and know they have the skills and knowledge to make changes and adjustments throughout their lives. During the holidays many of our Year 12 staff will be running classes and study sessions so that students can complete assignments and prepare for exams. It is a busy and stressful time for both students and staff and as a community we need to support them.

Student Development Plans (ISDP) have been a focus this term. The aim is to provide parents with learning and curriculum information so that they can make positive contributions to their children’s learning. This is only the beginning and will evolve and change with student’s ages and needs. We intend that the ISDP plans become a point for discussion at parent interviews and will improve communication but they require more ownership before this occurs. This will be a process that may take a number of years as we want them to be visible. They will also allow students to track and monitor their progress and more importantly have students take responsibility for their own learning and recognise where and how they intend to get help to improve. I know our lives are busy but the school needs your support for this to be successful.

STEM seems to be a focus of some of the work I have seen happening around the school, our Year 10 Science class have just completed a unit on the nuclear debate that is currently occurring in the state. Last week I accompanied the Year 7 students on an excursion to the Coorong and learnt many interesting facts about the culture, ecology and history of the Coorong. It is fantastic to have such a heritage listed area in our backyard. Design and Technical studies students have been preparing for the Pedal Prix this week end along with their other curriculum projects. Year 9 students have designed and engineered some creative candelabras. Our Art students continue to produce some creative pieces and I invite you to look at the exhibition called a “Crack in the Wall” in our newly created gallery area as you walk down to the JP area. The Adelaide Show Team had a very successful week and their ribbons are on display in the front office. Thank you to the community members who support our Agricultural program, without your support and donations this learning could not occur. Year 1 engineers have just finished building chairs from newspaper and masking tape. The curriculum learning and dispositions generated by this STEM unit have been amazing. Last Thursday a number of our Year 5 and 6 students participated in the Festival of Music in Adelaide. Mrs Emery and Miss Pointon commented on their positive commitment and excellent focus.

Brown Falconer Architects have been appointed as our STEM work design team. The school staff continues to feed in ideas on how they envisage new spaces within the school operating. Now it is just a matter of turning these ideas into practical spaces for student learning. It is important that we have the fitting, fixtures, furnishings and resources to do justice to these spaces. It is an exciting time for Kingston Community School.

Just as a reminder we have pupil free day on Monday 17th October for teachers to discuss differentiation and success for all. There will be a key note speaker and then staff will attend various workshop sessions on differentiated curriculum.

Best Wishes
Lucretia Tocaciu

DIARY DATES

September
22-25 Murray Bridge Pedal Prix
28 Cross Country
30 Last day Term 3 Early Dismissal 2.15pm

October
17 Pupil Free Day
19 T20 Blast Cricket - Naracoorte
20 Led Steers - Mt Gambier Show
21 Sheep - Mt Gambier Show
21 SAPSASA trials for tennis/cricket
24-25 Festival of Music rehearsal - Mt Gambier
25 Year 8 Immunisations
29 Last Day for Year 12’s - Farewell Assembly
ADELAIDE SHOW 6th-8th SEPTEMBER

STEERS – Led Steer School Competition

On hoof (live) assessment:
- Murray grey 2nd in Light Domestic 410-430kg Class
- Shorthorn 3rd in Heavy Domestic 510-530kg Class
- Angus and Limousin made the second line up in their respective classes

On hook (carcass) assessment:
- Murray grey 3rd in Light Domestic 180-240kg Class
- Limousin 14th in same carcass class
- Angus 14th in Heavy Domestic 240.1-300kg Class out of 64 carcases
- Shorthorn 1st in Export 300+kg Class out of 44 carcases

KCS won the following special award:
- School exhibiting the second highest scoring Shorthorn steer on hoof and hook

SHEEP – Led Merino Wether School Competition

- Pen 1: 5th highest weight gain
- Pen 2: 7th best presented pen of three wethers

Animal provided by:
- Eylwarra Sands – Nigel and Gina Eylwarra
- Roean Limousin – Bob, Jean and Fred Evans
- Granite Ridge Angus – Colin Flanagan and Pat Ebert
- South Bundara – Evan and Glenys Flint
- Moorundie Poll Merino Stud – Geoff and Bernadette Davidson
- Ngapala – Trevor Milde

Thank you to the following people/groups:
- Mike Newton - Stock Agent
- James Ogilvie and family
- Michael Towill and Duane Wilson - Clipping
- KCS Agriculture Committee
- Staff and volunteers – Neville Hines, Christina Everett, Joyce Sanders, Thomas Barich and Sam and Matthew Murdock
- Parents of our show team
- School community
- Governing Council

Thank you to everyone who makes this program possible for our students. Without the support we receive from our community we would not be able to provide this opportunity for our students. Your support is appreciated.

Katie Hines
Agriculture and Show Team Coordinator
Thursday September 8th

R U OK? Three simple words but they could just be the words that change a life and start a conversation that leads us all to a better and happier place.

Kingston Community School acknowledged R U OK? Day within our school on Thursday September 8th. Students wore black and yellow and participated in combined home groups with senior students being buddied up with younger students to lead the conversation “R U OK?” Buddies shared a bag of conversation goodies such as stickers, wristbands and a treat to ‘get the conversation started’.

We had such positive feedback from staff and students about this activity that we plan future combined home groups to keep this buddy relationship going. Different aged students have so much they can learn from each other and this was really evident on this day.

At recess and lunch time, students came to our special R U OK? photo booth and took photos of each other with fun props and the hashtag #ruokday. Students also made up other hashtags in line with the thinking on the day.

The main message that this day communicated was ‘checking in’ with people you know and seeing how they are going. Spending the time to sit down and listen to people can be the single thing that changes how they feel on any day. It may only be 5 minutes, but the 5 minutes you spend listening to someone can be the difference in their lives.

To ‘check in’ with people you need to:
1. Ask “R U OK?”
2. Listen without judgement
3. Help them with what to do next and where to get help
4. Follow up later (a day, a few days, a week)

For more information and ideas on where to get support go to:
www.youthbeyondblue.com
www.bullyingnoway.com.au
www.kidshelp.com.au
**KINGSTON COMMUNITY SCHOOL LIBRARY**

**SCHOOL HOLIDAY ACTIVITY PROGRAM**

10am - 11.30am

*Wednesday, 5 October 2016*

**FITNESS FOR ALL AGES**

with the Fitness Hub Crew

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL, please phone the Council Office on 8767 2033

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*Wednesday, 12 October 2016*

**CRAFT SESSION**

Join us at the library to get in touch with your creative side

FREE Activities for Kindy and School age children provided by Kingston District Council.

We expect parents will stay and have fun with their children.

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**OPEN NIGHT FOR TRANSITIONING TO SECONDARY SCHOOL**

Year 5, 6, 7 families are encouraged to attend

*Thursday, 20th October*

6pm

Kingston Community School Junior Primary Wet Area

*A BBQ dinner and drinks will be provided - RSVP to the front office by Monday, 17th October*
PAINTING TOGETHER AT PLAYGROUP

When children are painting they are:

- Developing their language and literacy.
- Using their imagination.
- Learning to express and communicate their ideas.
- Developing their neural sensory pathways.
- Practising eye-hand coordination and hand muscle strength needed for writing.
- Developing their numeracy understanding of shape, patterns, distance and space.
- Experimenting with science.
- Planning and using observational skills to recall and represent objects.

What can you do?

- Sit or stay near your child.
- Consider covering your child’s clothes with a smock so that they don’t need to worry about mess.
- Allow your child to be creative.
- Say what they are doing “oh you’re painting a green line”.
- Use descriptive and interesting words to comment on your child’s painting, such as shimmering, dripping, long, little, bright.
- Talk about how the colours are mixing.
- Talk about positioning and direction as they paint “you’re painting at the top, edge or bottom of the page”.
- Ask open ended questions.
- Ask older children to tell you about their artwork.

The children are also building their dispositions to become more curious, creative, purposeful and persistent. They are learning to communicate with their peers and their family, and they are learning to become cooperative.

Dispositions are attitudes that we are born with that can be nurtured to assist us to become lifelong learners.

CROSS COUNTRY

WEDNESDAY 28th September 2016 (Week 10)

Welcome to the running of Cross Country for 2016. We are once again running cross country in Term 3 as previously it had clashed with Year 12 final examinations. If you would like to come along and support your kids run along the cross country track around the football oval, the start times are listed below.

CROSS COUNTRY TIMETABLE

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Presentation assembly in the gym at 2.45pm

MOSQUITOS

Due to the very wet winter, water lying around and the warming of weather there has been an increase in mosquitos.

Please apply repellent to your child (DEET) in the mornings to help if they are finding this a problem.

MAGPIE SEASON

Please be aware it is magpie breeding season and they are protecting their young by swooping near the school.

Wearing hats or cable ties on bike helmets can help to deter them.

DO NOT provoke them as they can recognise offenders and you will become a target. If you see someone younger being swooped, please help them.
If you have special reasons we need to consider when placing your child into a class in 2017 please inform us in writing or email before October 16. Email: Jeanette.Emery234@schools.sa.edu.au or Toc.Tocaci107@schools.sa.edu.au

If your child will not be attending our school in 2017 please let us know as soon as possible as the number of teachers we can employ is based on the likely number of student enrolments the following year. All information will be kept confidential.

Below are some relevant sections from our current class placement policy.
Please be aware that we endeavour to run straight Year level classes whenever possible.

Early Term 4

After R-7 staff consultation and PAC discussion, information about classes is finalised and published to teachers. Class teachers recommend the best possible placement for students in their class.
Considerations used by R-7 teachers to assist them with class placement of students include curriculum, social and emotional factors eg:
• is this child repeating the year level?
• is it important for students to stay with particular friends, or friendship groups?
• do the students have any specific medical or family reason to be placed with a particular teacher, or area in the school?
Preference is given to students in composite classes in the current year, to move into straight classes the following year where possible.
The past history of the student is also important eg: have they always had a male teacher/female teacher, or have they always been in a straight or composite class.

End of Term 4

Teachers are informed of the likely class that they will be teaching, and asked to provide comment feedback on the draft class lists.
At this stage very few changes occur, however there may be some personal factors that need to be considered. eg: family relationships, family friendships etc.
Parents may be consulted on some occasions to help with the decision making processes.
Parents are informed about student placement late Term 4 and students visit their new classroom for a lesson in the last week of term 4.
Occasionally staffing for the school is not finalised until the January school vacation, and for this reason it may not be possible to inform students, or parents of class allocations in December.
The Principal and Deputy Principal may make slight amendments to class lists throughout December and January.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

2017

The number of teachers we can employ next year is based on the total number of students enrolled in the first two weeks of Term 1 2017.

TO ASSIST WITH PLANNING

If your child will not be attending our school in 2017 please let us know by 17/10/16.
If your child may not be attending our school at the start of the 2017 please let us know as soon as possible
Information can remain confidential if you indicate this in your email.

Email: Jeanette.Emery234@schools.sa.edu.au or Toc.Tocaci107@schools.sa.edu.au

Don’t forget to like our FACEBOOK page to stay connected and to receive regular updates and reminders of school events and activities.
You can find our page at www.facebook.com/kingstoncommunityschool/.
JUNIOR TENNIS & HOT SHOTS COACHING

It’s nearly that time of the year again and expressions of interest in playing junior tennis or participating in the hotshots coaching would be appreciated to help with organisation of how this will run. It will be a fun Friday night event. New players are welcome and encouraged!

Please return the below form to the front office by Sept 30th or contact Tanya Watts on 0427 672 005 with any queries.

My child/children are interested in playing Junior Tennis 2016/2017
Name .............................................................. DOB ..................................
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Contact Number ....................................................

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FREE ‘COME N TRY’ JUNIOR GOLF DAY

WHEN: Tuesday 11th October
10am - 12 noon followed by sausage sizzle
WHERE: Kingston Golf Club
WHO: Boys and Girls Years 4,5,6,7

Equipment supplied

For more information contact:
Jennifer Gritton - community instructor
87672416 or 0407990764 
ejengrit@internode.on.net

NO SMOKING

Just a friendly reminder to all Community Members that Kingston Community School is a smoke free zone, including carpark, cars, football oval and netball courts

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Crossing Roster Term 4

Please be at the Front Office by 8.20am. Finish time at the end of the day is approximately 3.30pm.

TERM THREE
New teams take over on Tuesday morning each week, including new terms.

Week Commencing TEAM
1 10/9/16 J Harding  R Oakley  S Woodward
TERM FOUR
1 18/10/16 I Little   E Watson  C Harding
2 25/10/16 J Little   Z Emms   S Schenke
3 1/11/16 R Martin  W Edwards  C Trinne

Canteen Volunteer Roster
Starting time 10:15am
Thank you for your support in the canteen. All volunteers are supplied with lunch as a thank you. Starting time is 10.15am. If you are unable to work on your rostered day please try to arrange a swap. In case of an emergency or to fill a volunteer needed vacancy please contact Louise or Kylie at the canteen on 87672171 or Louise AH on 87672610. Tuesday Treats will also be available of Fridays.

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R-7 Assembly
Friday, September 30th
Gymnasium
11.00
Performances
School Awards
PARENTS AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS MOST WELCOME TO ATTEND

CHICKENS FOR SALE
Point of Lay Isa Brown Hens available. Raised by the Year 8 Agriculture students. Limited number available so first in best dressed.
Please call the school and speak to Katie Hines to secure your chickens now.

PARENTS: LET’S TALK ABOUT FIRST AID
Brought to you by WHAG
Friday 28th October 2016
1pm to 3pm
Kingston Community Day Centre Room
Young Street Kingston SE 5A
The Discussion will focus on childhood minor accidents most regularly occur, such as: bleeding, burns, choking, heat/cold injuries and limb injuries. It will be a discussion format and questions and answers
Bring: Pen and Paper
Wear: Comfortable clothing and please arrive on time to get maximum time with the trainer
Cost: $20 (Maximum of 20 participants)
Bookings: Catherine Barker 0439 103 375
Anne Wiseman 0417 356 558