



KINGSTON COMMUNITY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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respect

friendliness

responsibility

IMPORTANT DATES

TERM 3 2026

Monday 17 August
National Science Week

Monday 24 August
Book Week

Wednesday 28 August
Book Week Costume Day

Wednesday 2 September
Yr 7-12 Building Futures Night

Thursday 3-6 September
Adelaide Show - Steers

Tuesday 8-10 September
Adelaide Show - Sheep

Wednesday 10 September
R U OK Day

Friday 11 September
School Closure Day

Monday 14 September
Pupil Free Day

Wednesday 16-18 September
Yr 5 Camp - Monarto

Friday 25 September
End of Term



Dear Families

It's been another busy and engaging term at Kingston Community School, and I want to extend my appreciation to all students, staff, and families for your ongoing support and commitment to our school community.

Welcoming New Receptions:

This term, we have welcomed three new mid-year Reception students. Thanks to our extended transition program and support from Kindy School, our newest learners have settled in beautifully, bringing our Reception class to 22. Charley Sibley and our classroom SSO are doing a fantastic job ensuring every child gets a strong start.

Staffing Updates:

We are grateful for the flexibility and collaboration of our staff as we navigate a number of leave arrangements. A warm welcome to Michelle McAuley and Ellena Osborne, who have been covering staff on leave, and we have now welcomed Ravi Gosal from the UK to teach Science and Maths in Years 8–10.



Building Futures Evening:

A reminder that our "Building Futures" evening will be held on Wednesday, 2 September from 6pm–8pm in the school gym. All students and families in Years 7–12 are invited to meet local employers, connect with tertiary providers, and explore education and career pathways. We look forward to seeing you there—it's a great chance to plan for the future together.

SSO Week:

Please join me in celebrating our wonderful SSOs for their dedication and care, which makes our school thrive. Our SSO's do everything from support our students in class, provide first aid, help teachers plan and organise admin for excursions and camps, keep our grounds looking fresh, support our school Ag program, maintain our pool, staff our community library and much, much, more.

Kind Regards
Samantha Murdock
Principal



Principal Appointment 2027 - Kingston Community School

We are pleased to announce that Fleur Roachock has been appointed as the next Principal of Kingston Community School.

We wish to sincerely thank Sam Murdock for her leadership and dedication to the school, its staff, students, and community. The Principal role is a significant responsibility, and Sam's contribution has been greatly valued.

In the coming months, we look forward to supporting a positive transition, with opportunities for Fleur to connect with the Kingston school community.

Congratulations to Fleur on her appointment, and thank you, Sam, for your commitment and service.

Kind regards,

Grant Keleher

Education Director, Murray Bridge 1 Portfolio

Schools and Preschools Division

Department for Education

Please Keep Sick Children at Home

We kindly ask all families to help us keep our children, educators and families healthy by keeping your child at home when they are unwell.

We understand that children can become sick unexpectedly, and we appreciate that it can sometimes be difficult to make alternative arrangements. However, a child who is unwell needs the comfort, rest and one-on-one care that is best provided at home.

Please keep your child home if they are experiencing symptoms such as fever, vomiting, diarrhoea, significant tiredness, or worsening respiratory symptoms. If your child is not well enough to comfortably participate in the normal activities of the day, they are best cared for at home.

In particular, children with vomiting or diarrhoea should remain at home until they have been free from these symptoms for at least 24 hours. Children with a fever should stay home until their temperature has returned to normal.

By keeping sick children at home, we can help prevent illnesses from spreading throughout our school and protect those children and families who may be more vulnerable.

Thank you for your understanding, cooperation and consideration of our whole community. Together, we can help keep everyone happy, healthy and ready to enjoy their day!

New Receptions



Maria Martin, George Gardner & Isabella Williams

Year 10 Work Experience Camp

In Week 2 of Term 3, our Year 10 students travelled to Adelaide for their Work Experience Camp. They embraced the challenge of navigating a fast-paced, and unfamiliar city environment using public transport and their own two legs. Throughout the week, students immersed themselves across a variety of career contexts; gaining hands-on insight into fields ranging from childcare, physiotherapy, mechanics, and pool construction, just to name a few. Stepping well outside their comfort zones, they consistently embodied our core dispositions of Integrity, Resilience, Empathy and Curiosity as they tackled new workplace demands. Every student rose to the occasion, achieved personal and professional growth, and made themselves, their families, and our entire school community very proud.



SPORTING ACTIVITIES



Year 7-9 Girls Knockout Football



Year 7-8 Boys Knockout Football



Year 7-8 Girls Knockout Netball



Year 9-10 Girls Knockout Netball



Year 11-12 Girls Knockout Netball



Sapsasa Basketball

Lions Mad Minute Grand Challenge



Congratulations to all students who participated in the recent Lions Mad Minute Grand Challenge, held at Lucindale. The event tested students' quick-thinking and public speaking skills with engaging topics, including camping, police, and popular people.

Well done to all participants for their enthusiasm, effort, and sportsmanship.

FLORA, FAUNA, WATER EXHIBITION

SALA OPENING NIGHT 16 AUGUST, 4PM- 6PM
SALA POP UP GALLERY AUGUST 17 - 21, 10AM - 2PM

A mixed exhibition of local works, by local artists inspired by our natural coastal environment and the creatures who call it home. Works will illustrate any or all of the theme of 'Flora, Fauna, Water' and all mediums are welcome. Free to attend & exhibit.

AT THE MEET. MAKE. CREATE. SPACE
KINGSTON DISTRICT HALL
FURTHER INFORMATION CALL 8767 2033

 **SALA**

Students represented in the exhibition are: Maxie Carlson, Breea Kent, Shayla Curkpatrick, Tean Anderson, Angus Beattie, Peggy Aitken, Hudson Doecke, Lara Warner, Jasmine Parker, Kamelia Kent, Bailey Moody, Jacob Mules, Miara Warner, Jessica Braithwaite, Holly Varga and Lindsey Terrington.

Term 2, 2026 Crossing Roster

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

PLEASE BE AT THE FRONT OFFICE BY 8.15AM

Term 3

Week

5	26/05/26	Hannah G	Chloe K
6	2/06/26	Kelsey C	Sophie G
7	9/06/26	Finn Z	Leyton J
8	16/06/26	Sasha W	Chloe G
9	23/06/26	Scarlet S	Hollie W
10	30/06/26	Frankie W	Isabelle P

& Day 1 Term 4

KINGSTON COMMUNITY SCHOOL

2026 APPROVED STUDENT FREE DAYS

*Governing Council has approved the following
Student Free Days for 2026*

TERM 3

Week 8: Friday 11 September (School Closure)

Week 9: Monday 14 September (Pupil Free Day)

TERM 4

Week 6: Monday 16 November (Pupil Free Day)

- Don't forget to like our FACEBOOK page and follow us on Instagram to stay connected and to receive regular updates and reminders of school events and activities.
- You can find our page at:
[@kingstoncommunityschool](https://www.facebook.com/kingstoncommunityschool)

LEARNING TOGETHER PLAYGROUP



AT KINGSTON COMMUNITY SCHOOL

For families with children under 5.

Wednesdays during the school term.

9:30-11am
Sessions are FREE!

Dress for
messy/water
play.

A supported playgroup facilitated by qualified early childhood educators with a focus on talking, playing, reading and singing together.

Occasional visits to the Lions Park pump track and school farm.

Bring a hat,
sunscreen
snack and
water bottle.
Change of
clothes.



Learning Together Communities
South East

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Learning Together
Communities



Government of South Australia
Department for Education

STEPS FOR CONTACTING THE SCHOOL

Please remember to message the school and respond to messages when your child is going to be absent from the school.

School SMS Number **0409 755 747**

Should you need to contact the school for any reason throughout the year please do so by:

calling **8767 2677**
or emailing **dl.0737.info@schools.sa.edu.au**

ORDERING NEW SCHOOL UNIFORM ONLINE

Hip Pocket Workwear & Safety Mount Gambier website:

<https://mtgambier.hippocketworkwear.com.au/>

From the home page:

- Scroll down the page until you find Shop by Customer - Kingston Community School. Hover over the logo and click view more.
- Click on the item you wish to order and select the size and quantity, then add to cart.
- Once you have completed your order, select view my cart, then checkout now.
- When filling out your billing information make sure you select which click & collect location you wish to use. Delivery to the school is free of charge.
- Complete your payment details to finalise your order.

Please phone Hip Pocket 8723 1677 or the school 8767 2677 if you require any assistance.

2026 Parent survey – Have your say

The annual Parent Survey is now underway and will close at midnight on Sunday 6 September.

The survey provides parents and carers with an opportunity to share their views and help improve education at our school. It focuses on:

- What we're doing well
- Where we can improve
- What is important to you as a parent or carer

Your responses are confidential. Neither you nor your child can be identified, and only collated feedback is provided to our school.

You should have already received a link to the survey via email or SMS. Reminder messages are also being sent unless you have already completed the survey or chosen to unsubscribe.

We strongly encourage you to take a few minutes to complete the survey. Your feedback is valuable and helps guide our school improvement efforts.

If you cannot locate your original survey link, please use the link below:

https://survey.education.sa.gov.au/sc/luXIL2icIJU-8_IdGjtdCA2

For more information about the Parent Survey, visit the Department for Education website.

Thank you for taking the time to share your feedback and support our school's ongoing improvement.

BOOK WEEK 2026

SYMPHONY OF STORIES



Whole school CREW costume day - August 28

PRIZE CATEGORIES:

• A 'Symphony of Stories'	• Best animal costume
• Brightest Colours	• No detail left behind
• Character come to life	• We are CREW award
• How did you make that?!	• Best character acting
• Best STEM costume	• Most original idea
• Funniest costume	• Best careers-related
• Sportiest costume	



9-12 and staff inflatable relay!
Wear an inflatable costume and join in at recess!



7-12 BUILDING FUTURES NIGHT



**WEDNESDAY
SEPTEMBER 2
6PM - 8PM**

KCS GYM



STARLING
FLOWERS



Kingston Soldiers'
Memorial Hospital



Government of South Australia
Department of Primary Industries
and Regions



**C & J Dicker
Earthmoving**



Beach Noms
FOOD
AVAILABLE TO
PURCHASE



Coastal Cuts.



Nutrien
Ag Solutions™



**WIN A
LENOVO TABLET!**

KINDLY SPONSORED BY KINGSTON LIONS CLUB



**The Snuggery
Poll Merino Stud**



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