



KINGSTON COMMUNITY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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IMPORTANT DATES

TERM 3 2026

Friday 25 September
End of Term

TERM 4 2026

Monday 12 October
Start of Term

Thursday 15 October
Spring Fair 5.30pm-7pm

Monday 19-20 October
Yr 6 Transition Camp

Wednesday 21-22 Oct
Mt Gambier Show

Thursday 22-23 October
SE Choir Festival

Friday 23 October
Yr 12 Assembly

Monday 26-28 October
Sapsasa Girls AFL

Monday 2 November
General Maths Exam - 1.30pm

Wednesday 4 November
Chemistry Exam - 9.00am
Psychology Exam 1.30pm

Friday 6 November
Biology Exam - 9.00am

Monday 9 November
Modern History Exam - 9.00am

Monday 9-11 November
Sapsasa Tennis

Wednesday 11 November
German Exam - 9.00am

Monday 7-9 December
Yr 9 Aquatics Camp

Monday 16 November
Pupil Free Day

Wednesday 9 December
Presentation Night

Friday 11 December
End of Term



Dear Families

Safe holidays to all

As we come to the end of the term, I would like to thank all students, staff and families for their hard work, commitment and support throughout a busy and productive term.

The school holidays are an important time for rest, family connection and recharging for the term ahead. I encourage all of our students to enjoy the break safely, whether they are spending time at home, travelling, playing sport or enjoying time with friends and family.

Support our Spring Fair Term 4 Week 1

Our Spring Fair, to be held in Term 4, Week 1 on Thursday 15 October, 5.30pm-7.30pm, is a wonderful opportunity for our school community to come together, celebrate student learning and enjoy a fun and welcoming event. We are very grateful for the support of families, volunteers and staff who help make occasions like this possible. Students will have the opportunity to walk around with their families and purchase goods, enjoy entertainment and something to eat all while raising money for the schools fundraising group.

Reminder about students on site after hours

I would like to remind families that students should not be on school grounds after hours unless they are attending a supervised school activity or are accompanied by a parent or caregiver.

This reminder is important for the safety and wellbeing of all students. School grounds and equipment are not supervised outside normal school hours, and we ask families to support us by ensuring children understand these expectations.

Over the last few weeks there have been a number of signs that students or adults have been on site after hours with minor damage occurring and items being moved around or removed from the site.

Thank you for your assistance in helping us maintain a safe environment for everyone.

Adelaide Show big thanks to Katie Hines and Nev Hines for their support in preparing our students for the show

I would like to extend my sincere thanks to Katie and Nev Hines for their generous support in preparing our students for the Adelaide Show.

Their time, encouragement and willingness to share their knowledge made a valuable contribution to our students' experience. Opportunities such as these help build confidence, skills and pride, and shine a positive light on our school and the extra curricula activities we provide our students.

Year 12 class of 2026

As we enter into our final term we prepare to say farewell to our Year 12 class of 2026. These students will have their last official day with us on Friday 23 October before their exam period and final assessments. As a staff and wider community I know we wish them all the best and look forward to supporting them and celebrating some major check points with them throughout the remainder of the year.

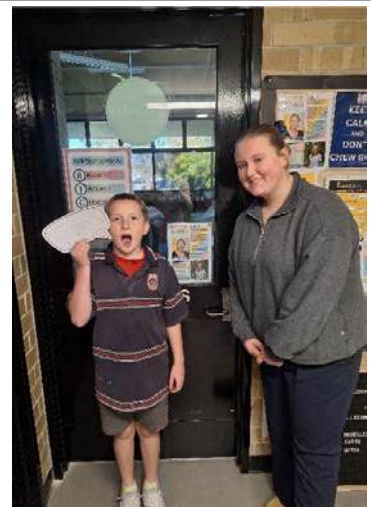
Kind Regards

Samantha Murdock

Principal

RU OK? Day – Ultimate Unity

This year for RU OK? Day, Ultimate Unity buddies worked together to create an Acrostic poem. They then brainstormed different ways to ask their friends if they are okay and wrote them on speech bubbles. It was a great reminder to check in on your friends and be open about having those conversations!



Aboriginal STEM Learners Congress

Two of our students attended the Aboriginal STEM Learners Congress in Adelaide earlier in the term. This two-day program is planned and led by a group of Aboriginal students from across South Australia, with support from their mentor teachers.

Students travelled to Adelaide with four students from Millicent High School and stayed in cabins with them. The congress was held at Adelaide Oval and students had the opportunity to participate in a range of Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics activities. All of these activities connected to Aboriginal STEM knowledge and culture.



Year 10 Masterchef Competition

On Friday 18 September, 19 Year 10 Food and Hospitality students took part in the annual KCS MasterChef Competition, hosted by Mrs Bec Willis.

Students were challenged to create and present three dishes representing different countries. They were judged on their restaurant concept and presentation, taste and texture, cookery skills, and teamwork.

Our judges presented winner vouchers and brought a wealth of experience and expertise to the competition. We would like to thank Henry Barritt from Robe's Drift, Vee from The Cutter, Annabel Fisher from Go Fish Social, Tom Gardner from the Crown Inn Kingston, KCS parent Julie Worthley, and KCS staff members Jarryd Hill, Skye Curkpatrick, Blake Dodson and Tammy Mathews.

Overall Winners – Greek Team

Congratulations to Zeke Lawrence, Marley Downward, Ally Holmes and Emillie Schaefer, who took out first place with their Greek-themed restaurant.

Second Place – Team USA

Congratulations to Lachie Hudd Jones, Jess Braithwaite, Chelsea Crosby and Hunter Haines.

Third Place – Japan

Only one point separated Japan from second place! Congratulations to Holly Varga, Kayla Grosvenor and helper Jacob Parker.

Pavlova with the Principal – Best Overall Dessert

Congratulations to Taj O'Neill, Milla Roach, Tess Gibbons and Lilly Morris for taking out the award for the best overall dessert.

Special Mention – Italian Team

A special mention also goes to our 4th place Italian team – Chloe Pink, Ella Moore and Amy Marnoch, who presented some outstanding quality dishes.

A huge congratulations to all of the students who participated. Their creativity, teamwork, cooking skills and enthusiasm made for a fantastic competition!

A very special thank you to Leah Wehl, SSO, for all her hard work and support in making the event a success.

Well done everyone!



Book Week



Yr 7-12 Building Futures Night

Our recent Building Futures Night was a fantastic success, bringing together students, families, local businesses, tertiary institutions and pathways providers to explore the many opportunities available beyond school.

Students gained valuable insight into education, training, employment and career pathways, both locally and state-wide, as well as the key skills, dispositions and qualities employers are looking for in young people entering the workforce.

A huge thank you to all the local businesses, tertiary organisations and pathways providers who generously shared their time, knowledge and expertise, and to our KCS families for coming along and supporting our students.

Thank you also to Beach Noms for the delicious catering, and a very special thank you to the Kingston Lions Club for sponsoring our Lenovo tablet prize. Congratulations to Hannah Stewart, who was the lucky winner!

We look forward to growing this event in 2027!



Year 5 Camp



During Week 9, the Year 5 class went on a three-day camp to Tailm Bend. Activities on camp included a tour of the Bend Motorsport Park, Karting at the Bend, Ten Pin Bowling in Murray Bridge followed by Fasta Pasta, visiting the Monarto Safari Park and exploring Old Tailm Town. It was busy! It was fun! A great time had by all!





KINGSTON ADELAIDE SHOW SHOW TEAM SHEEP

18 students from our Show Team attended the Royal Adelaide Show to exhibit steers, sheep and eggs. Our students did a wonderful job representing our school over the two weeks at the show.

Sheep

One pen made the final 19 for Best Pen of Three Wethers from 85 teams



Eggs

Open Class - Six Brown Eggs - 2nd

Secondary School Class - Twelve Brown Eggs - 3rd

A big thank you to the supporters of our Adelaide Show Team:

South Bundara - Evan & Glenys Flint

Beeamma - Denise & Anthony Fabris

Epic Speckle Park - Sue Carrison & Mark Woollett

Lyndall Park - Cameron & Kate England

Kawana - Donald Paget

Tech Wool - Mark Gibbs

Crown Inn Kingston - Tom Gardner

Elders Kingston - Nick Downward

Wattle Lee - Emily Edwards

Geue Transport - Brenton & Karl Geue





KINGSTON ADELAIDE SHOW SHOW TEAM STEERS



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Results:

South Bundara Whiskey - 5th Heavy Domestic 554-580kg Hoof Class, 13th Export 320.1-350kg Hook Class
 Beeamma Walter - 5th Light Domestic 464-490kg Hoof Class, 10th Light Domestic 220-270kg Hook Class
 Epic Wild Winne - 15th Heavy Domestic Crossbred 270.1-300kg Hook Class
 Epic Wicked Wilson - 7th Heavy Domestic Crossbred 300.1-320kg Hook Class
 The Bayview Prize & the John Gorey Memorial Prize School Exhibiting the Highest Scoring Shorthorn Steer on Hoof and Hook - 2nd South Bundara Whiskey

Supporters of our Fundraising Efforts:

Style Co, Norfolk Wine, Pope's, CRT, Nutrien, Kingston Vet Clinic, Edwards Auto, Elders, Kingston Plumbing & Pumps, Bliss by the Sea, Dewberry Cottage, Candy Store, Ogilvie family, Beach Noms

Keep an eye out for our cow pat lotto



MUSIC

Congratulations

Congratulations to Phoebe, who has won a solo for the song 'The Coming Monsoon'. She will perform at the Sir Robert Helpmann Theatre with our Festival Choir on Friday, the 23rd of October.

Anyone requiring tickets can buy them online at Country Arts SA website.



On Thursday, 130 young musicians from 17 schools came together for the South East Sounds Workshop. Students rehearsed a wide variety of repertoire, with some experiencing the opportunity to play in a large ensemble for the first time. The workshop was supported by highly skilled musicians from the Adelaide Youth Orchestra, who mentored and encouraged students throughout the day. The event culminated in a performance for families showcasing the day's work and featuring a fabulous performance from the Adelaide Youth Orchestra members. 11 of our students enjoyed the challenge and being a part of something a bit bigger.



Price: \$30

Pre-order by Friday 11th December 2026 and pay to guarantee your copy

Where to Order: Front Office

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Phone No.....

Copies.....

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Account: 360 000 040
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Payment required to guarantee
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Adelaide 36'ers Limestone Coast High Performance program

In partnership with the Adelaide 36'ers, the Connected and Active Communities Program are offering 13-18 year olds in the Limestone Coast to opportunity be apart of a Basketball High Performance Program.

What we will provide –

- High level training sessions once a week in Mount Gambier,
- High level training sessions every 5-6 weeks across the Limestone Coast, all training sessions to be designed by Adelaide 36'ers coaching staff and delivered by local Coach Kurt Russell,
- 36'ers players and coaches to travel to Limestone Coast to deliver coaching clinic,
- Clinic in Adelaide with 36'ers Coach and players,
- opportunity to play in two carnivals in Adelaide with other Adelaide 36'er High Performance Schools,
- Adelaide 36'er matchday experience with possible access to watch match day shoot around,
- work experience opportunity provided for athletes,
- high level sports psychology and nutrition monthly sessions (held online), and strength and conditioning programs supplied.

Cost \$200, covers all the above, including accommodation for Adelaide trips (travel costs may be extra).

A uniform will be also available to purchase. Details to be supplied upon successful selection.

Selection and Nomination Criteria: 1. Athletes can be nominated by Local Sporting Association/Club 2. Athletes can be nominated by State Sporting Organisation 3. Athletes can nominate themselves 4. Selection will be also based on Athlete's attitude and work ethic 5. Athletes must have at least represented their local town and be willing to try out for state championships

To nominate follow this link – [Adelaide 36'ers Limestone Coast High Performance program nomination form – Fill out form](#)

Nominations close – **Friday 2nd October 2026 - 5pm**

For more information contact Tony Elletson – 0400 262 738 or via email tony.elletson@slcc.sa.gov.au

Term 4, 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

10	30/06/26	Frankie W	Isabelle P
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& Day 1 Term 4

Term 4

Week

1	13/10/26	James T	Rhyce V
2	20/10/26	Hazel C	Georgie W
3	27/10/26	Darcy A	Brandon W
4	3/11/26	Harper G	Lucy A
5	10/11/26	Zach S	Riley O
6	17/11/26	Kelsey C	Sophie G
7	24/11/26	Finn Z	Sasha W
8	1/12/26	Leyton J	Abel P
9	8/12/26	Hannah G	Chloe K

**& Day 1 Term 1
2027**

KINGSTON COMMUNITY SCHOOL

CHOOKS FOR SALE



\$10



**Isa Browns & Australorp Chooks are
available now (18 months old)**

Contact the front office on 87672677



KINGSTON COMMUNITY SCHOOL

Spring Fair



**THURSDAY
OCT 15**

**KCS GROUNDS
5.30–7.30**

HIGHLIGHTS

**SILENT AUCTION – FOOD OPTIONS – COFFEE
CARNIVAL GAMES – PHOTO BOOTH – SMOOTHIE BIKE
PHOTOGRAPHY – 3D PRINTS – CRAFTS – HENNA
ICE CREAM – BAKED GOODS – POPCORN – TOFFEE APPLES**



ALL R-6 STUDENTS MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT.

KINGSTON WEAVING

EXHIBITION, TALKS & WORKSHOPS

3 & 4 October 2026

from 10 to 8pm

LIONS PARK, Kingston SE

As part of the 2026
NATURE FESTIVAL



The Department for Education is seeking our help to inform the future planning for Out of School Hours Care (OSHC) services. You are invited to participate in a survey which will seek your potential needs for an OSHC service to better understand the demand in our community in Kingston.

You can access the survey via the link or scan the QR code below. The survey is open until Sunday 11 October 2026.

<https://survey.education.sa.gov.au/n/Lb2SJoL>



The survey has only four questions and it takes less than five minutes to complete. It is completely anonymous - your answers will never identify you or your child.

When completing the survey, please consider your family's likely need for OSHC if the service becomes available at our school. Understanding genuine, anticipated usage, rather than general interest, will help the Department for Education better understand demand and plan services that meet the needs of local families.

For more information, or if you have any questions about the survey, please do not hesitate to contact the department's OSHC Reform Team via email: education.OSHCReform@sa.gov.au.

- 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)

COME & TRY JUNIOR CLINIC – KINGSTON SE GOLF CLUB
(Ideally suited to 5-12 year old, can be 13-14 year old, parent must accompany)

Friday 9th October 2026, 1pm – 2.30pm

Full details and register on line using the QR code on the flyer,

Further details contact:

Michelle Gaunt 0428672953 or Jennifer Gritton 0478294257



KIDS LOVE BEING OUTDOORS? THERE'S GOLF FOR THAT.

SCHOOL HOLIDAY CLINIC

MyGolf powered by Ripper GC is Australia's beginner golf program that introduces kids to golf through games-based activities in a safe and friendly environment. Participants learn new skills, make new friends and most importantly, have fun!

This School Holiday MyGolf Junior Clinic will be delivered by PGA Professional Gavin Fontaine, offering a fun and interactive golf experience for all skill levels.

The clinic is \$10 and all participants must register online.



Scan here for details



Find your nearest MyGolf powered by Ripper GC program at golf.org.au/mygolf



Australian Government mobile service centres



Serving regional Australia

Visit the mobile service centre to find out about Australian Government payments and services for rural families, older Australians, students, job seekers, people with disability, carers, farmers and self-employed people.

We can also help veterans and their families connect to the Department of Veterans' Affairs phone line and online services.

Staff can provide you with information and support. They can also help you create a myGov account. myGov is a simple and secure way to access government services online.

KINGSTON SE

Wednesday, 30 September 2026 10:30 am to 4:00 pm

Thursday, 1 October 2026 9 am to 4 pm

Kingston SE District Hall car park, Agnes Street



For more information, go to servicesaustralia.gov.au/mobileoffice