

## Thank you KICE Community

We are proud of you all.

We acknowledge your efforts to keep yourselves and our community safe and learning.



### From the Principal - *Maxine McSherry*



Dear Parents,

I hope you are as proud as I am of the wonderful students we have at KICE. They have shown resilience and persistence at this difficult time. I visited all campuses and classes last week. It was terrific to see children happy to be back at school.

#### Students

- Missed their friends
- Engaged with their learning
- Embraced new technology

#### Parents

- Supported children's learning
- Learnt new technology
- Juggled home and school commitments

#### Wider Community

(Including our health workers)

- Kept us updated with localised health information
- Supported community projects
- Monitored our health as a community

#### Staff

- Connected with families
- Learnt new technology
- Developed at home and at school learning opportunities



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# Help us welcome them to their new roles

## Alex Smith the new Assistant Principal at Parndana

I am very excited to be stepping into the Assistant Principal role at Parndana for the next 3 terms. I have been working across KICE since 2015, and was lucky enough to be offered a position in 2017 teaching English, HASS and the Arts at Parndana. I have been a teacher for many, many years, and in addition, have held a variety of leadership roles. I started teaching in my home country of Scotland before embarking on a career in International Education. My travels took me to Brunei, Singapore and finally to Malaysia

where I taught at The International School of Kuala Lumpur for 14 years. In 2014 we decided to 'retire' to Kangaroo Island. We had been visiting since the late 90's and built our home in American River, knowing one day this is where we would settle. Missing the connection to kids and teaching, my retirement was very short lived. Parndana is a very special community that I thoroughly enjoy being a part of. I am very much looking forward to the year ahead.

*Alex Smith*



## Heather Curtis the new R-5 Assistant Principal at Kingscote



My name is Heather Curtis and I am thrilled to have been appointed to the Senior Leader – Early Years position at Kingscote. The warm welcome that I have received from students and staff at Kingscote has been appreciated immensely and I am enjoying becoming familiar with the school and the teaching and learning that is currently operating at the school.

My leadership in schools has involved principal positions at various schools in Port Lincoln as well as Elizabeth Fields Junior Primary school. I have taught students in Jamestown Primary, Iron Baron and in

Montrose, Colorado, USA, and worked as an advisor in the northern region of South Australia.

I am really looking forward to supporting staff, students and families and contributing to the learning in which staff and students are engaging. The friendly school culture of Kingscote has certainly been valued this week.

I look forward to meeting families in the future when it is once again safe for schools to open their doors to the school community.

*Heather Curtis*

## Erin Linn in the new roll at KICE as the Child and Youth Worker

Hello, my name is Erin Linn. I am privileged to take on a new role with KICE this term as a Child and Youth Worker, with a particular focus on bushfire trauma support. I have completed my Bachelor of Psychology with Honours and am currently undertaking a Master of Professional Psychology.

I am working with students across KICE who have been directly or indirectly impacted by the bushfire. My role seeks to ensure that our children at KICE are receiving the

support they need through coordinating services and counselling support.

Parents are more than free to contact me by phone at either Parndana Campus (08) 8559 6068, Kingscote Campus (08) 8553 2074 or via email: erin.linn243@schools.sa.edu.au

Please do not hesitate to make contact for further information, or if you feel your child may benefit from additional support.





Hi all, I hope you and your families are doing OKay in these very different times.

Covid 19 has affected every sector of society including education. Like the rest of society, schools have had to do things differently. It has meant challenges for students, staff and parents. It has been outstanding the way we have all worked together to achieve an outstanding level of continuity of learning in the face of these challenges.

I particularly feel for the KICE Year 12 cohort which have their Care Group based at Kingscote Campus. We are particularly mindful that the already high demands and importance of Year 12 have been greatly exacerbated this year. We are doing our absolute best to ensure they receive the appropriate support to minimise their learning disruption. In the future they will be able to say they were the Covid 19 Year 12 Cohort. A special welcome for Heather

Curtis to Kingscote Campus, KICE and KI. Heather has taken up the role of Reception to Year 5 Leader for this term. Heather is an experienced Principal and will bring great knowledge, skills and expertise to this position.

It is great to see the Kingscote Campus canteen re-opened and we welcome back Di and Karen. The social distancing controls at the canteen counter that were implemented in term 1 will continue. Students have been most responsible in the way they have abided by these protocols and they will remain after this Covid time has passed.

Walking around the campus it has been great to see and hear the learning buzz in classes as we move back to normal student attendance numbers. This is again a credit to students, parents and staff, well done.

The uncertain nature of these times means that we are not sure how the term will unfold but I am certain that we are looking forward to working with you. We have again shown we can achieve great things for our students when we work positively as a team, regardless of the challenges.

## The show must go on

Due to the COVID-19 restrictions, the Year 7 Performing Arts class were unfortunately unable to perform their production of Peter Pan for an audience last term. "The show must go on" is a popular expression in showbiz- the Year 7s truly took this on board with their perseverance and determination to adapt to the situation and still do their best. We hope you enjoy the photo from their final rehearsal.

This term, Mrs Berden's Year 6s and the 7/8 Performing Arts classes are working towards a production of Trolls. They have already learnt the dance to 'Can't Stop The Feeling' and are also persevering even though we don't know what the world will be like by Week 10. We hope we will be able to perform for you in some way, whether it is through video or live performances!



## Choirs at Kingscote

This semester, Miss Bell and Mr Ellson have been running choirs for Years 4-7 students and Years 8-12 students. We have been rehearsing the songs 'Choir' by Guy Sebastian, 'Do Re Mi' from The Sound of Music, 'A Million Dreams' and 'This Is Me' from The Greatest Showman. It is an absolute joy to hear the students singing together and they have come so far in a short space of time. We are hoping to do some 'flash mob' style lunchtime performances this term and will post videos to the school Facebook page – stay tuned!



## Fill that bucket

In our class we've been learning about bucket filling and treating others how we want to be treated. Our teacher asked us what skills we wanted to learn during our Inquiry Based Learning unit. We voted that we wanted to learn how to write letters to send to residents in the aged care facilities on Kangaroo Island. We thought they might be feeling a bit lonely as many of their regular visitors have to stay away for a while. We thought we could fill brighten their day by writing them a letter!

*"I liked writing the letters so they know we care for them still" - Zoe*

*"I liked writing to the residents so then they feel safe and happy" - Amahli*

*"I liked writing funny things in my letter and making my teacher laugh when she read it. I hope my resident laughs." - Cameron C.*

*"I think it would be a really hard time waiting to see people again. The letters were fun to make. I really enjoyed it. We were filling people's buckets" - Lily*





Dear parents and families, the last couple of weeks have been a great start to term two. Students have returned and there is a sense of togetherness around the campus

that is wonderful to see. Thank you for your support during these challenging times.

As a school community, over the coming weeks we will be making the most of the time and opportunity to focus on teaching and learning outcomes for all students.

We would love to continue the wonderful collegiality our whole school community has

been able to share over the past months dealing with COVID-19.

Together, in difficult circumstances we have moved the education of our children and young people forward in partnership endeavouring to meet their educational needs at home and also at school.

Continuing the connection of education between school and home and sharing the journey together is something, we are excited to take to a new level from here on in. The additional tools we been able to use over the past six weeks have allowed us to collaborate and share the teaching and learning journey in ways that have been difficult previously.

To be able to link in via a video stream, or collaborate on resources and learning tasks in real-time from a multitude of locations is

truly exciting.

The partnership of sharing the learning journey of our children and young people between school and the home environment is enhanced when we have real-time opportunities to share in all that is happening on a daily or weekly basis. We truly look forward to capitalising on these wonderful opportunities into the future.

Thank you for navigating the last few months with us, all that we've learnt together will only support future of education on the island. Whilst we all have had to spend time in isolation, being further apart, this time has also brought us closer together in many ways.

Take care and stay safe.

## 2020 COVID-19 Memory Book

### How I've been connecting with friends and family...

- phone calls
- text messages
- FaceTime
- phone calls
- seeing them at school
- Messenger
- Snap Chat
- Zoom
- at school, but not all of them
- drawing to them.

### At home we've been keeping busy by...

- playing with pets
- playing outside
- playing with my sister
- looking after the chickens
- playing in the cubby
- doing my jobs
- school work
- doing things straight away
- unpacking my bag
- cooking
- sewing
- making bracelets
- reading books
- bouncing on the trampoline
- doing art
- building my cubby
- playing LEGO
- collecting wood
- catching fish for dinner
- riding bikes

### WHEN ALL THIS IS OVER I'm excited to...

- Go camping
- Go to New Zealand
- See lots of places
- Have adventures
- See my friends and cousins
- Go on a trip
- Go to the beach

### I can't wait to see...

- My friends
- Grandparents
- My cousins
- Granny and Pa
- Dad



- Family
- Everyone I know again
- My German Oma and Opa
- The world happy again

### I want to go on holiday to...

- Adelaide
- Philippines
- Victor Harbor



- Ayers Rock
- Riverland
- Melbourne
- Cape York
- Sydney
- Brisbane
- Disneyland

### I spent my Easter...

- camping at the beach
- went to the farm
- camping in our Grandpa's paddock
- camping near our house
- camping in my backyard

### After COVID 19, I hope the world will be...

- Safe and sound
- Back to normal- safe, lovely and nice!
- Happy
- The same

### What I've missed the most...

- My friends
- Grandparents
- My cousins

- Playing netball
- Friends
- Seeing my friends at school
- Doing my first year of netball
- Going on holidays
- Going to other people's houses
- Footy
- Places
- Football
- My family overseas
- Dad
- The beach
- Shops

### After spending time at home, I have learnt...

- It's not that bad staying at home
- Not to argue or fight
- Spend less time on my X-Box and more time with Mum
- The world isn't always what you want it to be
- Not everything is fair
- To go on my trampoline and do 5 backflips a day!
- To be patient

# Penneshaw Campus - from Leanne Woods



Hello families,  
Term 2 at Penneshaw began calmly and yet with great excitement from the students. Teachers had been preparing for Home Learning with online learning activities and learning packs for most of the holiday break. When the term started we had many more students return than expected, and it was wonderful to see them all eagerly seeking our games and activities to connect. We also welcomed the Lashmar family back, and the Phillips family to Penneshaw.

Schools are returning to usual and its

recommended that students able to, should be back learning at school. Please see our Principal Maxine McSherry's letter about this. Special thanks to all staff who have gone above and beyond the usual in effort and time to ensure the opportunity for great learning to occur at school and home over the last three months.

Thanks to families and community for the treats, the care, and the messages that so many of you have shared, to communicate how you are doing and to show appreciation for the efforts that staff have put in to ensure student learning and wellbeing continue. We sure heard from lots of parents who now have a new awareness/appreciation for the work that teachers put in every day to teach a class full! While we are not anywhere near

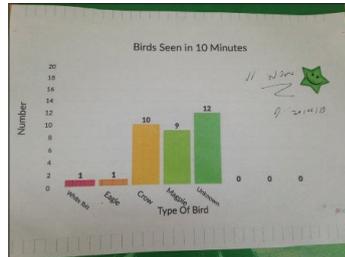
the end of this tragic world pandemic, we are endeavouring to create normality and consistency for our children.

Bus travel...Students living more than 5 km from school are eligible to travel by bus. Other students are only to travel on the bus by negotiation. For any travel out of the usual please notify school by phone (preferable the day before the change occurs) ...to ensure safety, space, and all contact details are known for emergencies. For safety reasons, if there has not been negotiation and approval students will not be able to travel.

Lastly - Happy Mother's Day to all mums!! I hope you enjoy your special day as your children celebrate and recognize the wonderful ways that you are mum to them.

## The 2, 3 and 4s are eggcellent and eggstraordinary eggplorers!

This term, the years 2, 3 and 4 of Penneshaw Campus have become bonafide ornithologists or birders. Ornithologists study every aspect of birds, including bird songs, flight patterns, physical appearance and migration patterns. Our class has been engaging in a number of different activities and lessons to do with birds. This ranges from practising our life drawing, graph-making, observation journal taking and species identifying to map-making and direction-giving. At the same time, we have been exploring measurement, area and capacity. Birds of the Penneshaw feather, flock together. Enjoy some pictures of our learning experiences and work samples.



# Sapsasa Cricket



In week 8 of term 1, 13 boys from Kingscote and Parndana campuses represented Kangaroo Island at the Sapsasa Cricket State Carnival. This was just as the Covid-19 shut downs were starting and there was concern that the carnival wouldn't proceed, or be cancelled part way through, but luckily for the boys involved the carnival proceeded as planned.

Monday's game was against Riverland, a traditionally strong district, at Grange Oval #1. After a late start due to a damp pitch, Riverland batted first and we got an early breakthrough, with Tait taking a catch off of Timmy's bowling. We continued to bowl tightly throughout the innings, with only an excellent innings by their other opener, who retired, giving Riverland a respectable total of 130. Wicket takers were Brady 2/7, Tait 2/12, Blaize 1/2,

Timmy 1/3, Xavier 1/11, Ryan 1/12 and Jackson 1/21.

In response, we were in early strife at 3/5, then 4/38, then 5/54, before Tait and Blaize put on a match winning partnership. Once Tait retired at 40, Xavier continued on, until disaster struck and we lost 3 wickets in the space of 4 balls, to have the score at 8/118. Jackson and TJ then saw out some very good bowling, to get KI past the oppositions total and get the carnival off to a winning start. Best batters: Tait 40 retired, Blaize 20, Tyler 17, Xavier 14, TJ 13.

Day 2 saw KI taking on Western Eyre Peninsula at Grange #2. KI batted first and after losing an early wicket, batted conservatively to steady the ship and build their innings. Tight bowling and fielding by WEP and the conservative approach meant that our middle and lower order

batters needed to try to lift the run rate to ensure that we posted a competitive total. This led to a dramatic collapse, leading to KI being bowled out for 128, losing the last 7 wickets for 14 runs. Best batters: Koby 19 retired, Colton 16, Tait 13, Tyler 10 retired.

In response, WEP struggled early to score, with KI's good bowling continuing from the day before. With the score on 7/63, KI had the upper hand, until a fantastic partnership, and batting from one player in particular, won the game for WEP. Another tight game of cricket, and the KI team had shown that their best cricket was as good as anyone in the division. Best bowlers: Blaize 2/4, Jackson 2/4, TJ 2/4, Cain 1/3, Tyler 1/14.

Wednesday saw a change in coaches, with Mr Laver leaving because his wife was having a baby and Ashley Richardson, ably assisted by wife Emma, taking over. Batting first against Onkaparinga South at Adelaide Lutheran, KI lost two early wickets, before Tait and Colton put on a good partnership, with both batsmen retiring. Timmy and Cain also batted well, with the team making 167 runs, a total that would prove very hard to chase down. Best batters: Colton 43 ret, Tait 40 ret, Cain 16, Timmy 11.

In their innings, Onkaparinga South took it right up to the KI boys, but fell agonisingly short. The week's theme of tight bowling continued, even if the wickets

weren't as forthcoming as the first two days. With 6 overs left, Onka South needed 59 runs, and with one over left, they still needed 26 to win. Some big hitting came in the last over, but Onka South fell agonisingly short, KI holding on for a 5 run victory. Best bowlers: Jackson 2/7, Timmy 2/14, Blaize 1/4, TJ 1/12 and Tyler 1/16.

The final game of the carnival saw KI take on Whyalla, with the winner claiming third position in Division 5. Batting first on the turf pitch at West Beach Parks, KI put together some small partnerships in the top order, but with the score at 4/85, they lost 6/23 to be bowled out for 105. The best batters: Timmy 34, Ryan 15, Callan 15, Tait 12.

KI would need to bowl and field well, as well as have a bit of luck, if they were to successfully defend 105. Unfortunately, it wasn't to be. KI was unable to get the early breakthrough that they had all carnival, and good batting from three of the top four Whyalla batters saw them pass our score 3 wickets down. Best bowlers: Koby 1/5, Colton 1/10, Brady 1/11, TJ 1/20.

All up, to finish 4th in division 5 is an outstanding effort for the smallest Sapsasa district. A huge thanks must go to the parents who supported the team, through scoring, umpiring, providing hand sanitiser and cheering on all team members, plus Sealink for their continued support of the KI Sapsasa program.

## Thank you to all the KICE Volunteers

**NATIONAL 18-24 MAY 2020**  
**VOLUNTEER**  
**CHANGING COMMUNITIES. CHANGING LIVES. WEEK**

The staff and the students would like to thank all of our fantastic volunteers that help out across our three campuses.

Volunteers help out in many ways in our school community whether it's reading with students,

assisting on excursions and camps, or being part of our LAP (Learning Assistance Program). Volunteers Week this year runs from May 19-24. Due to the current circumstances, we will celebrate our volunteers later in the year. The

school has current restrictions on visitors and volunteers that can be on campus grounds.

To volunteer at the school, you must have a current Working With Children Check (WWCC), complete the online course for volunteers Responding to Abuse and Neglect – Education and Care (RAN-EC). You must also complete the Volunteer Declaration and Agreement forms.

If you would like to volunteer at Kingscote, please contact Jasmin Florance on 85532074 or [jasmin.florance206@schools.sa.edu.au](mailto:jasmin.florance206@schools.sa.edu.au)

If you would like to volunteer at Parndana please call 8559 6068 or Penneshaw 8553 1067

Thank you to Dymocks Children’s Charity

Penneshaw campus would like to thank Dymocks Children’s Charity for the amazing donation of books that recently arrived at Penneshaw.

Students were delighted to see the new additions to the library and to their classrooms.

Staff were able to select books from an extensive range, enhancing the learning opportunities of our students through books.

As our well known Australian author, Jackie French says:

“If you want intelligent children give them a book.

If you want more intelligent children give them more books.”



During the Bushfires Dymocks donated over \$40,000 towards books for our three library campuses.

We have spent \$12,500 for our Kingscote Campus library. - 35 boxes later. A selection went to Hannah Morgan to use in classrooms, another for class sets of novels and the remainder of the donation has been spent on books for our library. Thank you Dymocks for your generous donation.



Bookclub will look different this term. All orders will be online. <https://scholastic.com.au/book-club/virtual-catalogue-1/>. Any problems: 1800 021 233  
Issue #3 available now. Online orders for Bookclub #3 will close Friday morning 22nd of May.

## Jungle Art

The 5/6/7 students have been learning about positive and negative shapes in Arts, and about Rainforests in Geography. They’ve used their learning to create a positive and negative shape jungle artwork.

**Kingscote Canteen Orders**

**Schoolwear Shop Orders**  
(Penneshaw, Parndana & Kingscote)

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# Year 8 Camp

Last term the KICE year 8 students were fortunate enough to participate in the Year 8 Cultural Camp that was held in Adelaide. The city was buzzing with the Fringe Festival and the Adelaide Festival and students were able to be part of it all. They visited the Adelaide Zoo, the Botanic Gardens, the Art Gallery and the Museum. Students dined on a banquet meal at Hut and Soul, an Asian restaurant that has hosted KICE students for over 6 years. Students also went to an international dance performance at the Festival Theatre and an African Circus in the Big Top. We all

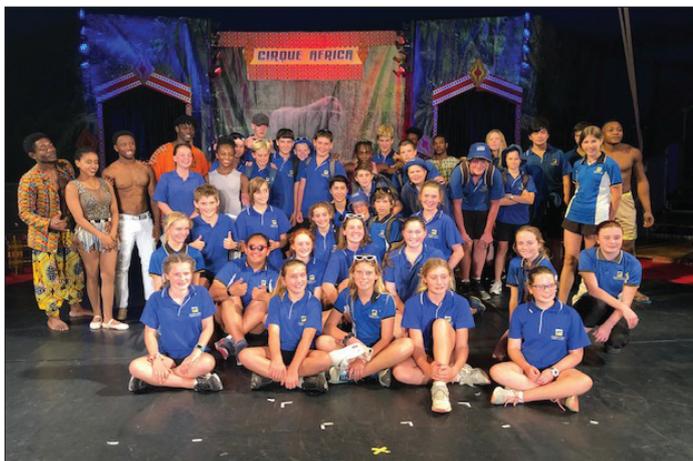
enjoyed the circus so much, and were such a good audience, that we were invited to stay and see the next show. The students were all excited to stay on and were able to meet the performers who came from different parts of Africa. It was a great time to come together as a year level, share our stories from the summer and plan for bigger and better things in the future. All the students were exceptional in their behaviour throughout the camp and despite the days being very long, they showed enthusiasm in all that they did.

*Louise Snowball*

## ASO Visit

Penneshaw was happy to host Sharon Gaskin, our KICE Aboriginal Support Officer, on Monday the 4th May. Sharon came out to meet all our students and to talk about her role with staff. It was a special day for one of our ATSI students and Sharon had a small gift to present. Jarnem from year one, was celebrating his birthday and was presented with a beanie that has a very special Indigenous badge that was designed by Sharon's son. It was a lovely visit and we look forward to working with Sharon more throughout the year.

*Louise Snowball*



## Year 12's Buddies

