

KANGARILLA PRIMARY SCHOOL



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IMPORTANT DATES *for your Diary*

2 nd April	Governing Council meeting
11 th April	Last Day of Term & Small School Sports Day

From the Principal

Dear Parents and Friends,
What a busy start to 2025. We are gradually adding to our 150th Celebration activities with regular updates about former students and staff. We would also love to hear from our current families. Please spread the word and encourage former families to write about their experiences. Our key fundraiser for Term 1 was the Bake Stall at the Kangarilla Community Day. A big thank you to all families who baked goods to sell at the stall and to all of the fantastic members of the Governing Council who came to school on the Saturday afternoon to package and price all the goods so they looked amazing. We would also like express our thanks to the Progress Association for their kind donation. A big thank you to Alisha, Tori, Andrea, Kate and Evelyn.

It was terrific for our school to be chosen to celebrate the 10th Anniversary of the Red Cross Pillowcase project. As well as participating in a workshop we were lucky enough to celebrate with a delicious birthday cake. Matilda, Mikey and Emily were featured in the Courier as part of the celebrations.

We are fortunate to have 2 pre-service teachers doing their prac at school next term. Please join me in giving Shelby and Dani a warm welcome. On the last day of term, it is the small school's sports day which will be held at the oval at Heathfield (home of the Mt Lofty Devils). We will be travelling to and from the Sports Day by bus. It has come to my attention that there is a rumour circulating in the area that we are closing. This is absolutely not true, and breaks my heart to hear.

Kangarilla Primary will be celebrating its 150th year of education this year. In 2026 we will be celebrating our 151st year. Please save the date for the 150th. The formal ceremony will be held on Friday 17th October, with other school-based activities being held during the week.

Donna



Kangarilla Inquirer

Name: Eleni

Age: 11

Class: Upper Primary

Favourite Food: steak

Pets: 12 chickens and 1 dog

Things I enjoy doing when I am not at school: skateboarding

The best thing about Kangarilla Primary School is: the kids

My favourite subjects are: P.E, Maths and STEAM

When I leave school I would like to be a: Vet

Nurse and baby sitter or a Zoo Keeper



Name: Shea

Age: 8

Class: Middle Primary with Mrs Lean

Favourite Food: Chicken Tenders, Spaghetti and Hamburgers

Pets: 1 dog at Dads called Rufus and lots of sheep and chickens. At

Mums I have 1 puppy called Nutmeg

Things I enjoy doing when I am not at school: playing toy cars, video games and watching videos

The best thing about Kangarilla Primary School is:

Playing and doing tinkering and art and cooking

My favourite subjects are: STEAM (Brainticking) and Science

When I leave school I would like to be an:


Accountant at a restaurant



meet the

STUDENT TEACHER

Danielle Beard



I am currently completing a Bachelor of Education through Swinburne University (Online). I am excited to be undertaking my final placement at Kangarilla Primary School, working in the Year 5/6 classroom.

I am looking forward to the opportunity to work with your children, gain valuable professional experience, and contribute in any way I can.

Please feel free to approach me for a conversation or to introduce yourself. I look forward to meeting you.

From the Classroom



Aquatics

On Monday we went to aquatics. I went on the boogie board, surf board, pool noodle and kick board. We went to the beach and there were big waves.

I kept slipping off the boogie board and surf board. One time I fell off the surf board and the wave made it hit me in the back of my head. I got very sunburnt on my face and I also hurt my leg.

The SRC will be collecting empty bottles and cans as a fundraiser this year.

If you have any to donate, please bring them to the front office or give to an SRC member.

We also used the life jackets and pool noodles to pretend to save other people. They also had animals they found in the ocean that were dead so they couldn't harm us. They had a blue ring octopus, a starfish, a shark egg (that had already hatched), shark jaws, sea sponges and more.

Aquatics was very fun and I hope to go again next year.

By Cody

Aquatics

Our class went to Port Noarlunga for aquatics. I was the demonstrator in the kayaking, it was lots of fun. We capsized the kayaks when we sat on them, then we had to try and get back on them. Next, we had a play in the water. Joseph kept on floating down the river.

We went boogie boarding after that and I caught the most waves. Joseph kept on going for the big waves. We had to walk far to get to the spot where we did the boogie boarding.

We went to look at the animal specimens next. We looked at sea sponges then we looked at a blue ringed octopus. Then we went home. It was lots of fun.

By Riley.

Surf Safety Recap

Last Monday the 24th of February we went to Port Noarlunga beach. First, I tried to get the swim suit on, it was very hard but I got it on. Then we had to wait for our instructor who was my teacher in swimming in year four. We went on the sand and went through the safety steps at the beach.

Next, we headed into the water with our life jackets on and played a few games to get us wet. Then we went and had our first break and after that we went back into the water and we did a race against our group. Once that was done we used little paddle boards and went into the water. After that we went in the water again and I got hit by a surf board on the back of my head and that hurt because it made me almost drown, but then I did not go back in the water.

At the end we got ice cream and then my dad picked me up and I did not expect dad to pick me up. My head started to hurt and then we had to go to Chais's football training where I met a girl. We talked about some things that I don't remember but I had fun and then we went home and my arms started to hurt from all the hard work.

By Hudson

Aquatics

The year 6 class went to Port Noarlunga to learn how to be safe at the beach. We did kayaks and it was really fun. I loved it. We made a raft with the kayaks.

We did bodyboards and it was really fun. I really enjoyed it. There were big waves two times bigger than me so I had to duck under the waves.

We had a look at some amazing marine animals. We looked at some fish and a shark jaw and a blue ringed octopus. I would go back there any time.

By Ava



Thank you to all families who have paid their school fees, swimming and Aquatics fees.

Payments can be made through online banking, cash or cheque. Our banking details are on the front page of this newsletter. If you would like to pay your school fees or swimming/Aquatics fees in instalments, please contact the school.

Around the School



Red Cross Pillowcase Project



World Autism Awareness Day: April 2nd

Wednesday, April 2nd (Week 10) is World Autism Awareness Day. This global event has been celebrated since 2007 to raise awareness, acceptance, and appreciation of autistic people. At Kangarilla Primary, we are dedicated to creating an inclusive environment where every student feels valued and supported. Our Autism Inclusion Teacher (AIT), Kathy Zilm, promotes inclusion and diversity by sharing best practices and resources through the AIT initiative. The attached poster (see insert) shares some considerations that have been made by the autistic and autism communities around some respectful ways we can promote autism awareness, acceptance and appreciation. If you have any questions or would like to chat, you can contact Kathy at kathy.zilm856@schools.sa.edu.au.

Music with the Uppers

