



## From the Principal



I was surprised to open The Islander last week and see my photo (with my beautiful grandson) with an acknowledgement for Principals' Day. Thank you to those involved in putting this together. The feature inspired me to tell you my top 5 reasons why I believe it is a privilege to be the KICE Principal.

Number 1. The students. We have amazing young individuals at KICE. This week's Settlement Day awards are testament to the leadership, innovation and community spirit our young people display. Congratulations Ryan, Josh and Tarryn. Then we have this week's report from our Sapsasa basketball team which outlined exemplary sporting behaviour when they were facing a less skilled team who were struggling to get a point. Finally, yesterday morning I spoke to a group of Parndana students who were off to volunteer for a local community member who needed a helping hand. These are a few examples of why our students are special.

Number 2. The staff. Most rural schools struggle with staffing. The amount of young teachers who choose to stay on Island is testament that we are creating a positive culture for staff. Teachers and support staff put in 100% to ensure the best student outcomes, I am privileged to work with such professionals.

Number 3. The community. Whether children are visiting their bush block on Ella Mata, designing the orienteering course on the Teasdale property or contributing to the new Sculpture Trail at Penneshaw, our community is right there alongside us helping to make island education strong and unique.

Number 4. Our unique location. Where we live doesn't limit our opportunity but rather provides unique opportunities for our young people to shine. The environmental awareness of our unique island is a key in our curriculum. This week's visit organised by Matt Linn, of 28 students and 5 staff from the Uniwise Bilingual School in China is testament of the global connections we create for our students. This was a unique opportunity to develop cross cultural understandings and an authentic chance for KICE students to use their Mandarin.

Number 5. We are progressive. Peter Philp is on the SASPA (Secondary Principals) Executive board, Leanne is on the SPPA (Primary Principals) committee and I am on the SA Area Schools Executive. Our commitment to these influential boards means that we are influencing education beyond KI and we also are ensuring we have the latest information and evidence based research practices operating at KICE.

Being the Principal of KICE is a demanding and at times stressful position but what I get in return is far greater than I give.

*Maxine McSherry*

## Congratulations to our Young Achievers



KICE congratulates our three young achievers. Ryan won the Kangaroo Island Council 2019 Young Achiever of the Year Award, Joshua for Outstanding Commitment to Leadership and the Community, and

Tarryn for Outstanding Achievement - Academic, Sporting and Community Service. The awards were presented at the 183rd Settlement Day Ceremony by Deputy Premier Vicki Chapman.

## Our first Sapsasa Basketball Carnival



KICE sent their first ever two teams to Sapsasa Basketball in Week 1 of this term. The students involved were: River, Jordan, Brady, Timmy, Cain, Toby, Taj, Dylan, Zoe, Gracie, Seraphina, Tayah, Alex and Indy. The day was an amazing experience with all players showing the high level of talent in basketball on the island. The boys' team finished the day with 4 wins and 2 losses and the girls' team finished the day with 3 wins and 3 losses. All students are to be commended on their behaviour as they were respectful of coaches, umpires and opposition all day. We thank Sealink for their sponsorship which allows us to participate in carnivals off the island.

**GOVERNING COUNCIL MEETING 13 AUGUST**

**6.30PM @ PARNDANA**



<http://educatormasterclass.com/mentalhealth/KICE>

<https://www.theeducatoronline.com/au/news/masterclass-highlights-mental-wellbeing-strategies/260759>

Check out these links at the KICE website [www.kice.sa.edu.au](http://www.kice.sa.edu.au)

## Awarded at the SAASLA Conference



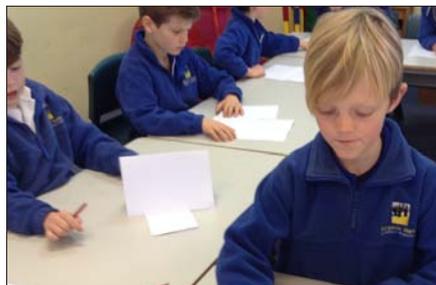
Peter Philp accepting the Runner Up Best Practice Award on behalf of KICE at the 2019 SAASLA Conference

## Which half is bigger?

Students in the 2/3 Dolphin Class at Parndana are learning about fractions in Maths. Mrs Windsor folded 2 A4 sheets of paper in half. One was folded by the long edge and the other was folded by the short edge. Mrs Windsor then asked the class 'Which half is bigger?'. Some students thought the longer half was bigger and others thought they were both the same. The students had to prove why

or why not one half was bigger or the same?

Some of the students who thought the longer half was bigger then changed their minds after folding and cutting their paper to prove they were both actually the same half. Students in the Dolphin class have learnt, that although they may look different sizes, they may actually be the same, and that halves need to be equal.



## Sapsasa Football & Netball

Kangaroo Island participated in Division 4 of the Sapsasa Football State Carnival, held at Barratt Reserve in Adelaide from June 17-20. 22 students from the 3 campuses of KICE represented the school, the Island and themselves with grace and distinction. While they only won 2 of their 10 games, against Para Districts and Murray Mallee, they produced some patches of very good football and put in an outstanding effort, considering that Kangaroo Island is by far the smallest Sapsasa district in the state.

The captains over the week were River B, Oscar

M, Ethan S and Jordan W, while Cain F, Colton T, Toby N and Timmy T were other consistent performers across the carnival, with Ethan and Timmy leading the goal scorers with 6 each.

Thank you to the parents and family who supported the team, both during the week and with trainings prior to the carnival; the parents who goal umpired, time kept, ran messages and generally helped out; Sealink for their support with transport and most importantly; the 22 boys who never gave up all week, gelled as a team and improved out of sight in the 6 weeks that we were together as a team.



### SAPSASA Netball

In week 8 of Term 2, selected students from across KICE competed in the Sapsasa Netball Competition at Priceline Stadium. The competition was tough, but both divisions put everything they had into each and every game. The Division 4 girls, coached by Annie Morris, came away with one win. All of the girls stayed positive throughout the four days and continued to encourage each other.

Thank you to all the parents/caregivers who helped throughout the four days and to Annie Morris for putting her hand up to coach. I would also like to say a massive thank you to Kim Berlin, Cherie Kuchel and Lucy Morgan who umpired all of the games. The competition wouldn't happen without the support from parents and caregivers. I enjoyed every minute and was so proud of the girls' efforts. *Takeda McMulkin*



It is over the half way mark of the school year and even more so for the Year 12s. The Year 12s (actually all students) must ensure they use this remaining time wisely. This involves managing their activities including; sleep, diet, recreation, sport, social life, in some cases part time work and ensuring their studies feature as a balanced priority in amongst all these activities. They must also access the

support they have at school, including their subject teachers, care group teachers and Student Wellbeing Leader; Ms Trethewey. There is also our Pastoral Care Worker; Conrad Tickner and even myself, as my door is open for students.

We have a few new staff members who have begun this term and I would like to welcome them to the Campus. Abby Harris is the new Leader in Reception to Year 5 section of the Campus. Andrea Cooper takes over from Cindy Lade while Cindy is on leave for the first 7 weeks of this term, Andrea is also in the Learning Centre on Wednesdays. James Cooper, will be teaching in the Middle Years. Priscilla Thomas has taken over Meg Cooper's classes as a result of Meg's maternity leave. Jody Green and Leanne Budarick have joined our classroom support staff. Welcome to all these staff members.

In the recent end of term break several Palaeontology classes from The University of Adelaide used the Campus facilities. They have been working at the "Emu Bay fossil excavation site" and use our facilities in conjunction with this work. In return they have taken our students and staff out to the site and presented to classes at the Campus. It is a very good University / School connection we are developing. Last term I was at a meeting where. The University of Adelaide Vice-Chancellor talked of the growing importance of such connections.

On a finishing note, I would like to wish our Year 11 Outdoor Education and Year 12 Physical Education classes all the best this week on their Aquatics Camp. This is another fantastic opportunity / experience for our students. I hope they have good wet suits!

# Welcome Abby Harris

I would like to welcome all families back for term three. I will be joining the school as the R-5 Senior Leader at Kingscote. I look forward to working with families in a positive and productive way to achieve successful outcomes for all students.



A brief history about my teaching journey; I began my career in Port August at Flinders View Primary School for my first four years, before heading to the Adelaide Hills to complete an additional nine years at Nairne Primary School. In the 2015 school year I travelled to Denver, Colorado on a teaching exchange.

I have been made to feel very welcome by the school community and look forward to working and living on Kangaroo Island, enjoying a true sea change.

*Abby Harris*

## Money and Math



The 4/5 Wallaby class and Year 1 Frog class have been learning about money in Maths. We decided to join forces with the Wallabies hosting a 'Food Court' with different menus and items of various prices. The Frogs came up the ramp and visited the bank before being let loose to buy food and drinks, determining the correct coins to use to buy the products.

## Earth and Enviroment students at Kelly Hill Caves

The Year 11/12 Earth and Environmental students went on an excursion to Kelly Hill Caves to study the Geology and to visit the small silt chamber to see fauna fossils and bones. A big thank you for Steve and Linda (DEW) for their guided tours, Katrina and Poppy for volunteering their time and Anna for filling in when I couldn't make it.

*Bec Vogt*





Welcome back!

I hope you've all had a wonderful holiday break with a decent chance to relax, recharge and do some of the things you enjoy.

We have had a strong start to Term 3, getting straight into classes. It has been wonderful to get the term underway as smoothly as possible. I would like to thank our staff for the significant time, energy and planning they have already put into planning and preparing for this term. Thanks also to you, our parents and students, for your commitment to starting Term 3 in a positive manner.

Last week, we had the privilege of welcoming 28 students and 5 staff, from Uniwise Bilingual School in China, to Parndana Campus. This was a wonderful opportunity for our students to connect with Chinese peers whose ages ranged all the way from Year 3 to Year 10.

The Uniwise Bilingual School is located just outside of Dongguan, China (Guangdong province). They are a school of approximately 350-400 students, which is considered very small by Chinese standards. Howard Yao, one of the Uniwise leaders mentioned to us that an average public school in China hosts approximately 30,000 students!

Uniwise School arrived at Parndana Campus on Tuesday morning and began their time with us by getting to know our school, staff and students. They were able to experience a full school tour, followed by a visit to Kangaroo Island Wildlife



Park to get to know our native fauna.

On Wednesday, Uniwise students and staff experienced wonderful English workshops run by Janet Pillar, Nicky Wells and Louise Latz. Our Chinese visitors also had the opportunity to join in and share classes with their peers. The students appreciated the chance to understand how a school and classes operate in rural South Australia. We were also privileged to share a special Parndana Campus assembly with Uniwise school. Our students presented our visitors with a little Koala each and we were able to gift them with a book of photos of Kangaroo Island to remind them of their time with us. The Uniwise students shared some cultural dances, we were amazed at their

wonderful dancing ability. It was a lovely experience for all involved.

On Thursday, we had the opportunity to take Uniwise school, along with a cohort of KICE – Parndana Campus students, to Flinders Chase National Park. This was a special opportunity for the group of Parndana students to share some of our more significant island landmarks with our visitors. We took them to Remarkable Rocks and to visit the seals at Admiral's Arch. This was a great time of sharing and friendship where students from KICE and Uniwise were able to appreciate some of the amazing beauty of Kangaroo Island.

Friday was the final day for Uniwise study tour. Students and staff began the day in classes, then joining in with our weekly fitness Friday. Our Chinese visitors participated in an Agriculture workshop facilitated by Barb Cooper and the year 9/10 students, as well as baking ANZAC biscuits with Dave Christensen and the year 7 class. We farewelled our Chinese guests at lunchtime as they were off to catch a 4:30pm ferry.

All in all, it was a wonderful experience. Uniwise Bilingual School were an absolute privilege to host. Their visit provided an opportunity, which not only supported, but strengthened our Mandarin program. In a short space of time, strong friendships were made amongst our staff and students and horizons were broadened.

Thank you for your ongoing support of education at Parndana Campus. Term 3 is certainly shaping up to be a wonderful term. It's already started with a range of new and engaging educational opportunities.





Welcome to Term 3! This term we have begun back really smoothly, and on the very first day back staff and students were working together to develop learning opportunities that

are relevant and supportive.

We have Science Week and Book Week this term – look out on the SeeSaw communication for information about events to help celebrate these events.

Let's talk about the A word... attendance.

Recently I was reading a short research paper on the importance of attendance... it's a no brainer really – attendance affects student learning outcomes. But at the same time it is complex, with many reasons for absenteeism. Overall, the report indicates that attendance is at a good level in Australian schools.

Year 1 to 10 students attend an average of 92 per cent of available school days, which is comparable to other countries with high performing education systems.

The take away points for me were:

- Positive attendance habits are vital for your child's schooling. This includes attending early childhood education programs and early schooling. In an Australian study, researchers demonstrated that children who had attended a pre-school program at ages 4 or 5 achieved up to 20 points higher across NAPLAN domains in Year 3, compared with students who did not attend preschool. This equates to approximately 20 weeks of schooling by the Year 3 level that students who did not attend pre-school missed out on.
- Attendance needs to be a team approach between school and family. While there are many complex issues at play when it comes to school attendance, we shouldn't shy away from the challenges. Clearly it is crucially important to involve families and

communities in purposeful ways to provide students with every opportunity to reach their potential.

At KICE we encourage attendance by developing relationships with students and families, by providing appropriate opportunities that will engage and stretch learning, by working hard to ensure a safe learning environment exists. At Penneshaw we celebrate attendance at fortnightly assemblies where the class percentages for attendance are celebrated. I'm keen to hear how families work at attendance. How do you encourage your child to attend school every day? What do you struggle with? What are your successes? Drop me an email at [Leanne.woods@kice.sa.edu.au](mailto:Leanne.woods@kice.sa.edu.au) with your thoughts.

Have a super term, don't forget assemblies are held each fortnight – in odd weeks at 9am. This term the 234 class are hosting them, we'd love to see you there.

## Museum full of Artefacts

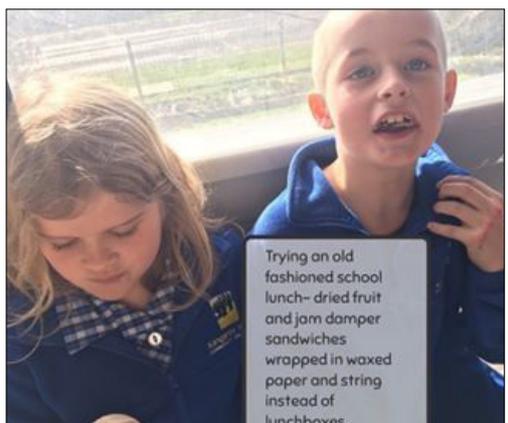
For History, the 5/6/7 class made a museum full of artefacts. The Year 7s made newspaper articles about King Tut's Tomb, pyramids, tombs, papyrus paper, mummies and Egyptian gods for their topic of Ancient Egypt. The Year 6 topic was Australian Immigration. They made flags, calligraphy and food

for the museum to show the things that have been brought to Australia by people from around the world. The Year 5s made ships, animals, maps, sculptures, plants and weapons, showing what they learnt in their Australian Explorers topic.

*By Esther*



## Old-fashioned School Day - Penneshaw



Unbeknownst to the grade 2, 3 and 4 students of Penneshaw, when they returned from Chinese lessons, their classroom and teacher had transformed into a Victorian era school setting and school ma'am with old-fashioned expectations, rules and language. Students were greeted with a terse smile, a high collared shirt, tight bun and large brass bell to welcome them into their new classroom for the day. Grades 2, 3 and 4 will now share what they learnt from the experience.

*I remember they didn't have play equipment, they had games like skipping ropes, marbles. The teachers were really mean and would smack you with a ruler but teachers aren't allowed to do that today. - Eva*

*They used to draw with slate boards and chalk. Pencils, textas and pens weren't invented yet. We used ink to write the alphabet on paper. We had to eat dried fruit and a damper with jam in it. It was wrapped in paper and string because back then they didn't have alfoil and lunchboxes. It was a good surprise and the whole class was set up. The boys and girls lined up separately and come in different entries. We all had to make manners by bowing or curtseying to our teacher. We had to have our hands clean. My hands weren't clean, so I got twenty lashes from the principal, Ms. Woods for uncleanliness. She only pretended to though. - James*

*We had to drink from the water well because back then they didn't have plastic drink bottles or water foundations. There was a pretend fire to help us keep warm*

*because in the olden days they didn't have air conditioners. We had to use candles for the day because in the past they didn't have electricity and lightbulbs. Children were not allowed to talk unless they were asked. Miss Brie kept saying 'Children are to be seen and not heard.' - Cedar*

*Ms. Brie was an old-fashioned teacher and when we came in, the whiteboard and smartboard had disappeared. There was a chalkboard up with lots of black and white pictures and old-looking posters. Some people were very naughty. They did things like calling out even though children were to be seen and not heard. I think it should be the other way where teachers should be seen and not heard. - Taylah*

*I was put into the corner with the dunce hat because my cursive As were very messy and I only did three in one line. I had to sit in the corner, and I wasn't allowed to talk and I had to stare at the wall. It was meant to be a punishment/consequence but it was funny. You had to have clean hands and the teacher would inspect your hands. You weren't allowed nail polish or dirty finger nails. You also had to stand up when an adult entered the room. Ms. Woods came in and inspected Miss Brie and the room. She said Miss Brie's shoes weren't polished enough but that she has passed the inspection. - Georgie*

*We got to play old-fashioned games like Chinese Checkers, glass marbles because back then they didn't have plastic, hopscotch and with hula hoops. We also got to play with timber train sets that were made of wood and carved. - Kirby*

## Sleepover spreads awareness of the homeless



On Thursday 4th of July, the Penneshaw Student Leadership Team organised and hosted a sleepover to show and spread awareness of the homeless in Australia.

The Early Years students slept inside whilst the Middle Years students slept outside in swags to show their acknowledgment and respect to those who are homeless and living out in the streets.

During the night we discussed the homeless in Australia and had a slide presentation showing us the large number of children that

are affected by homelessness. We then ate a delicious dinner donated by many parents, did some dancing, played some games, watched a movie and then slept.

The next morning, the whole school did yoga followed by NAIDOC week activities. It was a great way to end the term.

We raised over \$200 to send to Mission Australia to help support those in need. We thank all those who helped make food and brought snacks and other things to support our sleepover. The donations of food from



our parents were very much appreciated and tasted great. Thank you!

Thank you also, to all the teachers who spent the night looking after the students and making dinner, breakfast and lunch.

All the students enjoyed the sleepover and would love to continue doing sleepovers to support the homeless every year.

Zahlia Year 9

Student Leadership Team



**Assemblies**

**Week 4**

12 August Kingscote MY Assembly 2.30pm  
14 August Parndana Assembly 2.30pm

**Week 5**

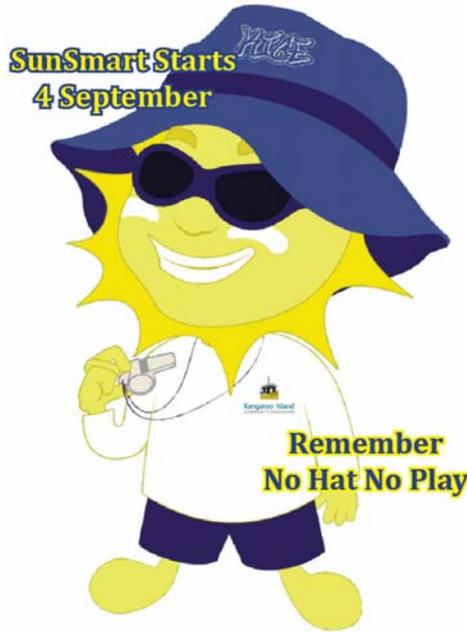
21 August Kingscote EY Assembly 2.30pm  
22 August Penneshaw Assembly 9am

**Week 6**

26 August Kingscote MY Assembly 2.30pm  
28 August Parndana Assembly 2.30pm

**Week 7**

4 August Kingscote EY Assembly 2.30pm  
5 August Penneshaw Assembly 9am



**School Closure Day  
2 September**

**Pupil Free Day  
3rd September**

**Whats on .....**

**Week 4**

13 August KICE Governing Council 6.30pm @ Parndana  
12- 16 August Science Week KICE  
12- 16 August Bookweek Parndana  
14 August Bookweek Parade  
12-16 Parent Week Parndana

**Week 5**

19 August AFL Clinic Penneshaw  
19 - 23 August Bookweek Kingscote & Penneshaw  
21 August Bookweek Parade Kingscote 11am  
21 August WALA performance Middle Years  
22 August Spirit of Ghana Performance Penneshaw

**Week 6**

28-30 August Outdoor Ed Camp  
28-29 August MY Aquatics  
28-29 August 9/10 Theatre Trip Parndana  
29- 30 August Film Festival & Sixteen Legs Documentary  
Special Guest Dr Richard Harris

**Week 7**

2 September School Closure Day - Royal Adelaide Show  
3 September Pupil Free Day  
2 September Sun Smart Begins  
8 September Tournament of the Minds



**Position Vacant**

**Expressions of Interest**

**Full day RAN – EC training**

**Kingscote 9am – 3 pm**

**Date to be advised**

**Cost \$100**

**Please call Kingscote Campus on 8553 2074**

**SSO Vacancies**

We are looking for people to fill some short term SSO vacancies for staff on leave and undertaking special projects. The positions are to support students at risk and for Junior Primary class excursions.

**Requirements**

- An online application on the Department for Education's Employable Ancillary Register
- Working with Children Clearance
- Responding to Abuse and Neglect Training (We can help with this)

If you are interested please contact Jenni Harris on Jennifer.Harris112@schools.sa.edu.au or 85532074

**Kingscote Canteen Orders**



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

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# Reading with Rosie

An exciting couple of weeks for the library. New bright curved book shelves have lifted the space. Also a display for Book Week: "Reading is my Secret Power!" Including shortlisted books and a huge wall graphic poster

which Dennis and Gary installed for me. Thank you. I am looking forward to students dressing up for the Parade on Thursday 21st August at recess time. Please feel free to come and visit our library.



# Multi-Sport at Yankalilla



KICE, Yankalilla Area School and Mt Compass Area School competed in their annual multi-sport day at Yankalilla last Tuesday. The event gives the schools a great opportunity to play, umpire and organise various sports against students from other schools, whilst forging new friendships. The Sports for 2019 were wheelchair basketball, sofcrosse and 5-a-side soccer.



# Comic design

Last term, during English, Mr Tilling's Year 6 class have been working Comics. To begin with we had to draw our own characters for our stories. Once we had completed all our characters we then planned our stories in our books. Once we finished colouring our characters in we then had to go shrink them so they would fit on our comic templates. We then designed our title pages using all the characters which were in our stories and gave the story a title and a blurb which told the reader what was going to happen. We had to create a 6 page comic using 24 boxes in total. Below are some of the stories we created.

