### NEWSLETTER



### COOPERATE - RESPECT ACHIEVE – COURAGE



#### **DIARY DATES** Term 2 - 3

- 20th June Whole School Assembly
- 21st June 9-10 Drama Performance 6.30pm
- 24th 26th june Sapsasa Netball State Carnival
- 28th June Kindy Full Day Visit
- 1st July 5th July Year 10-**11 Work Experience**
- 2nd July Mixed Netball Keith •
- 5th July Early Dismissal • 2.15pm
- 26th July RMD 9-10 Netball
- 30th July Careers Expo Bordertown
- 8th August Sapsasa Basketball Carnival
- 12th 14th August Year 10 Careers Camp
- 26th August Pupil Free Day
- 6th September School Closure

#### FEEDBACK

At Keith Area School, we value the input that we receive from parents and community members. If you would like to provide the school with some feedback, there are many ways that you can get in touch with us. In person, speaking to a teacher, leader or another staff member. You can also provide us feedback in writing via a letter or email to dl.0757.admin@schools.sa.edu.au



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### FROM THE PRINCIPAL – MRS JACQUI VANDELE<mark>U</mark>

There has most definitely been a chill in the air over the past few weeks and I have noticed on my drive to and from work each morning the temperature dropping each day. I thank families for keeping children away when sick as this prevents illness from spreading further. Sadly, we still have many students, staff and families absent with illnesses, so please look after yourself. A day at home resting is much more beneficial in the long run. Please continue to let Sara at the front office know and/or your child's class/home group teacher of any absences.

Most of you would have observed a large wooden 'pit' being erected in our front lawned area. Thank you to Pete McAuley, Peter White and Nick Norman for erecting our Gaga Pit. This was officially opened on Wednesday last week and has been the place to be at lunch and recess times. Gaga Pit is a fast-moving ball game – similar to dodge ball, but in a confined space. It has been great seeing the interactions between the students. From the Year 12 girls playing with the Year 3's – this is what an Area School is all about.

Our Junior Primary students had the great unveiling of their new speed boat in the JP play area on Wednesday of last week. After much anticipation, surveys and guesses the boat has been a yard favourite. Some of you may recall our little blue boat that we had in the middle/upper primary area all those years ago - however, sadly due to safety reasons this had to go. I would like to make a very special mention to our 2 Peter's (White and McAuley) for lovingly restoring the boat and for making the trek to Murray Bridge to collect it. I am sure it will provide many hours of entertainment, imaginative play and fun for our earliest learners.

You may have also seen on the corner of Naracoorte Rd and Tolmer Terrace our new electronic sign. After listening to our community members who relied upon our old boards for updates, this was a much-needed addition. Please keep an eye out for regular updates of things happening at our site via the sign.

On Tuesday of this week, major works in the secondary area commenced. Over the coming months our secondary play area will come to fruition and I am so excited about this project. It was abundantly clear that our secondary students needed a space to call their 'own' so I listened to the masses and with Governing Council and staff support this project is underway. Please keep an eye out for updates over the coming months!

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#### FROM THE PRINCIPAL - MRS JACQUI VANDELEUR CONTINUED

Last Tuesday all staff participated in learning – either on site for our Admin staff or off site at the Murray Bridge Racecourse for curriculum SSO's and teaching staff. The day was a whole portfolio day where staff were engaged in collegial talks with one another and from other sites. Mark Le Messurier (educator, counsellor, parent and teacher coach) ran an in-depth session about Neurodivergent children, stresses in our young people, anxiety and autism. This was a well-received session and provided all staff with many take aways to bring back to the class. These days are an important part of staff development and growth and I hope to see some of the advice and information being used across our classrooms over the coming weeks, months and years.

Our next whole school assembly is taking place on Thursday at 2:20pm in the hall. I look forward to seeing as many of you there as possible.

Keep warm, healthy and smile because you can.

Jacqui Vandeleur



### Secondary Assistant Principal News Ms Chantelle Lucas



### **UNI CAREERS DAY**

In Week 5 staff members from Flinders University, University of Adelaide and UniSA visited our school to present to our students and parents.

They ran sessions with the Year 10, 11 and 12 students on study skills, and the different courses and facilities available at all three universities.

Thank you to the universities for visitng us, and to the students and parents for taking part in the Careers presentations.



## YOUTH X OPPORTUNITIES



Our very own Chelsea Stone has been awarded a Youth Opportunities scholarship of \$1500. This money is for Chelsea to put towards driving lessons to support. Chelsea wrote a very strong application for the scholarship and staff were also asked to write a reference of support. Scholarship nominations are received from Youth Opportunities graduates from all over the state, and the winners are chosen based on the quality of student applications against the criteria, and the staff referee statements.

Chelsea has taken a leadership role in the class since the Personal Leadership Program in 2023 which has been fantastic to see. This year Chelsea has been a standout during the follow up Prosper Sessions that Youth Opportunities has delivered to the Year 11s. Chelsea has also volunteered to work with other Youth Opportunities student leaders across the state to develop her skills and share her own ideas with others.

Congratulations Chelsea!

We look forward to Youth Opportunities delivering the Personal Leadership Program again in Term 4 to our current Year 10 students.

## Primary Assistant Principal News



This term we are working with the Keith Kindergarten to organise a smooth transition process for our new foundation students who will be starting school in Term 3. We have organised two visits to school and a full day transition day on the 28th of June. We enjoy working closely with the kindergarten staff to ensure that students and parents are feeling comfortable and excited about beginning their school journey. We will hold a parent information night on the 19th of June, starting at 5pm. We look forward to welcoming our new parents and carers to our school community. We will also repeat this process in Term 4 for students who will be starting school in 2025.



















### MRS HARKNESS' TEACHING EXCHANGE TO

During Week 4 and 5, I travelled to Alberta, Canada for a teaching exchange program. I was matched with Mrs Konrad, a teacher at Bawlf School, in a small, rural community of similar size to Keith.

Bauff School, Alberta, Canada

I had an absolutely wonderful experience, where I was able to learn new teaching strategies, share resources and develop international relationships between staff and students at both of our schools.

I am really grateful and excited to be sharing my experience with the students and staff at KAS! In July, Mrs Konrad will join us at KAS for her exchange.

Please enjoy some photos from my trip!



### OUTDOOR ED BUSH WALK CAMP

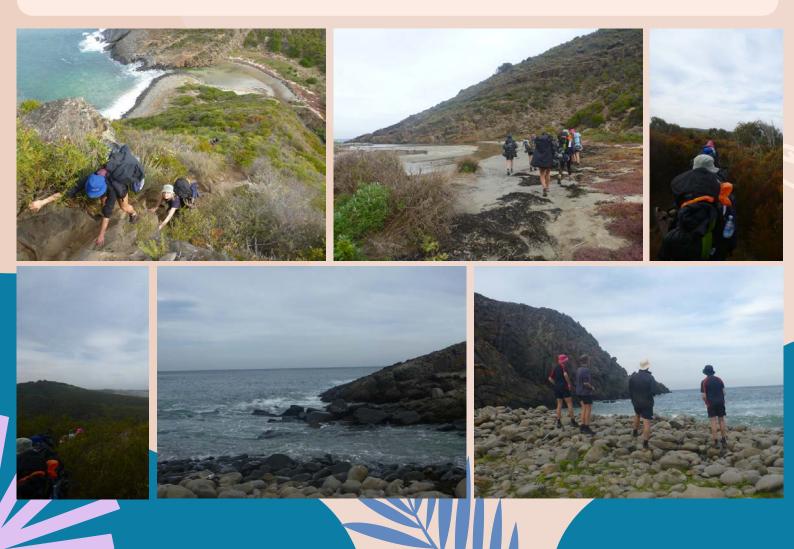
In Week 5 this term the Year 11 Outdoor Education class headed off for their second camp of the year. This time it was a bushwalk at Deep Creek National Park. With some gnarly weather forecast, there was some last minute adjustments to the plans to ensure we made the best of the conditions and weren't too far from help if needed. The first day was beautiful and the offshore breeze made for some excellent views across the cliffs. We were lucky enough to see seals and dolphins playing in the ocean while making the challenging ascent up to Tapanappa Lookout.

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Day 2 we woke to the sound of rain as expected and it was a wet and cold start to the day. Fortunately it did not last long and by the time we reached Deep Creek Waterfall the clouds had cleared and did not return for the remainder of the day. This allowed us to make good time into camp where the bus was waiting for us. With the extra time we were able to do a day trip down to Talisker Mine, a site for silver and lead in the late 1800s.

Overall the camp presented many challenges for the students to overcome, but their positive attitudes and willingness to help one another was truly outstanding.

Mr Lamont



# SCHOOL NEWS

#### **CROSS COUNTRY**

It has been another big term for sports at Keith and with this has come some great success. Well done to all who have competed in the following:

- Cross Country (Naracoorte and Oakbank)
- 7-9 9 a side footy
- 7/8 knockout basketball
- 9/10 RMD football

Well done to our 9/10 boys who were undefeated in the RMD team and will be moving onto the next round. A very successful day at the 9 a side footy with a large number of our 7-9 boys and girls being selected to represent the RMD in the next round. Congratulations to those students who competed at the SA Cross Country State Championship. A special mention to Scarlett, who placed fourth, an outstanding achievement. Well done to Scarlett, Jack, Jack and Isabel who were invited to attend a second trial for a chance to be selected in the state team. We wish all our students who are continuing to the next round of their sport all the best and know you will make our school proud.



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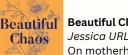
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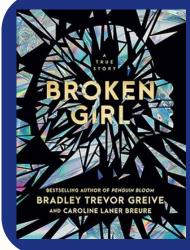
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The Lucky Ones Melinda HAM Stories of Australian **Refugee Journeys** 



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### FEATURED TITLE: Broken Girl

Bradlev TREVOR GREIVE & Caroline LANER BREURE A True Story

#### Sometimes the whole truth is the death of everything.

Caroline Laner Breure was on holiday in Spain with her boyfriend when her skull was crushed. A year later, following starless months in a coma and painful rehabilitation, Caroline returned to her beachside apartment in Sydney, only to find that her home was not her home, her lover was not her lover and her friends were not her friends. Everyone and everything she'd loved had vanished. Physically broken and no longer able to trust her own mind, she painstakingly searched for clues to explain the cruel disparity between her past and present.

This is the true story of how Caroline solved her own mystery and reclaimed her life. A jagged and luminous survivor's account and a defiant celebration of imperfection, Broken Girl is a powerful and poetic work of staggering loss and betrayal, fierce beauty, dark humour, love and rage.



THANK YOU TO ALL STUDENTS WHO HAVE SUBMITTED FABULOUS BOOK **REVIEWS SO FAR THIS YEAR - KEEP THEM COMING IN!** WE WOULD LOVE TO SEE SOME REVIEWS FROM ANY BRAVE ADULTS IN OUR COMMUNITY AS WELL SO IF YOU'VE READ ANYTHING GREAT LATELY THEN DON'T BE SHY WE WOULD LOVE TO SHARE YOUR THOUGHTS!

Congratulations to **Jed Kammerman** on being chosen as our book reviewer for this newsletter please come and see us in the Library to collect your prize! For more review forms or to submit your review please pop in and see our friendly Keith Library Staff.

### **Book Review**

Name: Jed Kammerman Title: Keeper of the Lost Cities: Stellarlune Author: Shannon Messenger







Personally I love this book because of the game changers that really perk things up and make things tense and interesting. When I read this book it turns into a world and you feel what that character is feeling!



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at Tatiara Civic Centre Woolshed Street, Bordertown

morning tea from 11.30am

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# Community **News**

Inter Church Council Presents

### Chaplaincy Fundraiser FAMILY FUN NIGHT

SILENT AUCTION PRIZES QUIZ NIGHT

FRIDAY 2ND AUGUST doors open from 6:30, for 7pm Start Bordertown Institute Hall \$10 ADULTS – STUDENTS FREE NO NEED TO RSVP

Proudly supported by Tatiara District Council



We are looking for some help from the Keith Community.

Here at Busbiz we are the provider of school bus services for students attending Keith Area School.

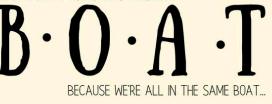
Due to some recent retirements in our driver community we are on the search for 1-2 drivers to join our team in Keith.

The bus driving role is 10-20 hrs per week, and works around school hours and school terms.

Our drivers come from all age groups, with both men and women proving successful in the role.

So it's a flexible job role, with the potential to earn up to around \$650 per week (based on a 20hr weekly roster).

For further information contact: Peter Bowman (Busbiz State Manager) M: 0438 821 220 E: peter.bowman@busbiz.net.au THE 9/10 DRAMA STUDENTS PRESENT ..



Join us for the production of the year!

21st of June Doors open at 6 - performance at 6:30 Keith Area School Hall recommended 13+ (sensitive content)



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