Koolunga Primary School

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Term 4: Week 2 23rd October 2026

Attendance:

If students are absent from school …please text or ring the school with an explanation. The school mobile number is
0460 646 972
This action supports our Attendance Policy, thankyou.

KPS Reminders:

Mondays: School library
Heat-up lunch

Wednesdays: Heat-up lunch

Fridays: Playgroup
Mobile Library
(Term 4 - odd wks)

Upcoming Events

OCT
26th – 30th
Week 3
✓ **Governing Council @7PM**
✓ **Baked Potatoes**

NOV
2nd – 6th
Week 4
✓ **Sausage Rolls**

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to Term 4. I hope everyone had a lovely break and enjoyed some family time in preparation for the end of year celebrations.

We have started the term with the return of Deb Heinjus and Lisa Meek, much to the children's delight. It is wonderful to see their faces light up when they see these familiar faces.

We have already been very busy this term. Some students travelled to Clare for SAPSASA Tennis, our Year 6 students attended a high school tour, and all students also visited Snowtown Primary School to enjoy a science show and spend time playing with the SPS learners.

Thank you to everyone who has transferred money for the LBK lunch orders. We hope this has been a convenient option for families.

The date has now been set for the end of year concert. Please save Tuesday, Week 7 – 24 November 2026 in your diaries and let your family and friends know. We look forward to a fun evening showcasing the students' dancing skills and farewelling our amazing Year 6 students.

Mary Carroll

Government of South Australia
Department for Education

Respect – Responsibility – Honesty – Teamwork - Care

Online Safety is in Your Hands

The R to 2 students learnt ways to protect themselves online and created Avatars on Canva to use when online. Check out their amazing safety tips.



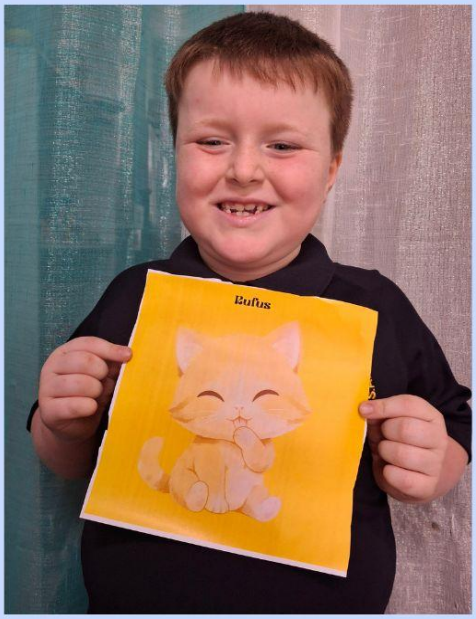
Tyler - Don't use your real name when you are logging into a game online.



Isiah - Don't use a photo of your real face.



Fletcher - Don't tell others your real password.



Landon - Don't talk to other people in games online, only if you are **sure** you know who they are.





Online Safety is in Your Hands



Jono - If someone online tries to talk to you that you don't know tell an adult straight away.





Joe - Ignore people who want to chat to you if you don't know them.

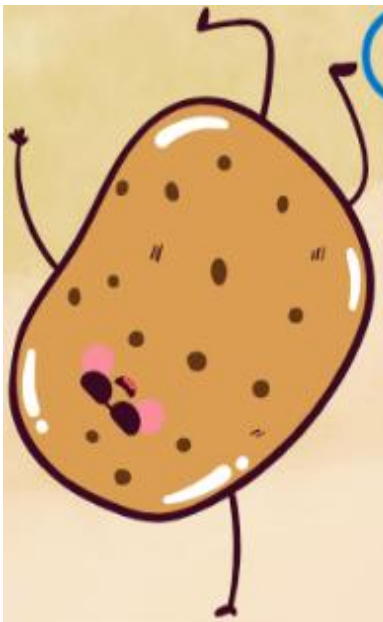


Flo - Don't tell people online where you live.





Blaike - Ask an adult if you see something bad.



Potato Olympics

In our whole school maths lesson we have been using potatoes to participate in some Olympic style events.





Diving

Dance





Distance



Gymnastics

Next week we will see which potato is the winner.



Questacon Science Show

I learnt that.....

There are different kinds of energy – Fletcher

You can transfer energy from object to object, using potential and kinetic energy – Hanna

There are forces that push and pull, and you can use a push force to keep blocks together – Elsie

Tension is when you pull something tight, and compression is when you push something together – Wesley

A triangle is a stronger shape than a square – Landon

A bouncing basketball will create vibration and sound energy – Tyler

They made a chicken toy fly with a slingshot – Flo.

When something is falling, the air is pushing it up – Jono

When a basketball and tennis ball bounce together, the basketball transfers its energy into the tennis ball to make it go higher – Joe

When paper is scrunched, it is more dense and drops faster to the ground – Ella











Sapsasa Tennis Hub Day

On the 13 of October, I had sapsasa tennis Hub Day at Clare. There were four team, Clare 1, Clare 2, Burra and Balaklava.

Once I got to the Clare tennis courts, Belinda talked us through the day and she told us our teams. I was in Clare 1

Then are first matches came around, I played my doubles with Hugo Zweck, we were playing Burra, Hugo and I won 6-1 and then we waited for our singles match to start. Once my singles started, I was out playing for about 20 Minutes, I won 6-0.

And then after my whole team played their doubles and singles, we made our way to the tennis courts that we would be playing on next. We had to play Clare 2, Hugo and I had to play Jimmy and Henry, that was a tough game and we ended up losing 6-1. And then I went out to play my singles, I had to play Jimmy, we were out on court for a while, it was a tough and close game, I lost 6-5 in a tie braker, the tie braker score was 7-4.

And then we had Lunch, I sat and had lunch with Hugo, Jimmy and James. And then are last round of matches came around, we had to play Balaklava, Hugo and I started are doubles of not good we were 4-1 down and then we started to pay well and we won 6-4. And then my singles started, I played well and I won 6-1. Then I watched the rest of my team play.

Once every Team finished the last round of matches, Belinda spoke to everyone at once and she announced the team that won the day, it came down to Clare 1 and Clare 2 and the winning team was my team Clare 1, and then Belinda Announced that the people that made the Squad will get and email tomorrow night and then who ever made the squad has to trial on the 19th of October.

In the end I only lost two sets. Thanks to everyone that made the day possible.

I ended up getting an email that said that I have made the squad and that I have to trial Monday night if I want to make the team.

On Monday I got to the Clare tennis courts and had to play Henry first I ended up winning 4-0 and then I had a bye on the next round, and then I had to play my friend Jimmy, once Jimmy and I got out on court it started to drizzle with rain, we ended up getting through the game fine and I won 4-1.

And then Jimmy and I had another bye so we started taking down tennis nets together from some other courts. And once everyone finished there matches Belinda told us that we would get another email tomorrow night to tell us if we were in the team.

I ended up getting an email to tell me that I was in the sapsasa tennis team.

Thanks to Belinda for running the Hub Day and trial days.

By Harrison



SAPSASA tennis hub day

13th October Tuesday hub day Harrison, James, Charlie and I were having a hit in till we had to go in.

I played with Jesse my first doubles and singles won both doubles and singles. After my first games I had a little rest then I went back on. Second doubles and singles I won singles and lost doubles my last game I won singles lost doubles. Over all I only lost two doubles.

Wesley

SAPSASA Tennis Hub Day and Trial

Thwang! Went the ball as it raced down the other end of the court.

It was the 13th of October, which was the day of SAPSASA tennis hub in Clare. Hugo and I were having a warm up hit on the far end court.

We were called in not long after, but we wanted to finish the rally, but everyone was calling us to come in. After Belinda had a chat with us, I found out that my doubles partner was Leni and Harrison was also in the same team which was Clare 1. I've met Leni before but now I know her better from being her doubles partner during the day.

It was time to start and we were on the far end court, Leni and I were starting to get warmed up with the other team and we started. We both made a few mistakes at the start but in the end, we had won 6-2.

Next was my singles I was ready and then they called me to go on court. There were lots of Short shallow hits but my goal was to hit it to her backhand and hit it deep in the court. In the end I had won 6-0.

These rotations continued for round 2 and 3 aka doubles then singles. In round 2 Leni and I won our doubles but I don't remember the score and I won my singles 6-0.

Round 3 was the last game of the day and in doubles Leni and I did really well, we won 6-3. In singles I won 6-0.

The day ended with presentations and Clare 1, the team that Leni, Harrison and I were in had won the day by a few sets.

I had seen a few of my friends and met a few during the day.

Thanks to Belinda for running the day, Kylie for team managing Clare 1, Leni for being my doubles partner and most of all mum for taking me to Clare.

On the 19th of October, I got picked up from school early to go to the trial in Clare. This time the courts were wet, but all of the parents volunteered that were there, to help squeegee off the courts.

We had a bit of a warm up hit before we got started and Belinda then called us in to get started. For the first round I had a bye so I was standing around waiting but it was super boring, so I watched some of the boys and girls matches. Then I got called up and I was playing Annie. Unfortunately, we had to play on the court which had lots of lines and the basketball rings were out. Every time we served, we would skim the net.

The game ended and I had won 4-0.

Next, I played Imogen on the far end court we had a very quick warm up then we started. The game ended and I had won 4-0.

Next Belinda called for us to go into the clubroom where she told us we would get an email to advise if we made the team or not. The next day she sent the message. It had said that I made it, that means that I'm going to Adelaide with the rest of the team representing Mid North in tennis!

Thanks to Belinda for also running trials and mum for driving me everywhere 😊.

Thanks

Hanna Burford

Year 6





JP Woodwork

Over the next few weeks we will be painting our projects. We have smocks available but if you wanted to send in an old shirt for your child to wear that would be great. We'll send them home again once the project is finished.

Cheers

SJ & Daisy

KOOLUNGA PRIMARY -2026-

Yes, it is yearbook year!

The upper class and teachers have been working hard to write and produce another great publication.

We have some yearbook examples available for you to look at from previous years if you are curious.

The yearbook can be purchased for a bargain **$20** and order forms will be attached to the next newsletter!

CLARE SWIM CLUB

COME AND TRY NIGHTS

'fitness, friendship & competitive swimming'

4:00-4:45 PM
COME & TRY FOR NEW MEMBERS

IF YOU'RE 10+, COME AND TRY AT 4:30PM

Every Monday in November

clareswimclub@gmail.com

CLARE SWIM CLUB

SEASON OPENS - MONDAY 2ND NOV
WELCOME NIGHT- 2ND NOVEMBER

Come and Try swim session

4:00-4:45 pm Bronze training

5pm Welcome and Season Info session for ALL swimmers + sausage sizzle

4:30 - 5:30pm -Silver Training
5:15 - 6:45 - Gold Training

Please join us for the first training of the 2026/27 season on Monday, 2nd November

Club committee members available to assist with membership and rego enquiries or contact Annabelle on 0402 345 524 or Jess 0421 557 601

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Does your child have PERFECTIONISM?

DOES YOUR 7 - 12 YEAR OLD.....

- Get upset if they don't achieve highly at school or hobbies?
- Often set themselves goals that seem hard to achieve?
- Put things off even if they feel bad about it later?
- Spend a lot of time thinking about their mistakes?



This study could be for you!



What does the study involve?

- Complete online questionnaires on three occasions
- Participate in one of two interventions to help your child (fortnightly tasks for 10 weeks)
- Intervention 1: information for parents, activities for your child, online guidance sessions
- Intervention 2: information for you to read about perfectionism



Benefits observed in our pilot study

Children who completed the program had more school satisfaction and self-efficacy, and less stress, depression and body image concerns

Scan the QR code or visit this link to find out more!
https://bit.ly/ChildPerfectionism

Flinders University | Institute for Mental Health & Wellbeing

This study has been approved by Flinders University Human Research Ethics Committee (project 9415)

KIDTOBER

FREE MOVIE NIGHT!



WED 28TH OCTOBER

NORTHERN FESTIVAL CENTRE, PT PIRIE

4-6PM - MONSTERS INC

7-9PM - FREAKY FRIDAY



FREE TICKET

POPCORN & DRINK

*For Either Movie, Children Under 16 Must Be Supervised

TICKETS AVAILABLE @ THE ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH CENTRE 117 GERTRUDE STREET

*OR @ THE BOX OFFICE FROM 3PM ON THE DA

Koolunga Primary Playgroup Fridays 9- 1130

Term 4 2026

16.10 POTIONS

Children will be creating potions. Which ones will fizz?

Wk 5 - 13.11 Swap Meet

Last term was a great success! World Kindness Day!

Any clean & functional childrens clothing/toys no longer needed bring in for a swap & take what you want. Anything left over will be taken to Crystal Brook opshop/ CCYU Clare.

27.10 BUBBLE PARTY

Celebrating the weather with a bubble party! water play weather permiting

23.10 Gardening In The Shade

Children will be exploring the garden areas around us and planting some seeds to watch grow at home & at playgroup

04.12 Day Of Shapes

Enjoy the exploration of the various shapes in the world around us!

20.11 Dinosaur Day

Learning about these prehistoric creatures & their fossils!

30.10 Spooky Party Dress Ups

Children are welcome to enjoy a spooky party and dress up! We will be making hats for Melbourne Cup

Gold Coin Donation

bring a packed snack for the young ones & coffee or tea on us

20.11 ANEMOLOGY (Wind Science)

Today we will be Creating wind chimes, wind science and learning about the wind turbines!

06.11 RAINBOWS SCIENCE

Making Rainbows and watching how the light bends in the water to create Rainbows! water play pending weather

The School Break Dates TBA
Family Fun Days
10am to 2pm

Activities, crafts, games & hangs for any child accompanied by an adult. Gold coin donation

Sausage sizzle & fruit platter

Koolunga PS Term 4 2026

Weeks	Dates	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	12th October	First Day of Term 4	Tennis + Cricket Hub Day	Free Sausage Sizzle		Mobile Library
2	19th October			Burgers		
3	26th October	Governing Council @ 7PM		Baked Potatoes		Mobile Library
4	2nd November			Sausage Rolls		
5	9th November			Spaghetti Bolognaise		Mobile Library Book sharing 3PM
6	16th November			Taco Bowls		
7	23rd November		Koolunga Concert	Hot Dogs		Mobile Library
8	30th November	Governing Council @7PM		Nachos		
9	7th December			Free Toasties		2.20 Early Dismissal – Last Day of the School year!