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Kadina Memorial School Newsletter

From the Principal

Alistair Williams

It has been another busy and successful few weeks at Kadina Memorial School. Our Year 5 markets were a wonderful success, giving students the opportunity to put their creativity, teamwork and enterprise skills into practice. Thank you to our staff, families and school community for supporting the event.

Our Kadina Memorial Ag Show Team proudly represented the school at the Royal Adelaide Show, showcasing their skills, hard work and dedication. A special congratulations goes to Riley Ayles, who placed first in the junior class of the 2026 SA Merino Sheep Young Judges competition, an outstanding achievement! Thank you to all students, staff and families whose time and support made our participation possible.

A huge congratulations also goes to Sandy Hahn and Andre Starr and the drama team for bringing Grease to the stage. We are incredibly proud of every student involved, from those performing on stage to those contributing their talents to set design, sound and lighting. A production like this takes teamwork, commitment and creativity, and everyone involved should be proud of their contribution.

As we finish Term 3, I congratulate our students on their achievements and efforts throughout the term. I wish everyone a safe and enjoyable break.



Term 4 Resumes
Monday 12th October



Hello from Japan!



Our first KMS Japan group has arrived safely and their adventure is officially underway! We hope they have an incredible experience and look forward to hearing all about it when they return.



Congratulations!

Sports Achiever of the Year



Congratulations to Blake Karpanty, who was named Sports Achiever of the Year at the annual SAASTA Awards Ceremony!

This award is presented to just one student across all School Based Academies and recognises outstanding achievement in individual or team sport.

A fantastic and well-deserved achievement for Blake following an outstanding year in football.



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Year 5 Market Day Success



Throughout Term 3, our Year 5 students have been developing their understanding of financial literacy, budgeting and planning as they prepared for Market Day. On 18th September, all their hard work and preparation came to life as they opened their very own market stalls and put their entrepreneurial skills into action!

Working in small groups, students were given a \$20 budget to get their business ideas off the ground. Together, they brainstormed creative products, planned their spending, calculated costs, set prices and prepared their items for sale. Along the way, they discovered that running a successful small business takes much more than a great idea – it requires teamwork, communication, organisation, problem-solving, creativity and decision-making.

Market Day provided students with an exciting opportunity to put their learning into practice in a real-world setting. They enthusiastically promoted their products, interacted with customers, handled money and worked together to manage their stalls. The school was buzzing with busy stalls, creative products, enthusiastic young entrepreneurs and plenty of smiles!

As an added bonus, Market Day also provided an opportunity for our students to contribute towards their Year 6 experience. The money raised by our Year 5 students will go towards subsidising a Year 6 school jumper for next year. It was wonderful to see students working collaboratively towards a shared goal and making a positive contribution to their future Year 6 cohort.

A huge well done to all our Year 5 students for their enthusiasm, creativity, teamwork and for together raising \$2,040.95. You should be very proud of what you achieved!





Farmer Darcy's Travelling Farm



Last week, Farmer Darcy's Travelling Farm visited our Reception students at Wambana. Students enjoyed getting up close with a range of farm animals, with plenty of opportunities for pats, cuddles and hands-on interaction. It was a fun and memorable experience for our youngest students!



Middle School Moments

Canberra Camp

In Term 4, Week 9, 49 Year 9 Students from our school will be undertaking, an education tour of the national capital. Students will be given the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia's history, culture, heritage, and democracy. The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the Canberra as part of their civics and citizenship education. The Australian Government is contributing funding of \$270 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program towards our excursion costs. The rebate is paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion.

Australian School of Languages

Australian School of Languages are offering an opportunity to learn either German or Korean for Year 10 and Year 11 in 2027, for students who are currently in Year 9 or 10. The courses will be run online via Teams. German will run on Monday nights 4.45-7.30pm and Korean will run on Thursday 4.45-7.30pm. There is a cost – for Year 10s \$150 and for Year 11s \$180. These are beginner courses and you must be an absolute beginner. For further information please see the www.schooloflanguages.sa.edu.au website or email tarryn.germein530@schools.sa.edu.au.

Senior School Spotlight

WorldSkills Success

Four of our Year 11 students recently represented our school at the VET in Schools WorldSkills competition, competing against students from across the region.

The competition gives students undertaking VET the opportunity to put their practical skills to the test, completing industry-based tasks and showcasing the knowledge and skills they have developed through their VET studies.

Congratulations to Koby, who won Gold in Automotive, and Angus, who received Silver in Primary Industries.

Well done to Koby, Angus, Josh and Curtis for taking on the challenge and making the most of this valuable opportunity.



Yr 12 Final Exam Timetable 2026

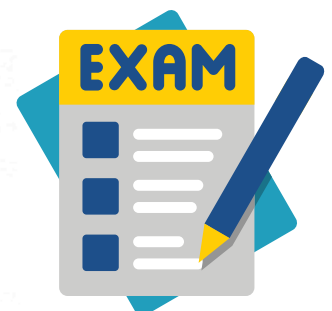
- All **hardcopy exams take** place in the Kadina Football and Netball Club. All **e-exams are held in TRADE Computer Suite**
- Arrive **at least** 15 minutes before the start the exam.
- Students are permitted to bring in writing utensils, approved dictionaries, approved calculators and water.
- The length of exams vary – please be aware of the start **AND** finish times
- The KMS uniform code applies – if students are not in uniform, they will be sent home to change before they can begin their exam.

EXAM WEEK 1: MONDAY 2nd NOVEMBER – FRIDAY 6th NOVEMBER

Week 4	MONDAY – 2/11/2026	TUESDAY – 3/11/2026	WEDNESDAY – 4/11/2026	THURSDAY – 5/11/2026	FRIDAY – 6/11/2026
AM EXAM PERIOD 9am – 11:10am	Math Methods		Chemistry	Physics	Biology
PM EXAM PERIOD 1:30pm – 3:40pm	General Mathematics		Psychology		Essential Maths

EXAM WEEK 2: MONDAY 9TH NOVEMBER – TUESDAY 10TH NOVEMBER

Week 5	MONDAY – 9/11/2026	TUESDAY – 10/11/2026
AM EXAM PERIOD 9am – 11:10am	Modern History	Specialist Maths
PM EXAM PERIOD 1:30pm – 3:40pm		



Kapyong Corner

Cricket Clinic SACA

This term, Kapyong students have been enjoying a cricket program organised by SACA. Students had the opportunity to practise and develop their batting, bowling and fielding skills through a range of fun and engaging activities. It was fantastic to see everyone getting involved, having a go and building their confidence on the cricket field. The sessions were a great opportunity for students to stay active, work as a team and develop their cricket skills.



Connecting with Seodang Elementary School Korea

As part of our ongoing Korean cultural exchange program, Kapyong students received a special cultural box from our partner school in Korea. The box was filled with interesting items for students to explore, including Korean snacks, fans, masks and indoor games. Students enjoyed discovering more about Korean culture and comparing some of the items with things we have here in Australia.



Growing, Learning and Selling

Our students have also been putting their green thumbs to work! As part of our plant-growing project, students have grown and cared for a range of plants before selling them to staff members at school. This has been a fantastic practical learning experience, allowing students to develop skills in plant care, responsibility, money handling, communication and customer service.



A Taste of Europe

As part of our learning in Home Economics, students have been exploring different European cultures through food. We prepared and sampled dishes from across the continent, including Greek gyros, Italian carbonara and garlic bread, and Spanish paella. It has been a fun – and delicious – way to deepen our understanding of European culture, food and traditions, while developing practical cooking skills along the way!





R-12 ARTS



Stars on Stage



Our students recently had the wonderful opportunity to perform in the **Primary Schools Festival of Music: Stars on Stage** at the Adelaide Entertainment Centre, as well as the **East of the Ranges** performance at Port Pirie.

Alongside more than 1,300 Year 5 and 6 students from across South Australia, **40** of our students proudly took to the stage at the Entertainment Centre, showcasing their enthusiasm, confidence and musical talents. We were also delighted to see **Hannah Mitchell** represent our school as a **soloist**, and **Sophie Ayles** in the **orchestra**, demonstrating exceptional dedication and skill.

The Primary Schools Festival of Music is a treasured South Australian tradition that brings students together through artistic excellence, cultural diversity and social inclusion. Experiences like these not only create lasting memories but also help students develop confidence, teamwork and resilience. Singing and music participation have also been shown to support learning by strengthening concentration, memory, listening skills and creativity.

This year's concerts were a truly unforgettable experience. Audiences were thrilled by energetic guest performances, outstanding musicianship from the orchestra and troupe, and a vibrant repertoire spanning a range of musical genres.

A special thank you to our teachers and supporters who went above and beyond to make these opportunities possible, especially Mr G (who is actually on leave), Mrs Winter, Mrs Mitchell, Mrs Terrett and Brett Bowden. Their dedication, encouragement and countless hours of preparation helped our students shine on stage.

We are incredibly proud of all our performers and grateful to be part of such a spectacular celebration of music, learning and public education.

GREASE

is the word!



Kadina Memorial School's production of Grease: School Edition brought three nights of music, dancing and 1950's fun to the KMS Theatre in September. Our students delivered performances full of energy, humour and heart, and it was wonderful to see audiences cheering them on.

The production gave students the chance to shine in many ways. Alongside the cast, students worked on sound, lighting, stage management, props, costumes, makeup and choreography. Every role helped bring the show to life, and the teamwork behind the scenes was just as impressive as what audiences saw on stage.

We are proud of the commitment and creativity students showed throughout rehearsals and performances. A huge thank you to Mr Hahn and Mr Starr for their incredible efforts in bringing the production together. Thank you to the staff, families, volunteers and community members who supported them, and to everyone who came along to celebrate their work.

Congratulations to everyone involved in Grease. You made it a memorable production for our school community!



SAASTA Shield Camp

On Monday 7th September, the Senior SAASTA Academy made the trip down to Adelaide for their annual SAASTA Shield Camp. This camp brings academies from around the state back to the city for two days of sporting competition, where the results over both days for our boys' and girls' teams contribute to the winning school, which receives the SAASTA Shield. These days provide a fantastic opportunity for our students to build on connections made earlier in the year at Power Cup.

On Monday night, our four Year 12 students attended the Year 12 Gala Dinner. This represented a type of graduation dinner for these Year 12 students and allowed them to be celebrated and reflect on their years participating in the program. A big congratulations to Kirene Newchurch, Joey Karpany, Blake Karpany and Aaron Power, who represented our academy at this event, supported by Tshara Rigney. They all looked fantastic, and we as an academy thank them for their leadership, efforts and commitment to the academy over many years.

On Tuesday, we made our way to the North Adelaide Lacrosse Club for a fun-filled day of lacrosse. Our students have been practising these skills for several weeks, and this showed in their performance. Both our boys' and girls' teams went through the minor round games undefeated. The finals fixture grouped the academies based on performances, where the standard increased even further. Our students were right up for the challenge, with the girls only dropping two games for the day and our boys remaining undefeated.

Wednesday morning started with the annual awards ceremony. Our academy was very proud to see Blake Karpany win the Sports Achiever of the Year Award. This recognises achievement in individual or team sport and is awarded to one student across all School Based Academies. Blake has been playing weekly for the WWTFC Under 18s team. He travels from Kadina three times a week, twice for training and then again to play on the weekend. His team is in the Grand Final this Sunday at Adelaide Oval, and we wish him the best of luck. Blake was also part of the SA Under 18s football squad, which is a testament to his commitment and achievements over the year. He richly deserves this award, and we are deeply proud of him.

Wednesday's competition was a day filled with soccer matches at FM Stadium in Gepps Cross. The stakes were high and the competition was fierce. Our girls played with great spirit on the day and experienced three wins, two draws and two losses. Our boys were undefeated until the final game, when they experienced their first and only loss of the week. The students gave it their all and played a great brand over both days. For their efforts, our academy finished runners-up for the SAASTA Shield, which is an incredible achievement.

Having both teams win the right to play on Adelaide Oval at Power Cup and finishing runners-up at SAASTA Shield in the same year is simply unbelievable. Our students have shown great commitment to their studies and given it their all at both camps, and can be very proud of their achievements. They continue to raise the bar and set high standards for themselves and for the students who will come into our academy next year. We have a few more weeks of SAASTA lessons for the rest of the year to complete our final assessments and celebrate what has been an amazing year.

Jack Muirhead

SAASTA Teacher/Coordinator
CYS Academy, Years 10–11

'SAASTA Shield was good because I got to reconnect with friends, play different sports and meet new people. I also got to experience new places and do things that I normally wouldn't get to do at school.'

Abbey-Rose Hirst, Year 10



Ag team shines at Adelaide Show

Cattle Show Team

After almost five months of preparation, the Show season has come to an end. This year's team was made up of 26 students across Years 8 to 12, three cattle, eight goats and six sheep.

The cattle team spent three days at the Royal Adelaide Show. Their first day included cattle education sessions run by the SA Young Beef Breeders, helping prepare Zanel and Ruby for the Advanced and Intermediate Cattle Handlers Classes. Both girls showed off their months of hard work and bonds with their animals.

On Saturday, the team prepared their animals for breed classes and the Grand Parade. Walnut the Red Poll, with Eliza as handler, placed in the top three for his breed, while Wizz and Wally were presented excellently by Taylor and Archie. On Sunday, Wally the Murray Grey finished in the top five of his weight class.

Well done to all students for their massive effort over the three days. A huge thank you to the parent helpers and breeders who supported the team, particularly Marie Bussenschutt and Amy Nankivell for their expertise.

Sheep and Goat Show Teams

Since the sheep and goats arrived at the end of Term 1, students have worked through lunchtimes to prepare for the Adelaide Show. Following success at the Copper Coast Show, the animals arrived in Adelaide on Tuesday of Week 8.

The sheep team presented their sheep as pens of three during Wednesday's judging. Animals were judged on uniformity, including weight, wool quality and structural traits. Students then worked together at the shearing stands to collect and present the wool for inspection.

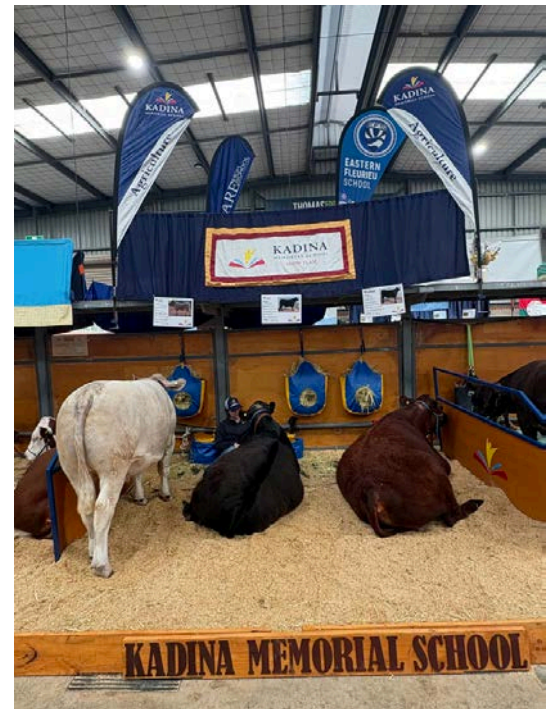
On Thursday, students competed in weight classes and were also judged on their sheep handling abilities. In the afternoon, they competed in the Young Sheep Judges competition, judging and commenting on four sheep.

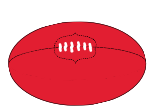
Congratulations to Riley, who was awarded Champion Merino Sheep Young Judge!

After weighing their goats on Wednesday, the Goat Team prepared for the Grand Parade, bringing home 2nd place against other competing schools – an incredible effort for a small team.

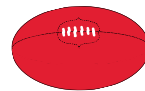
Thursday was again successful, with animals competing across each weight class while students competed in the Junior Handling Championship. Congratulations to Charlotte and Banana, and Sarah and Brioche for taking 5th place in their respective weight classes. Lara, Edie and Fingerbun, and Maverick and Multigrain took 6th place. Limari and Cinnamon Bun were also selected to compete in the handler's championship.

Well done to all students involved for representing the school with pride. Thank you also to our stock suppliers and locals who helped make this opportunity possible.





7/8 Knockout Football



The Kadina Memorial School Year 7/8 Football Team has bowed out at the semi-final stage of the 2026 Statewide Knockout Competition after a rollercoaster day in Week 8. Travelling to Golden Grove High School and Gleeson College for the four-team round-robin tournament, the boys recovered from a difficult opening game to record two stirring victories. Although they fell agonisingly short of a Grand Final berth, their resilience ensured the day became a powerful demonstration of character.

An early bus drama and late arrival meant Kadina was caught on the hop against a well-drilled and highly skilful Gleeson College side in Game One. With a gentle breeze at its back, Gleeson struck like lightning, kicking six first-half goals while holding Kadina to a solitary behind. A quick restructure at the break transformed the contest. Kadina generated eight scoring shots to Gleeson's two in the second half, with Lucas Finn kicking both of the team's goals. Austyn Paxton worked relentlessly through the midfield, Trae Wellgreen and Alec Loveridge battled manfully in defence, and Seb Sherry competed strongly on the wing. However, the first-half mountain proved too steep to climb and Gleeson prevailed 9.2 (56) to 2.7 (19).

Game Two pitted Kadina against Golden Grove High School, and a much sharper start allowed the boys to land the opening blow. Drelan Elliott was dangerous at half forward, while Patrick Papps seemed to be everywhere gathering possessions at will. Kadina led by seven points at half time before the game became a seesaw, with neither side able to stretch the margin beyond two goals. Zayden Davis was prominent at both ends of the ground and kicked two goals, while Lucas Finn provided plenty of drive from centre half back with his probing right boot. A late free kick brought Golden Grove within two points with fewer than two minutes remaining, and the tension was thick enough to cut with a knife. Golden Grove won the ensuing centre clearance, but Kadina's defence stood like a brick wall and launched the ball back towards goal. There, the football gods delivered a final twist: a favourable leg-break bounce trickled through for a goal, carrying Kadina to a memorable 6.3 (39) to 5.1 (31) victory.

Game Three saw Kadina face Charles Campbell College in front of a boisterous Golden Grove student crowd. Kicking against the breeze, Kadina endured a turbulent opening half as skill errors and an overuse of handball allowed Charles Campbell to establish an 18-point advantage. The boys rallied at the main break, and after an evenly balanced opening five minutes, they began to outwork their opponents. Lucas Finn, Patrick Papps and Austyn Paxton again drove the comeback with Drelan Elliott and Brody Green dangerous in attack. With only two points separating the teams in the dying minutes, Kaiden Richards stepped into the spotlight. He gathered a loose ball inside forward 50, momentarily ran the wrong way and took a bounce before sending a hooking right-foot kick towards goal from 30 metres. As if guided by an invisible hand, the ball curved late from left to right and sailed through. Kadina completed a remarkable turnaround to win 7.4 (46) to 6.0 (36), turning an 18-point half-time deficit into a ten-point triumph.

Although the team will not progress to the Grand Final, the whole school community should be immensely proud of the way the boys represented KMS. The day threw obstacle after obstacle in their path, yet they never stopped competing. To rebound from a heavy opening defeat and twice prevail in tense finishes showed the discipline, courage and team spirit that defined their knockout campaign.

Thanks go to Mr Pater for his work as team manager, and helpers Will Rogers and Jake Higgins who supported the team throughout the day.

Coach, Mr Moss.

SCORECARD – GAME 2

Kadina Memorial School				Golden Grove High School			
	Goals	Behinds			Goals	Behinds	
Total	6	3	39		5	1	31
Best Players – Kadina Memorial School				Goal Kickers – Kadina Memorial School			
1.	Zayden Davis				Zayden Davis	2	
2.	Patrick Papps				Brody Green	1	
3.	Lucas Finn				Lucas Finn	1	
4.	Austyn Paxton				Swade Murphy	1	
5.	Drelan Elliott				Drelan Elliott	1	

SCORECARD – GAME 1

Kadina Memorial School				Gleeson College			
	Goals	Behinds			Goals	Behinds	
Total	2	7	19		9	2	56
Best Players – Kadina Memorial School				Goal Kickers – Kadina Memorial School			
1.	Austyn Paxton				Lucas Finn	2	
2.	Trae Wellgreen						
3.	Alec Loveridge						
4.	Patrick Papps						
5.	Seb Sherry						

SCORECARD – GAME 3

Kadina Memorial School				Charles Campbell College			
	Goals	Behinds			Goals	Behinds	
Total	7	4	46		6	0	36
Best Players – Kadina Memorial School				Goal Kickers – Kadina Memorial School			
1.	Lucas Finn				Drelan Elliott	2	
2.	Patrick Papps				Brody Green	2	
3.	Austyn Paxton				Dexter Read	1	
4.	Kaiden Richards				Lucas Finn	1	
5.	Seb Sherry				Kaiden Richards	1	

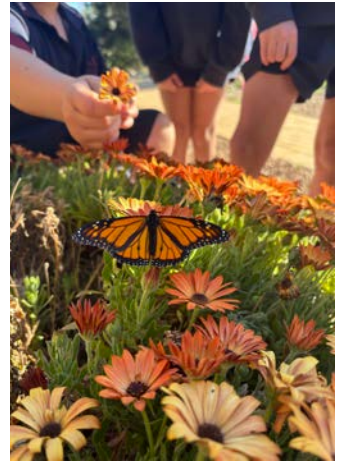


Primary Science Week



Year 3 - Life Cycles

A hive of activity has been taking place in Year 3, with students observing tadpoles transitioning into frogs and chrysalises undergoing metamorphosis into monarch butterflies. Students have also been learning about the life cycles of Australian animals, including the echidna and platypus.



Year 4 - Food Chains

Students learnt about producers, consumers and decomposers. We did a deep dig into decomposers and learnt all about mushrooms growing some using a kit provided by Mini-Mushroom Growers. We tasted them raw and cooked.

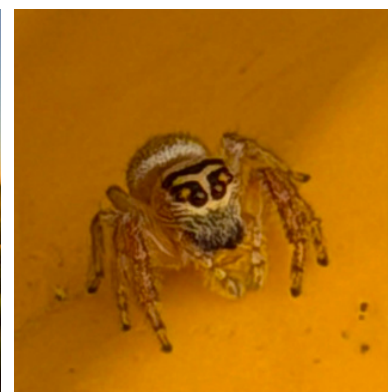
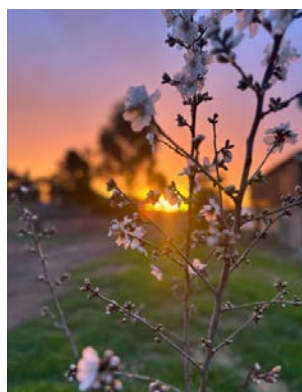
Year 5 & 6 - Growing Plants in Space

Students explored the needs of seeds and plants and completed an investigation into germinating seeds in different substrates or with different amounts of water.



Primary Science Week Photography Competition

The competition was a huge success with over 100 entries from students. It was a hive of activity with students voting for their favourite images. Congratulations to Lola Toogood, Willow Parham, Jarrah Edwards-Knox, Millie Gardner and Aveya Rogers who were selected by their peers as the Student Top Choice Award.



Aveya Rogers

Millie Gardner

Aveya Rogers

Jarrah Edwards-Knox

Willow Parham

KMSC Corner Update

Ask
RU OK?
Any Day

It has been another busy few weeks for KMSC, with our Primary, Middle and Senior representatives continuing to bring forward student ideas and work on projects across the school. Our recent RU OK? Day was well supported, with Care Groups watching the RU OK? Day video and teachers enjoying their coffees. The Primary Disco was also a great success, with fantastic participation from our younger students.

Primary representatives have been sharing plenty of ideas for improving their school experience, including playground repairs, more colourful playground spaces, additional sports equipment, lunchtime clubs, an outdoor clock and a scoreboard. They have also suggested a whole-school Casual Day, which has been discussed by KMSC Captains.

Middle School representatives are looking at some exciting ideas too. KMSC is investigating the possibility and cost of introducing a puffer jacket, vest or windbreaker as an additional clothing option.

Senior School representatives have nearly completed all of their goals! Pricing has now been obtained for possible Senior School playground equipment, while discussions around inclement weather arrangements are continuing. KMSC is particularly considering the impact of cold temperatures, wind and wind chill during break times. Additional bins near the oval are also in progress.



Updated Spirit Shields standings are below, and we were pleased to receive a lovely letter of thanks from Make-A-Wish.

There is still plenty happening behind the scenes, and KMSC will continue working to turn student ideas into positive changes around our school.

MAKE
A-WISH

Have ideas or questions? Reach out to ask your KMSC rep or staff!

Senior School page created for KMSC ideas, help
"SHAPE OUR SCHOOL"
Visit our website and share your thoughts:
<https://pleasepeople2.my.canva.site/shape-our-school/>

SPIRIT SHIELD STANDINGS

1st Place- **SOUTHWOOD**
2nd Place- **CHANDLER**
3rd Place- **HEATH**
4th Place- **ROSE**



Designed by Madeline Peters (Publicity officer)

OPPORTUNITY : RESPECT : EXCELLENCE

KMS Parent Engagement Survey 2026

We'd love to hear from our KMS families!

We're seeking feedback about the information, topics and support parents and carers would find valuable – from supporting learning at home to wellbeing, guest speakers and opportunities to connect with the school.

Your feedback will help guide future parent information and engagement sessions at KMS.

Complete the survey here or scan the QR code:
<https://forms.cloud.microsoft/r/ANnpsn2DZG>

SCAN ME!



2027 Class Placement

At this point in the year we start looking forward to 2027, preparing our Year 6 students for Middle School, and welcoming our 2027 Reception starters for transition visits.

Our teachers and leaders spend considerable time creating classes ready for next year, balancing the social, emotional, learning and behavioural needs of students. During class time students are encouraged to identify 2 to 3 friends that they would like to be placed with, and we aim to ensure they are placed with at least one of these friends.

Parents/Caregivers can also provide information regarding their own child for consideration during the class placement process. Please note that while all information provided will be considered, requests cannot be guaranteed.

Information relating to class placements, including our Class Placement Guidelines, can be found on our school website: <https://kms.sa.edu.au/class-placement/>

Please read the Class Placement Guidelines before submitting any information. Parents/Caregivers who wish to provide information can complete the Class Placement Request Form on the website

Submissions must be received by Friday 23rd October 2026. Information submitted after this date will not be considered.

Are you leaving us in 2027?

If you know that your child or children will not be attending Kadina Memorial School in 2027, please advise the Front Office via phone 8821 0100 or email dl.0778.info@schools.sa.edu.au with the name of the school they will be attending.

There is a leavers process that needs to be completed at school which can be explained once we are made aware your child is leaving. Also, towards the end of this term, leaders will start looking forward to class placements for next year. This will assist if they are aware your child will not be returning next year.

Padlocks

7-11's KMS PADLOCKS

All year 7-11 students have been issued with an engraved KMS padlock.

Students are to use these assigned padlocks for the whole of their schooling at KMS.

If the padlock is not returned, there will be a charge of approx. \$46.00 for the padlock and a new padlock issued.

YEAR 12'S:

Year 12's are required to hand in their padlock on their last day of school, as per their Leavers Form.

If the padlock is not returned, there will be a charge of approx. \$46.00 for the padlock.



Materials and services charge

Information sheet for R–12 school families

The State Government has committed to removing universal materials and services charges from 2027 as part of its cost-of-living measures for South Australian families. Schools will not lose under this policy. This initiative will be funded by the State Government and your school will be provided with the funding that it would have received through the universal materials and services charge. Your school will also continue to receive funding to meet the needs of students and to staff classrooms.

Legislative changes are still required before the new arrangements can take effect. This information is provided to support families to plan for 2027.

Families will not be required to pay the universal materials and services charge, however your school will be able to continue to set fees to recover costs for those individual subjects that form part of your school's curriculum that are optional for students/families to choose from. For these schools, subject choice continues to be an important aspect of the curriculum offering and these fees will not include core costs, which will continue to be funded by government, for example teacher salaries.

School card information for secondary school students

Secondary school families should continue to apply for the school card program, where eligibility provides assistance with other school related costs, like free devices for year 7 and 10 school card eligible students and where optional or specialist subjects are chosen.

School card information for primary school students

The initiative will avoid the need for primary school families to apply for school card and this will reduce administrative burden for families and the school.

Families will continue to pay for items such as uniforms, digital devices and optional excursions, as has always been the case.

Please note that the discontinuation of the universal materials and services charge applies with effect from the 2027 school year. Any outstanding charges should continue to be paid, and your school can work with you if there are any issues.

This initiative does not apply to international or non-resident students and separate advice will be provided in due course.

The focus of this policy is for schools. The current fee arrangements for preschools will continue.

Should you have any queries regarding the information provided, please contact the department on 1800 088 158 (free call).

School Calendar

*In Progress - Please note that the calendar is updated following decision-making committee (DMC) meetings

TERM 4

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Week 1	12 October	13 October	14 October	15 October Yr 11/12 Ag Excursion, Blyth & Bute	16 October Yr 2 Monarto Safari Excursion Yr 3/4 Hot Shots Tennis, CCLSC
	Yr 6 Camp, Glenhaven Park				
Week 2	19 October	20 October Year 6/7 Transition Evening – MS Common Room Year 1 Excursion, Bowman Park	21 October Kapyong Year 12 Farewell Lunch (11am-1:15pm) 4pm DMC Meeting	22 October 2027 Reception Parent Info Sessions, 9am (Library), 5pm (Wambana)	23 October SAPSASA Basketball Championships
Week 3	26 October	27 October	28 October Yr 7-12 Colour Run Governing Council, 7pm	29 October R-6 Colour Run	30 October Newsletter Yr 12 Farewell Breakfast & Assembly, 9:15am, CCSLC
	SAPSASA State Football Carnival (girls)				
Week 4	2 November Stage 2 Math Methods Exam, 9am Stage 2 General Maths Exam, 1:30pm	3 November Yr 10 Immunisations Year 11 Food & Hosp Catering Task (all day) 2027 Reception Transition (8:45am – 11am)	4 November Stage 2 Chemistry Exam, 9am Stage 2 Psychology Exam, 1:30pm 4pm DMC Meeting	5 November Stage 2 Physics Exam, 9am 2027 Reception Transition (8:45am – 11am) Yr 3+4 Bounce Excursion IM End-of-Year Concert, 6pm	6 November Stage 2 Biology Exam, 9am Stage 2 Essential Maths Exam, 1:30pm
Week 5	9 November Stage 2 Modern History Exam, 9am Spring Concert – 6-7pm	10 November Stage 2 Spec. Maths Exam, 9am 2027 Reception Transition (8:45am – 11am)	11 November Remembrance Day Assembly & Morning Tea Year 11 Food & Hosp Catering Task (all day)	12 November 2027 Reception Transition (8:45am – 11am)	13 November
	SAPSASA State Tennis Carnival				
	R-12 Food Drive				
Week 6	16 November STUDENT FREE DAY Yr 12 Formal	17 November 2027 Reception Transition (8:45am – 12pm)	18 November D2C White Card Training 4pm DMC Meeting (TBC)	19 November 2027 Reception Transition (8:45am – 12pm)	20 November Newsletter
Week 7	23 November	24 November	25 November Governing Council, 7pm	26 November	27 November R-6 Religious Education Sessions, 9am-12:30pm
	SAPSASA State Cricket Carnival				
	Yr 11 Semester 2 Exams				

Saturday 28 November – Japan Trip #2 (28/11-11/12)

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS TIMETABLE

All sessions \$10 per child

MONDAY 28/9	TUESDAY 29/9	WEDNESDAY 30/09	THURSDAY 1/10	FRIDAY 2/10
KINDERFUN 10.30-11.30 AGES 0-5 YEARS	SWIM AND PLAY 11.30-12.30 ALL AGES	KIDS BOOTCAMP 10.30-11.30AM AGES 5-12 YEARS SWIM AND PLAY 12.00-1.00PM ALL AGES	COURTS OPEN FOR CASUAL SHOTS/USE BASKETBALL, NETBALL, SOCCER \$5 PER PERSON	SWIM AND PLAY 2.15-3.00PM ALL AGES
MONDAY 5/10	TUESDAY 6/10	WEDNESDAY 7/10	THURSDAY 8/10	FRIDAY 9/10
CENTRE CLOSED, PUBLIC HOLIDAY	SWIM AND PLAY 11.30-12.30 ALL AGES	KIDS BOOTCAMP 10.30-11.30AM AGES 5-12 YEARS SWIM AND PLAY 12.00-1.00PM ALL AGES	COURTS OPEN FOR CASUAL SHOTS/USE BASKETBALL, NETBALL, SOCCER \$5 PER PERSON	SWIM AND PLAY 2.15-3.00PM ALL AGES



*Swim and Play- ALL children under 5, or weak swimmers, must have an adult within arm's reach at ALL times. Bookings are essential for swim and play sessions, and recommended for other sessions. Call 88213106 to book.

HK COUNTRY KIDS PLAY

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AGES 5-13



WEDNESDAY 30TH SEPTEMBER

Please bring along



MONDAY 28TH SEPTEMBER

MONDAY 5TH OCTOBER

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Volunteer with us



The **Department for Child Protection (DCP)** is recruiting volunteers to drive children to and from school, family visits and appointments.

Depending on the needs of your local area there may also be opportunities to support learner driver hours, assist at events or help with homework.

As a volunteer you will receive:

- Training and support from experienced volunteers
- Use of a government vehicle

Volunteers **must be 18 or over** and willing to undergo a **Working with Children Check** (cost covered by DCP). A full driver's licence is preferred.

Your time and support can make a real difference. Most volunteer opportunities are available Monday to Friday, between 7.30am and 5pm.

For more information, call the Kadina Volunteer Coordinator on 0460 649 416, scan the QR code (above) or visit childprotection.sa.gov.au/volunteers.

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