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# Chalkdust Chat

YOUR GUIDE TO THE SCHOOL NEWS, INFORMATION AND EVENTS



## The 99<sup>th</sup> Annual Show of the Kellerberrin and Districts Agricultural Society



The 99<sup>th</sup> Annual Show of the Kellerberrin and Districts Agricultural Society was a fantastic opportunity to showcase the brilliant work that the students at our school have achieved.

This year we were especially proud to display the cheeseboards that the Year 9 and 10 students made in Woodwork. Our writing showed the academic brilliance of our students and the artwork enabled our creativity to shine. Students were able to highlight their knowledge of technology through their sewing and I would really like one of the coffee cup holders that the students displayed.

### DON'T FORGET....

**K/P ASSEMBLY** | Wednesday 6 November

**BOOKFAIR** | Tuesday 12-15 November

**MIDDLESCHOOL CAMP** | Tuesday 26 November—Friday 29 November

**STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY** | Monday 2 December (*no students at school*)

**CELEBRATION NIGHT** | Wednesday 18 December

*'Successful Students, Quality Staff, A Connected Community'*

## From the Principal



Dear Parents/Carers/Family Members and Friends

What a fantastic display showcasing our students' work at the Kellerberrin Agricultural Show. I was so proud of the effort the students put into their work and I really enjoyed reading all the writing samples students had put forward. The poems and narratives were engaging and I saw lots of families and grandparents praising their loved ones for their fantastic work. Well done to not just the brilliant children but to the awesome teachers we have who helped the students prepare for the show.

Displays at the Show, highlight how much we care about the students at our school and this helps improve the students school connectedness.

### What is School connectedness?

School connectedness is the belief held by students that adults and peers at Kellerberrin District High School care about - not just their learning, but about them as individuals. If students feel this connectedness with school, they:

- ◆ Have improved attendance
- ◆ Achieve better academically
- ◆ Develop stronger friendships
- ◆ Minimise risky behaviour at school
- ◆ Develop a stronger connection with school between home and school
- ◆ Feel supported by their family members in various aspects of schooling.



This is what we do at Kellerberrin District High School to improve student connectedness:

- ◆ Promote attendance at the school through competitions, wrist bands and acknowledgements
- ◆ Provide Breakfast Club
- ◆ Have different Clubs that are catered for student's individual interests, eg: Foto Factory, Maths Masters, Lego, Numero, Outdoor Play, Open Library sessions, homework, chess and book club.
- ◆ Foster a positive learning environment
- ◆ Employ fairness across a positive behaviour management system.
- ◆ Provide a curriculum that focuses on academic and social and emotional skills.
- ◆ Ensure our lessons allow for student engagement
- ◆ Develop trusting and caring relationships that promote open communication with all school stakeholders
- ◆ Implement different activities that allow the family, community and school to come together
- ◆ We are an inclusive school that celebrates our Aboriginal cultural heritage
- ◆ Celebrate with events like reward days, school camps, excursions, incursions, sport days, and festivals
- ◆ Celebrate partnerships with the community
- ◆ Provide the students with leadership opportunities and processes to take part in the decision making of the school



## From the Principal

Together, we do a lot to improve the students' connectedness at Kellerberrin District High School and it's with strong family involvement and supportive school personnel, inclusive school environments and an engaging curriculum, that reflects how we can help students become more connected to their school.



A new way to open up our communication is to have '**Coffee with the Principal**,' please feel free to come along to the library on Wednesday 13 November from 9-10 am for a light morning tea and an informal chat.

This has been a great start to Term 4, my door is always open if you would like to come in for a chat.



Louise Davidson  
**PRINCIPAL**



### Kellerberrin

Life as rich as the landscape,  
Driving along the Great Eastern you find,  
A little Wheatbelt town that is an escape,  
Leaving the clatter and clutter of the city behind.

It can be dry as a dusty portrait at times,  
The landscape is green and hazel brown,  
The town is a battered old comet but always chimes,  
But highlight is its beautiful sundown

The hilly ground is infested with fox, rabbit and kangaroo,  
Action needs to take place to control them,  
Rare it is to see soil flooded, but it will halt the pest too,  
Call in the shooters and their dogs to control them.

We travel lots and help with driving vehicles,  
Through the farm to destination after destination,  
Traveling past pasture and fields isn't quiet a ball,  
Very boring it is until there's action in the Nation.

Gravel dirt roads, wild flowers are blooming,  
Growing side by side wild flowers are basking,  
The roos are bouncing into the sunset booming,  
Watch out the roos aren't very smart but numbers are basking.

Kellerberrin  
Life as rich as the landscape.



# SUCCESSFUL STUDENTS



## Interschool Athletics

Last term our interschool athletics team proudly represented our school in Quairading where we were fortunate to win the Handicap shield.

Congratulations to all our athletes, especially to the following who were successful individuals on the day.

- Cheyenne McIntosh

Callum White

Alyssa Dobra
- Year 7/8 Runner Up Champion Girl

Year 5/6 Champion Boy

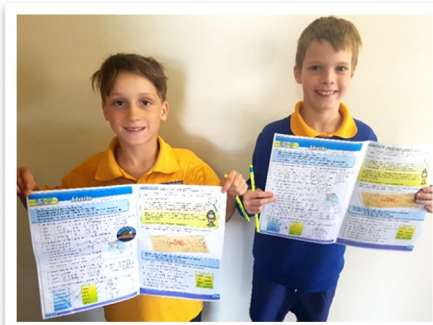
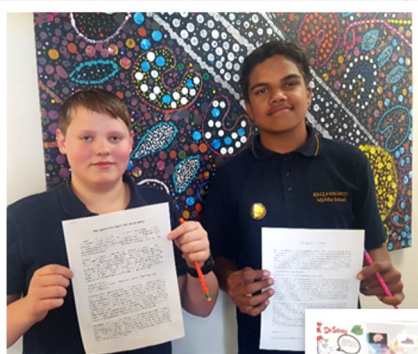
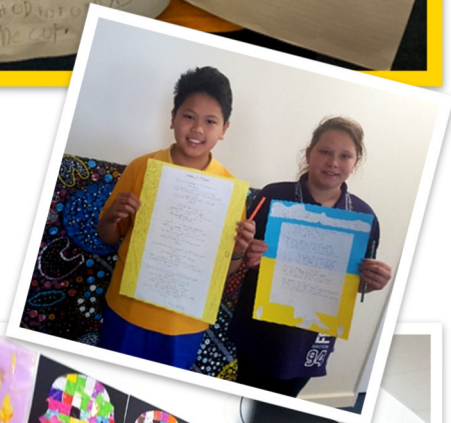
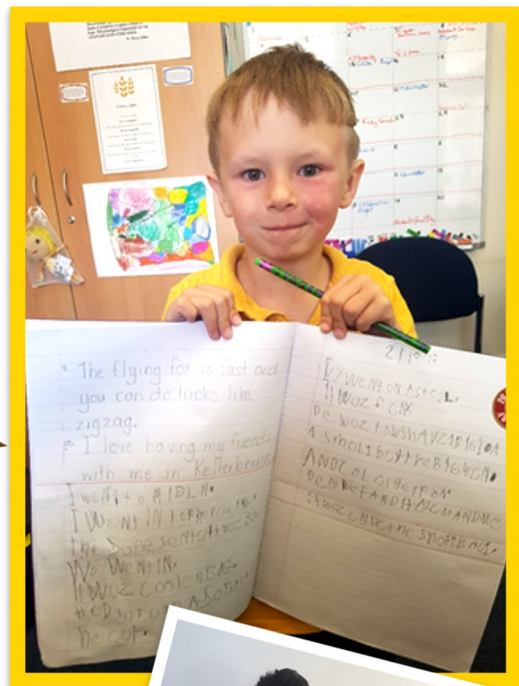
Year 3/4 Runner Up Champion Girl

Year 3/4	Year 5/6	Middle School
<div>Mia White</div> <div>Sadie Moylan</div> <div>Alyssa Dobra</div> <div>Ilyah Otieno</div>	<div>Rikki Garlett</div> <div>Molly Bubb</div> <div>Addison Giles</div> <div>Bree Clarke</div>	<div>Cheyenne McIntosh</div> <div>Tamzyn Smit</div> <div>Tiarna McIntosh</div> <div>Matilda Saunders</div> <div>Mikayla Rothwell</div>
<div>Calvin Swale</div> <div>Jacob Legge</div> <div>Malakai McQuistan</div> <div>Isaac Wilkins</div> <div>Wyatt Moylan</div>	<div>Tyrell McIntosh</div> <div>Callum White</div> <div>Angus Ryan</div> <div>Cameron Saunders</div>	<div>Malakai Fitzgerald McIntosh</div> <div>Zac Wollstein</div> <div>Robert Smith-Heir</div> <div>Malachi Waters</div> <div>Connor Wilkins</div> <div>Lawrence Winmar</div>





## Star Students





## QUALITY STAFF

### YEAR 2/3 UNINTERRUPTED SUSTAINED SILENT WRITING

Mrs Cox's Year 2/3 class recently made use of the great weather and outside learning facilities to inspire her class with writing. They were working hard on their persuasive texts aiming to include reasons to back up their opinions.



### MANUAL ARTS PROGRAM

We have previously shown you how our Year 9 and 10 students are engaging in Woodwork. Here are their finished products. I wonder what they will be creating next?



### PBS Focus area Week 1-2

Staff and students have been focusing on the PBS Value Be Safe.

Our first PBS lesson for the term focused on walking on the verandah to ensure we are all being safe and following the KELLER Way.

Staff delivered a lesson on the expectations around being safe in our school.



Congratulations to Lee'Anne Innes for her fantastic artwork, we are lucky to have such a talented artist teach our students.



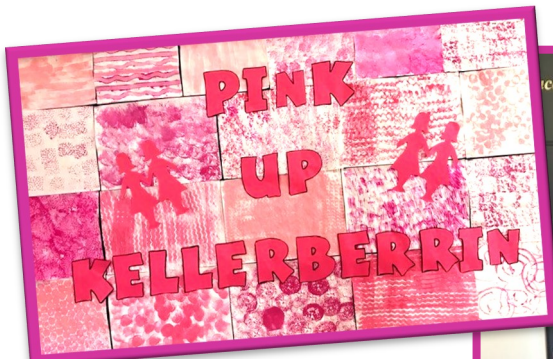


## CONNECTED COMMUNITY



### CAR RALLY BREAKFAST

Our P & C recently catered for the BulldustNBack Trial rally organised by the Rotary Club of Mill Point raising awareness and funds for Kids Cancer and Mental Health in WA. The group parked their decorated vehicles on our school oval and our school community were invited to join them for breakfast. Thank you to our P & C for coordinating the visit.

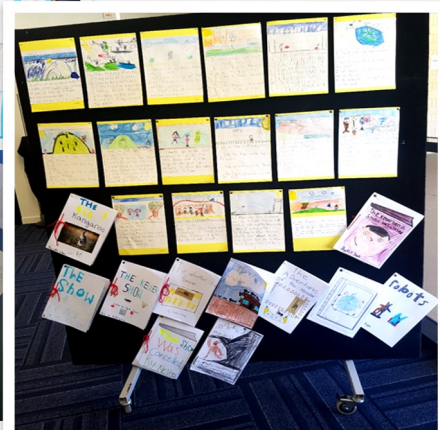
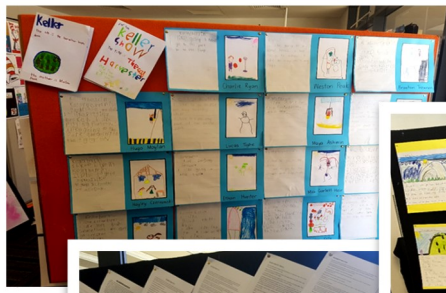


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### PINK UP KELLERBERRIN

Our school recently participated in the Shire of Kellerberrin's "Pink Up Kellerberrin" initiative to raise awareness of breast cancer. Our students and staff wore pink on Wednesday with the staff enjoying a shared 'pink' morning tea. Some of our classes did some fabulous art to decorate the school office.

Congratulations to everyone who made the week such a success.



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In the past few newsletters we have been looking at RESILIENCE. In this edition I'd like to share a great episode of Maggie Dent's podcast '**Parental as Anything**' with you.

*You want your kids to be able to handle the unexpected challenges life throws at them. But how do you raise a resilient child when your gut feeling is to protect them from all the bad things? In this episode of Parental As Anything, Maggie chats to Lyn Worsley, Director of the Resilience Centre and author of The Resilience Doughnut books. They chat about how letting kids fend for themselves and work out tricky situations on their own, is exactly what they need.*

Listen now! Check out the link or scan the QR code. <http://tiny.cc/ResilientKids>



## FANCY A CHAT WITH OUR PRINCIPAL IN TERM FOUR?

HEAD TO THE LIBRARY

9:00-10:00AM

WEDNESDAY 13TH  
NOVEMBER 2019

This is an opportunity for  
you to ask questions about  
our school in an informal  
setting.



COFFEE  
WITH  
LOUISE

please note



### SCHOOL DENTIST VISIT

Our school dentist will visit our school early  
in 2020, however, if your child needs the  
dentist, please ring: 0459241343

We are a "Nut Friendly" School  
Please think of others when packing  
food for your children.



Nut and Peanut  
Allergy