



Kersbrook Primary School



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Welcome to Kersbrook Primary School

Kersbrook Primary School is situated in the heart of the Adelaide Hills' apple and cherry growing region between Adelaide and the Barossa Valley. As a small school our staff pursue the highest quality education for all of our students.



Kersbrook Primary School is founded on the philosophy of inclusion and community and we aim to equip students with abilities both academic and social, for life in the 21st Century. We approach teaching and learning through our Learner Qualities of *Courage through Curiosity, Communication and Creativity*. We are focused on the Department for Education's vision of creating World Class Education and providing high standards of teaching and learning in all subject areas. Students are engaged in opportunities to shine, grow and achieve across a wide range of modes and experiences with information and communication technologies utilised to strengthen students' understanding and capabilities.

Educating students since 1850, our school is surrounded by grazing land in one of the most biologically diverse areas of South Australia. We take pride in our grounds with shady trees, a large oval and play areas and we embrace outdoor learning opportunities daily.

We value the relationship we share with our families and the community and enjoy being an integral part of the Kersbrook township. Together we fundraise for the benefit of the school and enjoy opportunities to celebrate the achievements and success of our students. We are currently not zoned. We invite you to come and visit and take a tour - we'd love to meet you!

Please feel free to visit our website: <http://www.kersbrookps.sa.edu.au> for more information.

Brodie Taplin
Principal

Staff and Students

Our staff at Kersbrook Primary bring experience and deep understanding of children's learning and how to engage and inspire them to succeed. The teachers across our school complement our vision of World Class Education and students are at the heart of everything they do. We provide specialist Digital and Design Technologies and Health and Physical Education lessons as well as Japanese via Open Access College. Being a small school, we connect with and collaborate with local partnership schools which deepens our professional knowledge in conjunction with continual professional development in current best practice.

Our class sizes ensure that students receive individualised support and share a strong working relationship with their teacher where they are well known, understood and provided for. Our Principal, Mrs Brodie Taplin also has a teaching role and values her opportunity to work with students

across a range of learning areas. Kersbrook Primary has caring and hard working SSO's (School Services Officers) that offer targeted 1:1 and small group support across the school that is designed in conjunction with teachers to ensure every student is progressing regardless of their level of achievement. Kersbrook Primary staff pride themselves on their deep understanding and care of each and every student at our school.



We employ sound strategies and policies to ensure student wellbeing and have access to assistance from the best professionals through the Department for Education.

Academic Excellence

We understand that children bring a diversity of strengths and particular interests to their learning. We build upon individual abilities and inspire students to achieve with a growth mindset.

High quality teaching, good resources and an outstanding school environment contribute to maintaining educational excellence. Students are encouraged to the highest standards, to think critically and creatively, work collaboratively, act ethically and responsibly, engage productively with difference, and develop a commitment to contribute to the broader common good as well as their own personal development. We believe these ideals meet the challenges of the 21st century.

Family Participation

At Kersbrook Primary School we encourage the development of capabilities for active participation in civic life.

We have created structures and processes that give an authentic voice to all in the school community. We encourage parental engagement which is a significant factor affecting learning outcome. Open and friendly communication between home and school ensures we are all working together to help students excel and attain their personal best.

Out of School Hours Care

Happy Haven provides OSHC which is available to families from 6.30am before school and from 3pm to 6 pm after school, on school days and full day options on Pupil Free Days and School Closure Days. Fees are government subsidized for most families.

Playgroup

Playgroup meets each Thursday morning from 9am during school term. It is a friendly and relaxed environment for parents and caregivers to meet up and socialise, share some time together and for the children to meet others and play. It is a great introduction to school and allows children to become familiar with the environment and educators before they start school.

We are ideally situated for your commute from many areas of the hills and to and from Adelaide and the surrounding suburbs. We welcome your enquiries for placement of your children at Kersbrook Primary School.