Kiama High School Newsletter
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PRINCIPALS MESSAGE
Over the last two weeks we have elected our student leaders for 2014/2015. My congratulations to all of those successful candidates. I am really looking forward to working with them. A full list of names appears in this newsletter.

This election also signals that the duties of the current leaders have almost been discharged. The 2013/2014 SRC have been a highly motivated and proactive group. They have certainly left their “legacy”.

I must make special mention of the Captains, Vice Captains and Executive for their exceptional guidance and leadership of the Junior SRC. I would also like to acknowledge the work of Ms Hayley Dean, who has provided the school and particularly the SRC with expert knowledge and advice in her role as SRC Coordinator for many years. Thank you.

Graeme Sutherland, Principal

DEPUTIES NEWS

Uniform
It is still disappointing the number of students who are not wearing correct school uniform on a daily basis. This includes the wearing of black tops and black jeans. The wearing of the correct uniform is also a welfare issue as it allows staff to easily identify intruders on the school grounds because they are not wearing the school uniform.

A reminder to all parents and students, that wearing of non-uniform is recorded and the result is displayed on the front page of a student’s report. A record that indicates poor commitment towards the wearing of the school uniform would not be an advantage should the student be seeking employment or entry into various career pathways. The school is requesting the support of the parent body to ensure their child/children are in correct school uniform on a daily basis and if parents are not sure what the current uniform is, please refer to your child’s school diary for verification or ring the school for assistance.

Reachout.com
I would like to inform you of an excellent website for parents and adolescents. It is Reachout.com

This site covers a large array of issues affecting adolescents including sex and relationships, alcohol and drugs, friends and family, personal identity, bullying, abuse and violence and mental health.

This site also offers great advice in the form of fact sheets, along with providing apps and forums. Check it out and let me know what you think.

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Gerard Kelly, Deputy Principal

Attendance: It’s Not OK To Be Away
The way you train is the way you play; if you miss training or train poorly, then you’ll perform below your potential. Attending classes and applying yourself to your potential follow the exact same principles.

Developing gaps in a student’s knowledge base severely restricts both his/her understanding and progress. It is difficult enough to make up lost ground when a student is genuinely ill, but verging on impossible when away for unjustifiable reasons. Such condoned absences also show a state of mind that places a low value on a student’s education.

The days of starting at the bottom of an organisation and working your way up are virtually gone. Entry for most jobs/careers relies on a certain level of education and both the willingness and capacity to pursue further training.

Parent condoned absences are eroding students’ chances of feeling connected within the school community and later on, with in the larger community.

Just a reminder -
- Going shopping
- Sleeping in
- Working around the house
- Minding younger siblings and other children
- Birthdays
- Having a hair cut

Are not reasons for students to be absent from school. They are unjustified reasons.

Just another reminder – Parents have 7 days to provide an absence note when a student is absent, after which the absence becomes UNJUSTIFIED.

Unjustified absences on a report don’t look too good to a prospective employer or when seeking a scholarship or early entry into a course. Also, persistent and unexplained absences will jeopardise Youth Allowance. It’s simple – the allowance will be stopped and will only be re-commenced after the student demonstrates regular attendance.

It is so important for parents and the school to work together in ensuring children attend school. Be on time: Be at school – that’s the rule.

WEEK 8 TERM 2
MONDAY 16 JUNE
Band Tour To Tasmania – 21/6
Open Boys Tennis
TUESDAY 17 JUNE
WEDNESDAY 18 JUNE
HSC Stage 6 Continuers Study Day
THURSDAY 19 JUNE
FRIDAY 20 JUNE
Years 7 & 9 Immunisation

Senior Executive SRC
Captains: Dylan McGillivray and Imogen Bakewell
Vice-Captains: Matthew Price and Vanessa Sporne
Treasurer and Secretary: Keelan Robinson and Jessica Davis
Aboriginal Torres Strait Islander Representative: Harrison Jones
Junior SRC for 2014/2015
Congratulations to the new Junior SRC for 2014/2015:
Yr 7: Taylor-Lee Byrne, Laura Burling, Ethan Corkin, Bryon Moulang
Yr 8: Hine Johnson-Karipa, Lauren Perry, Alexander Wunsch, Bailey Harrison
Yr 9: Grace Allen, Sharnie Heffernan, Zac O’Reilly-Fullerton, Darcy Lawton
Yr 10: Ben McAlister, Ned Wilkinson, Nathan Jenkins, Casey-Dee Bradbury, Eliza Skorulis

I look forward to working with the newly elected SRC in the next 12 months.
Miss Meppem, SRC Coordinator

SPORT
NSWCHS Representatives
Congratulations to Kiarra Marsh and Grace Stewart on their selection in the NSWCHS Open Girls Touch team. Kiarra and Grace were chosen after their outstanding play for South Coast at the recent NSWCHS Championships at Tomaree. The South Coast team performed very well to be narrowly defeated 4-2 in the semi-finals by the eventual winners, Hunter region. The South Coast team contained no less than 8 Kiama girls! Well done to Kiarra, Grace, Lily Stewart, Montana Marsh, Kelsey Wishart, Riley Wishart, Claire Farquhar and Keelegh McCauley.

South Coast Champions
The KHS Open Girls Touch team have maintained the South Coast Championship after defeating Goulburn 5-1 and Warilla 10-0 in wet and soggy conditions at Milton last week. The girls will now play Mackellar High School in the state-wide qualifying round. Congratulations to Lily Stewart, Montana Marsh, Kiarra Marsh, Grace Stewart, Kelsey Wishart, Riley Wishart, Erin Dobson, Claire Farquhar, Audrey Pring, Keelegh McCauley and Jasmine Murray.

Open Boys Touch
The Open Boys Touch team have been eliminated from the State KO competition after the South Coast finals series was held at Milton on Tuesday. Games were played in very heavy conditions after heavy overnight rain.

The team began the day with a solid hit-out against Yass High winning the contest 3-0. In their second match they came up against a very competitive Warilla High team and in a very tight contest the boys were unable to cross their opponents try line and lost the match 1-0. The team, however, progresses to the semi-finals and played Ulladulla High for a spot in the final and a chance to progress to the final 16 in the State KO. Unfortunately, Ulladulla proved too strong on the day with a solid 5-3 victory.

Members of the Kiamian team were: Luke Asquith, Hayden Moon, Jake Taylor, Dylan Morris, Nic Wingrove, Darcy Bond, Connor Bond, Reuben Garrick, Tyran Wishart, Harry Phillips and Ray Hughes. I would like to congratulate the players for their efforts during the competition.

Apprenticeships & Traineeships Information Sessions
Improve your chances of getting an apprenticeship - find out: what do employers want? Where do I find the jobs? Strategies and Resources.

When & Where: Tuesday 17 June 2014, 6.00pm-7.30pm at The Builders Club and Wednesday 18 June 2014, 6.00pm-7.30pm at The Shellharbour Club.

Bookings: Workplace Learning Illawarra on 4225 2526 or email tracey@iswlp.org.au.

KIAMA HIGH SCHOOL RECONCILIATION WALK
Kiama High School held a Reconciliation Walk on 29 May in the school grounds. The Walk was organised by Aboriginal Studies teacher, Ms Donna Duggan. Indigenous students, Year 12 Aboriginal Studies students and parents were in attendance. At each of the three stops on the walk, a significant aspect of reconciliation was acknowledged. The Walk concluded with a morning tea in the library and a viewing of the 2014 Aboriginal Studies Major Projects.

MERIT LEVELS
Congratulations to the following Merit Level Recipients:

Bronze
Yr 7: Courtney Bofinger, Laura Burling, Taija Rae Dal Busco, Samuel Eastment, Declan Greenwell, Chelsea Koks, Brooke Macdonald, Kryan Tierney, Thomas Walter
Yr 8: James Bradbury, Tiani East, Cassie Hawes, Caitlin Jones, Summer Ross, Jake Willick
Yr 9: Chiara Arthur, Brendon Piggott, Callum Rogers, Emily Tomkins
Yr 10: Nicholas Araya, Jade Cowgill, Molly Hoyt-Bull, Amy Prytherch, Brianna Rankin, Jordan Warren

Silver
Yr 7: Tara Brady, Poppy Bridgestock, Ellie Cashman, Thomas Chandler, Jaire Crowley, Ireland Harrison, Brayden Holland, Megan Hunt, Jemaisin Joyce, Elisabeth Parkinson, Drew Quirk, Benjamin Raison, Blake Rogers, Patrick Rose, Ewan Stevens
Yr 8: Kara Mitchell, Jessica Nolan, Michael Thistlethwaite
Yr 9: Joshua Alliston, Emily Anderson, Rhylee Bamford, Douglas Davison, Olivia Deans, Lily Nile
Yr 10: Ewan Bell, Damon Zapletal
Yr 11: Jake Loiterton, Cameron Pederson, Audrey Pring, Harrison Rainnie, Joshua Vazzoler

Gold
Yr 7: Anne Alards, Shauna Gray, Arabella Hely, Emma Speering
Yr 8: Julia Humphries
Yr 9: Olivia Deans, Zachary O’Reilly-Fullerton
Yr 12: William Panayi, Madison Wunsch

UNIFORM SHOP
OPENING HOURS
Tuesdays 10.30am – 2.30pm
Fridays 11am – 3.00pm
Cash and Eftpos Only
Between the Hall and L Block
Please be considerate with closing times.
CANTEEEN STUDENT VOLUNTEER ROSTER
Lunch: Amelia Plum, Grace Thomson, Nina Willingham, Lucy Steel
Recess: Aidan Smith, Lachlan Van Essen, Emily Kerr, Harrison Doyle

PARENT VOLUNTEER ROSTER
Mon 16/6: Sue, Cheryl, Jackie
Tues 17/6: Janelle, Donna
Wed 18/6: Johnnie
Thur 19/6: Julie and Jane
Fri 20/6: Will and Nerida

- Seniors don’t forget your Seniors Card for your chance to win a $10 canteen voucher.
- Savoury twists are back $1 each
- New – Chicken enchilada $4 each
- Thank you to all the student volunteers for coming in and helping us out.
- If you have suggestions please fill in a form at the canteen.
- Meal Deals - Fried rice + $1.50 drink for $4
- Happy Meal – Goujon + packet chips + Harvey Fresh Juice $4
- KHS Special – 1 Chicken burger + packet of chips + small slushi $5

Help is always needed if you can spare an hour we would love to see you. Our school canteen is P&C operated and all funds raised go back to the P&C and school via funded support. More help is required for Term 3.

COMMUNITY NEWS
HSC TUTURING DAY @ KIAMA LIBRARY
Kiama Library is holding a full day of lectures and tutorials for students on English, Advanced English, Advanced Maths, Biology, Modern and Ancient History. Cost is $5 per student for the entire day. Bookings are essential, go to www.library.kiama.nsw.gov.au or phone on 4233 1133.

SCHOOL HOLIDAY CAMPS IN THE SHOALHAVEN
Struggle to get the kids off the couch during the school holidays? Wondering what you will do on rainy days? Why not explore a one day school holiday camp run by NSW Sport and Recreation in the Shoalhaven held at the Berry Sport and Recreation Centre on 1 July for children between 7 & 9 years, 2 July (7-12 years) and 3 July for children and young people aged 10-12. For more information and to book visit the website at www.dsr.nsw.gov.au/kidscamps or phone 4464 2258.

OUTREACH UNIT AT TAFE WOLLONGONG
TAFE Wollongong will be conducting courses for people who want to develop skills for employment or further study. Courses include Certificate II Skills for Work and Training (Introduction to Retail); Certificate I in Access to Work and Training Introduction to Café and Hospitality Skills; Certificate II in Skills for Work and Training (Office and Customer Service). These courses have no TAFE administration fee. Courses commence the week starting 21 July 2014. Information session will be held at 10am in L.G.19 (Building L, Ground Floor, Room 19)

CANNABIS & TODAY’S YOUNG PERSON - FREE PARENT WORKSHOP
This parent workshop will enable you to address issues concerning cannabis relating to your son/daughter. Venue: Wollongong Central Library Theatrette, 41 Burelli Street, Wollongong on Wednesday 25 June at 6.30pm-8.30pm. Bookings are essential, RSVP 23 June telephone 0401 718 469.

WHY NOT HOST AN OVERSEAS STUDENT?
We have again been invited to host a group of co-ed Japanese high school students from 26 to 30 July. These students are learning English in their home country and will be coming to Australia for only 5 days with their English teacher, to improve their conversational English and to experience our Australian culture and our beautiful natural environment.

We are seeking expressions of interest from school families who might be interested in hosting a student during their time in Kiama.

During their stay, the group will integrate with Kiama High School students during the day. Each Japanese student will have as a ‘buddy’, a student from our school. Home stay hosts will be paid a tax free allowance for each student which will more than defray the costs of hosting. All that is required is to provide a clean and tidy bedroom, with bed and wardrobe, and to provide all meals, (packed lunch on school days), and to provide transport to and from school each day. This can include travelling with your child to and from school, by school bus.

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Why not consider hosting a student in your home for just 4 nights, and enjoy this positive and rewarding experience? Please contact Ms H Dean if you are interested. Hayley.dean1@det.nsw.edu.au or 4232 1911.

FREE COMMUNITY FILM NIGHT
Kiama Council will be holding a free community film night on Friday 20 June 6pm-9pm at the Pavilion, Kiama. The award winning documentary is ‘Trashed’ with Jeremy Lyons, which explores the extent and effects of the global waste problem. Light supper of soup will be provided. Bookings essential for catering purposes. To register please call 4232 044 by 16 June.

SCHOOL HOLIDAY OPPORTUNITY FOR BOYS
Shearing Camp is an agricultural camp for boys in Years 7-12 at Oriel and Coradgery, two farms near Parkes in the Central West of NSW. Campers will live in the shearer’s quarters and experience the day to day activities of a commercial wool shed. You can get involved in droving, drafting, catching and penning up sheep, yabbying, wide-games or sitting around the campfire having a yarn. There will be plenty of wholesome farm cooking from our two great cooks. It is a camp where you will learn about God and are able to discuss and ask questions about the Bible. The camp runs from Sunday 29 June to Friday 4 July, cost is $200 for camp, $100 for transport. Registration www.sunsw.org.au or email info@nsw.su.org.au

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