Kiama High School Newsletter
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DEPUTIES NEWS

GOLD CARD AND GOLD MEDAL
Over the last couple of weeks Mr Roger and I have been signing a large number of Gold Card and Gold Medal applications. It is terrific to see that so many students have progressed to these stages in our Merit System. Congratulations to everyone on your successes.

SCHOOL UNIFORM
With the warmer weather upon us, students are being reminded to be in full school uniform. If a student is unable to wear the full uniform or part of it on a particular day, then a note from home needs to be brought to the front office before roll call. Students will then be issued with an out of uniform pass. School uniform DOES NOT include leggings, jeans, denim shorts, or track pants other than sport uniform track pants. Nor does it include black shorts, jeans or tops. Please do not let your child convince you otherwise.

Our School Uniform Policy can be found on our School’s website at: http://www.kiama-h.schools.nsw.edu.au

E-CIGARETTES AND E-HOOKAHS
It has come to our attention recently that there are some students who have been bringing E-Hookahs (flavoured water vapourisers) to school. The school has sought advice in relation to these devices and we have received the following information.

"E-Hookahs are classed in the same category as E-Cigarettes, and as such are considered to be banned items at School. Many of these devices contain nicotine and are treated the same as a regular cigarette. Any student in possession or using one of these devices is to be dealt with through the usual School discipline procedures, which could include suspension".

Students have been informed of this through the school notices as well as Year Assemblies. Could you please ensure that your child does not bring one of these devices to School. There are a couple of photos below which shows what these devices look like.

Gerard Kelly and Paul Roger - Deputy Principals

ATTENDANCE MATTERS:
IT’S NOT OK TO BE AWAY!
Kiama High School strives to work with parents to improve the attendance of students. Term 4 is always a good time to reinforce the policy and procedures for attendance.

• Students arriving late to school must have a note of explanation when signing in at the office, indicating the reason for lateness. Students arriving late without a note of explanation on three occasions in a term, will be given an after school detention.

• Early leaver’s pass must only be used for exceptional circumstances. Students must present at the office, before school, with a note of explanation for the early release and if attending a medical appointment then the medical practitioner’s name, contact details and time of appointment must be included in the note.

• Students absent from school due to sickness: if students are too sick to be at school, then they are too sick to be outside of their home environment unsupervised.

• Due to the introduction of the Record of School Achievement (RoSA), Year 10 now finishes school at the same time as the rest of the school, Wednesday 16 December.

Remember, when a student applies for an early leavers or a late arrival pass, it is just that, an application. Therefore, a student maybe denied leave or deemed as unjustified. Another point to remember is that if a parent condones absences that are deemed as unjustified by DoE, they are breaking the law and can be fined up to $1,000 per day.

SPORT
GIRLS LEAGUE TAG
On Thursday 29 September, 54 Years 7-10 girls headed to South Nowra to compete in the Southern NSW League Tag Championships. In the Junior Division the Kiama High Junior 2 side, full of mainly Year 8 girls, defeated the KHS Junior 3 side, 6-4 in a tightly contested Grand Final. This was an upset considering the KHS Junior side 3 was comprised of all Year 9 girls. The Junior 2 side now plays at the same venue on Wednesday 11 November in the Finals day. Our Senior side was very competitive and Most parents support the school’s attendance policy, as they recognise the value of education and the importance that education has on their child’s future.

Be on time, be at school, that’s the rule!
M Cooper, HT Administration Student Attendance

Week 6B Term 4
Monday 9 November
Tuesday 10 November
Wednesday 11 November
Remembrance Day
Girls League Tag
Thursday 12 November
Peer Support Camp
Friday 13 November
Peer Support Camp
were unlucky not to make the final, whilst the Junior 1 side comprising nearly all Year 7 Girls tried hard all day against much older girls. Teams on the day consisted of;

**Junior 1**
Mackenzie Ford, Chloe Egan, Paige McCallum, Maggie Tomlinson, Casey Stratten, Charli Parker, Alex Wallace, Deni Clarke, Nellie Hicks, Ella Patterson, Sienna Thomson, Rebecca Rolls, Skye Daniels, Kailee Hazelwood

**Junior 2**
Demi Stewart, Jem Joyce, Ella Simon, Lili Ford, Lily Guthrie, Shea Culpitt, Tajja Dal Busco, Carly Abbott, Ireland Harrison, Sophie Taylor, Jenna Bentley, Caitlin Luncaba, Zoe Walker

**Junior 3**
Sarah Café, Zoe Dignam, Cassie Angeloska, Sophie Morris, Lily Fryer, Zahli Howard, Laura McCombe, Jemma Robertson, Lara McGee, Jess Nolan, Kiera Griffiths, Georgia Lee, Zoe Dignam, Cassie Angeloska

**Senior**
Briley Parung, Sian Hammond, Tahlia Mitchell, Daisy Files, Amy Files, Anna Dougall Michaela Dwyer, Cameron Dignam, Lily Stewart, Georgia Wedd, Lisa Hunt, Taylor Miller, Erin Dobson, Chiara Arthur

**Mr P Quine**

**SPORTS SINGLETS AMNESTY**

**COULD STUDENTS AND PARENTS PLEASE CHECK THEIR WASHING**

**BASKETS/CUPBOARDS/BAGS AT HOME FOR ANY KHS SPORTS/ATHLETICS/CROSS COUNTRY SINGLETs. IF YOU FIND ANY, PLEASE RETURN ASAP TO THE PE STAFFROOM – NO QUESTIONS ASKED.**

**UNIFORM SHOP**

**OPENING HOURS**

- Tuesdays 10.30am – 2.30pm
- Fridays 11am – 3.00pm

Cash and Eftpos Only

Please be considerate with closing times.

**YEAR 8 GEOGRAPHY TRIVIA EXCURSION**

On Thursday the 22 October six Year 8 students Tasman Berry, Abbey Philpott, Taylor Teudt, Brionai Sutherland, Tim Wade and Eliza Metcalfe travelled to Sydney to take part in a state-wide geography competition. These students were chosen to represent Kiama High School and compete against 35 other schools from across NSW. Throughout the day the students worked together to answer a range of questions about places, foods, landmarks, flora and fauna around the world. The students would like to give a special thank you to Ms Watkins for driving them to and from the venue and for looking after them on the day.

**UNIFORM SHOP**

Thank you to all the students, parents and carers who purchased their new uniforms during the 20% off sale at the end of last term. Now is the time to top up students uniform requirements for the 2016 school year. The uniform shop will be open for Year 7 2016 students to be fitted and purchase their uniforms on **Wednesday 2 December 2015** from 5pm-7pm. This orientation night is only for Year 7 students starting in 2016. Kiama High School uniform shop is the only authorised shop to purchase your uniform from, 20% of all sales are given back to the school to purchase resources for the students each year and your child will have the correct uniform. The uniform shop will be open limited hours in January and these days are extremely busy and wait times can be long so please organise your uniform needs before the end of this year. Uniform shop’s last day is Tuesday 15 December 2015 10.30am-2.30pm. Uniform shop is now situated at the northern end of E Block, parking is available behind the canteen in the car park.

**YEAR 10 RECREATION TREES ADVENTURE EXCURSION**

On Friday 30 October, 45 Year 10 students from the PDHPE Elective course headed to Nowra for the annual Trees Adventure Excursion (situated next to the Shoalhaven Zoo). The students spent three hours navigating various ability high wire courses/obstacles/flying foxes, then they enjoyed a BBQ. The students were a pleasure and represented Kiama High with distinction.

**Mr P Quine, PE Department**

**CANTEEN STUDENT VOLUNTEER ROSTER**

Lunch: Chiae Haine-Rice, Shaun McParland, Ashleigh Johnson, Jessica Steel
Recess: Aden Jones, Sophie Miller, Angus Hodgson, Cameron Mitchell

**PARENT VOLUNTEER ROSTER**

Mon 9/11: Sandra
Tues 10/11: Michelle
Wed 11/11: Help Needed
Thurs 12/11: Allison, Kelli
Fri 13/11: Mary, Bridgette

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 school via funded support. We are taking names for Term 4 now; call the Canteen 4232 2007 if you would love to join our team.

**COMMUNITY NEWS**

**RMS SAFE DRIVER COURSE KIAMA**

The Safer Driver Course aims to provide learner drivers with driving strategies such as speed management, gap selection, hazard awareness and safe following distances so students are more prepared when they drive unsupervised on their provisional licences. The course also aims to help learners identify situation that will put them at greater risk of a crash and consider strategies that will help avoid them. Participants must have 50 actual hours logged in their books to be eligible for
the course. On completion of both modules of the course a learner driver will receive a 20 hour credit in their learner driver log book.

The next courses are being held on 14 November, 15 November and 5 December. For more information visit www.redcardrivertraining.com.au.

25TH ANNUAL CMRI QUILT AND CRAFT SHOW
Don’t miss this year’s Quilt & Craft Show at Gerringong Town Hall on Friday 13 and Saturday 14 November from 9am-5pm and Sunday 15 November from 9am-3pm. Entry is $5 and there will be a wide range of quilts on display. A special feature to mark the 25th Show is a retrospective of works by award winning quilter Merelyn Pearce. There will be a variety of stalls including quilting supplies, the CMRI craft stall and cake stall, clothing and jewellery – lots of ideas for Christmas presents! Come along and support this event and help raise funds for Children’s Medical Research. It is not too late to enter a quilt. Contact rbailey1@outlook.com.

ESSENTIAL EMPLOYMENT & TRAINING

- Essential Employment and Training offer: Disability Employment Services (DES)
- Youth Employment Program (YEP)
- Transition To Work (TTW)
- Community Participation (CP)
- Individual Funding Packages (IF)
- Cert I in Employability: Becoming a Worker
- Cert III in Disability

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