Just a few items to be mindful of.

HANDS OFF
The school has a “Hands Off” policy. This includes no physical contact between students, and no touching of anyone else’s property. Many of the accidents, injuries and damage to personal effects, that occur at school result from what students consider ‘just mucking around’. This is not an acceptable excuse for inappropriate behaviour.

PHONES/IPODS/SKATEBOARDS/SCOOTERS
Mobile phones, iPods and MP3 players must be turned off and earphones removed and out of sight before students enter classrooms. Students have been informed that the unauthorised taking of photos and/or filming of staff and students is strictly prohibited. Security of valuables is a student’s responsibility. Students who bring such equipment to school, must look after it. The school will not accept responsibility for lost or stolen items. They are better left at home. Skateboards and scooters are not to be brought to school. They pose a safety risk to other students, and the school has no way of storing them securely.

CYBER BULLYING
Despite the continuing efforts of Ms McGregor (our anti-bullying co-ordinator) and our Year Advisers, isolated incidents of cyber bullying occur from time to time. Students have been informed at the Year assemblies that disciplinary action will be taken against any student found responsible for cyber bullying. Further, such matters may also be passed on to the police. I urge parents to be particularly vigilant with regards to their children using social networking sites including Facebook, Tumblr and Instagram. Please contact the school should your child be a victim of cyber bullying. The school is very proud of its record in providing very successful anti-bullying programs for our students.

SCHOOL UNIFORM
School uniform is compulsory for excursions (unless the permission note states otherwise). Students who are not in full school uniform will not be allowed to attend. A note from home on the day will not be acceptable.

AEROSOL SPRAY CANS
Aerosol spray cans, such as deodorants, are not permitted at school due to health reasons. The use of such items may trigger an asthma attack on students or staff that has asthma.

P&C AGM MEETING
The P&C AGM Meeting will be held in the Library at 7pm 7 March – all welcome.
Gerard Kelly and Paul Roger, Deputy Principals

KOORI KORNER
REMINDER: Bulima (Kiama) Aboriginal Consultative Group Inc is meeting on Thursday 25 May at Minnamurra Public School from 4pm-6pm.

HELP NEEDED: We are wanting to create some murals in our school to enhance our school environment and we currently have two walls cement rendered so if you know of a parent or friend could you mention this.

RACISM – IT STOPS WITH ME
This term Kiama High is focusing on the Racism - It Stops With Me campaign and our aim is to create awareness of racism and how it affects individuals and the broader community by working together so we can change for the better. Details are yet to be confirmed.

PERSONALISED LEARNING PLANS
This term you will be hearing from our wonderful Norta Norta tutor, Mrs Jane Littrich, about your child/ren PLP and it will be reviewed at the end of Term 2. Jane will either phone or email you as a first point of contact or a meeting can be requested.

DONATION PLEASE
Do you have an old surfboard you no longer want and is gathering dust in your garage? If you do, we are more than happy to take it from your hands to be painted up in Aboriginal designs from our students and parents/community for display either in the office or an area where all the students/parents and community can see the board. Ideally we would love to have two surfboards to represent our local community and totem of the Illawarra, the Whale.

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SPORT
ZONE SWIMMING CARNIVAL
Congratulations to the Kiama High School Swimming team on their enthusiasm, cooperation, good sportsmanship and team effort at the recent Zone Swimming Championships at Bomaderry Pool. Kiama High School finished in a gallant 2nd place, behind the very strong Ulladulla High team. Our star swimmers on the day were Liam Williams (16yrs Age Champion), Nick Bamford (12yrs Age Champion), Sarah Williams, Nathan Cowgill, Lachlan Davidson and all our relay swimmers! We had nine relay teams qualify for the South Coast Championships, which is a tremendous result. We wish all competitors the best of luck as they compete against the best swimmers from the South Coast region at Dapto this Wednesday.

SOUTH COAST REPRESENTATIVE
Congratulations to our latest South Coast Representative, Chiara Arthur. Chiara was selected in the South Coast Open Girls Basketball team to compete in the NSWCHS Championships. This is Chiara’s third year in the team – well done Chiara!

Jill McGuinness
PARENT VOLUNTEER ROSTER

Mon 7/3: Brigitte
Tues 8/3: Megan
Wed 9/3: Help Required
Thurs 10/3: Allison, Kellie
Fri 11/3: Mary, Brigitte

FREE WORKSHOP FOR PARENTS AND SUPERVISORS OF LEARNER DRIVERS

To help you with practical advice about:

- supervising learner drivers
- completing the learner driver log book
- providing on-road driving practice and L and P plate licence laws

Workshops are held from 6pm-8pm on 20 April. For more information contact Kiama Municipal Council on 4232 0444 or email council@kiama.nsw.gov.au.

COMMUNITY NEWS

RMS SAFER DRIVERS COURSE

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 situations 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 log 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 cost of the course is $140 including GST. Places are available on Saturday 9 April 16. For more information contact Julie Dryer on 0424 628 703 or visit www.redcarddrivertraining.com.au.

ROYAL LIFE SAVING

The NSW Aquatic and Recreation Industry is seeking to employ pool lifeguards and swim teachers (AUSTSWIM) to meet community demand. For more information email nicolajamieson@royalnsw.com.au.

BREAKING THE ICE IN OUR COMMUNITY

The Australian Drug Foundation in partnership with NSW Health and local agencies is hosting a series of forums across NSW to help you and your community get the facts about crystalline methamphetamine or ‘ice’ use. For more information email nicolajamieson@royalnsw.com.au.

FINISHED YEAR 12 AND looking FOR A PATHWAY TO UNI OR WORK

Cannabis: Myths & Facts – a workshop for young people, Monday 7 March 3.30pm-5.30pm. Are you aged 25 or under? Get the answers to your questions in this free workshop with the experts from Illawarra Drug and Alcohol Service. Topics covered will include synthetic cannabis, tips on harm minimisation (reducing risk if you choose to use), and what the research tells us about cannabis use.

Cannabis and Young People – a workshop for parents, carers and service providers. Thursday 7 April 5.30pm-8.30pm. This workshop will provide up to date information on cannabis including:

- Effects of cannabis use
- Current trends and health
- Cannabis and mental health.

It will also explore ways to raise the conversation and discuss cannabis use with young people. Facilitated by David St Quintin from Illawarra Drug and Alcohol Service.

Cannabis and mental health. Current trends and what the research tells us about cannabis use.

CANNABIS WORKSHOPS FOR YOUNG PEOPLE, PARENTS, CARERS AND SERVICE PROVIDERS

For more information contact Kiama Community College Inc on 4232 1050 or www.kcc.nsw.edu.au.

RESPECT · COMMITMENT TO PERSONAL EXCELLENCE · RESPONSIBILITY
LEARNER LOG BOOK RUN EXPERIENCE
An opportunity for learner drivers and their supervisors to experience a series of practical and powerful demonstrations whilst gaining log book hours on a planned route. All learner drivers must have 40 or more log book hours. Starts and finishes at the Lake Illawarra PCYC on Sunday 20 March 16 9am-1.30pm. Bookings essential: Shellharbour 4221 6111, Kiama 4232 0444 or Wollongong 4227 7111.

KIAMA HOCKEY JUNIOR AND SENIOR REGISTRATIONS
Please contact Kath 0400 399 681 or at juniors@kiamahockey.org.au or Nic/Will at president@kiamahockey.org.au. All ages welcome. Competition starts 19 March for junior teams.

KIAMA BASKETBALL
Learn To Play – Years 2 and 3 – Fun Skill Building Activities from 4-5pm Wednesdays.
Miniballers – Years 4-6 Comp 4-6 Mondays mixed teams. No experience required.
Juniors – Years 7-11 Comp Tuesday afternoons.
Register – Kiama Leisure Centre on Friday 11 or 18 March from 4.00pm-5.30pm or email zwickerfamily@bigpond.com for info pack, including details for online rego.

KIAMA JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB
The Club is seeking under 17 boys to play in the Under 17 League this coming season starting 3 April 16. Please contact Club Registrar.

Disclaimer: Kiama High School will, as a service to parents, advertise community news, which may be of interest. KHS does not necessarily endorse or sponsor the events and accepts no responsibility to the management or organisation.