



# KINGARROY STATE HIGH SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER

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### EVERY DAY COUNTS

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#### STUDENTS AND PARENTS

I wish to acknowledge the passing of a past student and also a past parent. Year 12 graduate of 2009, **Matthew Cobby** tragically passed away on July 3, and we extend to his parents Robert and Robyn Cobby, and younger brother Isaac, Year 9, our sympathy and support on Matthew's most untimely passing.

Past parent, **Mrs Joyce Cuvet** passed away suddenly last month. Mrs Cuvet was a Treasurer of the P & C Auxiliary from 1992 to 1994 and made a significant contribution to the School Canteen in that capacity, when the school was saving to build the Indoor Sports Centre. We extend our sympathy to Mr Cuvet and Joyce's children Judith and Wendy.

Welcome to new International Student **Camilla Giungarelli** (Year 11). Camilla is from Italy and is with us for a year.

Year 12 Interviews are soon to commence, starting Monday 29 July. Each Year 12 student will have a brief interview with me to discuss progress this year and their aspirations. I look forward to this opportunity to talk with each of our graduating Year 12's.

#### CURRICULUM

Year 10 students will receive their Year 10 Certificates at our **Transition Night** next Thursday 25 July. Lady Florence Bjelke Petersen will once again present the certificates. Thank you for your great support over the many years Lady Florence. Year 10 students who improve their results in Semester 2 will be issued with our updated certificate reflecting the improved result. I look forward to this special event for our Year 10 students as they celebrate the half way milestone of their secondary education.

#### FACILITIES

Planning continues to go well for the **Year 7 Building** which we need for 2015. It is proposed to locate it on the western end of E and L Blocks, and it will consist of 14 classrooms and a staff room. I will give a full report on this at next week's P & C Meeting.

#### CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Thank you to **Mr Bevan Costello** and the **Wakka Wakka Elders** who attended our special NAIDOC Week event on Friday. The unveiling of our Wakka Wakka plaque and the training of some of our students in *Traditional Welcome to Country* took place and this has greatly strengthened our links with the Wakka Wakka people. Thank you to Stanwell and Mr Darren Schmidt for your continued support of these initiatives.

#### SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

##### CONSULTATION ON SCHOOL CHAPLAINCY

At the P & C Association meeting to be held on Tuesday 23 July at 7:30pm in the Community Meeting Room, there will be a consultation on the School's Chaplaincy Program which is a necessary part of our continuation of the National Chaplaincy Program. The meeting will hear a report on the school's Chaplaincy Service and consider the following motion: "*The Kingarroy State High School Parents' and Citizens' Association supports the provision of a Chaplaincy Service in the school, and would like to utilise NSCSWP funding for that purpose.*"

#### COMING EVENTS

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| Wed 17 to Sat 20 July   | ▪ Creative Generation Performances in Brisbane |
| Saturday 20 July 6:00pm | ▪ Quota Student of the Year                    |
| Tuesday 23 July 7:30pm  | ▪ P & C Meeting                                |
| Thursday 25 July 6:30pm | ▪ Year 10 Transition Ceremony                  |
| Friday 26 July 7:30am   | ▪ Chaplaincy Committee Meeting                 |
| 3:30pm                  | ▪ Fudooka students arrive                      |
| 7:00pm                  | ▪ School Social                                |
| Tuesday 30 July         | ▪ School Photographs                           |
| Thursday 1 August       | ▪ Careers Market                               |

*David Ballin*, PRINCIPAL

#### ATTENDANCE MATTERS

When you are reviewing your child's report card, take a moment to consider your child's attendance rate. Research shows that students who have good attendance are more likely to achieve high results at school. If students aren't at school or don't stay the whole day, they are missing valuable lessons which will help them to achieve to their full potential. You can make a difference in the success or otherwise of your student's endeavours here at school. Attendance DOES MATTER.

*Pauline Peters*, ACTING ASSISTANT TO THE PRINCIPAL

## SCHOOL PHOTOS

Another reminder that School photos will take place on **Tuesday 30 July**. Please ensure that each student returns his/her envelope to the school office, even if payment is made in the eldest child's envelope. Advanced Life Photography has an automated system for payments by credit card. You can go online to [www.advancedlife.com.au](http://www.advancedlife.com.au) for easy to understand payment instructions. Sibling Photos are also available, a 'family order envelope' can be collected from the office. **Students are to bring envelopes on or preferable before Photo Day.**

*Scott Dempster*, ASSISTANT TO THE PRINCIPAL

## QCS UPDATE

QCS students have a busy schedule during this term, culminating in sitting the QCS test on September 3 and 4. The commitments, for which it is important all QCS students complete, include:

- **Week 3 (Wed 24 July)** – students will sit a practice Multiple Choice paper. The response will be marked and a report generated upon which students/teachers can reflect.
- **Week 6 (14 August)** – students will sit their second practice test (WT and SR). Papers will be marked and feedback will be given prior to the QCS.

*Jenny Tessmann*, ACTING HOD CURRICULUM – EXPLICIT TEACHING

## MATHLETICS

As mentioned previously, the school is subsidising the subscription to trial a Mathematics/Numeracy online package called Mathletics for Semester 2. Mathletics allows an online environment in which students (Yr 8-12) can consolidate/review



mathematical concepts specifically set by their teacher. There are inbuilt rewards for proficiency in the form of bronze, silver and gold medals. Students also enjoy engaging in "Live Mathematics" where they compete against others (in their class or across the globe) in answering Maths problems of a chosen level.

Even though the subscription officially began from the start of this term, there were many classes committed to completing activities set by their teachers in the last term of Term 2. Therefore, it was most fulfilling to receive three certificates for our top students. These have been presented to **Zoe** (Yr 10), **Jeana** (Yr 10) and **Eli** (Yr 9) for mastering 12, 11 and 10 activities respectively (i.e. obtaining scores greater than 85%). Congratulations!

*Jenny Tessmann*, ACTING HOD – CURRICULUM-EXPLICIT TEACHING

## LIBRARY NEWS

Welcome back to a new semester. Hopefully everyone has had a restful holiday break and a chance to do some reading – be it the newspaper, a magazine, workshop manual or novel. Reading is one of those skills we take for granted, but really, are privileged because we can read.

At the end of last semester students were reminded to return all resources they no longer require. Overdue letters were sent home requesting the return of resources. If you have received such notification, please contact the school or bring the book into the library or office. Your help with this matter is appreciated. Likewise, if you find 'stray' books at home, please return them too.

Anyway, enjoy Semester 2 and if you have any Library concerns please contact the library staff.

*Judy Conomos*, LIBRARIAN

## DUKE OF EDINBURGH

All candidates are reminded to keep working on their award. Dukes is self-regulated and students progress through their level at a pace they determine. Congratulations to Lara-Maree, Courtney, Brayden, Andrew, Neil, Tynan, Katie, Mel, Adelaide, Kelly, Philippa, Alisha, Britney, Brooke, Abbie, Aidan, Chantel, Robbie, Joe, Courtney, Conner and Brandon who are our current Bridge Level 1 candidates. For all the other students who are working on their Bridge Level 2, Bronze, Silver and Gold Awards – good luck and keep working hard. New candidates are always welcome. Please see Mrs Conomos in the library.

*Judy Conomos*, DUKE OF EDINBURGH COORDINATOR

## GUIDANCE OFFICER NEWS

A **Year 12 QTAC Session** will be held in Period 2 next Tuesday 23 July in B9 for students who intend to apply through QTAC for a University course. Parents are very welcome to attend. On 30 July at 2pm in the Community Building students in Years 11 and 12 who are interested in Health related careers can attend a session run by Health Staff/Students at UQ. There will be a presentation of information followed by practical activities.

*Gayle Rankine*, GUIDANCE OFFICER

## SEXTING ON THE RISE

Police charged 240 Queensland children, aged between 10 and 17, for producing and distributing child pornography in the first five months of 2013, official figures reveal.

The data, obtained by Fairfax Media, shows the number of youths charged so far this year accounts for nearly 40 per cent of all youths charged since 2009, indicating steep growth in "sexting".

### Tips on how to help teens text safely:

1. **Never post or send explicit photos:** Once the 'send button' is pressed you have lost control of where an image can be sent next.
2. **Let friends know:** Let a friend know if he or she posts or shares information or images of you that make you uncomfortable.
3. **Know the law:** Teenagers who have sent nude pictures of themselves have been charged with offences such as producing and distributing child pornography.
4. **Delete sexts immediately:** While it's impossible to control what is sent, teenagers can choose what to do next.
5. **Encourage positive self-worth:** Try to help teenagers build a strong sense of self worth and a healthy self esteem. Keep the lines of communication open and make it clear that they can come to you with anything that may be bothering them.

*Annette Montebello*, SCHOOL BASED YOUTH HEALTH NURSE

## FROM THE CHAPLAIN

**Careers Market:** On Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> August, the Chaplaincy Committee will be providing morning and afternoon tea for exhibitors at our Careers Market. Students in Years 10 to 12 will have the opportunity to help, serving food and drinks during the day. If students would like to help in this way, they will need to come and see me next week.

**Walk the Wall 2013** will be held again this year in Kingaroy. The aim is to raise money for International China Concern, an organization that brings 'love, hope and opportunity' to disabled and abandoned children and young people in China. Walkers recruit sponsors to donate money or to support them with a number of dollars per kilometre. The walk will be held on 24<sup>th</sup> August, starting at 8.30am at the Kingaroy Presbyterian Church and it will go for 10 kilometres. For more information, go to [www.walkthewall.org](http://www.walkthewall.org) or contact Elaine and Paul Marjoram on 0423 837 231 or (07) 4162 4151.

*"Be strong and of good courage, and do it: do not fear nor be dismayed, for the Lord God - my God - will be with you."* 1 Chronicles 28:20a

*Ruth Wright*, CHAPLAIN 41600686

## GREAT TEACHERS = GREAT RESULTS

Great teachers = Great results is the Queensland Government's five-year, \$537 million action plan to make our state's education system even better.

It will:

- Support teachers with mentoring, training and resources.
- Reward outstanding teachers with career opportunities and scholarships.
- Strengthen state school discipline.
- Allow schools to have more say in how they are run because each school community knows what's best for Queensland kids.

The plan will lift standards of teaching and give schools more flexibility to get on with the job with a range of research-based initiatives to help your child get a great education, no matter where you live.

There will be new ways of measuring and rewarding high performances among our teachers, as well as strengthened discipline and streamlined processes for suspensions and exclusions.

Find out more about the plan: [www.qld.gov.au/greatteachers](http://www.qld.gov.au/greatteachers)

## CASUAL POSITION – SCHOOL CANTEEN

Expressions of interest are called for Casual positions in the **Kingaroy State High School Canteen**. If you are interested in applying, please provide either a letter or no more than an A4 sheet outlining your experience to Mrs Wendy McCallum, Business Services Manager, Kingaroy State High School, PO Box 356, Kingaroy, 4610 or email [wmcca9@eq.edu.au](mailto:wmcca9@eq.edu.au) by **Friday 26 July**.

Successful applicants will be paid under the Parents' and Citizens' and Other Associations Retail Award on a casual basis.

## CANTEEN ROSTER

MON	22/07/13	Barbara Bell
TUES	23/07/13	Christine Teakle / Debbie Litzow
WED	24/07/13	Colleen Gunn / Mandy Blair
THUR	25/07/13	Joni Mullins
FRI	26/07/13	Julie Boyle / Helen Greenslade
MON	29/07/13	Janine Hockenhill
TUES	30/07/13	Sonja Love
WED	31/07/13	Vicki Rossi / Jan Lamborn
THUR	01/08/13	Linda Newman
FRI	02/08/13	Jacki Irwin / Gaylene Schultz

**If you are unable to work on your day, please try and swap with someone and let Lorraine know. If you can't swap ring Lorraine on 41600676 or a/h 41622264.**

## COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **FOR SALE:** Kingaroy SHS Spray Jacket. Size Small. Good Condition. \$40. Call 0439 886 963
- **UNIFORM FOR SALE:** KSHS Band Uniform – excellent condition (worn twice). 1 x pair boys long BLACK dress pants; 1 x pair boys long GREY dress pants (both size 14, Stubbies brand) - \$25 each. 1 long sleeved WHITE dress shirt (size 14, Stubbies brand) - \$10. 1 x blue satin tie (for Jazz Band) - \$5. 1 Pair black leather dress shoes (River's brand) size 9½ - \$15. Phone Sue on 0438 899 330
- **UNIFORM FOR SALE:** Senior School T-shirts almost new – Size 12. \$18 each. Contact Karen on 0421 312 261 or 4164 1248.

- **BAND UNIFORM FOR SALE:** Formal Band Skirt Size 22 - \$30; School Tie \$15 – both hardly been worn. Ph: Clara 41635137
- **ALTO SAXOPHONE FOR SALE:** As new Steinhoff Alto Saxophone - \$350. Hardly been used. Phone Sharon on 41622884.
- **UNIFORM FOR SALE:**  
2 x Blazers – Size 16 and Size 14 Excellent condition - \$100each  
2 x Concert Band Skirt – Size 12 and Size 14 - \$15each  
2 x Stage Band Ties - \$5each  
3 x School Ties (Concert Band) - \$5each  
1 x Boys Concert Band Black Long Pants – Size 16 Very Gd condition \$15  
2 x Black Stage Band shirts – Size 16 and Size 12 \$15each  
2 x School Spray Jackets- Size S and Size M \$45 Ph:41624876 A/H
- **UNIFORM FOR SALE:** KSHS Spray Jacket XL \$45 VGC. Formal/Band Blazer XL (92cm/36R) with silver buttons; recently dry-cleaned \$90 VGC. Contact Eva on 0447 099 054
- **FOR SALE: 2 x Formal Dresses Size 8** Only worn once, in near new condition \$150 for 1 or both for \$250. If interested call Jess or Leanne on 41621892( AH)
- **FOR SALE: Formal Wear: Henry Roth Dress, Red, Lace up Back \$150; Miss Anne Dress, Purple, Stretchy, Size 24, \$50. Kenwood Car Speakers** 1 Set x 180 Watt; 1 Set x 160 Watt; prefer to sell together \$180 ono. Phone Sarah 0400756328.
- **YEAR 12 FORMAL MAKE-UP:** some appointments still available. Sharon Favier - *Diploma of Makeup – Napoleon Perdis Ph 0431116666*
- **KINGAROY BLUE LIGHT DISCO 26 July 6:00pm to 8:30pm.** Prep to 14 Years. Kingaroy Town Hall \$5 Entry.

## GET STARTED - FUNDING TO HELP KIDS PARTICIPATE IN LOCAL SPORTS

### Round two opens 10am on 15 July 2013

Get Started assists children and young people from the age of 5 to under 18 whose parent, guardian or carer holds a Centrelink Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card and are residents of Queensland. Eligible children and young people can apply online for a voucher valued up to \$150, which can be presented at a *Get Started* sport or recreation club.

To find out if you are eligible and how to use the vouchers go to: <http://www.npsr.qld.gov.au/funding/getinthegame/getstarted.html> or

## South Burnett Careers Market / Try-a-Trade

Thursday 1 August 2013

Kingaroy State High School Sports Hall  
10am – 4pm

Anyone considering future career options or seeking more information about higher education and/or career opportunities in a wide range of industries are encouraged to attend. The aim of the South Burnett Careers Market / Try-a-Trade is to give young people 'hands on experience' as well as a wealth of information, giving them the tools to make informed decisions about their future.

The Careers Market will provide opportunities to:-

- look at interesting & interactive displays
- find out about career options in various industries
- talk to representatives from University, TAFE and other higher education providers
- talk to apprentices actually working in industry
- access information on apprenticeships & training.

The Careers Market / Try-a-Trade will be staffed by tertiary institutions, representatives from a large variety of industries, career advisers, industry representatives and employers. These people will provide a wealth of information and advice regarding career pathways, including tertiary entry procedures, pre-requisites and the QTAC application process.

For more information please contact Ruth Wright or Linda Sonter at Kingaroy State High School on 41600 666.