KINGAROY STATE HIGH SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

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Thursday 20 February, 2014

EVERY DAY COUNTS

STUDENTS

Our Student Leaders were formally recognised at Tuesday's Investiture of Student Leaders. Guest Speaker was Mrs Georgie Somerset who had some pertinent messages for our students. Georgie is president of the Queensland Rural, Regional & Remote Women's Network and on the Board of Children's Health Queensland.

She recently established the South Burnett Community Leadership Program and is very involved in community groups including the Burrandowan Picnic Races so has many connections to this community as well as leadership. We thank her for her time.

Congratulations to the following leaders who were among those recognised on Tuesday:

School Captains: Belinda Johnston & Daniel Weldon
School Vice-Captains: Taylor Crossley & Simon Fairbairn
Junior School Captains: Jenna Christensen & Brayden Canniford
Junior School Vice-Captains: Dayna Pukallus, Riley Slatter, Brianna Reynolds & Jayde Kilgour

Committee Chairs:
Cultural: Kate McComack
Social: Melita Ross
Welfare: Mike Layt
Environment: Amie Mason
Media: Danielle Janz
Sport: Hayley Hunter

Congratulations to Year 12 students, Jessica Evans, Bree McMahon, Georgia Dennis & Keau Cullen for their successful participation in the Wide Bay Constitutional Convention in Maryborough this week. They all represented the School admirably and it was great to see Keau take the runner-up position in the speeches.

STAFFING

Welcome to Miss Emily Jarrett who is an English/SOSE teacher and started work at Kingaroy High last week.

This year we have an additional Head of Department position which is being filled by Miss Hanna Newton. Her position is that of Junior Secondary HOD. You will be hearing a lot from Miss Newton as the year progresses and we move closer to the Year 7 cohort moving to Secondary School in 2015.

One of the major focus points this year continues to be that of raising the literacy, numeracy & reading levels of all of our students. We would love some parent assistance with this, and would particularly love to hear from any parents (or community members) who might be willing to work with some one-on-one reading with some of our Year 8 & 9 students. If you are interested, please contact our Junior Secondary HOD, Miss Hanna Newton at the school. The reading could take place at various times between 8.30am and 3.15pm so if you think you might be able to volunteer some time we would love to hear from you. We are keen to get this program started as soon as possible.

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

On March 11 the School, in conjunction with local primary schools will host a Parent & Student evening about homework for Year 5-12 students. The evening will cover topics such as what the different types of homework are, how parents might be able to help their student in different subjects and also answer some of the very specific questions about homework that you may have. So, please consider coming along at 7pm on March 11th to the Assembly Hall. The evening will be hosted by Mr Lloyd Fairbairn and Miss Hanna Newton.

Over the next few months students in Years 8 & 9 will have the opportunity to participate in a Spelling Bee competition. There will be many activities in the lunch hours then later in the term representatives will be selected to attend the Kingaroy District Final. It would be great to see as many students as possible get involved. Miss Nerissa Maudsley will have further information on Student Daily Notices.

Among many of the other activities, students with an interest in music were given details from Miss Michelle Sanders on Tuesday about two different music-based activities running as extra-curricular activities before school. Again there will be more notices for students on the Daily Notices. These two activities are just two of the many that students can be involved in, so we encourage every student to try something new and see what they can learn and contribute.

GROUNDS AND FACILITIES

If you have been around the school grounds at all recently you may have noticed steady progress on the Junior Secondary building. At this stage we have seen the pad footings / columns in the ground and this week is about preparation for the ground floor form work. Planning is also under way for an extension to the Canteen facilities, which will be a joint project between the P&C as well as the School. This extension will cater for the extra 200+ students who will join the campus in 2015.
**COMING EVENTS**

**Tuesday 25 February**
- Yr 8J, 8K, 8L on Camp at Archoookora

**Wed 26 February**
- Lions Youth of the Year Competition

**Thursday 27 February**
- South Burnett Swimming 2:00-5:00pm
- Artslink for Year 11 & 12 students

**Tues 4 March**
- Yr 8M, 8N, 8O on Camp at Archoookora

**Wednesday 5 March**
- Bjelke-Petersen Summer Competition
- Launch of Active Citizens

**Friday 7 March, 7:00pm**
- First Social for 2014

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**STUDENT RESOURCE SCHEME**
Families should receive an envelope in the mail in the near future. The Student Resource charges for 2014 have now been invoiced. You will receive a letter of explanation, participation agreement form, personal details printout as well as a statement of what is owing for your student/s. It is important to complete and return the participation agreement form and edit the personal details if changes are required. Both these sheets should be returned as quickly as possible. There are several payment options available and these can be found on the back of your statements. Outstanding charges are due by **Friday 4 April 2014**. If you wish to set up a payment plan please contact me on my direct number, 41600610 or call in to the finance window in the Administration block.

**JUNIOR SECONDARY NEWS**

**Junior Secondary Leaders:** We congratulated the Junior Leaders at Investiture on Monday. These young leaders are each working with a Senior Committee, driving the junior input into the six committees. They are joined this year by representatives from Year 8 and 9 Form Captains. It will be exciting to see the Junior school developing important leadership skills! The Junior Secondary Leaders are: 
- Brayden Canniford (Captain): Sport Committee
- Jenna Christensen (Captain): Social Committee
- Riley Slatter (Vice Captain): Cultural Committee
- Brianna Reynolds (Vice Captain): Media Committee
- Dayna Pukalus (Vice Captain): Welfare Committee
- Jayde Kilgour (Vice Captain): Environment Committee

On Wednesday a morning tea was held to welcome the Junior Leaders. They were joined by their Senior Committee mentors and teachers who will be working closely with the committees throughout the year. We look forward to seeing these young leaders represent our junior students in these roles.

**NAPLAN Preparation:** Year 9 students begin formal NAPLAN preparation next week with practice tests for each of the NAPLAN strands. This is in conjunction with their Numeracy lesson and additional numeracy and literacy work throughout their subjects. Parents and guardians can add to this with regular conversations at home about spelling, punctuation or looking at Maths homework.

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**ENGLISH TUTORING**

The English Department at Kingaroy SHS began our tutoring program this week. The program assists students who wish to improve their spelling, punctuation, grammar and reading comprehension skills. The tutoring sessions are not designed to help students complete homework or drafting for assessment tasks.

Students in Years 8 and 9 will be able to participate in the English tutoring program on Wednesday afternoons between 3:20 and 4:15 pm. Tutoring takes place in A4, with English staff in attendance. If you would like your student to be involved in the program, please return the tear-off portion of the parent letter that was distributed to the students last Thursday, to my tray in A Block staffroom.

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**YEAR 11 COORDINATOR NEWS**

A few busy weeks have been and gone and a lot has happened in that time. Last Tuesday we held the Year 11 Parent Night and it was great to see so many parents coming along to learn about what’s ahead for their Year 11 students. It was an information packed evening with many of our staff speaking about what’s ahead and what students should be working towards at the conclusion of Year 12. If you were unable to make the evening and would like any information about the topics discussed please e-mail me at mlang72@eq.edu.au. Thank you to everyone who came along, it was great to meet you all.

Congratulations must go out to our newly elected Form Captains for our Year 11 Form classes. In the last few weeks we saw class nominations occurring and students being interviewed by myself and the ATTPs. Voting took place on Tuesday last week and the following students were selected as the Form Captains for 2014.

- 11A Ryan Nicholson
- 11B Amy Lucas
- 11C Tanisha Sorensen
- 11D Christopher Hutton
- 11E Dom Cermonia

On Monday these students received their badges and certificates at our Investiture Ceremony and were recognised by the rest of the school and community members. Well done.

On a final note, I ask that your students wear the correct uniform to school. My main concern is student’s shoes and socks. All students should be wearing black leather or impervious shoes and white socks on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. On Tuesday, boys should be wearing grey socks and girls wearing light blue socks. It’s been a positive start to 2014. Thank you for your support.

**Matt Langford, Year 11 Coordinator**

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**NEWS FROM THE SCHOOL HEALTH NURSE**

**Immunisation - All Year 8 and all Year 10:** Immunisation consent forms will be handed out tomorrow. Please read, complete and return to the front main office by Friday 28 February. Thank you for ensuring your child is protected by participating in this immunisation program.

**Asthma** - One in nine Australian children and one in ten adults in our community have asthma. People with asthma have sensitive airways in their lungs. When exposed to certain triggers their airways narrow, making it hard for them to breathe.

**Triggers** - Not all people will have the same triggers, nor will they react to every trigger. Common triggers include: cold and flu, cigarette smoke, stress exercise/activity, pollens, mould, dust, changes in temperature/weather. People do not always know what triggers their asthma. It is helpful to identify triggers in order to avoid them, however this is not always possible (e.g. colds and flu). Exercise is the only trigger that should not be avoided.

How do you recognise asthma?
- Shortness of breath
- Wheeze
- Chest tightness
- A dry, irritating, persistent cough, particularly at night/early morning, with exercise or activity

**Controlling Symptoms** - Asthma is controlled with a combination of reliever, preventer, and symptom controller medications. If someone is using their reliever medication more than three times per week to ease asthma symptoms it may be a sign that their asthma is not well controlled. They should see their doctor.

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**PARENTS PLEASE NOTE**

**OUR SCHOOL ABSENCE LINE IS**

41600660

**NOT** 41604360 – which is Kingaroy State School

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**Annette Monteille, School Based Health Nurse**
GEOGROUP

Thanks to Ken Mills Toyota for use of the Courtesy Bus to take 11 very excited students to visit the Caboolture Gem Club on 15th February. The Gem Club is extremely well fitted with all types of lapidary equipment and expert and experienced club members who are very happy to demonstrate their skills to the students. After we were treated to a tour of their facilities (there is something for all interests), it was down to business with students bringing out their own rocks to be assessed and then cut by the members with some very exciting results.

The school is now the proud owner of a tumbler/polisher machine – more news on this as it starts to be used. Mr Paul Kutch, President of the club, generously gave the school cryosphare, amethyst, petrified wood and prehnite to start off the polishing. He also gave each of the students cut and polished prehnite as a souvenir and a free train ride around the Historical Site! Members of the Caboolture club were very impressed by the students’ excellent behaviour and enthusiasm and have given the school very positive feedback on their FaceBook page.

Glenda Hoffmann, GEOGROUP Teacher

LIBRARY NEWS

1. Year 9, 10, 11 and 12 students should have the textbooks they require by now.
2. All textbooks should have the student’s name (including surname), form class and 2014 written on the borrower slip inside the back cover.
3. Students are responsible for every item borrowed in their names.
4. For this reason, books should be stored in a safe, dry place and if left in the classroom, this needs to be secure too.
5. Students should only ever use their own textbooks.
6. All textbooks must be returned through the library system once they are finished with, not left in classrooms or given to teachers.
7. Year 8 borrowing is yet to happen as we are still waiting for the final transfer of their data to the library borrowing system.
8. ALL students have been able to borrow for personal reading since Day 1.
9. Senior students who have been issued with laptops must have these machines at school, charged and ready to work every day. The library does not have spare machines to lend to those students who ‘forget’ their machines.
10. ClickView is a new program that has been added to the school’s bank of resources enabling staff and student access to educational programs via their computer.

Judy Conomos, TEACHER-LIBRARIAN

SCHOOL SOCIAL

The first school social is rapidly approaching and will be held on Friday 7th March. The theme for the first social of the year is ‘Movie Characters’. All students are encouraged to dress up and attend the social as it is a friends. Students are also reminded that as this is a school run event the students’ excellent behaviour and enthusiasm have given the school very positive feedback on their FaceBook page.

Judy Conomos, DOE E COORDINATOR

DUKE OF EDINBURGH UPDATE

The year has started with many students engaged in their Dukes programs – volunteering, keeping fit, learning skills and going on adventures. Over the holidays several of the Gold Awardees completed both practice and qualifying canoe trips, joining with Toogoolawah for the second expedition.

Make sure you beat the price rise - make payment and get forms to Mrs Conomos by Tuesday 25 February. Forms are available online http://www.qld.gov.au/youth/be-involved-have-your-say/duke-of-ed-apPLY/ For those of you still unsure of what activities might count, here is a table of what is on offer here and in the community (this list is not exhaustive!):

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Many students have been busy selling chocolates for the last two weeks to raise money for our Chaplaincy Committee. Any student who has sold one or more boxes of chocolates in a week has their name put into a draw and the winner receives a $10 voucher for the tuckshop. There will also be prizes for those selling the most boxes of chocolates and some draw prizes at the end of the Chocolate Drive. We hope to finish the drive at the end of this term. Thank you to the amazing students who have been putting in such a great effort.

RE: On Wednesday we had our RE day for Term 1. We had Aaron Parry, who is a young singer, songwriter and guitarist who also has a great message for the students. Aaron’s dad, Geoff came as his manager. I hope the students enjoyed their presentation.

SPARCS: SPARCS is held on Tuesday at lunch time in the Community Building. This is a group for students who wish to learn more about Jesus and the Bible and students need to get a permission note from me to return if they wish to attend. SPARCS stands for Stand, Pray, Act, Reach out, Care, Shine, with the idea that sparks spread and make our faith visible. SPARCS is especially for students from schools in the South Burnett. It will be held at the Bunya Mountains from 5th to 7th April, and young people will have lots of fun with bush walks, ultimate disc, spotlighting, camping etc, while exploring what God means to them. Contact me if you would like more information.

The Lord lives! Blessed be my rock! May God, the rock of my salvation, be exalted! 2 Samuel 22: 47

Ruth Wright, CHAPLAIN 41 600 686

2013 FORMAL PHOTOS HAVE ARRIVED AND CAN BE COLLECTED FROM THE OFFICE
**Welcome:** I would like to give a slightly belated welcome to all new students, families and staff of Kingaroy SHS, I hope you make the most of all the opportunities the school has to offer and enjoy your time here.

**P&C AGM:** I would like to extend an invitation to all parents/guardians to attend the P&C AGM on **Tuesday 25 February at 7.30pm** in the Community Building at KSHS. We would really like more parents to become involved in P&C. You will get the opportunity to meet all the new staff on this night, so please come along.

**Canteen Volunteers:** If there are any parents/guardians, grandparents (including Dads!!) who would be willing to assist with volunteering at the canteen once a month or even once a term we would be very grateful to hear from you. The funds raised are used by P&C for major projects around the school to benefit all students. If you can assist, please contact the school office on 41600666.

**South Burnet Mart Auction Volunteers:** The Mart Auction in First Avenue has paid staff from Tuesday to Friday from 8.30am to 4.30pm. However, our Saturday mornings are run by volunteer students, parents and staff. It is a great way to assist with school fundraising and generally it is one Saturday morning from 8.30 – 11.30am per 2 – 3 months. Students who assist can count this towards the Active Citizens Program or the Duke of Edinburgh awards. If you are able to help out please contact me on 0429643121.

I look forward to meeting and working with you over the year.

**Debbie Jackson, P & C President**

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**WH&S COMMITTEE PARENT REPRESENTATIVE**

Kingaroy State High School is seeking a parent representative on the school’s Workplace Health & Safety Committee. Interested parents please contact the school office on 41600666 for more information.

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**Canteen Roster**

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**AMENDED DATES FOR ROSTER**

I have made an error with the dates for the February & March Roster – I am one day a head. Please check the Newsletter Roster if you are unsure or ring Lorraine.

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.

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**Canteen Help RSVP**

I am able to assist in the Canteen on the following day:

- [ ] MON
- [ ] TUES
- [ ] WEDS
- [ ] THURS
- [ ] FRI

Name: ____________________________

Phone: ____________________________

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**Community Announcements**

- **FOR SALE Size 16 School Blazer (has old logo) - suit show team or student leader.** Very Good Condition. Price $50. Call 0427685797
- **UNIFORMS FOR SALE:** Three Size 22 Junior Shirts; One Size 18 Sweat Shirt – hardly worn. Call 0427815524
- **UNIFORMS FOR SALE:** Blazer Size 12 82cm $99 (Blazer bought new); Long Skirt Size 16 $25 (Skirt bought new); Spray Jacket (Small) $40; Spray Jacket (Medium) $40; Formal Shirt Girls Size 10 $15. All in good condition. Contact: 0409275375.
- **UNIFORMS FOR SALE:** 5 Size 16 KSHS polo shirts in excellent condition. $40 for all five. Phone 41625632.
- **FOR SALE:** Band Uniforms 1 x Size 22 Slammers Blue Long Sleeve Shirt; 1 x 39cm Lowes Long Sleeve shirt; 2 x 39cm Lowes Long Sleeve Black Shirt; 1 x 22 or 117 cm KSHS Concert Band/Formal Jacket; 1 x Size 18 or 102 cm KSHS Concert Band/Formal Jacket; 1 x KSHS Tie. All in excellent condition, jackets have been dry-cleaned. Shirts $10 each; Jackets $120 each; Tie $5. Contact 41642380.
- **FOR SALE – Hospitality Shirt Size S (never been worn).** $25. Contact Kathy 0427691425.
- **UNIFORMS FOR SALE:** Band Blazer S $70; Skirt Size 12 $20; Midford Shirt SS Size 12 Free; Stubbies LS Band Shirt Size 12 $10; Berelle Long Band Skirt Size 14 $20; Berelle Long Band Shirt Size 12 $20; School Tie $5; Stage Band Tie $5; Black Hospitality Polo Small $10; Black Hospitality Apron $5; White LS Shirt Size 14 $5. Email Wendy Krosch on kmpools@hotmail.com or phone 41622749 / 0428622740.
- **UNIFORMS FOR SALE:** 1 Spray jacket $25; 2 x Size 16 short skirts $10 each.

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**Quota International Women’s Day Dinner**

**Guest Speaker Jenny Woodward**

**DATE:** 1 March, **TIME:** 6:30PM

**RSVP** 24 February:

Alison Otto: ph 41623582 or alison.otto@bigpond.com OR
Wendy Tully: ph 41628665 or bwttully@gmail.com

**Proceeds to the SB Private Hospital**

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**Vacant Position**

**School Development Officer - KSHS**

There is a casual position available for 10 hours per week performing the role of School Development Officer. This position is based at the school and the role involves:-

- Working with school staff, community organisations, businesses and other relevant School Community partners/stakeholders to pursue funding and associated opportunities targeting the improvement of resources supporting the delivery of quality education opportunities.
- Develop partnerships and communication channels that promote the school community and facilitate access to available funding and associated opportunities suitable for and relevant to the improvement of resources for complementing educational programs that support students developing the knowledge and skills to meet the needs of a changing society.

The School Development Officer reports to the Principal, Kingaroy State High School. If you are interested in applying, please request details from the main office by phoning 41600666 or emailing Wendy McCallum, business Services Manager wmccl9@eq.edu.au. Applications will close on Friday 21 February at 4pm. The successful applicant will be required to hold a Positive Notice blue card for Child Related Employment.