KINGAROY STATE HIGH SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

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Deputy Principal Helen Maudsley
Assistant to the Principal Pauline Peters (Acting), Scott Dempster

EVERY DAY COUNTS

STUDENTS

Congratulations to Year 12 graduate of 2012, Jack Schaffer, who represented the Brisbane Broncos in the first National Youth Competition match last Friday. Jack scored a try and played very strongly, and his dedication is clearly paying off.

Congratulations to Year 12 student Clare Bisley who participated in the Lions Youth of the Year at Gympie last weekend. Clare did not win this competition but was an outstanding representative and we are proud of her great work.

STAFFING

Best wishes to some of our staff who are absent for medical treatment at the moment, including Mrs Jenny Tessmann, Mr Steven Langton and Ms Judy Grimes. We hope that you are all back with us and well again soon.

Welcome to the following newly appointed teaching staff:
- Ms Melissa Darley – English/SOSE teacher
- Mr Ben Lecky – Business/SOSE teacher
- Mrs Diana Wain – SEU/Maths
- Miss Natalie Kefford – SEU/Maths.

CURRICULUM

I wish to urge all parents to attend Parent-Teacher Interviews next Monday 18 March from 3:30pm to 6:30pm. Interim Reports will be sent home with students this Friday, so please bring these with you and note the following points:
- No appointments are necessary
- Interviews are in the Indoor Sports Centre
- Tea/Coffee and sandwiches provided
- Meet your child’s teacher and discuss important matters about his/her education.

COMING EVENTS

Friday 15 March
- Student Council Non-Uniform Day

Monday 18 March, 3:30 – 6:30pm
- Parent-Teacher Interviews
- P & C Auxiliary Meeting

Tuesday 19 March, 2:00pm
- Chaplaincy Committee Meeting
- Wide Bay Winter Sports Trials

Friday 22 March, 7:30am
- Multi Media Presentation

Tuesday 26 March
- Immunisation and last day of Term 1

Wednesday 27 March
- First day of Term 2.

TAKE A STAND TOGETHER – BULLYING – NO WAY!

All schools across Australia are encouraged to register to be part of the National Day of Action Against Bullying and Violence, Friday 15 March 2013. This annual day provides a focus for schools who want to say Bullying, No Way! and to strengthen their everyday messages that bullying and violence at school are not okay at any time.

Kingeroy State High will focus all this week on the message for those who are bystanders - 'Take a stand together' to say - 'Bullying, No Way!' As parents/carers we all have a strong role to play in reminding our children to respect others. Remind our kids how easily they can hurt others. We know that teenagers often walk a fine line with what they do and say to each other. Mostly this can be relatively harmless but when it is not we are asking everyone to 'Take a stand together' and say 'Bullying, No way!'

Pauline Peters & Scott Dempster, ATTP

BILLETS REQUIRED

Kingeroy State High School is hosting the Queensland Schoolboys 18 Years Rugby League Carnival on 23 to 26 May this year. This carnival will bring over 200 of the State’s finest young Rugby League players to Kingeroy. We are asking for assistance with billets for this event. If you can help please contact me at the school as soon as possible. Your assistance in this matter would be greatly appreciated.

Lloyd Fairbairn, Billeting Officer PH: 41 600 659

Do you have a stash of old mobile phones?

Donate them to You Can

Simply send the phone/s to school with your child and they will go into the running for great prizes.

You Can is an organisation that raises money for Youth Cancer

Phones are to be dropped off at Student Services.
LIBRARY NEWS
1. The library system has at long last been updated to include new borrowers.
2. All students should now have textbooks borrowed.
3. All students should have received notification of the barcodes and titles of textbooks borrowed this year.
4. Students are responsible for every resource borrowed in their name.
5. All resources must be borrowed and returned through the library.

Nearly 800 million people worldwide cannot read or write. In Australia we are so fortunate to have access to education, books and technology.

Readers make connections and predictions – it empowers us. Do you read regularly? For enjoyment? For information? Parents and caregivers are important role models. Share stories.

Value the skill of reading.

Judy Conomos, Librarian

DUKE OF EDINBURGH

About the Award:
1. It is 50 years since the first Gold Award was presented to an Australian.
2. Each year more than 35,000 young Australians participate in the Award.
3. The Award runs in 140 countries across the world.
4. Over 7 million young people have been engaged in the Award since it started.
5. YOU can get involved.
6. Registration forms are available from the library.

Adventurous Journeys need to be ‘owned’ by the participant.

Adventurous Journeys:-
• are not a holiday or a shopping trip!
• require training and preparation.
• include at least one practice journey and one qualifying journey.
• for Bronze are 2 days and 1 night each for practice and for qualifying.
• for Silver are 3 days and 2 nights each for practice and for qualifying.
• for Gold are 4 days and 3 nights each for practice and qualifying.
• require a minimum of 6 hours purposeful activity each day for Bronze, 7 hours per day for Silver and 8 hours per day for Gold.
• include things like canoeing, hiking and sailing Tall Ships.
• are into unfamiliar environments
• for this term include a canoe trip.

See Mr Moore for details.

Judy Conomos, Duke of Edinburgh Coordinator

YOU CAN – MOBILE PHONE COLLECTION

Simply turning 16 halves your chances of surviving cancer. Cancer is the biggest disease killer of Australian teenagers with one in 100 Australians diagnosed before the age of 30. Currently in Australia, if you are diagnosed with cancer over the age of 16 you will be treated alongside the elderly and dying in an adult health care system.

A mobile phone collecting campaign was launched at school this week. Our aim is to collect as many old mobile phones that are no longer being used, to raise money for youth cancer through a program called You Can. Collected mobile phones are sent to a recycling company that refurbishes them for resale. The proceeds of the sale of these phones go directly to building youth cancer centres around Australia.

We need your help. Please send any old mobile phones lying around the house to school with your child. Ask your friends, family and work colleagues too. For every phone donated your child will go into the running for some great prizes from Sony Foundation. As an extra incentive, the high school that collects the most mobile phones wins a performance by one of the Sony Music Superstars.

This could be Justice Crew, Stan Walker, Jessica Mauboy or Reece Mastin. With your contribution we can help build youth cancer centres around Australia. For more information please visit www.youcanschools.org.au. Thank you for your support.

Lauren Cross, School Vice Captain

CREATIVE GENERATION STATE SCHOOLS ON-STAGE 2013

Rehearsals have started for yet another fantastic Creative Generation Production. On Monday March 10 our students travelled to Brisbane with Ruth Wright and Mrs Dowideit-Reiger for two days of intensive singing. These students are members of this year’s Core Choir, a group of about 130 students that are picked from state schools all over Queensland.

We would particularly like to thank Ken Mills Toyota for the loan of their mini bus, which significantly reduced the costs of this trip and will ensure that we can attend the remaining Core Choir rehearsals in Brisbane.

At this stage we have 38 students that have committed themselves to either singing or dancing in this event. Students will be working closely with professional artists in a state of the art production that culminates in 4 performances in July at the Brisbane Exhibition and Convention Centre. Over the next 2 weeks some of our dancers will be travelling to Brisbane to be involved in casting auditions and we wish them the best of luck at these auditions.

Tickets for these performances will be available through Ticketek at 12 noon on Monday 15 April. We hope that the Kingaroy SHS community can come along and support our talented students pursuing their love of the arts.

Sue Dowideit-Reiger, Creative Generation Coordinator

A CHOIR-IFIC TIME!

Last weekend 25 members of our Vocal Group attended the annual Choir Camp at Archookoora. The goannas and bush turkeys were serenaded by the beautiful sounds of Allegri’s Miserere and many other choral favourites. The roof of the dining room lifted when the choir sang “You Raise Me Up” and Beethoven’s “Ode to Joy”. Singing for their supper was easy and the talented voices inspired many delicious meals after having worked their brains singing in English, German and Latin. To keep the weather at bay the Chamber choir worked on Frank Hutchens’ beautiful ‘Australian Sunrise’. The choir would like to sing out a massive thank you to Mr Jones and Mr Reiger for all of their help over the weekend, we would like to invite you to ‘S-more’ camps.

Sue Dowideit-Reiger, Vocal Group & Chamber Choir Conductor
INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC
Our parent support group (IMPS) will be having their first meeting of the year tonight at 7pm in the Performing Arts Block. This is an opportunity for parents to support the Instrumental Music Program, to find out what events are coming up, and to ask questions of our teachers.

Matt Phillips, Instrumental Music Teacher

ONLINE SAFETY – PART II
The Australian Government’s Cybersafety Help Button provides internet users, particularly children and young people, with easy online access to cybersafety information and assistance available in Australia. It offers counselling, reporting and educational resources to assist young people deal with online risks including cyberbullying, unwanted contact, scams and fraud, and offensive or inappropriate material.

The help button is a free application that is easily downloaded onto personal computers, mobile devices, and networks. All you need to do is choose one of the installation options. Once the help button is installed, you can access it anytime for help or advice about something unsafe or upsetting that has been encountered on the internet. You can download it from:

Damian Nicholson, Acting HOD Business/IT

FACTS PARENTS SHOULD KNOW ABOUT THE TEENAGE BRAIN
1. No matter how tall their son has sprouted or how grown-up their daughter dresses, their brain is still in a developmental period that will affect the rest of their life. The brain does not reach maturity until the mid-20’s.
2. In the heat of the moment, their decision-making can be overly influenced by emotions, because their brains rely more on the limbic system (the emotional seat of the brain) than the more rational prefrontal cortex. Sometimes teens do things, like punch a wall or drive too fast, when, if asked, they clearly know better.

Annette Montebello, School Based Youth Health Nurse

FROM THE CHAPLAIN
RE day for Term 1: RE day for this term will be next Wednesday 20th March. We have Christopher Wayne coming. Christopher is a Christian comedy magician. I hope the students enjoy his presentations. Students who do not go to RE, will go to the library so that they can continue with school work.

What lies behind us and what lies before us are tiny matters compared to what lies with us.

-Ralph Waldo Emmerson

P & C NEWS
AGM: Unfortunately, the P&C AGM had to be postponed due to flooding which gives everyone a chance to come to the new AGM on Tuesday, 26 March at 7.30pm. See you there.

Mundubbera flood collection: I want to sincerely thank all business houses and individuals that donated cleaning products and linen to the Mundubbera community. Your generosity was amazing and very much appreciated.

Active Citizens: I would really love to hear from Year 11 and 12 students who would be willing to assist with the Mart Auction on Saturday mornings once every 2-3 months. Please call 0429643121 if you can help.

Debbie Jackson, P & C President

CANTENE ROSTER

| MON     | 18/03/13 | Lynelle Cross |
| TUES    | 19/03/13 | Jeanene Maher |
| WED     | 20/03/13 | Mandy Blair / Sharon Frohoff |
| THUR    | 21/03/13 | Joni Mullins |
| FRI     | 22/03/13 | Julie Boyle / Helen Greenslade |
| MON     | 25/03/13 | Linda Wearne |
| TUES    | 26/03/13 | Dianne Leonard |
| WED     | 27/03/13 | Vicki Rossi |
| THUR    | 28/03/13 | Janet Schleger |
| FRI     | 29/03/13 | Lorraine (on your day, please try and swap with someone and let Lorraine know. If you can’t swap please ring Lorraine on 4160 0676 or a/h 4162 2264 |

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS
• FOR SALE: 3 NEW Senior Polo Shirts - Size M. purchased wrong size.
  All worn once only. $45 for the 3. Ph Sharon 0431116666
• FOR SALE: 1 x L KSHS Spray Jacket – In good condition, has a few minor paint stains from Art. $30 1 x Size 16 KSHS Pullover Jumper – Good Condition. $15 2 x Size 16 Senior Polo Shirts – As new. $20 for the two.
Contact Tracey on 4162 5236 after 6.30pm in the evening.
• Instrumental Workshop 17 March SB Community Orchestra in conjunction with SB Regional Council and Regional Arts Development Fund are hosting an Instrumental Workshop with visiting Tutors in Strings, Brass, Woodwind and Percussion. Musicians of all ages and stages are welcome to attend. For further details contact Wendy Kelly 0409 270 496 or email sborchestra@hotmail.com
• Kingaroy Eisteddfod – 30 April – 10 May; Concert 11 May
  7pm: Speech & Drama 30 April; Dance 1-6 May; Vocal, Keyboard & Instrumental 7-10 May; Schedules available from Musicians Oasis, Kingaroy Community Centre, Dimplies Cottage or off website www.eisteddfod.southburnt.com.au
• PLAY SCHOOL CONCERT: Friday 3 May; The Church in the Market Place
  All tickets $16.50. Under 12 months free. BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL. Kingaroy Toyworld 158 Holy St (Cash Only Sales),Phone Bookings 1300 788 028; Online Bookings www.kidspromotion.com.au
• KINGAROY HANDMADE MARKET EXPO - Sunday, 17 March from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm at the Kingaroy Town Hall. Over 40 stalls of handmade goods including Jewellery, Baby Goods, Clothing, Pottery, Preserves, Tie-Eye, Dolls & Much More will be available for browsing. The Coffee Van will also be there so why not bring a friend or the family and come for a look.
• SOUTH BURNETT SAINTS AFL JUNIORS – Training begins Thursday, Lyle Vidler Oval, Youngman St Kingaroy 4:30-5:30pm. Under 8s, Under 10s, Under 12s, Under 14s. Juniors who haven’t already signed on are more than welcome to come. Boys and girls of all abilities are encouraged. Parent/Carers are welcome to come along and help as well. Call Daniel: 0413853103 or Will 0417144062

ATTENTION: “Proston and Hivesville area Families” with children commuting to Kingaroy schools, who wish to express interest in a school bus run to link/run to Kingaroy are asked to attend a meeting to be held at Hivesville Hotel on Monday 25 March at 6.30pm. Should you not be able to attend please express your interest to amanda0907@bigpond.com. We hope to have representatives from bus companies to discuss feasibility and answer any questions you may have.

WONDAL KINDERGARTEN ANNUAL GOLF & BAREFOOT FUN DAY - FEATURING NIGHT GOLF
Saturday 23 March 2013

BOWLS – 3 person team - Starts: 2pm sharp-$10 per person
GOLF – 3 Person Ambrose – 9 Holes - Tee off – 7pm sharp
Cost $20 per person (includes golf ball deposit)

Prizes for Winner, Runner Up & Wooden Spoon
BBQ DINNER AVAILABLE
FREE Afternoon Tea Served during bowls
Nominations for Golf & Bowls can be made both before & on the day.
For more information contact David Sewell – 0409 187 733