KOJONUP DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL



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NEWSLETTER TERM 1 WEEK 5 8th MARCH 2019

2019 SCHOOL LEADERS

Congratulations to our 2019 School Leaders



School Captains Stephanie Ladyman, Crystal Howell Matilda Parker, absent Pania Watene



Student Council Back: Eden Morrison-Gianatti, Broughton Collins, Crystal Howell, Bella Goad Front: Matilda Clifton, Georgia Malady, Shelby Watene, Stephanie Ladyman, Matilda Parker, absent Pania Watene and Brock Donaldson



Aquila Chantelle Evans, Cooper Watson, Ruger Watson and Ashton Morrison-Gianatti



Hercules Sarah Cussons, Libby Hardingham, Mia Draper, absent Isaiah Reid



Phoenix Riley McIllree, Todd Gibbons, Max Miller and Mikaela Gibbons

FROM THE PRINCIPAL – Clare Roser

I hope all families were able to make the most of the long weekend and the last of the fine weather!

We are now half way through Term 1, having had our first, very entertaining, senior assembly and Inter-House Swimming Carnival. I would like to congratulate Mr Kirwen, staff and his growing band of volunteers who ensured the day ran smoothly. I would also like to thank the students for their enthusiasm and sportsmanship. The next assembly will be on Friday 15th March and will be hosted by the Year 6 class.

Over the past week we have had some less than exemplary displays of behaviour amongst some of the senior students. Parents should have received a copy of the school's behaviour referral flow chart and Good Standing Policy 2019, in our updated Parent Information Book. The policy is a requirement of all schools and falls in line with the Minister's "Let's Take A Stand Together" statement, a letter explaining its purpose was also sent home this week. Please see the front office if you did not receive a copy of either.

We have a number of School Council members retiring this year and will need to call for nominations now. If you would like to find out a little more about the role of School Council, please call in to see me. A nomination slip has been attached to this newsletter or can be picked up from the front office. Nominations for the three parent/community positions are held for a term of three years and will close on Monday 18th March, if there are more than three nominations, we will run a formal election process. The P&C member position has also come to an end and will be filled through the P&C directly.

We understand that from time to time parents will have questions or concerns and I would remind all families that your first point of contact should be the classroom teacher. The Deputies and I are always available to meet parents where the concern has not been resolved, or where parents believe the matter is sensitive.

FROM THE SECONDARY DEPUTY PRINCIPAL – Bob Trouchet

Thank you to Alan Warburton from Rotary who visited to speak with our Year 10 students regarding the many different ways in which Rotary provides support for students in our town.

Thank you also to the representatives from Gideon's International who, as they do each year, presented Bibles to each of our Year 7 students during form class.

Secondary parents are able to check on their child's progress by logging into Connect at <u>connect.education.wa.edu.au</u>. They will however need to have filled in the form which was given to all students earlier in the year (or collect one from the Front Office) and return it to the form teacher before they are sent a username and a password. There is also a phone app available which has some of the features of the website.

By the time the next newsletter comes out the Year 7 students will have been on their camp in the Denmark/Walpole area. Many thanks to Kate Fleay and Jesse Kirwen for all their time spent organising then making sure that the students had an awesome time on the camp.

Year 10 students have been sitting the OLNA testing program this week. Students must show their competency in the areas of Literacy and Numeracy by the end of Year 12. Some students were able to prequalify in Year 9 NAPLAN testing and will not be involved in this round of testing. Students will have two opportunities in each of Years 10, 11 and 12 if needed.

In Term 2 our students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 will be sitting the NAPLAN testing. This will all be online except for Year 3 Writing which will involve pen and paper. Parents can have a look at the testing format and types of questions asked by going to the Public Demonstration Website. The URL for this is <u>http://www.nap.edu.au/online-assessment/public-demonstration-site</u>

A recent study from Psychological Science found that when parents expressed negative feelings about math, their children were also more likely to underperform. Simply being positive and supportive about each of your child's different areas of study may help your child to achieve more.

FROM THE PRIMARY DEPUTY PRINCIPAL – Clive Reardon

We are officially half way through the term as of today. The last five weeks have just flown by but our students in the main have been hard at work learning and socialising and generally doing the right things that are fully expected of them – well done!!

We still have another five weeks to go and irrespective of what the weather decides to do on a daily basis please ensure that your children are suitably attired in school uniform and or colours which are navy and that they are wearing a hat when outdoors, your assistance here will be greatly appreciated.

Congratulations to all our students in their active participation at this year's annual KDHS Swimming Carnival. From the faction bays our students were well behaved and were fully engaged in doing their very best for their respected factions as well as vocally supporting their team mates from the faction bays. Congratulations must also go to Mr Kirwen for organising such a well-run program. To all our students great work we hope that you enjoyed the day all round.

Our PBS Expectations this fortnight is using your manners by saying - please, thank you, excuse me and the like. It would be appreciated if you can support us by ensuring that their use of manners doesn't stop once they've left the school grounds. Using manners at home, in our community as well as at school will go a long way to building a positive community culture and atmosphere.

In conclusion if you have any questions, queries and or concerns about your children's educational progress please make an appointment at our front office to meet with the teacher/s so that issues can be sorted out immediately and amicably.

Until our next edition stay well and play nicely together.

MERIT AWARD WINNERS



Primary Braydan Michael Robert Webb Lachlan Evans Kataraina Watene Eloise Plowman Ashlyn Evans Djiva Knight Secondary Jy Bevis Libby Hardingham Dylan Livsey

Hugh Zacher Jesse Reid William Hikairo Aaleyah Clarke Harry Hart Ava Clifton Mia Draper

Ashton Morrison-Gianatti Broughton Collins

SECONDARY ASSISTANCE SCHEME

Do you hold a current: Centrelink Family Healthcare Card, Centrelink Pensioner Card or a Veteran's Affairs Pension Card?

You may be eligible for up to \$350.00 towards 2019 High School expenses. Please contact the front office to complete the necessary forms. Applications close Friday 12th April 2019.

PBS (POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR SUPPORT)

When we first started working with PBS each class from Kindy through to upper secondary talked about what they wanted their class and the whole school to be like. All of the ideas were then placed in groups as many students wanted the same sorts of thing even though they described them differently.

Almost all ideas fitted into one of four main groups. These groups became the four expectations which are now displayed around the school, on yellow tickets and on honour certificates.

Our expectations are:

Show Respect – Treat everyone with care and consideration Be Safe – Learn in a clean and safe environment Follow Instructions – Follow instructions from all staff members Have Pride – Always work to your full potential.

HERCULES WIN INTER-HOUSE SWIMMING CARNIVAL



Hercules – 632 Aquila – 533 Phoenix – 525

We held our Inter-House Swimming Carnival last Friday, 1st March. All students said they had a great time and the carnival was a huge success. Personally, I would like to thank all the parent and teacher helpers that made the day run so smoothly. Congratulations to Hercules who were the eventual winners on the day. Congratulations also to our Champion and Runner Up winners. Thank you again to everyone who was involved on the day. **Mr Kirwen**

Congratulations to the following students on achieving new records: 8 year girls 25m freestyle – Jenna Bilney 30.20, old record 33.47 8 year boys 25m backstroke – Mitchell Holland 33.03, old record 41.21 8 year girls 25m backstroke – Jenna Bilney 32.81, old record 36.60 9 year girls 50m freestyle – Matilda Clifton 52.53, old record 1.00

Champion 8 Year Boys Mitchell Holland 8 Year Girls Jenna Bilnev 9 Year Boys Mitchell Hills 9 Year Girls Matilda Clifton 10 Year Boys Lachlan Bignell 10 Year Girls Samantha Malady 11 Year Boys Tamati Potaka 11 Year Girls Ava Clifton 12 Year Boys Max Miller 12 Year Girls Lanii Brown 13 Year Boys Lachlan Trezise 13 Year Girls Hereina Tunui Riley McIllree 14 Year Boys Olivia Draper 14 Year Girls 15+ Year Boys Jacob Hart 15+ Year Girls Pania Watene

100m Freestyle Winners: Jacob Hart & Olivia Draper Participation Award Winner: Calen Hamilton

Runner Up

Hamish Eatt Sophie Zacher Harry Kelly Georgia Malady & Eloise Plowman Ethan Retallack Lyrique Reid Jackson Cowie Sarah Cussons Ewan Macfarlane & Blake Simons Mia Draper Cody McIllree Libby Hardingham Robin Macfarlane Bella Goad Jy Bevis

CHAMPION AND RUNNER UP WINNERS



Jenna Bilney & Sophie Zacher



Mitchell Holland & Hamish Eatt



Georgia Malady, Eloise Plowman & Matilda Clifton



Mitchell Hills & Harry Kelly



Lyrique Reid & Samantha Malady



Lachlan Bignell & Ethan Retallack



Sarah Cussons & Ava Clifton



Tamati Potaka



Mia Draper & Lanii Brown



Ewan Macfarlane & Max Miller



Hereina Tunui & Libby Hardingham



Cody McIllree & Lachlan Trezise



Olivia Draper & Bella Goad



Robin Macfarlane & Riley McIllree



Pania Watene



Jy Bevis & Jacob Hart



100m Winners Olivia Draper & Jacob Hart



Participation Award Calen Hamilton



Golden Flipper Winners Jono Clifton, Dave Eatt, Nathan Leitch & Lachie Brown (not pictured)

TERM PLANNER

9	11 Kindy Day	12 Kindy Day	13	14	15
WEEK	School Psychologist P&C Meeting 7:00pm	Kindy Day	Year 7 Camp Play Café 9:30am – 11:30am	Kindy Day	Assembly – Year 6 2:00pm Newsletter
WEEK 7	18 School Psychologist	19 Kindy Day Yr 9/10 Gate to Plate Excursion	20 Play Café 9:30am – 11:30am	21 Kindy Day	22 Inter-School Swimming Carnival Lake Grace

Book Club



Dear Parent

The best gift any parent can give a child is the love of books and the joy and benefits of independent reading or fun. Children who read at home, or are read to, have a head start on reading success in school.

Our school is participating in **Scholastic Book Club** this year. Up to twice a term, during the school year, I will send home a Club catalogue with a different selection of books offered for all ages.

You'll find award-winning books and bestsellers, as well as old and new favourites. I recommend them because the books span a wide range of children's reading levels and interests and because they are inexpensive (some books cost as little as \$2).

It is easy to order. The **Book Club LOOP** platform for parents allows you to pay by credit card. Your child's order is submitted directly to school safe and sound and the books will be delivered to class. You can place your child's order at **scholastic.com.au/LOOP** or using the **LOOP** app, which can be downloaded from the App Store or Google Play.

Owning your own books is something special! I hope that you will encourage your child to order books this year. Each order helps earn free books and teaching materials for our classroom, however there is never any obligation to order. I know of no better way to encourage reading than to allow children to choose the books they want to read.

Sincerely, Sonya Koster

Your Book Club Coordinator

ASK CLUB

The After School Kids Club is on again this term! Yay! For all children in school Years 1 – 6.

It will be held on Tuesdays straight after school from 3:00ish until 4:45pm, at the Baptist Church, Albany Highway. (At the top of the hill opposite St Bernard's School.) Bring your friends and come along for some fun, games, afternoon tea, stories, songs and crafts. Any enquiries to Jan Worts 0448 642 242 or Diane House 9832 8048/0427 402 891.

KDHS SCHOOL COUNCIL NOMINATION

This year KDHS is seeking to fill 3 positions in the parent or community category on the School Council, the positions will be for a 3 year term. Please complete the nomination form below and return to the front office by the closing date if you would like to assist the school in this capacity.

SCHOOL COUNCIL NOMINATION – 2019 FORM TO BE RETURNED TO FRONT OFFICE BY Monday 18th March 2019

The School Council has 3 vacancies that need to be filled for a 3 year term. Meetings will be held at 1:30pm on a Tuesday, once a term and will require four hours of your time over the year. If you would like to nominate for the School Council, please complete form below.

I ______ wish to nominate for membership of the KDHS School Council. I am aware that should the number of nominees exceed the available positions; a general election will be conducted.

Email address: _

Phone number: ____

Signed

Date

For more information please contact Clare Roser on 9831 3300.