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NEWSLETTER TERM 1 WEEK 8

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL – Clare Roser

This week has seen our Student Councillors travel to Albany for the annual GRIP Leadership Conference. The focus of the conference is on training the students in their role as a leader within their school. In the Primary School Program, the emphasis has been on 'leadership is about people, not position or power' with students unpacking the 'People Pathway'. The Secondary Program focused on creating a fantastic school culture and how to choose and advance a cause in the school. Leaders will be providing us with a report in the next newsletter. I would like to thank Ms Baker, Ms Lilly and Mrs Malady for taking the students. I believe the experience was enjoyed by all.

World's Greatest Shave Update

I am honoured to have been a part of this wonderful event and am pleased to announce that, as a school, we raised a total of \$2280.00 to support those who are affected by blood cancer. Thank you to my fellow team members, staff, students and community for supporting our Student Council in this fundraising effort. Ruger Watson has prepared a report to share in this edition of the newsletter.

Gate2Plate Excursion

Last Wednesday Mrs Shepherd and Mr Holland took the Year 9/10 group to Willyung Farms to participate in this cattle focussed competition. I am very proud to announce that our team placed fifth in this event. Considering this was our first experience in the Gate2Plate competition and our students not having regular contact with cattle, this is an amazing effort by all involved. Thank you to our expert farm staff for supporting our team in this event. I look forward to seeing what next year's team can achieve!

Mobile Phones

There appears to be an increasing number of Secondary students 'forgetting' to hand their mobile phone in, at the beginning of the day. The school has a very clear policy on this which has been sent home to all parents this year. If you did not receive a copy, please request one from the front office. If a student brings a mobile phone to school, it must be handed in to the office first thing in the morning and then collected at the end of the day. No student is permitted to have their phone on them during the school day. No filming of any other student is permitted at any time. If a student breaches these rules the phone will be confiscated and parents contacted. This also will result in a loss of Good Standing.

School Uniform

Thank you to those parents who ensure their child is sent to school in the correct school uniform each day. A copy of the KDHS Dress Code is included in the updated Parent Handbook which was recently sent home with students. As we move into the wetter months we understand that, at times, uniforms may not be dry in time for school the next day. If this is the case and your child is out of school uniform, please inform the school to avoid your child having this recorded against their Good Standing Record.

Meeting Reminders

There have been some recent changes to school meeting dates.

- Farm Advisory Committee meeting Tuesday 2nd April 7:30am
- School Council meeting Wednesday 3rd April 1:30pm

Have a wonderful weekend.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Kojonup District High School is seeking a reliable and efficient individual to join their team in the role of School Officer

LEVEL 1, \$45,230-\$55,514 per annum (DOE (SSO) GA 2017)

Advertised Vacancy Number: SS/SS575684

This is a nine (9) month fixed term, part-time (0.6FTE) position commencing Term 2, 2019 with possible extension and/or permanency

To apply for this position please follow this link:

<https://search.jobs.wa.gov.au/page.php?pageID=160&AdvertID=235295&source=other>

You are encouraged to contact Jennifer Malady, Manager Corporate Services, for further information about this employment opportunity, by telephoning (08) 9831 3300 or emailing jennifer.malady@education.wa.edu.au

FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL – Bob Trouchet

An interim report with some ratings rather than comments will come home with Secondary students at the end of the Term. There will be an opportunity for parents to speak with their child's teachers in Term 2 and the report will have a booking sheet for this event attached.

I will also try to send a copy of the report to parents through the Connect system. I am viewing this as a trial as I would like to be able to send the mid-year report out to all parents in this way as well as a paper copy.

Primary and Secondary student leaders travelled to Albany with either Ms Baker or Ms Lilly to participate in the GRIP Leadership Seminars this week. Next week Year 10 students will visit Katanning as part of the RPH Program to reduce Alcohol Related Trauma in Youth (P.A.R.T.Y.).

FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL – Clive Reardon

Another fortnight is now behind us as we enter the last three weeks of this first term 2019.

Congratulations to all our students both secondary and primary on representing our school so well at last week's annual Inter-School Swimming Carnival. From all reports our students' behaviour and sportsmanship on the day was exemplary and we can all be proud. Our school finished fourth in the end and students thoroughly enjoyed the day. Thank you to our staff Mr Kirwen, Mrs Malady and Mrs Clifton for their support, encouragement and organisation. Well done – KDHS.

As a school we continue to focus on eliminating bullying in any and all forms. Your assistance here will go a long way to ensuring that we are a united front and that our students know full well that we have your support and understanding in stopping bullying at our school. Please encourage your children to making good responsible choices when out on the playground at recess and lunchtimes.

As we make our way closer to the first term holidays just a timely reminder about safety all round. We certainly want everyone to enjoy their break but we would like to remind everyone about the safety aspect of holiday time. Please take the time to talk to your children about safety and the importance of it; we want our students returning back from school holidays in one piece and not with broken or fractured bones. **"THINK BEFORE YOU DO"**.

In the main our students have settled nicely into the school routine and expectations and it's a credit to them – well done. When our students are fully focused on what is expected of them whilst at school it gives our staff optimum time to 'teach' instead of dealing with inappropriate and unacceptable behaviour. We will continue to hold our students accountable for their own behaviour and work closely with them to making good sensible choices during the course of each and every school day.

Our school's annual ANZAC DAY Ceremony will take place at KDHS on Friday 12th April from 10:00am – 11:00 am. You are most welcome to come and join us to remember and celebrate our ANZAC Spirit.

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 and final edition for this term stay well and play nicely together.

MERIT AWARD WINNERS 15TH MARCH 2019



Jaxon Somerville
Chrylah Peneha-Patea
Gracie Venables
Rory Burt
James Waldron
Charlotte Smith
Keisha Smith
Ebony Reid
Sarah Cussons
Matilda Clifton

Paige Radford
Carissa Daw
Danielle Macfarlane
Amy Leitch
Brendan Michael
Shante Cox
Tamati Potaka
Max Miller
Taylor Watson

AUSSIE OF THE MONTH

Max Miller



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.

YEAR 7 CAMP



On the 13th March the Year 7 students departed Kojonup at 9:30am for our camp. The journey was long but we stopped at Mt Barker to have a break and stretch our legs. We then headed to the Ocean Beach Caravan Park in Denmark, where we unloaded everything and got dressed for the beach. Ocean Beach was lovely.

We split into two groups; half went swimming while the other half were recording how much rubbish was on the beach and drawing the beach. After the beach we went back to the caravan park had showers and dinner (spaghetti bolognese). We then got our torches and went for a walk before bed at 9:30pm. All that was left to do was to go to sleep under the stars.

On Thursday we woke up between 6:00am – 6:30am, got dressed and had a delicious breakfast cooked by Mr Mac and Mrs Fleay. We then headed off to Walpole for the Tree Top Walk. We were again split into two groups. One group went for a walk down to a sand pit to see erosion from rain, water and vegetation, while the other group walked the Tree Top Walk. We then met up and had morning tea before we swapped activities.

When we had all finished our activities we headed to the WOW Eco Cruise where we met Gazza (Gary) and Tim. Before we hopped on the boat we had to scrub our shoes clean of dieback. Gazza was so cool, he got really excited, he was extremely smart and most importantly he baked us a cake. The cruise was amazing, we learnt so much. We then went on a night walk on the Tree Top Walk. At the highest point we stopped and looked at the stars while our tour guide, Helen, told dreamtime stories. When we had finished our walk we saw two quokkas in the bush looking for food. We then headed to Denmark Primary School where we set up camp, and fell asleep.

On Friday we climbed Monkey Rock and the view was amazing. We all slowly drizzled down the hill and back to the bus where we headed back to Ocean Beach to cool off and play, before heading to Denmark Thrills and Adventure Park. The park was awesome, there were ziplines, bubble soccer, obstacle courses, rope swings, climbing walls, climbing trees and more. After this we drove back in an overheated bus as the air conditioning didn't work, to meet our beloved parents/guardians to have a good night's sleep at home.

We would like to thank Mrs Fleay, Mr Kirwen and Mr Mac for such a fantastic camp.

Recount from Montana Arnold and Millie Plowman

KDHS EARLY CHILDHOOD EASTER RAFFLE



The Kindy and Pre-Primary classes are holding an Easter Raffle to raise money for some new outdoor equipment. Families wishing to contribute will have an opportunity to purchase tickets next week (Week 9) on Tuesday 2nd April and Wednesday 3rd April. Student councillors will visit each classroom on these days to sell tickets. Tickets are \$2.00 each. First prize - Giant Easter Hamper Second prize - Easter Hamper; raffle drawn at 11:00am on Tuesday 9th April.

THE WORLD'S GREATEST SHAVE



If you haven't heard, The World's Greatest Shave took place on the 15th March at KDHS. We raised a combined total of \$2280.00. Our Principal, Mrs Roser, shaved her head and Mr Holland and Riley McIlree waxed their legs. Other students who were less brave gave a gold coin donation to have their hair sprayed.

The World's Greatest Shave raises funds for the Leukaemia Foundation to help beat blood cancer. Every person who donated \$10.00 or more went into a draw to be eligible to shave Mrs Roser's head. Matilda Parker and Stephanie Ladyman were the successful shavers. Overall it was a great event and we would like to thank all who helped behind the scene and those who participated. Well done KDHS!

Rugar Watson Year 6

PBS (POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR SUPPORT)

Our Anzac Ceremony will be taking place on the final Friday of term. Students will be able to demonstrate our four School Expectations in the following ways

Show Respect

- Remain quiet throughout the ceremony
- Remain completely silent and still during the minute's silence
- Face the front
- Sit up straight and listen to the ceremony

Be Safe

- Sit on seats without rocking

Follow Instructions

- Be prompt to the ceremony
- Stand / sit quietly and remove hats promptly when asked

Show Pride

- Wear school uniform Sing the National Anthem respectfully
- Students conducting the ceremony are to be prepared and put in their best effort in representing their schools.

CRAZY HEADWEAR DAY YEAR 6 FUNDRAISER

On Monday the 8th April, we will be having a crazy head-wear day in aid of the Year 6 camp. Students are encouraged to come to school wearing a hat, head band, beanie or even glasses. Students can create a new piece of head wear, decorate an existing one or choose to wear their favourite head-wear item. Please bring a gold coin donation to take part in this day.

Miss Lilly, Year 6 Teacher



GATE TO PLATE EXCURSION



On Wednesday 20th March the Year 9/10 Farm Class had the opportunity to attend and participate in the Harvey Beef Gate to Plate Schools Challenge Field Day. Gate to Plate Schools Challenge is an Inter-School competition providing students with the opportunity to learn about a variety of aspects related to the beef supply chain, highlighting career opportunities that exist within the beef industry. The competition has a strong commercial focus and the cattle are evaluated through commercial attributes.



Our students participated in five presentations from representatives of the industry. One of these presentations included pregnancy testing by our very own Darren Clews of Kojonup. Other presentations related to safe transportation, biosecurity, pasture growth technology and cattle handling. Tayisha Campbell was Kojonup's representative in the Cattle Handling Competition, and she showed excellent skill in manipulating the cattle in the yards to do her assigned task. Riley McIlree scored high in the Transportation Competition and Chantelle Evans in the Quiz Category. KDHS ranked fifth out of the eight schools which is quite a feat considering the school farm doesn't have cattle and our students were Years 9/10 and not 11/12 in comparison with the other competition applicants. Congratulations 9/10's.

This year we followed a cattle producer 'Rayview Farms' throughout the competition as KDHS didn't enter cattle of their own. The students saw our 'team mates' in the feedlot and were fascinated by the variety of colours, sizes and breeds. We are keen to see the results of the overall competition due to be finalised in May. A full report of the Harvey Beef Gate to Plate Schools Challenge and associated field day will be in this week's Farm Weekly and also on their Facebook Page and website.

INTER-SCHOOL SWIMMING CARNIVAL



Matilda Clifton
Ava Clifton
Riley McIlree



Inter-School Swimming Team: Pania Watene, Matthew Vermeer, Hereina Tunui, Lachlan Trezise, Lyrique Reid, Isaiah Reid, Tamati Potaka, Max Miller, Riley McIlree, Cody McIlree, Samantha Malady, Robin Macfarlane, Ewan Macfarlane, Harry Kelly, Jayden Jones, Mitchell Hills, Jacob Hart, Harry Hart, Libby Hardingham, Bella Goad, Danielle Evans, Olivia Draper, Sarah Cussons, Jackson Cowie, Matilda Clifton, Ava Clifton, Lanii Brown, Lachlan Bignell and Charlize Anderson.

On Friday 22nd March we headed to Lake Grace for the Inter-School Swimming Carnival. Congratulations to all students who represented the school in last week's swimming carnival. All students tried their best and overall we finished in fourth place. On an individual level big congratulations to: Matilda Clifton - 9 Year Old Girls Champion, Ava Clifton - 11 Year Old Girls Runner Up, Riley McIlree - 14 Year Old Boys Champion who received a trophy.

A big thank you to Emily Clifton, Jen Malady and Peter Malady for helping out on the day.

HAWAIIAN RIDE FOR YOUTH



On Wednesday 27th March we were visited by the Hawaiian Ride for Youth. Students were given the opportunity to ask questions related to Youth Mental Health and were given a pamphlet and help card to take home. They may wish to continue these discussions with you at home. Over the course of the year KDHS will be setting up a partnership with Youth Focus to provide access to online services for students and their families.

The Hawaiian Ride for Youth is held annually in March across four and a half days with riders covering over 700kms on their way from Albany or Jurien Bay to Perth to raise funds and awareness for Youth Focus. While cycling through towns in WA's South West, Great Southern, Wheatbelt and Mid-West, the riders visit high schools to engage with students on issues of youth suicide, depression, anxiety and self-harm.

The purpose of the Hawaiian Ride for Youth is:

- To remove the stigma surrounding youth mental health
- To raise essential funds to enable Youth Focus to build a more resilient community
- To have fun

Although the Ride provides opportunity for personal growth and achievement, particularly for participants who do not come from a cycling background, the main objective of the Ride will always remain a charitable one.

TERM PLANNER

WEEK 9	1 APRIL School Psychologist	2 Kindy Day ECE Easter Raffle tickets for sale	3 P.A.R.T.Y Year 10 Excursion Katanning ECE Easter Raffle tickets for sale Play Café 9:30am – 11:30am	4 Kindy Day	5 Whole School Assembly – Mrs Marsh & Mrs Kelly Year 1/2M 2:00pm
WEEK 10	8 Kindy Day School Psychologist Year 6 Camp Fundraiser Crazy Headwear Day	9 Kindy Day	10 Play Café 9:30am – 11:30am	11 Kindy Day	12 Newsletter ANZAC Ceremony 10:00am – 11:00am

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Kojonup Tennis Club

Junior Club Singles

Tournament

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Open to players who are members of the KTC (anyone who has done coaching term 4 2018 – term 1 2019)

 Every child is highly encouraged to play as it is a great opportunity to have some match practice.

April 10

2019

Kindly sponsored by
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3.30pm

Please bring a plate of afternoon tea to share.

Players MUST have an adult accompany them to help with umpiring etc. and we encourage families to stay for the wind-up evening. Lots of prizes and club trophies.
BBQ provided free for players, \$5 for non-players – please advise numbers.

3 age groups (serving from base line) plus a modified fun event for our younger members (serving from half court)

Names to Jahna Trethowan
ASAP - 0413 620 324

NDIS INFORMATION SESSION - KOJONUP

Free NDIS community information session

Friday 12th April 2019

10:00am – 12:00pm

The Kodja Place & Kojonup Visitor Centre

143 Albany Highway, Kojonup

APM is holding a free community information session.

This session is intended to provide an understanding of how the NDIS works, how to access the NDIS, understanding the planning conversation and the role of the Local Area Coordinator. There will be opportunities to ask questions and have them answered by our team. Tea and coffee will be provided.

Registrations preferred.

For more information, or if you require any additional support, please email:

communityandengagementforums@gmail.com

or phone 1300 276 522.