

Kojonup DHS Newsletter

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TERM 2 WEEK 3 1ST MAY 2024



FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Our term has started with no rain in sight early on, but hopefully it's not too far away!

By all accounts, the students enjoyed Harmony Day in the last week of last term. Thank you to the staff, parents and the student council who helped out by providing lunch dishes and organising the games. Days like this are important for the students and the school, and don't just happen without everyone pulling together.

In speaking about people working together, I would like to publicly thank Daniel Ladyman for the many hours he has put into our Farm Advisory Group over many years. Our students have benefited from his knowledge of the farming industry, in particular the Agriweb program. Your contribution to the school, Dan, is both recognised and greatly appreciated.

This term has already seen two camps take place! The Year 7/8 students had an overnighter at the farm, and the Year 4's had an overnight camp in Albany. I have said before that we are very fortunate at KDHS that our wonderful staff commit to organising and attending camps. Thanks to Mrs Hill, Mrs Eyres, Mr Holland, Miss Suttie and any other staff who have given up their time to attend. Thanks also to Mr Rob Watson, who volunteered to drive the bus and attend camp with our Year 4 class.

During the term, we will see school photos, Cross Country events (both faction and interschool), and the high school assembly occurring. The Term Planner was sent home in Week 1 and is also on the website if you have misplaced yours and want to check dates.

Staff have been busy with Phase of Learning groups and Professional Learning Community groups working to further our operational plans and our strategic plan targets. Our School Development Day on Friday was spent with the team from the School of Special Educational Needs—Behaviour and Engagement, who took us through the Positive Behaviour in Schools program, reviewing our progress and reinforcing messages in this space.

As we move into the term, teachers will be assessing students for reporting purposes and working with parents to

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review individual documented plans that may be in place for their children.

Please remember that if you would like to speak to your child's teacher/s, it is just a matter of emailing the staff member or calling the front office to arrange a time. Teachers are happy to discuss the progress of your child with you and welcome the opportunity to do so.

Sharon Poett
Principal

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL NEWS—PRIMARY

Hello and welcome to our first newsletter of Term2.

This term is going to be jam-packed with learning with students participating in camps, Cross Country, Book Fair, school photos and more.

Last week, on Tuesday and Wednesday, the Year 4 students had their Year 4 Overnighter. Mrs Hill, Mr Watson and I took 19 eager students down to Albany for one night. Students participated in a range of experiences all focused on their HASS curriculum. A BIG thank you to Mrs Hill for organising such an amazing experience for the Year 4 group, and to Mr Watson for driving the bus.

On Thursday 2nd May, our Year 5 students will be getting a visit from Parliamentary Education and Electoral Education Centre to do some work around voting and parliament. We look forward to seeing who is 'elected' in their class, and whether their mock bill is passed.

As Term 2 is a reporting term, we ask all parents and carers to ensure your child is at school as much as possible. It is essential for academic development and to ensure teachers are able to assess students' knowledge in a timely manner. If you are experiencing difficulties in getting your child to school, please do not hesitate to contact me in the front office to see how the school can assist you. If your child is absent, please let your child's teacher know through the Compass app, via email or by contacting the front office.

As always, have a fabulous week and enjoy the cooler weather as we enter May.

Lauren Suttie
Deputy Principal—Primary

SCHOOL PHOTOS ARE ON THURSDAY 9TH MAY

Please get your forms/payment returned to the front office ASAP. If you need a replacement form or wish to order a family photo, we have forms at the office. Don't forget to wear your full uniform (no faction shirts, please) and your best smile!



DEPUTY PRINCIPAL NEWS—SECONDARY

Welcome back to Term 2.

Students were off to an exciting term with the two-day Year 7/8 Camp at the farm, and a Year 9/10 excursion to Katanning for the 2024 Careers Expo.

A big thank you to Mrs Mon Eyres for co-ordinating a series of activities for the students to enjoy on the Year 7/8 Farm Camp. Also thank you to Mr Ryan Sinclair and Mr Bon Lucev for assisting with these activities and supervising overnight. Thank you to Mr Len North (astronomer) and his helpers, who set up some telescopes and gave an interesting tour of the night sky. Thank you to our Year 10 leaders, who assisted with the days' activities, co-ordinating challenges. Fun was had with nature, night and torches, along with survivor-style friendly competitive games. The students were kept very busy and returned quite tired from all the fun and adventure.

A snapshot of some of the curriculum being covered this term is:

- In HASS, Year 7's have been learning about the Egyptian mummification process.
- In English, Year 7's are making picture story books to take to read to the Kindy students.
- Year 8's have started to read 'The Hobbit', and Year 9/10's are commencing 'Visual Literacy', which is how to analyse pictures, with a focus on a graphic novel that they will be reading next term.

Country Week teams have been finalised; congratulations to all students who have been selected for the teams (Netball, Basketball, Hockey and Badminton). Year 10's are in the process of completing their first round of OLNA (Online Literacy and Numeracy Assessment) testing, and Year 7 and 10 students were given their vaccinations.

We wish our Year 7/8 netball teams all the best for the 2024 Netball WA Great Southern High School Cup being held this week in Katanning. The Year 10's will finish the week with an incursion, P.A.R.T.Y. program, an outreach presentation delivered by health promotion staff and clinical nurses covering a variety of topics.

With the cooler weather, the Year 10's are grateful to be wearing their new leavers' jumpers, enjoying their final year at KDHS.

Jacky Brown

Deputy Principal—Secondary



YEAR 10 WPL (WORKPLACE LEARNING)

Thank you to the Shire of Kojonup for hosting our WPL student James Pajares, and a big thank you to James Thurlow, who was the WPL supervisor who helped James develop his core skills.



YEAR 9/10 CAREERS EXPO

At the 2024 Careers Expo, students had the opportunity to speak directly with businesses, industry, education and government agencies. This excursion provided valuable information to assist our students with planning their future pathways. There were a number of free gifts, shooting basketball hoops to win an icecream, A Virtual Reality stall was a highlight, and many informative chats with real people in real jobs. Thank you to the Katanning SHS for hosting the event and to Andrea Gallagher (Program Coordinator - Career Taster Program, at the South Regional TAFE WA Albany campus) for all the wonderful opportunities available for our students. Students also got to see Rob Carter (lecturer from Narrogin) who will be bringing his workshop to our KDHS, where students can watch him demonstrate sheep shearing and get a hands on experience grading wool.



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THE WIND-UP BIRDSTOCK by R.J. Palacio

THE GIVER by Lois Lowry

THE HUNGER by Suzanne Collins

THE MENTALIST by Lee Child

THE GIRL ON THE TRAIN by Lisa Fiedler

THE CUCKOO'S NEST by R.D. Wingfield

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SCHOLASTIC Book Club

Look out for your copy of Issue 3 of Book Club coming home in your child's schoolbag! It's packed with hundreds of books from just \$3 to help you on your child's reading journey. Please place

YEAR 9/10 KSHS TOUR & SENIOR SCHOOL CHAT

Whilst the students were at the Katanning SHS, Deputy Principal Calvin D'Sylva gave them a tour of the school and spoke about all the exciting courses on offer for 2025. A diverse selection of Year 11 WACE courses and a number of VET certificates can be completed at the school. Thank you, Mr D'Sylva for your time and informative chat with our students.



YEAR 7/8 SURVIVOR CAMP

On the 22nd-23rd April, the Year 7 and 8 students embarked on a School Farm Survivor Camp Challenge. Students were put into groups and given challenges to tackle in which they scored championship points. Some of the challenges included making lunch on camp stoves and barbecues, blind maze (getting out of a rope maze blindfolded), team challenges which required maps, problem solving and floating an item across the dam. That was just Day 1. In the evening, teams tackled Gang-Up Spotlight and did some cloudy night star gazing with Len and Beth North and their helpers.

Day 2 was even more challenging after a late night and a game of Mafia. Teams had to complete challenges to get pieces of a map that led to the 'Holy Grail', which was a golden bee hidden in the orchard. The day was rounded off with a 'Minute to Win it' challenge with the help of the Year 10 students. After the final Tribal Council for the camp, individual students were acknowledged for their contributions to their team and to the camp, and the champions took home the chocolates.

Mon Eyres

Year 7 Form Teacher



FROM THE CHAPLAIN

I have really enjoyed the start of term 2. Every Monday morning, we celebrate the start of the week with a pancake breakfast. This has been a great way for me to get to know the students of KDHS. They are such a joy to chat with. I love their happy faces, sweet smiles and beautiful manners.

I enjoyed meeting with the Year 2 class for a self-care luncheon. We shared some healthy foods and discussed how having fun is an important part of self-care. Helping others have fun and having fun ourselves is all part of being able to live our best lives. As the term continues, I plan to lunch with each primary class I am so looking forward to it this school is 'chocka block' with fantastic kids!

Speaking of fantastic kids, I have been meeting with the Year 7's every fortnight for GRIT. GRIT stands for Growth, Resilience, Integrity, and Traction. In each session we do a challenging activity focusing on teamwork, leadership or communication, and sometimes all of them and more. The Year 7's have been so surprising; I wish you could all see their minds at work. They amaze me every time, and their ability to handle adversity is consistently growing.

The newest program I've started is one for the Year 8 girls and it is called 'Be The Girl'. It is part of the Magic Coat foundation created by Di Wilcox. It provides support to students, equipping them with the necessary tools to navigate their emotional well-being with strength and resilience. Our first session was great; we celebrated being the unique humans we are and learned how to take advantage of the time we have on our own. We will meet each Monday morning and I am excited to share this time with these great girls.

There will be more to come, so stay posted and know that your children are important and valued and worth every second of my time.

With smiles,
Tianie

Tianie Calais
School Chaplain



RAINBOW DAY

Every colour of the rainbow was on show on Thursday 21st March as the Kindy and Pre-Primary classes celebrated Rainbow Day. Students were engaged in a variety of activities, which started with getting our groove on dancing to some super cool tunes. We couldn't just stay in the ECE, we had to show the rest of the school how colourful we were parading around the school, brightening everyone's day.

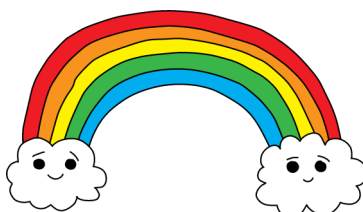
Upon returning to our classrooms, we divided into six groups and started our rainbow activities. We decorated biscuits, made fruit loop rainbows, a skittle rainbow, potions, rainbow spaghetti, goop and generally got messy and had a blast.

Our day wouldn't have been a success without our parent helpers, so a big thank you to Julia Scolari, Daina Shehan, Kent Stone, Dom Magini and Jeannine Simcock.

A great day was had by everyone.

Susan Marsh

Pre-Primary Teacher



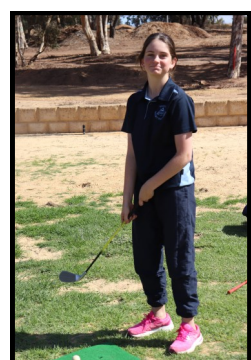
PRIMARY SPORT

This term in Phys Ed classes, our upper primary students will be focusing on winter sport team games, while our junior primary students continue to play lots of fun games promoting the development of their fundamental movement skills, focusing particularly on balance, throw, run, dribble and kick. We will all be preparing for the Cross Country as well, with lots of running in each lesson.

We were lucky enough to once again receive funding from Sporting Schools for this term. Megan Henry from Golf in Schools will be delivering some fun sessions over three weeks at the beginning of term for our upper primary students. Our first session this week was so much fun and the students really enjoyed having a go at something new and different. Megan's lessons have a huge emphasis on teamwork, respect, sportsmanship, positive thinking and, of course, lots of fun! It was brilliant to see all students getting involved.

Nadine Milne

Physical Education Teacher—Primary



NAIDOC 2024 ACTIVITY— DONATIONS NEEDED



Our 2024 NAIDOC activity will see some amazing mosaic creations of local native animals to incorporate into our cultural garden. How can you help? We are in need of some broken tiles of various colours to help the students create their masterpieces. The NAIDOC activity will run in the last week of Term 2, so if you have any tiles laying around that you may no longer need, we would appreciate them very much.

Jamie McVee

Aboriginal and Islander Education Officer

ANZAC DAY SERVICES

The KDHS Student Councillors and our technicians (Lachlan Bignell and Dylan Robinson) are to be commended for all their work to ensure our school ANZAC ceremony ran smoothly. A special thank you to our school captains: Celeste Hunter, Ebony Levis, Adahna Wells and Thomas Bilney, for representing KDHS at the community ANZAC ceremony on ANZAC Day, laying a wreath to remember those who have lost their lives serving in wars, conflicts and peacekeeping operations.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Netball WA Great Southern High School Cup—Year 7/8

Thursday 2nd May

Katanning

P&C Meeting

Monday 6th May

3:15pm, School Library

Book Fair

Wednesday 8th—Friday 17th May

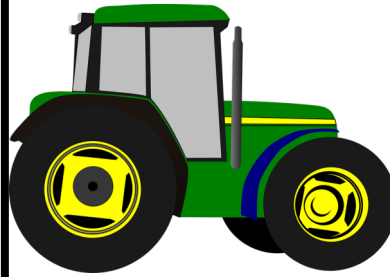
School Library

School Photo Day

Thursday 9th May

Faction Cross Country

Friday 31st May



FARM ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Kojonup DHS has a sub-committee for our School Farm called the Farm Advisory Committee. This committee is made up of members of our community whose role it is to act within an advisory capacity, to use their knowledge and skillset to offer support for the operation of the School Farm. The committee meets once a term.

Our current members for 2024 are:

Christine Norris

Jane Trethowan

Craig Radford

Stacy Williams

Mel Shepherd (Chair)

Sharon Poett (Principal)

Brandan Holland (Farm Manager)

Courtney Toland (Finance)

Jacky Brown (Secondary Deputy)

We would like to acknowledge the work and commitment from Daniel Ladyman, who has recently resigned. Dan has been a long-serving member of this committee. His knowledge and skills on livestock have been an asset. We would like to thank him for his continued support of our school.



LUNCH ORDERING THROUGH 124 CAFÉ

We no longer have a canteen this year, but students can order their lunch through 124 Café. Please see the menu on the next page (students can ONLY order through this specific menu at school). We will also have some print copies in the front office.

Students will need to bring cash (correct amount preferred, but 124 will give change, if needed). They will need to write on an envelope:

- Name
- Class and room
- School (as St Bernard's is also using the service)
- Order and amount

There are white paper bags in the office if students do not have an envelope.

If families wish to set up an account with 124 Cafe, please contact Parminder Singh directly on 0400 607 038 and write the account number on the envelope.

124 Café - Lunch Order Menu

124 Deli, Restaurant and Bakery

Phone – 9831 0193

Available daily

Toasted Sandwich	\$5.00
White, Wholemeal, Multigrain bread	
Ham & Cheese	
Cheese & Tomato	
Wraps	\$8.00
White, Wholemeal, Multigrain wrap	
Chicken/Ham/Silverside/Beef/ Falafel with salad and cheese	
Sandwiches/Roll	\$8.00
White, Wholemeal, Multigrain bread/roll	
Ham & Salad	*If vegan – request no cheese
Curried Egg & salad	
Silverside & salad	
Beef & salad	
Chicken & Salad	
Drinks	
Fruit Box – Tropical/Orange/Mango/Apple (99% real fruit juice)	\$3.00
Flavoured milk – chocolate, strawberry, banana 300ml	\$3.00
Water 500/600ml	\$3.00

Available Wednesday & Friday only	
Homemade Pie	\$5.00
Sausage Roll	\$5.00
Cruzer Beef Pie	\$5.00
Sauce	40c
Mini Pizza	\$5.00
Hot Chicken Roll	\$5.00
Kebab – Beef/Chicken or combination of both	\$12.50
Plus – (*cheese), lettuce, tomato, onion, cucumber, capsicum, carrot	

Only foods on the menu are to be ordered for school lunches from this venue.

Lunch orders will be delivered to the school each day at 12:35pm and passed on to classrooms.

0400 607 038 – account queries – Parminder Singh

Orders so far have been minimal. Unfortunately if the service is not utilised, it will no longer be able to be offered.



2024 PLANNER – TERM 2

Wk	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat/Sun
1	15 APRIL	16 APR KINDY	17 APR	18 APR KINDY	19 APR	20/21 APR
2	22 APR KINDY	23 APR KINDY YEAR 4 CAMP	24 APR ANZAC Day Assembly 11:30am	25 APR ANZAC DAY	26 APR SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT DAY	27/28 APR
3	29 APR	30 APR KINDY	1 MAY	2 MAY KINDY	3 MAY	4/5 MAY
4	6 MAY KINDY P&C Meeting at 3.15pm in the Library	7 MAY KINDY	8 MAY BOOK FAIR	9 MAY KINDY SCHOOL PHOTO DAY	10 MAY	11/12 MAY
5	13 MAY BOOK FAIR	14 MAY KINDY	15 MAY	16 MAY KINDY	17 MAY	18/19 MAY
6	20 MAY KINDY	21 MAY KINDY	22 MAY	23 MAY KINDY	24 MAY	25/26 MAY
7	27 MAY	28 MAY KINDY	29 MAY	30 MAY KINDY	31 MAY Faction Cross Country	1/2 JUNE
8	3 JUN WA DAY	4 JUN KINDY	5 JUN	6 JUN KINDY	7 JUN High School Assembly	8/9 JUN
9	10 JUN	11 JUN KINDY	12 JUN	13 JUN KINDY	14 JUN Interschool Cross Country	15/16 JUN
10	17 JUN KINDY	18 JUN KINDY	19 JUN	20 JUN KINDY	21 JUN	22/23 JUN
11	24 JUN NAIDOC Week	25 JUN KINDY	26 JUN	27 JUN KINDY	28 JUN	29/30 JUN



Cookies!!!!

The Country Week team is raising some dough with Billy G's gourmet cookie dough!

If you would like to purchase some mouth-watering gourmet cookie dough, please scan the QR code below.

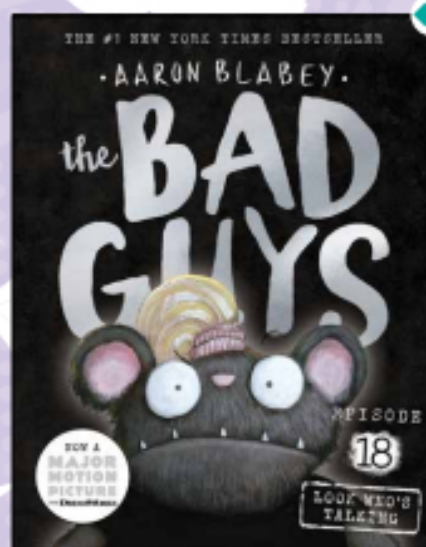
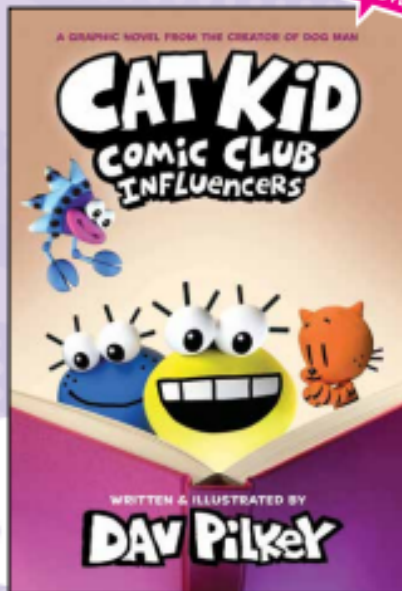
Orders will be available for collection from the school at a date TBA.

Happy baking!



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Date **The 8th till the 17th of May 2024** Time **School Hours**

Place **The KDHS Library**

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About FACE Kids 2024

Ages 9 - 14

About FACE Kids returns for 2024!

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- Located in Albany
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Children will learn

- Vocal technique
- How to read a musical score
- Choral ensemble skills
- Three-part harmony singing

Other activities include

- Games
- Archery Tag
- Zonk Challenges
- Prizes
- Memorable public performance

Registrations Close 21 May

School Holidays July 9 - 12

Choral Director Sue Findlay

Alternative WA Student Assistance Payment Claim Methods:

[https://
www.education.wa.edu.au/
wasap/alternative-claim-
methods](https://www.education.wa.edu.au/wasap/alternative-claim-methods)

Or grab a form from the front office



Take control of your finances

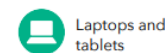
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