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FROM THE PRINCIPALS DESK

Hello Everyone

As we move into our fourth week of the term, we begin NAPLAN. The Year 3,5,7 and 9 classes will be sitting the tests this week and next. Students are tested in the areas of Writing, Reading, Language Conventions and Numeracy. Since 2019 it has been a tailored test design where students answer an initial set of questions and are then directed to subsequent sets of questions, either more challenging or less challenging, based on the accuracy of their responses. The use of a computer-based environment encourages broader levels of engagement.

The School Council and Farm Advisory groups met last week, albeit with reduced numbers due to seeding programs being underway because of the lovely rain. School Council looked at the Good Standing policy and the Workforce Plan draft and discussion was held with both groups regarding making more use of the school farm in the future.

I wanted to clear up any miscommunication regarding uniform, in particular, leggings. The KDHS dress code states that leggings are not a part of the school uniform, they may be worn under shorts or skirts, but must be **navy** in colour. Pants and skirts should all be navy and jeans are unacceptable. There have been several students wearing leggings inappropriately. Mesh inserts and sports type leggings with logos are unacceptable, as are black leggings. Parents will be advised if students are not in correct uniform and they will be asked to change jackets and shirts and wear a school one. If the garment cannot be substituted at school, a phone call home will occur and parents will be asked to bring clothing to school. The dress code policy was endorsed by School Council in Term 1 and is available on the website if you wish to refer to it.

Book Fair has been operating out of the library over the past two weeks and has been very successful. The school benefits from the sales and students always benefit from reading, so we have a win-win situation. Thanks to Sonya Koster for her work, as always she is flying the flag for literacy in the school.

The Student Council is holding a blue themed dress up day on Friday and also selling cupcakes at recess time to raise awareness of bullying and promoting kindness. The blue is for the charity "Dolly's Dream". If you can, a gold coin donation would be appreciated for the free dress.

Cross country training starts this week for our annual cross-country interschool event which will be held on Friday 4th June. Students are keen to start and lift their endurance levels so they can compete successfully against the other schools. In closing, I would like to congratulate everyone on the improved attendance levels we have this year. Every day counts, so it is important that we have students attending school every day for them to encounter success and reach their potential.

Sharon Poett Principal

EVENTS

11th May – 21st May NAPLAN for Years 3,5,7 and 9.

14th May Year 8 Assembly

28th Mav Year 5 Assembly

4th June Inter-House Cross Country

7th June WA Day - No School Long Weekend

17th June Year 10 - Teen Mental Health First Aid

18th June Inter-School Cross Country

25th June Pre-Primary assembly

28th June – 2nd July NAIDOC Week



UP COMING GUEST SPEAKERS

Constable Sarah Lowe visited KDHS and shared her story of growing up in Albany and her career as a police officer.

Pictured with Constable Sarah is James Pajares, Levi Hunter and Dylan Livsey.



Rebecca Bignell, ex KDHS student, visited our high school students on Tuesday 4th May. Bec shared with students her childhood and primary school memories, with a focus on realising her creative dreams. Bec's film, Homespun, which she produced and starred in, recently aired at Albany Cinefest. Bec also recently spent time as part of the production team filming Tim Winton's novel 'Blueback' in Bremer Bay. Students are to be commended on the wonderful array of questions they asked Bec about her career and the film industry. We look forward to welcoming Bec back to KDHS in the future to share more of her inspiration and knowledge with students.







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WANTED RECYCLED MATERIALS

Seeking preloved materials and items to be used in Primary STEM program.

This term we are constructing kites, building houses and creating go-kart models.

We are happy to begin a collection of all sorts of recycled materials that can be used for building and construction of these and other items.

Materials might include, polystyrene boxes and trays, plastic containers, cardboard boxes and wooden blocks of all sizes and shapes etc. If you think that we could use it? Then please either send it in with your child or email me on sharon.livingstone@education.wa.edu.au

Thank you Miss Livingstone



EXTRA NEWS

THANK YOU to Donaldson Mechanical for your kind donation in servicing the KDHS farm bus.



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FRIDAY 14 MAY 2021

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ECE MOTHER'S DAY

On Thursday, 6th May the Kindy and Pre-Primary students enjoyed a wonderful Mother's Day afternoon tea. They were able to pamper and spoil their mothers and grandmothers. Thank you to all who came to share the special time together!













































DO IT FOR DOLLY DAY Creating a kinder and safer world for Australia's kids and communities.

On Friday 14th May, KDHS is going blue for Dolly. Students are able to wear BLUE free dress on Friday with a gold coin donation. The student council will be selling caring cupcakes at recess for .50c.

All monies raised will go to Dolly's Dream and help support anti-bullying initiatives and programs. #bekind





FARM NEWS

On Monday, the Year 8 students assisted with pregnancy testing the school farms merino ewes. The sheep are due to lamb in the coming months. The school farm breeds Merino lambs for replacement stock and a line of Poll Dorset cross merino lambs for the fat lamb market. The Poll Dorset sheep lamb later in the year. Students participate in all aspects of sheep husbandry at the school farm, from lambing to marketing both meat and wool.

We also have our latest batch of chicks! The school farm purchases day old chickens for all visiting classes to enjoy and watch grow. Our chicks are now 2 weeks old! Our high school students prepared for their arrival and have continued to care for them. Students of all ages just love them!









Mel Shepherd



















If anyone in the community have a collection they would like to display, please contact Barbara Hobbs asap. Email; <u>hobbsgab@comswest.net.au</u> or phone 9831 1128.



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