

Kojonup DHS Newsletter

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TERM 3 WEEK 9 12TH SEPTEMBER 2023



FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Welcome to the last newsletter of the term, the year is flying by!

As I write, the community is celebrating the amazing win by our league footballers on Saturday against Bridgetown. What a spirited fightback from 12 points down with five minutes to go! Congratulations to all involved. Victories like that stay with a club for an age and will be talked about for many years to come. Well done to our own Todd Gibbons and to Bon Lucev, who was involved as a trainer.

Another community event that involved many of our staff was the production of "Ruby Hood and the Wolf Who Was Good". A great night out and many laughs to be had. I had a ball watching our wonderful staff strut their stuff. To Anna, Meg, Lauren, Sarah, Bon and Andi from our staff, and student, Ebony Levis – you all did the school proud! It is a credit to the whole community that a town the size of Kojonup can stage these productions on a regular basis.

We had to make the difficult decision to postpone our Athletics Carnival due to the forecast weather this week. We needed to make the decision on Sunday, as we needed lead time to be able to mark the ground. We will now host these events on Monday and Tuesday of the first week back next term, as our Year 6 class goes on camp on Wednesday of the first week. The Interschool Carnival is locked in for Week 3 as per the constitution. Please note that the first day of Term 4 **is not** a pupil free day.

Our school's NAPLAN results were generally pleasing across the board. It is encouraging to see that the whole school programs that we have implemented are translating into improved results. Western Australia also compared well to the other states, with the Year 9 Numeracy results being the highest in Australia and participation rates higher in our state than any other.

At the last School Council meeting, Melita Jefferies was elected as School Council Chair and we thank Melita for accepting her nomination. Thank you to the outgoing Chair, Meg Chandler, for the work she did whilst in the role. The School Council members role includes bringing parent and carers opinions to the table at meetings, so we

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT....continued

encourage you to make contact with the members if you feel you need to. Our members are: Melita Jefferies, Geoff Daw, Alec Smith, Kerry Leusciatti, Jill Watkin, Simon House, Jamie McVee, Pam Thomson, Bec Bignell and Meg Chandler.

Country Week is happening in Week 10 of this term, with selected high school students heading to Perth to compete in netball, hockey and basketball. We wish them all the best and give thanks to the committed staff and parents who will accompany them. Events like these do not happen unless we have staff and parents willing to be on call 24/7 for the week. Thank you to those people for your support of our students.

Enjoy having your children home for the holidays and travel safely if you are lucky enough to be heading off somewhere for a break. See you all next term

Sharon Poett

Principal

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL NEWS—PRIMARY

Welcome to the final newsletter for the term. The final few weeks of Term 3 are always busy with excursions and incursions as well as lots of learning happening within the classroom.

On Friday 25th August, the whole school participated in our annual dance concert. All students, parents and teachers had a marvellous time showing off their dancing skills. I was very impressed to see students give everything a go and participate in as many dances as they could. Well done to the teachers and students for doing such a good job during a very chaotic week!

On Monday 4th September, the primary students were treated to a presentation from Stig Wemyss, who is the narrator of Andy Griffiths' Treehouse stories. This was a sponsored event organised by the Kojonup Shire in conjunction with the Kojonup Library. Students had a ball listening to Stig's presentation and hearing about his life. Thank you to Lorreen Greeuw for organising.

On Thursday 7th September, Kojonup DHS hosted Eagles Rock my School. This is an event that focuses on resilience, hosted by the West Coast Eagles. The Year 5 and Year 5/6 classes then participated in a skills workshop with the presenters. Thank you to Mrs Milne for organising.

As you may be aware, 2023 is Kojonup District High School's 160th year. We are organising an event for Friday 17th November from 12pm to 4pm. All students (past and present), families and community members are invited to come celebrate with us. We will have tableaux style games, open classrooms, school and farm tours, a history display and a shared lunch. Please come along and help us celebrate being the fourth oldest school in Western Australia.

As always, thank you for all your continued support with student attendance. Students need to be at school every day they are well enough. If your child is unwell or is unable to attend school for a day, please let your child's teacher know, contact the front office, or submit an attendance note through Compass.

Thank you all for a wonderful term and have an amazing holiday. We will see students back on Monday 9th October.

Lauren Suttie

Deputy Principal—Primary

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL NEWS—SECONDARY

With the countdown on to holidays it is time to share some celebrations and plan for an exciting Country Week.

Firstly, I would like to celebrate the incredible behaviour and participation of the High School students during Dance/Science/Numeracy and Book Week. The feedback from staff in regard to the positive behaviour and consideration when working with the younger students throughout the week is to be commended. It was amazing to feel the buzz around the school and hear the excited conversations. I would like to acknowledge and thank our incredible staff, who went above and beyond in designing interactive activities that would provide for multiple age groups. The students at KDHS are so fortunate to have such passionate educators. The huge participation from the High School students during dance lessons and the final concert was awesome. It set a wonderful example to our younger students, which they can be very proud of.

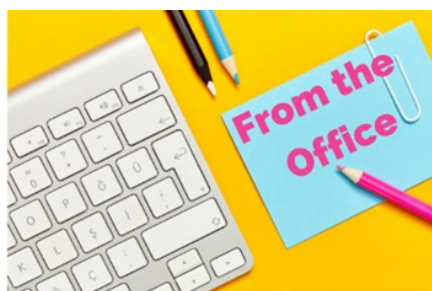
Week 10 sees a number of our High School students heading off to Country Week. I would like to thank Ryan Sinclair, in advance, for the incredible amount of work he has put in to organising this week for the students; he has done an amazing job, and they are bound to have a fabulous week of competition and activities. I would also like to thank Lauren Suttie, Mon Eyres, Brandan Holland, Bon Lucev, Kristie Robinson, and Ben Webb for volunteering to attend Country Week with the children to coach and manage the sporting teams. We cannot thank you enough for your willingness to support the children during this time. I look forward to being able to provide you with regular updates throughout the week on how the teams are going.

Lastly, I would like to wish you all a wonderful and safe holiday period. I look forward to seeing everyone back at school on the first day of Term 4.

Holly Francke

Deputy Principal—Secondary

ARE YOUR CHILDREN RETURNING IN 2024?



As 2024 is approaching, we are busy in the office organising student movement. Could please fill out and return the Student Movement form by Friday 22nd September 2023. You may also phone the front office on 9831 3300 or email kojonup.dhs@education.wa.edu.au

Thank you for your co-operation.

STUDENT MOVEMENT 2024

My Child/ren _____

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Will be attending Kojonup DHS in 2024

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Will NOT be attending Kojonup DHS in 2024, will be attending _____ school.

Parent/Carer Name: _____

Date: _____



FLAT ROCKS WIND FARM STAGE 1 COMMUNITY FUND—ROUND 1 2023

Kojonup DHS was the recipient of \$2500 of the Enel Community Fund Round One.

The school used these funds to purchase 2x sets of Netball and 1x Set of Hockey Uniforms. These uniforms will be used for the District High School Country Week Carnival held next week, but also be used for any sporting carnivals the school attends.

Our AIEO, Jamie McVee, designed the uniforms, which are specific to the families who attend our school, and the design has great cultural significance to the Kojonup area.

"Kenya Moort" - "One people"

The circles you see on the design are the gatherings of all cultures coming together as one at KDHS. The ferns are what represent our Māori family, the lines are the journeys travelled through education and knowledge to help us get to the next gathering in life, while under standing and respecting unity.

The design was digitalised with the help of Pam Thomson and Lauren Reid at BMC Embroidery.

We wish to extend a big **THANK YOU** to Flat Rock Wind Farm Stage 1 Community Fund for their financial assistance and to BMC Embroidery for helping make our vision has become a reality.



Lachie, Charlotte and Abigail wearing the Country Week hockey shirts



Imogen, Celeste and Georgia wearing the new netball dresses



Athletics Carnival Has Changed!

Kojonup Sports Complex

Monday 9th October

Jumps & Throws

Years 4-10

Tuesday 10th October

Track Events & Team Games

Kindy – Year 10

SPONSORSHIP AGREEMENT

The sponsorship agreement between Kojonup District High School and Flat Rocks One Wind Farm Pty Ltd has been finalised. The agreement began on 01.06.2023 and will run for 5 years, expiring on 01.06.2027. This agreement has been endorsed by the School Council.

Flat Rocks One Wind Farm Pty Ltd have contributed \$60,000 including GST, to our school. These funds will add to the school's current reserve funds, allowing us to purchase a new 25-seater school bus. The school logo and the logo of the windfarm will be displayed on the bus. The school has started the procurement process with the Department of Education and we are hoping to have a bus towards the end of 2024.

We would like to thank Flat Rocks One Wind Farm Pty Ltd, for their continued support of our school.



FOOTBALL ACHIEVEMENTS



Congratulations to Jayden Jones (Year 7) on winning the Runner-Up Fairest & Best for the Lower South West Junior Football Association Year 6/7 competition, and also the MVP for the Grand Final.

Congratulations also to Jack Leusciatti (Year 9), who was awarded the Grand Final MVP award for the Year 8/9 competition, playing for Boyup Brook.

Photos from the Lower South West Junior Football Association Facebook page

WATER BOTTLES



A reminder about the need for students to have a water bottle that sits on their desk during the day. This minimises the need for students to leave the classroom to get a drink and miss valuable instructional time. Teachers will not permit students to leave the classroom straight after breaks to get a drink as that is what breaks are for. Students should get into the habit of filling water bottles each break so that they have enough water to last them until the next break.

MERIT CERTIFICATES

Congratulations to the following students who were awarded merit certificates at the assembly on Friday 1st September:

Primary

Jack Stone
Teresa Marsh
Zoe Milne
Lexi Zadow

Amaia Waitokia
Charlotte Toland
Fletcher Clifton

Briella Zschech
Oliver Fardig
Rhianna Riley

Olivia Ashton
Gemma Michael
Cody Ferguson

Flynn Burt
Geron Alizer
Ingrid Jorgensen

Secondary

Mia Noanoa

Indie Riley

Holly Hinds

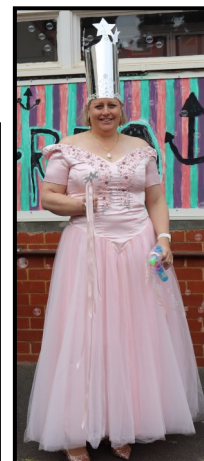
Imogen Ladyman-Palmer

Amelia Robinson



BOOK WEEK PARADE

We held our annual Book Week parade on Tuesday 22nd August. It was a fabulous day with many students and staff turning up in amazing costumes. Congratulations to everyone who won book prizes, and Mrs Quartermaine, who won the staff award.



DANCE WEEK

Week 6 was Dance Week. We would like to thank the P&C and Renew Op Shop for contributing to some of the costs for this incursion. The students had a great week, challenging themselves with new dance moves. The week culminated in our annual dance concert on Friday 25th August to show families what we had been learning. This year, families not only came to watch, but joined in the dances with their children. It was a great and uplifting end to a busy week.



RU OK? DAY™

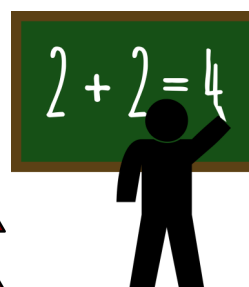
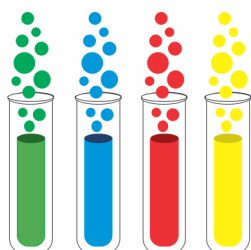
Thursday 14 September 2023

Thursday 14th September is RU Ok? Day. This is a day dedicated to reminding everyone that any day is the day to ask, 'Are you OK?' and support those who may be struggling.

We are encouraging students and staff to wear yellow to show their support. Please bring along a gold coin donation if you choose to wear yellow.

LITERACY/NUMERACY/SCIENCE WEEK

All students enjoyed a week out of normal routine in Week 6 when the school celebrated Literacy, Numeracy and Science Week. This week involved students from different year levels teaming up for a variety of activities. It was a chance to develop new friendships, work as a team, and, of course, learn.



YEAR 7 & 7/8 STEM

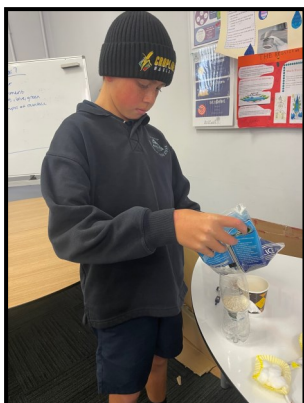
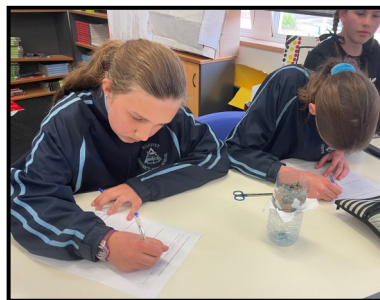
This term in the Year 7 class at Kojonup DHS, Mr Porter was called into our HASS lesson to answer our questions and interests about water in our school. All of the class learnt so much about water scarcity and its impact on the world.

In the following weeks, we created posters containing ideas on ways our school can save water. These came out amazing and Mrs Scolari was really impressed. In the past few weeks, we created water filters and water pumps in STEM. We were all so surprised at how clear the water came out.

As if this was not enough already, we made a water pump using a bottle, straw and balloon. Well, I guess you're all caught up now. See you next time.

Kataraina Watene

Year 7



KINDY & PP/1 FATHER'S DAY BREAKFAST

On Tuesday 29th August, the smell of bacon and eggs wafted through the school as we held our annual Father's Day Breakfast. Our special people came along so we could celebrate and say thank you to them for all the important things they do for us. We spent an hour showing them our classroom, shaving Dad's face with shaving cream and showering them with gifts we had made.

Jacqui Schinzig

Pre-Primary/Year 1 Teacher



STIG WEYMSS VISIT

On Monday 4th September, PP-Year 6 students and some students from St Bernard's enjoyed a visit from actor and narrator, Stig Weymss, who narrates Andy Griffiths' Treehouse audiobooks. The visit was organised in conjunction with the Shire of Kojonup and we thank Lorreen Greeuw for her efforts in getting Stig to our school.



YEAR 1/2 & 2 FATHER'S DAY MINUTE-TO-WIN-IT

On Wednesday 30th August, students from the Year 1/2 and Year 2 classes invited their special family members to our Father's Day 'Minute to Win It' evening.

The night started with students being put into teams who then competed against each other in a range of games with only a minute to complete each one! These included unwrapping a Mintie with oven mits, sucking up and transferring counters with a straw, blowing cups off a table with balloons, and many more. Mrs D, Mrs Simper, Mrs Kelly and Mrs Sexton were the referees for the evening, with quite a few red cards given out to misbehaving adults not playing by the rules!

Everyone enjoyed a delicious meal together before scores were tallied up for the much anticipated grand final. Many thanks to James Kelly and Bayden Reid who were readily volunteered by their teams to pick out as many sour worms from a bowl of cream using only their mouths. It certainly was a sight to see!

Thank you to all the wonderful family members for participating so enthusiastically, all of the students had a blast.

Claire Simper
Year 2 Teacher



UPCOMING EVENTS

R U Ok? Day

Thursday 14th September

Country Week

Monday 18th—Friday 22nd

September

Perth

Year 7—10

Year 1/2 & 2 Jungle Dress Up Day

Tuesday 19th September

Last Day of Term 3

Friday 22nd September

First Day of Term 4

Monday 9th October

Faction Athletics Carnival—NEW DATE!

Monday 9th October

Year 4—10

Tuesday 10th October

K—10

Kojonup Sports Complex

Year 6 Camp

Wednesday 11th—Friday 13th
October



P&C UPDATE

The P&C has been quietly chugging away in recent weeks. We ran the bar and catered for the brilliant local Kojonup Theatrical Society production on Friday 1st September, so would like to thank everyone who volunteered food or their time to this. By all reports, everything ran smoothly and the food was delicious.

We are looking for volunteers to help out in the canteen for the Athletics Carnival on Tuesday 10th October. If you would be interested in doing this, please email the P&C to let us know at kojonuppandc@gmail.com

Billie Zadow
P&C Secretary



2024

KINDY ENROLMENTS

NOW OPEN




IF YOUR CHILD WAS BORN BETWEEN 1ST JULY 2019 AND 30TH JUNE 2020, YOU CAN NOW ENROL FOR KINDY FOR NEXT YEAR

Enrolment forms are available on the KDHS website or from the front office

Please bring your child's original birth certificate and their immunisation records

Orientation and parent information sessions will be in Term 4



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160 YEARS CRAZY COLOUR RUN

We have our Crazy Colour Run in Week 6 next term so please get your individual profiles done. The class with the most profiles will be the first ones to run on the day and will win a reward. We are raising money and celebrating the 160th year of our school. Even if you only raise \$10 your child can still choose a prize. So far we have raised nearly \$3000 of our \$15000 target! Well done, everyone. For every \$3000, the kids can nominate a teacher or principal to get slimed on the day.

Liz Webb



EAGLES ROCK MY SCHOOL

The primary students enjoyed a visit from the West Coast Eagles' staff on Thursday 7th September, organised by Mrs Milne. The visit focused on resilience, and the Year 5s and 6s also got to participate in a skills workshop.





2023 PLANNER – TERM 4

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat/Sun	
1	9 Oct Students resume Faction Athletics Carnival - Jumps & Throws Year 4-10	10 KINDY DAY Faction Athletics Carnival K-Year 10	11 Year 6 Camp	12 KINDY DAY	13	14	15
2	16 Oct KINDY DAY	17 KINDY DAY	18	19 KINDY DAY	20	21	22
3	23 Oct	24 KINDY DAY	25	26 KINDY DAY	27 Interschool Athletics Carnival	28	29
4	30 Oct KINDY DAY	31 KINDY DAY	1 Nov Yr 7 Orientation Day & Parent Info Evening	2 KINDY DAY	3	4	5
5	6 Nov 2024 Kindy Parent Info Session 9am-10:30am	7 KINDY DAY	8	9 KINDY DAY	10 SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT DAY	11	12
6	13 Nov KINDY DAY Whole School Colour Run	14 KINDY DAY	15	16 KINDY DAY Kindy Orientation Morning 9:30am- 11am	17 160 YEAR ANNIVERSARY	18	19
7	20 Nov Swimming Lessons	21 KINDY DAY	22	23 KINDY DAY School Council	24	25	26
8	27 Nov KINDY DAY Swimming Lessons	28 KINDY DAY	29	30 KINDY DAY	1 Dec	2	3
9	4 Dec	5 KINDY DAY	6	7 KINDY DAY	8 Year 10 Graduation Dinner	9	10
10	11 Dec KINDY DAY Kindy Graduation 2-3pm in Library	12 KINDY DAY Presentation Night	13 Yr 6 Graduation	14 KINDY DAY Students last day	15 Teachers last day School Development Day	16	17

Join us to celebrate

KOJONUP DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL'S

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ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

NOVEMBER 17, 2023

12PM - 4PM

Kojonup District High School

Please join us for an afternoon of fun to celebrate our great school's 160th Anniversary.

The day will include guided tours, games and activities, and a shared lunch. Please bring a plate.

All welcome. Please RSVP for catering purposes on 9831 3300.



WAAPA Summer School 2024

Join us at WAAPA in January 2024 for a fun filled time, you'll make new friends, learn new skills and best of all - do lots of performing! This summer WAAPA is offering a range of performing arts courses as part of our school holiday program for secondary school students. Classes for young people from Year 7 to 12 in Acting, Improvisation, Dance, Acting for Camera, Jazz and Music Theatre means there is something for everyone with a passion for the arts. This year we have a course especially designed for students from Culturally and Linguistically Diverse backgrounds. Our wonderful staff cater for all abilities and experience levels. For information about the many courses on offer please visit [Summer School 2024](#) or contact

Gabrielle Metcalf at



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2023 October Holiday Skills Development Courses

October Holidays - 6 hrs per subject - 3 hrs each day, over two days

Tuesday 3rd - Friday 6th October 2023

Choose one subject per time slot

PERTH MODERN SCHOOL

Tuesday 3rd & Wednesday 4th October

9:00am - 12noon

- ☐ Essay Writing - Yr 9
- ☐ Essay Writing - Yr 10
- ☐ Learning Skills - Yr 7
- ☐ Learning Skills - Yr 8

12:30pm - 3:30pm

- ☐ Essay Writing - Yr 7
- ☐ Essay Writing - Yr 8
- ☐ Learning Skills - Yr 9
- ☐ Learning Skills - Yr 10

Thursday 5th & Friday 6th October

9:00am - 12noon

- ☐ English - Yr 7
- ☐ English - Yr 8
- ☐ Maths - Yr 9
- ☐ Maths - Yr 10

12:30pm - 3:30pm

- ☐ English - Yr 10
- ☐ Maths - Yr 7
- ☐ Maths - Yr 8

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Register via PLAYHQ - Katanning Basketball Association or
<https://www.playhq.com/basketball-wa/org/katanning-basketball-association/ad8d09fd>

17th Oct	30th Jan
24th Oct	6th Feb
31st Oct	13th Feb
7th Nov	20th Feb
14th Nov	27th Feb
21st Nov	5th Mar BYE
28th Nov	12th Mar
5th Dec	Semi, Prelim and
Christmas Break	Grandfinal to follow



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Child Dental Benefits Schedule

The Child Dental Benefits Schedule is the Commonwealth funded Child Dental Program which commenced on 1 January 2014 which will allow benefits to be paid by Medicare for basic dental services provided to children and teenagers aged 2 to 17 years. To be eligible to receive dental care via the Child Dental Benefits Schedule a child/teenager's family must be a recipient of Family Tax Benefit Part A.

From 1 January 2017, the Child Dental Benefits Schedule will enable an eligible child/teenager to receive \$1000 of dental care over a two year period. The Child Dental Benefits Schedule replaces the Medicare Teen Dental Plan.

The Commonwealth Government through the Department of Human Services will write to children and teenagers confirming eligibility each year.

Please note that all dental care provided by the School Dental Therapy Centre continues to be at no cost to patients.

Some School Dental Therapy Centre's are able to provide dental services via the Child Dental Benefits Schedule to enrolled school children aged 5 to 16 years.

CHILD DENTAL BENEFITS SCHEDULE

If your family is eligible to receive Child Dental Benefits, information can be found through your My Gov Account.

Child Dental Benefits can also be used at a Private Dentist.

If you require further information, please contact Katanning Dental Therapy Centre Ph: 0400 625 312