# Kojonup DHS **Newsletter**

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## TERM 3 WEEK 9 10TH SEPTEMBER 2024



## FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Hello Everyone,

As we move to the end of Term 3, ready for the sprint that is Term 4, I reflect on what a big term it has been and all that is yet to come.

We have completed the Public School Review process and await our report from the reviewers. At the Year 3 Assembly, I thanked everyone who was involved in some way with ensuring the reviewers had the full picture of our great school, those who spoke to the review team and those who explained their input into our school. We were commended on the external partnerships we have formed and the willingness of parents to volunteer their time to assist the school. A huge thanks to all of our school community, who are always willing to lend a hand.

The reviewers were glowing in their praise of our school and its processes when we sat down with them at the end of the day. They wanted me to convey to the school community that they believe we have achieved a massive amount since our last review, often under trying circumstances. Members of the executive team are proud of their observations and comments, but we stressed to the review team that it was a collective effort from all staff and the school community. We believe we will have one recommendation to follow through, but will know more when we receive our draft report in the next couple of weeks. Our full PSR report will be uploaded to Schools Online when we receive it and be available on our website.

We are constantly reviewing practices and policies at the school and we have heard from the people who took the time to complete the school culture survey, that you would like more information about how your child is progressing. We are working on our Engaging with the Community plan, with staff and the School Board, so we are examining how we can facilitate this.

You may have read where the Minister for Education has consulted with SCSA (School Curriculum and Standards Authority) with regard to teacher workload and report comments. We are watching this space and will consult with the community regarding any new recommendations from these talks.

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK...continued

Yet to come this term is the big week where we combine Book Week, Science Week and Literacy and Numeracy Week all into one! This is always a great week with lots of exciting activities happening and heaps of fun to be had. The Book Week parade will be a highlight I am sure, with children dressing up as their favourite book character. I look forward to seeing you all there!

## Sharon Poett

Principal

## **DEPUTY PRINCIPAL NEWS-PRIMARY**

Hello all and welcome to the final newsletter of Term 3. This term has flown by with lots of quality learning happening across our school. Over the next two weeks we have lots of exciting events happening across the school.

On Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> August, the Pre-Primary and Kindergarten students hosted their Dads and male role models for a breakfast to celebrate Father's Day. The students presented their Dads with their gifts and were very well fed with bacon and egg sandwiches and sausage sizzles. Thank you to our ECE staff for putting on a beautiful event celebrating the male role models in our students' lives.

On Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> September, the Kindergarten and Pre-Primary class participated in their Galaxy-themed end of term reward day. I am sure all students had fun participating in this day. Thank you to our wonderful ECE staff for organising the day. Our students appreciate all your hard work.

Next week, students in Kindergarten to Year 10 will be participating in our combined Science, English and Maths week. All classes have been assigned a buddy class where they will work together to participate in an activity in either the Science, English or Mathematics learning area. I look forward to seeing the learning that occurs during this time, and the collaboration between our primary school and our high school.

On Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> September we will host our annual Book Week parade at 9am. I look forward to seeing what costumes our students dress up in. I love the creativity and character our students show during Book Week. Parents/carers are welcome to join us for this parade.

As always, attendance at school is crucial to your child's continue progress and learning. If your child is absent, please let your child's form or classroom teacher know. If you are experiencing any issues around school attendance, please book in an appointment to see your child's classroom or form teacher or our of the deputies.

Have a lovely holiday break when it arrives and we will see students back for Term 4 on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October, ready for another term.

#### Lauren Suttie Deputy Principal—Primary

## LAST DAY OF TERM 3—FRIDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER FIRST DAY OF TERM 4—MONDAY 7TH OCTOBER

Have a fabulous spring holiday break!



## **DEPUTY PRINCIPAL NEWS—SECONDARY**

Wow, what an ending to Term 3 it is going to be. The Country Week team are off to Perth at the end of the week. Go Team! Badminton practice continued at lunchtimes, for fun as well as mixing things up with friendly games of volleyball occurring frequently. Hockey and Netball training was well and truly in full swing, preparing the students for the week of sport.

Last Friday a team of eight students represented Kojonup DHS at the Interschool Chess Competition held at Mount Barker Community College. All of those who attended said they enjoyed the day and learnt more about chess.

Year 7-10 students were able to use their Dojo points to purchase items at the PBS shop last week and they have a reward day this week, where they will have the opportunity to operate a drone, along with learning from an industry expert about the multiple uses of a drone. This is part of the Career Taster Program.

It is pleasing to advise that the locker trial is over and because the students upheld the 'Locker Expectations' they are able to continue with using the lockers until the end of the year. Thank you to the group of Year 8 girls, who followed a 'student voice' process that entailed them to take their posters to the Student Council. This led to them meeting with the Principal to outline their request. The students, along with their peers, prepared the lockers for use, cleaning them all from top to bottom. Well done.

School holidays are just around the corner. Wishing all students and their families a restful and enjoyable break. Looking forward to you all returning in Term 4 for the final term of the school year.

Jacky Brown Deputy Principal—Secondary







## **INTERSCHOOL CHESS COMPETITION**

A group of eight students attended Mount Barker Community College for an Interschool Chess Competition. Individually, they played a series of games against a number of different schools and students from Year 7-12. It was a great day and they all enjoyed the experience. Thank you to MBCC for hosting the event and to Liz Webb and Bon Lucev for driving them and supervising.

"I would go again!" - Toby Leusciatti, Year 8 "It was fun! Using the timers made the chess game real fast, the players moved their pieces really fast." -Bayleigh Matthews, Year 7

"It was a good day."- Tess Webb, Year 7

"It was a great day and I learnt how to play chess much better. I would do it again, but do lots of practise first." -Stewart Eyres, Year 7

**"I enjoyed playing students from different schools and different ages."** - Sam Waldron, Year 8 **"It was fun!"** - Brooke Milne, Year 7

"I enjoyed it and it was good to see that people were supportive." - Tyler Thomson, Year 10

"I really enjoyed playing the games and some of the players were really good." - Dylan Robinson, Year 8



## **'BE THE GIRL' PROGRAM**

Here is a photo of the Year 8 girls pearl bracelets they made in the "Be the Girl" program. The bracelets are to remind them that just like an oyster makes a pearl from an irritating grain of sand, we can use tolerance with irritations and annoyances that come our way. This builds a tool we can later use to help us be a better version of ourselves.

Tianie Calais Chaplain



## **2024 COUNTRY WEEK TEAM**

KDHS is excited to announce that we are sending 29 students to Perth to compete in this years' Country Week competition. Our school will be represented by three teams in netball, badminton, and hockey, with students from Year 7-10 showing their skills and school spirit. At last week's whole school assembly, the students received their official Country Week bag and badge, ready to represent KDHS with pride. We wish all of our athletes the best of luck as they compete and showcase their hard work. A big thank you to Mr Ryan Sinclair, who is co-ordinating and leading the event. Also thank you to Katie Daw and the KDHS staff who are generously giving their time to facilitate the trip and supervise our teams, Go Kojonup!



FUNDRAISING OPPORTUNITY



Would you like to start fundraising for 2025 events? \*Country Week\* \*Year 4 Camp\* \*Year 6 Camp\*



We have opportunities for parents to run a fundraising sausage sizzle at the Faction Athletics Carnival and the Interschool Athletics Carnival in Term 4. Please call Courtney Toland on 9831 3300 if you are interested.

## FACTION ATHLETICS CARNIVAL HELPERS NEEDED

Are you able to help with timing, measuring, place-giving at the Faction Athletics Carnival in Term 4 (Monday 7th and Tuesday 8th October)? Please email nadine.milne@education.wa.edu.au or ryan.sinclair@education.wa.edu.au



## YEAR 8 FARM

Year 8 students planting saltbush at the School Farm. Thank you to Shelley Radford for supplying these.

*Melissa Shepherd* Secondary Farm Teacher





# YEAR 9/10 SCIENCE

Year 9/10 students had an anatomy lesson where they dissected hearts under Mrs Eyres' instructions.



## **YEAR 9 WORK EXPERIENCE**

Year 9 students have been attending Work Experience at a number of our local businesses. KDHS is very appreciative of the Host employers who are providing suitable tasks for them to gain an understanding of their chosen industry.

Thank you, Kojonup Country Kitchen for hosting Tempe North, and thank you to Black Cockatoo Café hosting Hannah Campbell.









## YEAR 1 NARRATIVE WRITING

Throughout the term, the Year 1's have been learning how to write a narrative. We began with a whole class text called 'Little Red and the Grey Wolf', which was used to model narrative structure, story elements, grammar, and punctuation. Students then innovated on the story by changing certain parts and incorporating their own ideas.

Finally, we planned, drafted, and published independent narratives. All students came up with creative and entertaining characters, settings and plots, using language and grammar mastered previously. They are all very proud of their 'fancy' copies!

**Kate Siebert** Year 1 Teacher





Dear all friends, peers and staff members. I would like to thank you all for participating in the dress up as a sports star day which helped raise funds towards my Melbourne trip. I wish to bring home a trophy or medal to WA, worst case scenario I will bring back cool stories. Thank you once again. I will update you all when I return.

- Chase Keating

Congratulations to Robbie Webb, who recently won all of these footballs and netballs in a raffle. Robbie has kindly donated them to the school.

Thanks Robbie!



## YEAR 3 ASSEMBLY & MERIT CERTIFICATES

Congratulations to the following students who were awarded Merit Certificates at the assembly on Friday 23rd August:

#### PRIMARY

Zoey Mader Waylon Narkle Teresa Marsh Jett Crane Olivia Kelly Chace Thomson Harry Robinson Jacob Reid Todd McMahon Danielle Macfarlane

Arthur Bilney Kyrie Waitokia Oliver Fardig Rihari Romic Georgie Toland Oliver Robinson Tyler Milne Max Fardig Zac Ashton Rasheeda Balloch Paige Nagtegaal Grace Nagtegaal

#### SECONDARY

Hannah Bignell Lanz Viloria Cody Ferguson Lachlan Bignell Olivia Fisher Hannah Campbell Sasha Maunder Imogen Ladyman-Palmer Jacob Sullivan Georgia Holland



Congratulations to the Year 3 class, who shared what they have been learning about significant events in history, including a very entertaining Titanic play. The year 6 class won the Award of the Week for naming the most bodies of water in 30 seconds.



## **YEAR 2 ASSEMBLY & MERIT CERTIFICATES**

Congratulations to the following students who were awarded Merit Certificates at the assembly on Friday 6th September:

#### PRIMARY

Huxley Knocker **Abigail Venables** Tom Kelly Steven Antao **Mitchell Schinzig**  Heidi Warren **Hughie Zadow Tiah Crabb** Hazel Toland

Avah Crabb Louis Sexton Ira-Laine Henare Kyesha Rasmussen Grace Hagedoorn Lachlan Smith Madeleine Macfarlane Harri Waldron

Albert Michael **Charlotte Toland** Jerome Weazel **Fletcher Clifton** 

#### **SECONDARY**

Kyle Aquino Kataraina Watene Temperance North Caleb Willmott Mia Noanoa Manny Fleay

Jack Beggs Ethan Barton Imogen Ladyman-Palmer Ebony Levis

Aaleyah Clarke Charlize Fleay

Meg Hunter Hannah Goodacre





Congratulations to the Year 2 class, who taught us all about forces (pushing and pulling), and the Year 8 class, who won the Award of the Week for naming the most things that can be pushed.



## **TRAILER & COVER SALE**

Lights working. Condition, as per photos.







The sale of this is via tender application with tenders closing <u>Friday 20<sup>th</sup></u> <u>September, 9am</u>. Please email submissions to courtney.toland@education.wa.edu.au



### **ARE YOUR CHILDREN RETURNING IN 2025?**

As 2025 is approaching, we are busy in the office organising student movement. Could please fill out and return the Student Movement form by Friday 20th September 2024. You may also phone the front office on 9831 3300 or email <u>kojonup.dhs@education.wa.edu.au</u>

STUDENT MOVEMENT 2025							
My Child/ren							
Will be attending Kojonup DHS in 2024							
Will NOT be attending Kojonup DHS in 2024, will be attending	_ school.						

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

**P&C Art Auction**Friday 13th September5pmMemorial Hall, Kojonup

Country Week—Year 7-10 Monday 16th—Friday 20th September Perth

Book Week Parade Thursday 19th September 9am, Lower Primary undercover area

Last Day of Term 3 Friday 20th September

First Day of Term 4 Monday 7th October

Faction Athletics Carnival Year 4-10—Monday 7th October Whole school—Tuesday 8th October

Year 6 Camp Tuesday 15th—Friday 18th October Perth



Local and interstate artists Children's art for sale

Eftpos or cash on the night

**KDHS P&C** 

ART AUCTION

Friday 13th

September 2024

**Doors open 5pm** 

Auction 6.30pm Bar and Canapés

18+ Event

Kojonup Memorial Hall

ALL proceeds to future school projects





Year 8 students working on their class piece for the Art Auction.

## KDHS Art Show

## Friday 13th September



### It is time to buy your children's framed artwork!

\$35 per child for 2 or less children at the school

\$100 in total if you have 3 children at the school

\$125 in total in you have 4 or more children at the school

Please transfer the money to KDHS P&C bank account, or pay in cash no later than:

#### Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> September

BSB: 086 - 746 Account Number: 197 775 458

Make the narration VERY clear. Please write your surname and child/ren's initial.

On the night the work that has been sold will have a red dot on it. No artwork can be taken until after the Art Show has finished. Artwork that has not been sold before the Art Show, will be open to the public to buy at the Art Show.

Please note: If we do not hear from you by Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> of September, we will assume you have no concerns that your child's artwork will be for sale to the public, at the KDHS Art Show on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> September.

ONLY FILL OUT IF YOU'RE PAYING IN CASH. PLEASE RETURN 12TH SEPTEMBER.

\_\_\_\_\_, WOULD LIKE TO PURCHASE MY CHILD/REN'S ARTWORK.

CHILD/REN'S NAME/S:\_\_\_\_\_

YEAR/S:\_\_\_\_\_

I HAVE ENCLOSED THE CORRECT MONEY, WHICH IS A TOTAL OF: \$\_\_\_\_\_

Thank You!



# 2024 PLANNER – TERM 4

Wk	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat/Sun
1	7 OCTOBER	8 OCT KINDY DAY	9 OCT	10 OCT KINDY DAY	11 OCT	12/13 OCT
	Faction Athletics Carnival – Jumps/Throws	Faction Athletics Carnival				
2	14 OCT KINDY DAY	15 OCT KINDY DAY Farm Advisory Meeting 7:30am School Farm Year 6 Camp	16 OCT	17 OCT KINDY DAY	18 OCT	19/20 OCT
3 Newsletter Week	21 OCT	22 OCT KINDY DAY	23 OCT	24 OCT KINDY DAY	25 OCT Interschool Athletics – Kojonup DHS	26/27 OCT
4	28 OCT KINDY DAY P&C Meeting 3:15 Library	29 OCT KINDY DAY	30 OCT School Council Meeting 1pm Library	31 OCT KINDY DAY 2pm – Year 1 Assembly	1 NOVEMBER School Development Day	2/3 NOV
5	4 NOV KINDY ORIENTATION Parent Info Session Swimming Lessons	5 NOV KINDY DAY Bursary Interviews	6 NOV Warwick SHS – Camp over	7 NOV KINDY DAY Upper Primary Netball training- Warwick SHS	8 NOV	9/10 NOV
6 Newsletter Week	11 NOV KINDY DAY	12 NOV KINDY DAY	13 NOV	14 NOV KINDY DAY KINDY ORIENTATION Morning 9:30-11am	15 NOV 2pm -Pre-Primary Assembly	16/17 NOV
7	Swimming Lessons	19 NOV KINDY DAY Year 7 Orientation Day	20 NOV	21 NOV KINDY DAY	22 NOV	23/24 NOV
8	25 NOV KINDY DAY	26 NOV KINDY DAY	27 NOV	28 NOV KINDY DAY	29 NOV Volunteer Morning tea	30 NOV 1 DEC
9 Newsletter Week	2 DECEMBER	3 DEC KINDY DAY WPL – Thank you Morning Tea	4 DEC	5 DEC KINDY DAY KINDY GRADUATION	6 DEC Year 6 Graduation Year 10 Graduation - Evening	7/8 DEC
10	9 DEC KINDY DAY	10 DEC KINDY DAY	11 DEC PRESENTATION NIGHT	12 DEC KINDY DAY Students' Last Day	13 DEC School Holidays	13/14 DEC



# 2025 KINDY ENROLMENTS NOW OPEN



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

(08) 9831 3300 ⊕ www.kojonupdhs.wa.edu.au ♀ Blackwood Road, Kojonup 6395



## ORIENTATION DAY WILL BE IN TERM 4

# Year 7 2025 Enrolments NOW OPEN

If your child is in Year 6 at another school and planning to attend KDHS for Year 7 2025, you can now enrol. Please note: children already enrolled in Year 6 at KDHS do not need to re-enrol.

Enrolment forms can be found online at <u>kojonupdhs.wa.edu.au</u> or you can collect them from the school office. Please bring your child's immunisation records and the original copy of their birth certificate.

#### (08) 9831 3300

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## **CAREER CONVERSATIONS**

For young people to make strong career decisions, they need a clear understanding of themselves. Parents and Carers can assist their children by registering on the 'my futures' website <u>myfuture.edu.au</u> where together you both can explore the following.

#### Jacky Brown

Deputy Principal—Secondary



Learn about yourself



## Term 1

Self-awareness

## Six ways for parents and carers to support children's career exploration

For young people to make strong career decisions, they need a clear understanding of themselves. As parents and carers, we should encourage them to reflect on their career interests, skills, values and influences. Let them explore and be curious, rather than trying to influence them in one direction.

# **1** Together with your child, complete the My career profile activities on myfuture.



Talk to them about how your results align with your career path. Discuss your child's results and how they feel about them.

Log in to myfuture's My career profile

# Watch myfuture's Occupation spotlight videos together.



These videos show real people in real jobs. Ask which ones are more interesting or inspiring. Point out where you see your child's skills aligning with the job shown in the videos.

myfuture's Occupation spotlight videos

## Browse myfuture's School-to-work pathways infographics together.

Highlight how there are many pathways to the same career destination. Fill in your own career on the blank template and discuss your career decisions along the way.



myfuture's School-to-work pathways infographics

# Help your child identify career influencers and mentors.



Encourage them to chat with friends, teachers or family members. As an influencer yourself, try not to push them in directions you want them to go, if that's not what they truly want.

 myfuture Insights paper: Making career decisions: How influencers can help ideal working lives in creative ways.

Encourage your child to imagine their

Ask them to draw pictures, create collages, write stories, act out roleplays, or build Lego or Minecraft scenes. Focus on curiosity and free exploration.



Notice your child's emotional states. Making career decisions can be stressful.



Sometimes, parental expectations make it more stressful. If your child is having a hard time, use the Career Uncertainty and Anxiety Questionnaire as a conversation starter.

myfuture.edu.au

 myfuture Insights paper: Managing career uncertainty and anxiety

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## Term 1 Self-awareness

## Six career exploration strategies for students

To make strong career decisions, you need a clear understanding of yourself. The start of the year is a great time to reflect on what you're all about. Take some time to reflect on your career interests, skills, values and influences.





#### AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT SCHOOL STUDENT BROADBAND INITIATIVE

The Australian Government School Student Broadband Initiative (SSBI) is offering free home internet for eligible families with schoolaged students until 31 December 2025. To be eligible, families must:

- have no active broadband service
- have a device capable of accessing the internet
- live in premises where they can access a standard NBN service
- have a child living at home who is enrolled in an Australian school.

The free broadband starts from the day the service is activated with a participating internet provider. Families will not be placed on a paid service by the internet provider at the end of the free service without consent.

For more information and a list of participating internet providers, visit NBN Co School Student Broadband Initiative or call 1800 626 269.

If you think you are eligible and want to self-nominate for the free broadband offer:

• call the National Referral Centre on 1800 954 610 (Monday to Friday, 10 am to 6 pm Australian Eastern Daylight-saving Time)

#### Harding Miller Harding Miller EDUCATION FOUNDATION FOR Girls

We support Australian girls in Australian public high schools. Our scholarship recipients have high academic potential. They are talented and dedicated. They do not currently have access to the resources that they need to make the most of their education opportunities.

Scholarship applications for girls currently in Year 8 for our 2025 Year 9 intake open on 15th July 2024 and close 18th September 2024.

Please go to <u>www.hardingmillereducationfoundation.org.au/apply-for-a</u> <u>-scholarship/</u> to apply.



