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Tuesday 5 March 2012 Week 1 of Cycle Term 1 Vol 5
Next P&C Meeting - Thursday 22 March 2012 starting at 5:30pm



YEAR 7 WELCOME SOCIAL

The social on Thursday night was well attended and very colourful. The students thoroughly enjoyed themselves and “boogied” to the music all night. Congratulations to Mr Page for a well organised event and to all the teachers who made the night possible.



X FACTOR IS ALIVE AND WELL AT KYOGLE HIGH SCHOOL

Year 10 student Ethan Dinsmore attended the Brisbane auditions on the weekend and wowed the producer in the first round with his rendition of ‘Take it Easy’ by The Eagles. He then received his yellow card to move on to the second round singing two more songs, “Under the Bridge” by the The Red Hot Chilli Peppers and “Somebody that I Used to Know” by Gotye. He is currently awaiting his fate. We will keep you posted.

COMING EVENTS

- These dates are accurate at this time, any changes will be published in the newsletter

- 5 March— PSP Survey Week
- 8 March— NC Swimming Coffs harbor
- 16 March— NR Soccer—Lismore
- 21 March—Year 7 and 10 Vaccinations

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Priority Schools Program Survey

This week all students in Year Seven - Ten, will bring home a survey form to be filled out by their parents/guardians. This survey takes place every four years and it is run by the government to see if our school qualifies to be a part of the Priority Schools Program. It takes only a few minutes to complete and it is **totally confidential**. The reason why we need all parents to complete this survey is that it potentially is worth hundreds of thousands of dollars to the school in terms of additional teaching staff and additional funding for resources. There will be daily prize draws for students returning the survey. Thank you to all the families supporting our students.

Lunch times at Kyogle High School offer a variety of activities from Hip Hop classes to volleyball to Extension classes through to basketball and other activities.

This week we had the Captains of Alstonville High visit. They were surprised to see that most classrooms have Interactive Whiteboards! Our captains could not believe that AHS still were using blackboards in the majority of their classrooms. National Partnerships Funding and the enthusiasm of staff have enabled KHS to be a leader in this technology area.

The first school social since Term 2 last year was held last week to Welcome Year 7 to Kyogle High School. It was a great event attended by a large portion of the school. The behavior was exemplary and students were appreciative of the time and energy staff put in to making this event happen.

Have a great week!!

Mrs Janeen Silcock
Principal

KHS Uniform Co-ordinator

Interesting and rewarding position available as a volunteer uniform coordinator. Duties include: ordering, and maintaining stock, banking and liaison with P&C and students for design. Only a few hours every week. Contact Sue Landers at the school.

Mrs Sue Landers
Acting Community Liaison Officer

ADFA Information Session - Coolangatta 19 March 2012

ADFA information session being held at Coolangatta on the 19 March at 6pm. Please pass on information to any student interested in attending ADFA in 2013 (or 2014 if they just want to come along to have a look).

Defence Force Recruiting
07 5569 3906

From the Deputy's Desk

Dare to Lead - Whole School Snapshot

On Monday and Tuesday of Week 10 (26 and 27 March) Kyogle High School has applied to have a collegial school snapshot carried out by the Dare to Lead organisation. **Dare to Lead** is a Commonwealth Funded National Project with a focus on improving educational outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students. Collegial School Snapshots involve the State Coordinator who interviews Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students, parents, community and school employees, Non Aboriginal students, teachers and executive. The questions are agreed to beforehand by the Principal and *Dare to Lead* staff. *Dare to Lead* staff will present findings to a staff and/or community meeting initially and provide a report for the school including all findings and recommendations. *Dare To Lead* will then provide Professional Learning Support to help the school implement the recommendations. This is a wonderful opportunity for Kyogle High School to look at what we are doing to ensure the Aboriginal Education Policy is embedded in our teaching and learning programs. This policy does not only focus on the educational outcomes of our indigenous students but also mandates that it is essential ALL students learn about Aboriginal Australia.

Mrs Gae Masters
Deputy Principal

2012 DER-NSW Parent Survey

Dear Parent/Guardian,

We seek your views on the NSW one-to-one laptop program.

A formal evaluation of the program is being undertaken by the New South Wales Department of Education and Training in collaboration with the University of Wollongong. It is an effort to determine how the DER-NSW program may impact on learning and teaching education across the state. The evaluation has taken place over 3 years.

Please go to the link below and complete the 2012 survey. It won't take you too long.

<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/DER-NSWPr2012?c=8189>

To access the link please enter it into the long address bar at the *top* of the page of your internet browser (not into a search engine such as Google) and press enter or go – this will take you to the survey.

Individuals cannot be identified in the data.

Evaluation reports to date can be viewed online: <https://www.det.nsw.edu.au/about-us/how-we-operate/national-partnerships/digital-education-revolution/rqql/research>.

Thank you for assisting us.

Janeen Silcock
Principal

PSP Survey Week- Students Years 7 -10

On Monday a very simple and short survey was sent home with the youngest member of each family. Please complete the survey to help Kyogle High School in the running for **Priority Schools Program** funds (PSP). This funding is very competitive, providing up to \$60,000 and more staff every year for the next 4 years! The aim of the funding is to improve the literacy and numeracy in our school. The survey will measure your occupation, educational qualifications, aboriginality and income bracket. Please do not overstate your circumstances. Also be assured that the survey is strictly confidential, not being opened by anyone but the survey collators in Sydney. None of the information will be sent to Centrelink, Tax office or the school.

We need 100% return of the survey to qualify for this funding so please return as soon as possible. There will be PRIZES DAILY!!!!

The rip off labels with your child's name on it will be taken off the survey envelope and go into a draw during START class. A \$5 canteen voucher will be drawn daily out of these for every year. All returns go into a draw for a \$100 shopping voucher for any shop in Kyogle.

Mrs Sue Landers
Acting Community Liaison Officer

Kyogle Soccer Club

Training for the 12 year old team commences Tuesday 13 March at the High School field from 4.30 pm

Training for the 14 year old Girls team commences Thursday 15 March at the High School field from 4.30 pm.

Kerry Jack
Kyogle Soccer Club

YEAR 9 FOOD EQUITY

Last year, Year 9 investigated contributing factors to the unequal distribution of food in Australia and around the world. Included in their studies was the suffering of developing nations and the circumstances that causes food inequity.

As a result students wanted to give something back, and so cooked up a storm selling delicious chocolate cookies to staff, raising \$100.00. Excited with the funds, they looked through World Vision's gifts and decided to buy: a duck, a chicken and feed, school materials and clean drinking water for children, families and communities in need.

Congratulations to a fabulous and caring group of students.

Miss Peisto & Mrs Woods



CANTEEN ROSTER

Wed 7/3: H Koturaj
Thurs 8/3: N Anderson, K Little
Fri 9/3: S Harrison, V Ferris
Mon 12/3: J Bulmer, S Harrison
Tues 13/3: J Little, O'Neile, S Chadburn
Wed 14/3: K Crawter
Thurs 15/3: L Reilly, J O'Reilly
Fri 16/3: M Pederson, S Harrison, J Ashton
Mon 19/3: C Judd, S Harrison
Tues 20/3: "Help Needed"



The Canteen is always looking for more volunteers. If you can help out please phone Faye Rose (Canteen Supervisor) on 6632 1300.

Canteen News

School shorts are now available at the canteen.

Size 6 to Size 22 @ \$35.00 each.

School Football sports shorts : x-small—x large \$20.00

Dress shirts: \$35.00

Polo Shirts : \$28.00

School Jumper: \$28.00

School Jacket: \$35.00

All uniforms and shorts are available to buy after the second bell at lunchtime from the canteen.



COMMUNITY NEWS

KJRL Sausage Sizzle and Training.

Kyogle Junior Rugby League would like to advise that the sausage sizzle that was set to be held at our final sign-on 10th March will now be held on Friday the 9th of March at Training at 5:30pm.

Any teams scheduled to train on Thursday the 8th March, will now be held on Friday the 9th March for this week

Work Opportunities for Women – WOW at Kyogle

10088NAT Certificate I in Access to Work and Training

Qualification: Certificate I

TAFE Course No: 10443

Attendance:

8 hours per week, Thursday and Fridays, 9.30 am – 1.30 pm

Course Description:

This free course will suit women who have been out of work for some time, or did not complete their secondary education, and who would like to gain skills for returning to study and work in a friendly supportive environment.

Career Opportunities/Vocational Outcomes:

This course will help you to explore further study options and to develop some of the skills and knowledge you need to access work and training opportunities.

Entry Requirements:

There are no formal educational entry requirements into this course.

For more information contact : Nicola Mercer,
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