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IMPORTANT DATES

DECEMBER

17

Last day of School for Students

18

PUPIL FREE DAY

JANUARY

29

Start of school year for
Prep to Year 12

FEBRUARY

1-3

Year 7 Camp

Term 4 Issue 27

Principal's Report

"Excellence Through Opportunity"

Dear Parents and Friends,

This is our final Channels for the year and I would like to thank our students, parents and our community for a great year, especially semester two. Over the last three weeks the secondary campus of the College commenced its 'Flying Start' and once again it has been a great success. The response from our students was outstanding with great attendance at all year levels. Students can now look forward to 2016 with a greater insight into the year's study ahead. This is my last report as Acting Principal as Mr. Bott will return to the College in 2016. I would like to thank the Kyabram P-12 community for their support over the last semester and acknowledge the great work of students, staff and College Council during that period. The College is a very busy place and I have been lucky enough to experience many of the great programs the College has during my brief time here. In today's report we are provided with more examples of the great things that happen here and the great achievements of the Kyabram P-12 students.

On Tuesday evening the College held its annual Awards Night and, although it was quite hot, we still had a large audience of students, parents, staff and community friends. I would like to congratulate all the award winners and the Dux of our College, Billy Browning-Briese. I would also like to congratulate Miss Trish Bradley and her organising team on a great evening

During the year a considerable amount of time is dedicated to schools by volunteers and none more so than at Kyabram P-12 College. I would like to acknowledge the work completed behind the scenes by our volunteers, Parents' Club members and our College Councillors. Thank you very much for your continued support.

We have a number of staff leaving at the end of the year and I would like to thank them for their contribution towards the development and education of our students. In particular I would like to thank the College's Assistant Principal Mr David Jenner and wish him all the best for the future. Mr Jenner leaving to take up a position at Numurkah Primary School and Mr Greg Ross will be Acting Assistant Principal at the primary campus for term one next year.

Reports will be available on Compass from 2pm this Friday. Families who require a 'hard copy' of their student's report need to provide the College with a stamp/self-addressed envelope and leave that at the general office. Both offices will be open on Friday from 9am to 12 noon. Next Year our all students will start back at school on Friday 29th January. Teachers start their year on the 27th January.

Finally I would like to wish you a Merry Christmas and have a safe and happy new year.

Chris Eeles
Acting College Principal



Business Manager's Report

Jan Prior

AFTER SCHOOL CARE PROGRAM 2016

The After School Care children have been busy over recent weeks making Christmas decorations and other crafty items. Thank you to our Co-ordinator, Hailey Arnott for all of her work and fun with the children in 2015. Our After School Care Program will continue from the first day back to school, Friday January 29th and the program operates daily from 3:20 pm to 5:45 pm daily. We provide children with a nutritious afternoon tea each day which is both tasty and healthy and we offer a range of games and activities that are fun and educational. Bookings are essential and the direct phone number for the program is 0458 327 041.

TRAINEES 2015

I would like to thank our 2015 Trainees who will be leaving us at the end of this year. Cointha Walkeden is an inspiration to us all with her work in the College productions in both the primary and secondary campuses. Marnie Blake has also been a great support to the Sports program across the College, and her organisation skills have been fantastic. Marnie and Cointha have also taken on the roles as supporters for our Sporting Schools program; we wish them good luck for the future and we look forward to hearing their stories and catching up with them in the years to come.

TRAINEES 2016

In 2016 the College will have four trainees. Congratulations to David O'Brien who will be continuing on with the ICT position; Michael Archer who will be taking up the Sports position; Shannon Ryan who will be our Agriculture and Horticulture Trainee and Greg Dunn who will be the Performing Arts Trainee.

OFFICE HOURS

During the Christmas Vacation period the College Office will be closed and will re-open from Monday January 25th. For any urgent matters please call 0418 685 046 and your call will be directed to the appropriate person.

Season's Greetings & Best Wishes for 2015.

I would like to wish our families a Merry Christmas and a safe and relaxing break. We look forward to seeing you in 2016.



P-4 Awards



Congratulations to this week's and last week's award winners.

P-6 Assistant Principal Report

David Jenner

2015 Last Day for Students: - Thursday 17th December 3:20pm finish

2016 First Day for students: - Friday 29th January

NEWS AND THANKS

Firstly, I have some personal news to share with you all. Next year in 2016, I will begin the role of Assistant Principal at Numurkah Primary School. Whilst this is very exciting news for my family and me, I understand that it is unfortunate timing as I would have hoped to have been at Kyabram P-12 College for longer. I have thoroughly enjoyed my time here at Kyabram, getting to know our wonderful students, parents and staff. It has been a tremendous learning experience, one that I will fondly take with me.

The end of the school year is here, and it is time for us to reflect as we celebrate a successful year and the achievements of our students at Kyabram P-12 College. It is also a time to celebrate and acknowledge our school community, including all staff who have continued to support our students to achieve their potential.

I would like to thank all those who volunteered throughout 2015 for their support, which has been crucial towards helping our students develop and improve in many areas of their schooling.

I would also like to give a huge thank you to our teachers and staff for their enthusiasm and support throughout 2015. Throughout the course of the year they have provided so many great learning tasks and experiences for our students. I wish our Grade 6 students all the best for their next chapter, as they move into Yr 7 at the Secondary Campus.

Overall, our College is very fortunate to have a fantastic group of students and committed staff who work hard together to achieve excellence in regards to learning. There have been many examples of this occurring in 2015. I would like to acknowledge and thank everyone for their contribution throughout 2015.

I congratulate everyone on a successful year and wish the school community a safe and happy Christmas. All the best for 2016!

ORIENTATION DAY

Last Tuesday 8th December, our Primary Campus conducted its annual Orientation Day. This was an excellent opportunity for students to meet their new teachers and class mates in readiness for 2016. We also had our new Preps for 2016 visit, and our Year 6 students visited the Secondary Campus as part of their transition program. Thank you to all of our staff for their planning and organisation. Thank you to our students and school community for their overall support in regards to Orientation Day and our transition programs throughout the course of 2015. We are feeling confident that we have put everything in place possible to ensure that our students are well prepared for 2016.

P – 6 VISITING PERFORMANCE

On Wednesday 25th November our Primary Campus held a visiting performance titled "It's A Mad World". The performance was a mixture of entertainment, comedy and even juggling. Our students thoroughly enjoyed the show! A big thank you to Mrs Meeking for organising the show, and also to our staff for your support.



Winning House for Prep – 4 2015

Allan on 5907 points followed closely by Pine Grove on 5535 and Castles on 5400.



Thankyou to our fabulous grade 4 house captains for this year, you have all done a fantastic job!



3-6 Gymnastics

Over the past week the students in grades 3-6 have been participating in a gymnastics program. Gymnastics is a great way to develop strength and flexibility, and we have focused on these things whilst rotating around 7 stations. Students have shown improved control over the few sessions they had working on strength and technique on a variety of apparatus. Beam, parallel bars, mini tramp and vault, floor, ropes and rhythmic gymnastics were the stations the students had to work on.

A huge thanks to all the teachers that helped whilst running the program and also Liam Nedeljkovich and Marnie Blake for helping the entire program. Thanks to students Ruby, Amali, Paige and James for helping with the 3/4 program, their help definitely made it more beneficial for all students.



Fun Run

We have recently received all the classroom equipment we purchased with the funds raised from the Fun Run in September. Every primary student next year will have access to sports equipment to enjoy at recess and lunch encouraging them to stay active. We will also be buying more sports uniforms for students to wear when competing and representing our school in different sports events.

Thanks again to the overwhelming support we had for this event!



Well Done Miller!

Miller Griffiths represented Team Vic in the School Sports Australia Track & Field Championships on the 4th-8th of December. He competed in his high jump event on December 5th, jumping his personal best of 1.30m and placing him in 7th position overall out of 10 boys.

We'd like to thank the Kyabram P-12 College, especially Daryll Wegmann and Sarah Mangan for their support and the extra jumping practices, and to everyone who purchased a raffle ticket.

It was an experience that Miller will always remember.



Sporting Schools Program

Please see below photos of the Sporting Schools Program end of year celebration which was held last Thursday.



7-12 Principal Report

Danny Walsh

YEAR 7 TRANSITION

On Tuesday last week, 97 Grade 6 students began their Year 7 Flying Start program. Students from Girgarre, Tongala, Lancaster, Tatura, Merrigum, Undera and Kyabram were very excited and keen to see what secondary school had to offer. After a brief assembly, students followed a timetable of a typical Year 7 student which included subjects such as Physical Education, Maths, English, Humanities, LOTE and Technology. After talking to a number of students it is clear they cannot wait until 2016 to begin Year 7. Thank you to Renee Howell and Viv Thomas for all their work in making it such a smooth transition into Year 7 for these students.

THANK YOU

I would also like to personally and wholeheartedly thank all parents, guardians and families for their amazing support throughout 2015. We value the partnerships we have built together during the year and this support makes our role much more enjoyable and effective. The more we work together, the greater the benefit to our students.

YARD MAINTENANCE WORK

Over the holidays if you are available to assist with clean up/maintenance at the College could you please contact me by email (walsh.daniel.m@edumail.vic.edu.au) or by phoning the College. A number of maintenance jobs such as painting concrete areas with paving paint, painting outside walls, brushcutting, weeding and general yard clean up will need to be completed over the holidays.



Schoolies In Samoa

The Schoolies in Samoa group returned home Thursday 3rd December after a great trip. Twenty people from our wider community were involved including Georgia Ross, Ellie Hosking and Fiona Owen from our College. This was the 8th Schoolies in Samoa trip.

A special feature of this trip was that Vixen's Tegan Philip (nee Caldwell) with husband Joshi were in attendance. Netball Victoria donated a generous amount of netball gear as a gift for one of the schools that were visited.

It was a most successful trip and once again very well received and enjoyed by everyone. The students had a holiday to remember and are most enriched from the eye opening experiences.

It is a great alternative to the normal schoolies options and is one of the numerous C's Life Camps run by The Camping Program. See www.thecampingprogram.org.au

A brief overview of the trip:

- 10 nights in Samoa - made up of 7 nights at a hotel, 2 at the beach and 1 being billeted out by local Samoan families
- Visited and shared with a local school
- Ran a program of activities, games and craft for children at a Victim Support Centre and visited the baby shelter associated with this Victim Support Centre
- Experienced much of the local culture: food, markets, language and customs
- Toured Upolu, the main island of Samoa
- Visited the main tourist sites and participated in much swimming and snorkelling



Ready to fly at Tullamarine



Georgia Ross caring for one of the babies at the Baby Shelter



Shopping at the local Market in Apia



Tegan Caldwell and students showing off gifts from Netball Victoria



Georgia Ross, Fiona Owen and Ellie Hosking chatting with the Samoan students.

COMMUNITY MATTERS



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2016 Enrollments now being taken!! Kyabram & Echuca Studios

- Vocal
- Guitar (acoustic, electric)
 - Drums
 - Bass
- Piano/Keyboard
 - Theory
- Glee (singing & movement)
- Pre-school Music (4-5 yr olds)
 - Tots n Tunes (2-3 yr olds)
- Performing arts/drama (prep-yr9)
 - Dance (ages 5-18 yr old)

Dillmac Entertainment also takes lessons at the following schools: (not all instruments are available at all schools)

- Echuca West School
- Kyabram P-12 College (primary campus)
 - Lockington Consolidated school
 - Nathalia Primary School
 - Nathalia Secondary college
 - Sacred Heart Primary School
 - St. Augustines College
 - St. Francis Primary Nathalia
- St. Mary of the Angel's Nathalia
 - St. Pat's Tongala
- Tatura Primary School
 - Tongala Primary
- Merrigum Primary

FAMILY MUSIC EVENT

Students and families interested in learning to play or to simply enjoy acoustic music are warmly welcome at the upcoming 10TH annual Gingarre Moosic Muster to be held Friday - to Sunday, January 8th-10th, 2016.

All musical activities are free.



DANCE ILLUSIONS

Classes available in Jazz, Tap, Ballet, Funk, Contemporary, Musical Theatre, Kinder Dance, Baby Ballerina's, Boy's Class & Adults

Enrolments NOW OPEN

3 years- Adults

Fully Equipped Studio
Albion St, Kyabram



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Learn to Swim

School Holiday Program

Monday 11th to Friday 15th

January 2016

Lockington, Rochester, Tongala, Kyabram, Rushworth,
Stanhope, Colbinabbin

Cost: \$67.50

Age: 4 years and above

The Program: 30 minute sessions each day for 5 days

All instructors are Austswim qualified

Closing date : Wednesday 23rd December



TO A GOOD HOME

Start of a drum kit. Well used but may be fun in the shed or something to build on.

Currently stored at school. Call 0417 721 624



COLLEGE CALENDAR

~ December 2015 ~

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
14 VCE results and ATAR Parent Helpers Morning Tea in Prep-2 Building at 11am	15 Music Tour of Kinders and Warramunda Year 5/6 Final Assembly 2:30-3:20pm P-2 End of Year Celebration at Ky Pool Awards Night	16 Gr 3/4 End of Year Celebration at Aquamoves Gr 5/6 End of Year Celebration at Ky Pool	17 Last day for Students 3:20pm dismissal	18 PUPIL FREE DAY

January 2016

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
25	26	27 PUPIL FREE DAY	28 PUPIL FREE DAY	29 Start of school year for Prep to Yr 12

February 2016

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
1	2	3 Rest Day for Preps <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content; margin: 5px auto;"> Year 7 Camp - PGL Campaspe Downs Kyneton </div>	4	5 Round 1 Senior Cricket at Ky P-12 Oval
8	9 Hello Night - Prep-6	10 Rest Day for Preps	11	12 Swimming Sports
15	16	17 Rest Day for Preps	18 Year 7 Welcome Night	19
22	23	24 Rest Day for Preps <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content; margin: 5px auto;"> Surf Trip - VCE Outdoor Ed </div>	25	26 Round 2 Senior Cricket - Nathalia Rec Reserve
29 Campaspe Swimming - Echuca				

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