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PUPIL FREE DAY

7th April

Prep-Year 8 Cross Country

8th April

Last Day of Term 1
2:20pm Dismissal

Acting Principal's Report

Kate Whitford

"Excellence Through Opportunity"

Dear Parents and Friends,

School Council 2022

School Council met on Wednesday night and formalised arrangements for 2022. I am pleased to announce that these members were elected to the following office bearing positions: -

- President – Dale Denham
- Vice President – Nicole Griffiths
- Secretary – Claire Bourke
- Treasurer – Daniel Morris

With eight parent members in total, the following six parents complete the list of parent members on School Council – Shaun Clancy, David Burrows, Adam/Jess Scoble, Ben Munro, Alisa Melhuish and Troy Thompson.

Our community members are Liz Spicer and Dale Denham.

The school employees on School Council for 2022 are Claire Bourke, Claudia Moore, Louise Mellington and The College Principal (myself then Paul Tozer).

I would also like to thank outgoing members, Sandy Fletcher, and Bec Costa-Lowe, for providing an excellent contribution to the School Council Team.

School Photos



A reminder that Secondary individual and class photos are this Friday 18th March and Primary Photos are on Monday 21st March.

Events are Back

Sporting events such as interschool sport and swimming are something that we normally look forward to without a second thought. After the interruptions and restrictions of last year we are even more excited to see our students participating on sports fields and in swimming pools. The return of regular events and excursions is something that we are all appreciating that little bit more.

**"Kyabram P-12 College
is a Child-Safe School"**

Tutor Learning Initiative

This year schools have once again received funding to run 'The Tutor Learning Initiative'. This program is designed to support students whose learning has been disrupted as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. As we know some students excelled and others fell behind in their learning during the lockdown last year. We currently have 5 experienced teachers working across the college as tutors to provide targeted teaching to students identified as needing support to get back to the level they should be at.

Parent/Teacher/Student Discussions

Thank you to parents who took up the opportunity to meet with their child's teacher on Wednesday afternoon via WebEx or over the phone, to discuss their progress, achievements, and to find ways we can support your child to work at their potential. If you were unable to catch up at this time, I encourage you to organize one in the future with your child's teacher/s.

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7-12 Campus Principal Report

Louise Mellington

A big thank you to parents and carers who participated in parent/student/teacher interviews this week. WebEx and phone interviews can be challenging but there have been some positive feedback from parents. If you were unable to make interviews and would like contact with your child's teacher please contact the College.

A reminder that students should be testing with the RATS twice weekly. This ensures that our College can continue to run smoothly and minimise disruptions to learning.

Uniform – Your Support is Needed

We need to see all students **IN FULL SCHOOL UNIFORM**. Whilst we have the majority of our students wearing correct school uniform, we do have a number of students who are wearing hoodies. These are not part of our school uniform (the Year 12 hoodie is an exception) and need to be left at home. Students in hoodies will be asked to remove them. We have a new College beanie for the winter which looks great. Other beanies are not permitted. Again, I ask if you are having difficulty sourcing uniform items, please contact the College.

Yard Cleanliness

It would be great to see parents having conversations with their child around having pride in our school grounds. We have quite a lot of litter that is just dropped on the ground, even when a bin is close by. We are aiming for zero rubbish laying around in Term 2.

Supporting Your Child's Learning at Home

Students will always have study or homework that they can be doing at home. As our students get up into the senior levels they will have work to do. There are many ways that you can support your child in their school work at home:

- Keep up to date with what is on Compass (particularly feedback on reportable learning tasks), in newsletters and on social media – for those students isolating there is work placed on Compass
- Maintain a positive dialogue with your child about what they are learning at school
- Have a study space that is appropriate – as little distraction as possible
- Ask your child about their school day
- Monitor screen time and sleep
- Talk to your child about their goals and aspirations
- Be approachable and supportive
- Making contact with your child's teachers

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Primary Principal's Report

Todd Woodfine

One of our main focus areas is the mental health and wellbeing of every student and member of staff. We will be utilising all available resources to support our students and enabling staff to access the relevant support services.

Some of our students have thrived throughout this term, while others have maintained their learning progress. Our priority will be supporting both those who need to catch up and those students who have progressed to continue to extend their learning.

Parent Teacher Conference

On Wednesday we conducted our parent teacher conferences which were conducted via phone or WebEx video conferencing. Due to Covid restrictions, we had to make this necessary adjustment, so we could continue to provide the opportunity to partner with our families in our student learning. I encourage families to maintain communication with our college and staff as there are many avenues of support that we can provide.

Bullying – No Way

Next Wednesday our college will support 'Dolly's Dream' (gold coin donation) by providing our students the opportunity to wear casual clothes with a touch of blue - The National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence, is held on the third Friday of March each year. Schools' can do a great deal to prevent bullying and protect students, but can achieve much more if they involve everyone in the school community. Students and families are central to preventing bullying and creating a school climate of respect and inclusion and our meaningful engagement demonstrates the value the school holds for students and families.

If you are looking for support for yourself or someone you know, to deal with a bullying situation, you will find ideas on the Bullying. No Way! website. As well, please feel free to contact the school if you would like to discuss any aspect of our approach to preventing bullying.

Harmony Day

Harmony Day is an Australian Government program that celebrates Australia's diversity. Harmony Day centers on the message that "everyone belongs", reinforcing the importance of inclusiveness, respect and belonging for all Australians. Next week our college will conduct a variety of activities, beginning on Monday with a 'harmony smoking ceremony experience' Monday afternoon on our Primary front lawn, followed by our primary campus assembly.

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Values Awards

Congratulations to the Weekly Award and Shout Out Award winners.



Monday 7th March

Performing Arts

Sue Meeking

Visiting Performers to Finish the Term!

On **March 29th** our Prep, grade one and grade two students will attend a visiting performance by Improv Melbourne called: **FAIRYTALE COOK BOOK**.

It will be exciting to have our first live, professional performers in the school for a couple of years! Our younger students will possibly be new to this concept so we encourage parents to have a positive chat about how lucky we are to have some live storytelling drama coming to our school hall.

Grade 5 and 6 will also have a drama experience this day. Improv Melbourne will run a program called **IMPROVOGANZA** which teaches the art of Improvisation. Improvisation is a creative, quick thinking drama skill where those involved need to react spontaneously without preparation; a brilliant life skill too!

Grade 3 and 4 will have their own special performing Arts / P.E. event one week later. On **April 6th** the **Billy Tea Bush band** will bring live music to our hall. The 3/4s will learn a few bush dances with their classmates.

Harmony Day

Primary students will all be involved in a special smoke ceremony led by our KESO, Wayne Cowley, on March 21st. The smoking ceremony is a fire with smoke created from trees. The ceremony cleanses people of 'bad spirits' (perhaps speak to children of bad feelings) and is a mindful way to 'start' our year. Wayne will also speak to grades 3-6 students about the Aboriginal culture during the day. We are very grateful to Wayne for sharing culture in this way.

If you'd like to chat with your children about this type of ceremony here is a relevant video to watch together: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yuoabFGODo0>

P-12 Sports Report

Sarah Mangan, Kaitlyn Souter and Kelsey O'Neill

SCHOOL FUN RUN

Fundraising will end on **Wednesday 30th March**. You will be able to submit your prize order from **Thursday 31st March** and you will need to do this before our "Cross Country" event on **Thursday 7th April**.

We will still be holding a "Splash and Dash" Event in Term 4 – Date TBC

PREP – YEAR 8 CROSS COUNTRY

As a mini celebration of our fundraising efforts, students in Prep – Year 8 will participate in a Cross Country.

Date: Thursday 7th April

Time: 10am Year 7 run 3km followed by Year 7/8 1km walk and Year 8 3km run

11.30am Prep run 2 laps of the Primary oval followed by Grade 1/2 1km run or walk, Grade 3/4 2km run, Grade 3-6 1km walk and Grade 5/6 3km run.

This is all about participation and being active, whilst we encourage students to challenge themselves and run, all students will have the option of participating in the walk.



LITTLE LAPS CLUB

Little Laps Club is still going strong on Wednesday mornings with students completing as many laps of the oval as they can before 9am. This school activity is preparing students for the upcoming school wide cross country event.

A special mention to the following students for their outstanding effort: Vika Y, Amelia P, Zavier P, Byron C, Cooper H, Taylor Q, Riley J, Cooper R, Zoe M, Deegan H and Marley V.

PRIMARY SINGLES TENNIS

On Wednesday 9th March we had 5 students represent our College at the Campaspe Tennis Trials. Cooper, Jacob, Tayla, Kade and Riley all represented our College proudly. Well done to Tayla and Kade who have progressed to the next stage and will compete in Swan Hill on Monday 4th April. Thanks to Sharee and David for supporting the students on this day.



PRIMARY BOWLS

A couple of weeks ago our Primary Lawn Bowls team travelled to Rochester to compete in the Campaspe Competition. They had a strong support team alongside them the whole way and we are grateful for the support these parents show! Our team was successful and will now compete in Swan Hill on Thursday 7th April. Thanks to all the parents who are taking their children to training, attended on the day, as well as Ms Parkinson for being the teacher for the event.



SENIOR CRICKET

It was a great battle between the Rochester and Kyabram P-12 senior boys, Kyabram started off well with Miller Griffiths and Liam Francis opening the batting until Griffiths was dismissed on 9 off 9, this triggered a collapse throughout the innings losing 3 quick wickets of Nic Jephson, Shaun Doolan and Josh Dunne. Steven George made a quick fire 36 off 29 not out while the clear man of the match Liam Francis made his way to an impressive 78 off 57 deliveries. Youngster Josh Francis made a handy 2 to finish the innings. Ky P-12 finished with a solid 6/147 off 20 overs.

However the day didn't go as planned in the second innings due to the bowling letting Ky P-12 down, struggling to get many wickets through the day with misfields and dropped catches. The boys tried their best but unfortunately they didn't come away with the win as Rochy chased the runs in 19 overs.

YEAR 7-12 BADMINTON

Today students from Years 7-12 represented the College in inter school badminton. While we didn't manage to progress to the next round, every student demonstrated all our College Values at an extremely high level. There were some fabulous trick shots.



YEAR 7 TO 12 SWIMMING SPORTS

Amazing day at the pool students showed our school values proudly. Highlight of the day was the students vs staff event, which was won by the students by half a lap. Well done to the students.

YEAR 7 TO 12 NEXT LEVEL SWIMMERS

Congratulations to all our secondary students who made it to the next level of swimming. Even though it was a horrible day outside was a great day at the pool.



Kyabram P-12 – Secondary School

Photo Day 2022

Friday, 18th March

To Order Photos:

Go to www.msp.com.au and click "Order Photos". Enter your child's personalised shootkey and follow the prompts.

Order your School Photos before midnight 25th March

Late Orders can be accepted after 26th March by contacting **03 5482 3190**. All late orders incur an extra \$20 for postage and handling.

Family Photos – Please order online prior to photo day with the unique shootkey on the Family form. These are available from the school office. One shootkey per family.



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Kyabram P-12 - Primary School

Photo Day 2022

Monday, 21st March

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Go to www.msp.com.au and click "Order Photos". Enter your child's personalised shootkey and follow the prompts.

Order your School Photos before midnight 28th March

Late Orders can be accepted after 29th March by contacting **03 5482 3190**. All late orders incur an extra \$20 for postage and handling.

Family Photos – Please order online prior to photo day with the unique shootkey on the Family form. These are available from the school office. One shootkey per family.



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Community News



ALDARA YENARA ABORIGINAL CORPORATION ARE COMING TO KYABRAM!

FREE COMMUNITY BBQ



SUNDAY MARCH 20TH, 2022 @ 6:30PM
75 LAKE ROAD, KYABRAM
(BBQ AREA IN FRONT OF THE KYABRAM FAUNA PARK)

Graham will be hosting and answering any questions you may have about the services AYAAC will be offering when they settle in on the KDHS site. The BBQ is a family friendly event so bring the kids. Sausages, chicken steaks in bread and cold drinks provided and palyground available for kids to play!

RSVP: Simone Guinan on 0466446303
By Wednesday 16th March.

JUNIOR PLAYERS WANTED MERRIGUM FNC



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UNDER 15'S NETBALL
UNDER 13'S MIXED FOOTY

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