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Newsletter

Term 4 Week 5 2020

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Welcome to Week 5 and we are nearly half-way through the term already.

YEAR 12

As the HSC exams come to an end, our Year 12 students should be very proud of everything they have achieved throughout 2020. It is a sad moment when they come down to the office with their pink sign out forms, however it is humbling to see the young adults they have become and speak with them about their planned pathways. We look forward to celebrating with them at the Formal.

YEAR 11

They are now four weeks into the HSC course and will soon be receiving their Semester 2 reports. All assessment tasks from now on count towards their HSC results. It is important that students read, understand and carefully follow the information in the HSC assessment booklet. If your child is unsure about any aspects of these requirements please encourage them to discuss this with their teacher, Year Adviser or Head Teacher.

SOME RELAXING OF RESTRICTIONS

It has been great to see some restrictions relaxed, in regard to our sporting teams and some excursions which are back in operation. The school still has restrictions on external visitors. Executive will discuss planning for the upcoming school Presentation Day as currently it will still need to be restricted to staff and students only. School visits have commenced with our Primary Schools, with Ms Toufayli and the Student Captains heading out to visit as part of our Year 6 into Year 7 transition program. Orientation Day will be on the 17th of November, it will be fabulous to meet our incoming cohort and they will be engaging in activities to familiarise themselves with the school, participate in some taster lessons and enjoy a BBQ lunch with staff.



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What's on?

2020

Monday 9/11/20

Year 7-10 Exams

Year 12 HSC Exams

Tuesday 10/11/20

Year 7-10 Exams

Year 12 HSC Exams

Wednesday 11/11/20

Remembrance Day

Year 7-10 Exams

Year 12 HSC Exams Finish!

Thursday 12/11/20

NAIDOC Flag Raising Ceremony

Year 7-10 Exams

Friday 13/11/20

Year 7-10 Exams

Study Break Cafe

Monday 16/11/20

Year 7-10 Exams

Tuesday 17/11/20

Year 7-10 Exams

Wednesday 18/11/20

Year 7-10 Exams

Thursday 19/11/20

Year 7-10 Exams

Friday 20/11/20

Study Break Cafe

EXTERNAL VALIDATION AND SCHOOL PLANNING

Next week the school is participating in External Validation, for many weeks we have been preparing a report against the 14 elements of the School Excellence Framework. The report is analysed by a panel of a Principal School Leadership officer and a Secondary Peer Principal, they will look at our evidence and validate if we are on track with working toward school improvement against this framework. Thanks to staff who have completed many surveys across the year on different areas identifying what we currently do well and areas for focus in the next school planning cycle which will commence in 2021. A community survey will soon be sent out and the school will run a Parent Focus group from this.

STAFFING

As many of you already know one of our long serving staff members Mrs Catherine Heap is retiring at the end of this year. Cathy has been making Mathematics meaningful at Kandos HS since 1992. The pandemic has certainly not been what she expected on her road to retirement, however she has been quite upbeat and busy organising the transition of the faculty and enjoying her countdown with staff and students being entertained by her “this is my last Week 5, this is my last...”. Of course we all smile and laugh, knowing we will miss her and nobody will ever quite fill that gap.

We are also very sad to share the news that Miss Steinbeck is heading to Gulgong HS in 2021, Tara has been an integral part of Kandos High School and has supported many endeavours in the academic, sporting and wellbeing pursuits of our students. We wish her well and appreciate her hard work and commitment. We look forward to farewelling them more formally as the year comes to a close.

Currently the Visual Arts and Head Teacher Mathematics have gone to advert and thank you to the panel members for giving up their time in this busy term.

As one door closes another opens, our PDHPE position vacated by Tara has been filled by staffing. A big congratulations to one of our hardworking and dedicated local teachers, who has put a lot of effort into Kandos HS and the local community over many, many years!

Kerry Reynolds has accepted the position and we look forward to working with her in a permanent capacity.

REMEMBRANCE DAY

Remembrance Day is observed on 11 November in most countries to recall the end of hostilities of First World War on that date in 1918. Hostilities formally ended “at the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month”, in accordance with the armistice signed by representatives of Germany and the Entente between 5:12 and 5:20 that morning. The First World War officially ended with the signing of the Treaty of Versailles on 28 June 1919. Sometimes known informally as Poppy Day owing to the tradition of the remembrance poppy, we observe this memorial this week with a humble assembly due to the NSW Health guidelines and restrictions. The tradition has been in place since the end of the First World War to remember the members of our armed forces who have died in the line of duty.



NAIDOC WEEK – Always Was, Always Will Be.

NAIDOC Week each year reminds us of the ongoing aspirations of our communities as they continue the movement towards justice and equality. NAIDOC stands for National Aborigines and Islanders Day Observance Committee. Its origins can be traced back to the emergence of Aboriginal groups in the 1920 which sought to increase awareness in the wider community of the status and treatment of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Australians.

Always Was, Always Will Be. recognises that First Nations people have occupied and cared for this continent for over 65,000 years. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people were Australia's first explorers, first navigators, first engineers, first farmers, first botanists, first scientists, first diplomats, first astronomers and first artists.

Australia has the world's oldest oral stories. The First Peoples engraved the world's first maps, made the earliest paintings of ceremony and invented unique technologies.

NAIDOC 2020 invites all Australians to embrace the true history of this country – a history which dates back thousands of generations. Representatives of our students and staff will be attending the Flag Raising ceremony at the Kandos Museum on Thursday the 12th of November. Some of our Aboriginal students will be participating in the ceremony. Our own acknowledgement and celebrations are on the 4th of December, always a great day learning about culture and lots of fun group activities for students.

PRINCIPAL LEARNING WALK – YEAR 7 MUSIC

Recently I had the opportunity to join in on an exciting Music class with Ms Therese. I joined the energetic yet focused Year 7 class to learn who are doing a topic on Blues. There was not much time to sit around as the pace of the class moved fast under the skilled guidance of our composer. We were learning about musical notes, the measurement and beat. Miss Thommeny found this a little difficult without any prior knowledge, but the class were very knowledgeable. A little quiz of content understanding was next, marked by our peers with some feedback on corrections, then moving into practical. Snare drums! Practicing beat! How much fun and so noisy we had to close the door. I then had the privilege of seeing and listening to the Blues Rhythm being played on guitar and keyboard. Then alas, pack up time came all too soon. What a great class, thanks Year 7! Some older expertise on the drums but a lot of budding talent on the piano, keyboards, song writing, and I must say I was very impressed with the bass guitar and piano impromptu performance of the Blues Rhythm. Look out for some FB replays.

*“Our battle-fields, safe in the keeping
Of Nature's kind, fostering care,
Are blooming,—our heroes are sleeping,—
And peace broods perennial there.”
~ John H. Jewett*

A special thankyou to Mrs Fuller and Mrs Parsons for your help with Remembrance Day and NAIDOC activities, respectively.

Until next time...

Dyanna Thommeny
Principal



**Always Was,
Always Will Be.**
8-15 NOV 2020

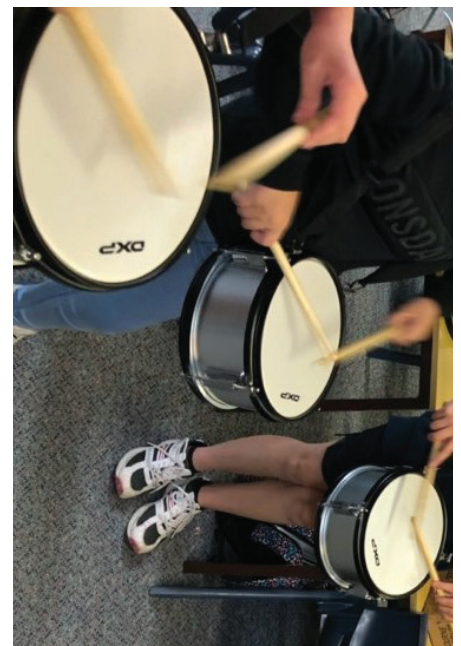
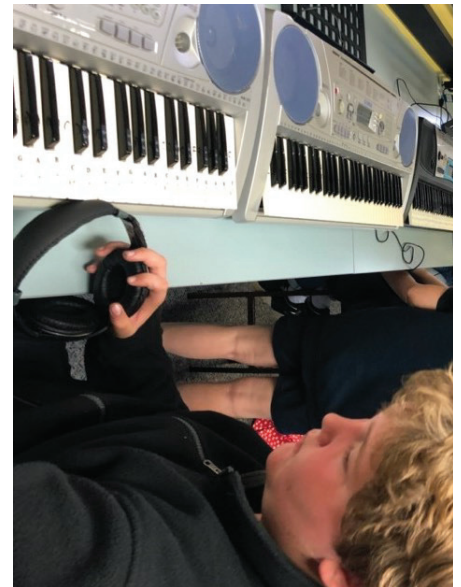


EVERY DAY COUNTS

A day here or there doesn't seem like much, but...

When your child misses just...	That equals...	This is...	And therefore, from kindy to Year 12, that is...	This means that the best your child can achieve is..
1 day each fortnight	20 days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1.5 years of learning	Equal to finishing Year 11
1 day a week	40 days per year	8 weeks per year	Over 2.5 years of learning	Equal to finishing Year 10
2 days a week	80 days per year	16 weeks per year	Over 5 years of learning	Equal to finishing Year 7
3 days a week	120 days per year	24 weeks per year	Nearly 8 years of learning	Equal to finishing Year 4

Give your child every chance to succeed.



YEAR ADVISER AWARDS



WEEK 2



Jack Desreaux, Year 7
Consistent effort and hard work



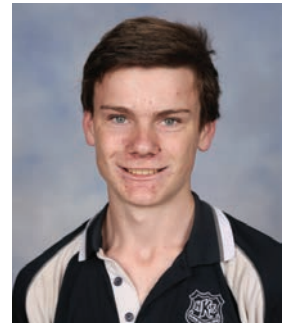
Halli O'Brien, Year 8
Always helpful and hard working



Gabrielle Moore, Year 9
Always positive and trying her best



Annalise Healey, Year 10
Always giving 100% effort to all tasks

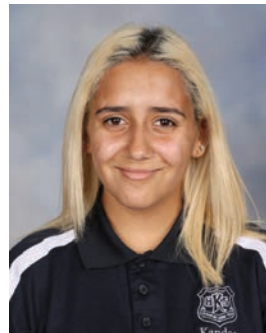


Gnomoss Roberts, Year 11
100% attendance for Preliminary HSC

WEEK 4



Roxy Sultana, Year 7
Consistent effort in class



Emily Sack, Year 8
Improved effort and positive comments from teachers



Madison Brennan, Year 9
Consistent effort and positive comments from teachers



Latara Hammond, Year 10
Consistent effort in all areas



Oden Osgood, Year 11
Positive comments from teachers



On Friday 30 October, we celebrated World Teachers Day with a lunch different to previous years - COVID style!

Celebrating in what has been an unprecedented year, our school leaders and support staff have all continued to show their professionalism and resilience, to do their best educating our students.

Thank you for everything you do and continue to do.





INTRODUCING TUCKIE!

Last year Kandos High School students attended the Singleton Cattle Education Day where they were extremely lucky and won a stud Angus heifer to commence our school breeding program. As part of the 'Win a Heifer Competition'.

We're pleased to announce that Millie had a little bull on the night of Wednesday 7th October. He has been named "Tuckie" after his Daddy.

Deb Johnston

Head Teacher Teaching & Learning

Head Teacher Technology & Applied Studies



GRIN BIN WINNERS

29/10/20

Kye Semple

Miah Currie

Logan Perry x 2

Shania Norris

\$2 TEACHER VOUCHER

29/10/20

Miss T. Steinbeck

Ms M. Toufayli

Mr N. Nassis

Mrs P. Munday

Mr T. Hopkins



GRIN BIN WINNERS

5/11/20

Blainey Heath

Chloe Robertson

Miah Currie

Lindsey Pateman

Lauren Cooper

\$2 TEACHER VOUCHER

5/11/20

Mr N. Nassis x 3

Mrs Z. Hudson

Miss C. Heilman

OPEN LAWN BOWLS

On Friday 23rd of October, our Open Lawn Bowls Team travelled to Orange to play in the Western Region Carnival. Team Skip, Alex Morrissey, did a fantastic job to step up and lead the team after our more experienced senior players were unable to play due to a clash with the HSC. Jessica Reynolds moved out of our development team and into our competitive side and improved with every game. Flynn O'Brien was a late addition and showed some real promise. The team played a 7 game round robin against some strong, experienced competition. They came away with a win, 2 draws and 4 losses. The whole team played in great spirits and all the teams enjoyed a Chinese lunch together at the Orange City Bowling Club.

Well done team!
Mrs O'Brien



OPEN GIRLS SOCCER

On Thursday the 29th of October our Open Girls' Soccer team travelled to Dubbo to play in the Western Region Carnival. The girls had a fantastic day and played with plenty of heart and determination. They had a young inexperienced side that was expertly guided by Latara Hammond and Sophie Grimshaw. They showed great improvement in every game. The girls came away with a draw against Blayney and some narrow losses against Wellington 1-0, and Parkes 3-0. Excellent goal keeping by Hammond and Grimshaw kept the score to 5-0 against a very strong Dubbo team who were the eventual winners of the carnival.

Well done girls!

Mrs O'Brien and Miss Steinbeck



Roxy, Dakota, Ella, Haidee, Emily, Chloe, Sophie, Caitlin
Chloe, Kiriliee, Alexis, Alejandra, Latara, Jessica & Tailah

U14s RUGBY LEAGUE GALA DAY

On Tuesday the 3rd of November our under 14s Rugby League team travelled to Dubbo to compete in a gala day. The day started off with a long bus ride with one of the gentlemen getting a bit car sick on the drive. The first game the team showed great courage versus a much stronger Orange side who beat them 5 tries to 1. The second game versus Nyngan was much closer only going down by 2 tries. The last game after a few injuries and bruises the team took the field against Gilgandra. In their final game they unfortunately lost, but should be commended for their efforts as they played the last 5 minutes with only 12 players on the field. Well done to all the boys that played you all represented the school with great pride.

Best and Fairest: Ky Reddish
Encouragement Awards: Lindsey Pateman, Matthew Brown and Billy King.
Best water runner/Assistant Coach: Oden Osgood

Mr Skourmallas



Oden, Zachary, Charlie, Cody, Felikss, Lindsey, William, Brayden, Ryan, Noah, Lukas & Mr Skourmallas
Cooper, Todd, Matthew, Ky, Aaron, Billy & Ricky-J

INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGY SHOWCASED

Petrie's Mitre 10 School Trade Awards wound up in the middle of last week.

Year 12 technology students from Mudgee and Kandos High Schools had had their Industrial Technology Timber and Metal works on public display, allowing public inspection and voting on the people's choice award.

External judges came in as well, to judge the works on their craftsmanship and award a winner.

As in previous years, it was great to see the works produced by students from both schools brought together. The decision that the judges had to make was hard as all of the pieces on display were examples of the student's individual talents and hard work.

In the end, the judges' choice award went to Mudgee High's Cooper Rowe. The people's choice award went to Mudgee High's Thomas Collins. A huge well done to all involved, not least the talented teachers, Pete Smith from Mudgee High and Mick Vaughan from Kandos High, who taught and mentored the young people whose work was on show.









AWARENESS WEEK

Last week the SRC celebrated a week of awareness. There were so many great causes in October and there are also some great causes coming up in November that they have taken the opportunity to raise awareness for as many of them as they could.

Each morning in roll call the SRC kids presented some information about a couple of the topics that they would like to raise awareness for. On Friday the students chose to wear mufti that was associated with one of the causes that they had been discussing throughout the week.

Nikki O'Brien
SRC Coordinator



DAY	TOPICS	THEME FOR FRIDAY
Monday 	POTS Awareness, Dyslexia and Reading Difficulty Awareness 	POTS – Wear turquoise Dyslexia – Dress up as a character from your favourite book
Tuesday 	Movember – Men’s health and cancer awareness Pink Up for Breast Cancer Awareness 	Grow/draw a ‘Mow’ Wear pink
Wednesday 	Rainbow Day – Raising awareness of LGBTQI students and the issues they face Sock It to Suicide – Raising awareness for suicide preventions	Rainbow Day – wear rainbow colours to school Sock It to Suicide – Wear your brightest socks and/or accessories
Thursday 	Day for Daniel – Child Safety Awareness Headspace – Child Mental Health Awareness	Wear red to show support for the Morecombe Foundation Wear Green to support Child Mental Health Foundation and Head Space
Friday	Students and Staff choose one of our topics to support	Students and Staff can wear full mufti in support of one of the issues they are passionate about There will be a gold coin donation and cake stall to raise funds for Movember and Pink Up October



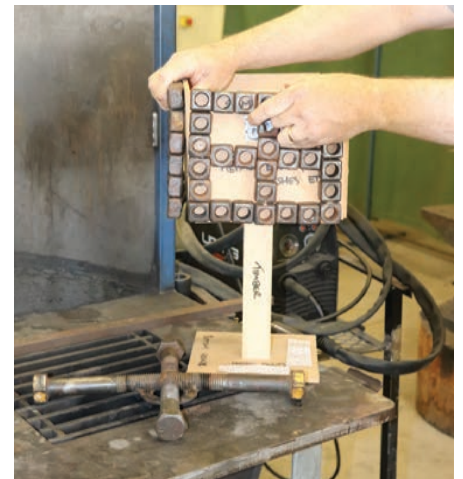
9/10 INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGY METALS & ENGINEERING

Stage 5 Industrial Technology Metals & Engineering have been busy fabricating a Metal Lamp Shade from recycled bolts and nuts. Last term the school was donated boxes of bolts and nuts from a clearing sale.

The students were set the task of designing and assembling a light shade to demonstrate their welding and teamwork skills. The students have found the task challenging, however, enjoyed the real world problems they are facing with its construction.

Hopefully some of their creations will be at the 2021 Rylstone Kandos Show.

Mick Vaughan
Industrial Technology Teacher



QUEEN BEES AND WANNABEES


This week is Australian Pollinator Week. Bees are the most widespread pollinator with 20 000 species of bees acting as pollinators of food crops. It is estimated that globally there are around 81 million hives and the school owns 2 of these hives that are actively pollinating flowers and producing honey.

Last week the Year 12 2021 Agriculture class requeened our hives to improve productivity and breeding traits of our bees. Students were required to remove the queen in residence and replaced her with the new queen who arrived in her own box that was sealed with candy. Upon being placed into the hive she was greeted by her new workers who immediately set about freeing the queen by eating the candy that sealed her box. Today, the new queen and her workers are all living happily ever after...well until she needs to be replaced.



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Aboriginal Outcomes and Partnerships NSW Department of Education

Identity and Education: A Deadly Combination

Poster and Multimedia Competition

Entries for the Poster and Multimedia Competition are now open. You are invited to submit a poster or multimedia piece reflecting on key messages such as:

being and staying at school the importance of completing Year 12 with a HSC

HSC completers have greater opportunities for success, including more varied career options, increased employability and higher earning potential, all of which contribute to a lifetime of better outcomes.

Your target audience is fellow students, teachers, principals and communities across NSW.

Reminder to keep your messages short and catchy.

Prizes

Up to 10 selected winning Individual entries - \$500
(\$200 to purchase the artwork and \$100 each year to end of 2023)
Up to 5 selected school entries - \$1000

A panel consisting of the representatives from the department, AECG and Aboriginal community will select the winning entries.



Education



Identity and Education: A Deadly Combination

Permission for every entry

Dear Parent/Caregiver,

Congratulations on entering your child's Work for consideration in this competition. Aboriginal Education and Communities now requires your permission to allow the Department to use your child's Work, which might be an artwork, image, photo, multimedia artwork, in promotional and publicity materials both for the competition, and broader uses related to the promotion of Aboriginal education and public education generally.

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Please complete the permission slip below and return to Des Crawford by 27 November 2020.

Address for entries: Des Crawford

Address: Ground Level, 140 William Street Bathurst, NSW 2795 or by email PremierspriorityCorro@det.nsw.edu.au

Name of Student: _____

Name of School: _____

Class/Year Level of Student: _____ **Date of Birth:** _____

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Student Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Name of parent/caregiver: _____
(Please print name) (Signature of parent/caregiver)

Date: _____

UPCOMING PAYMENTS & PERMISSION NOTES

Just a reminder that payments and permission notes are due for the following:

- Under 15's Boys Touch, permission note & bus payment due 20 November 2020
- Open Squash, permission note & bus payment due 23 November 2020
- Open Golf, permission note & bus payment due 26 November 2020
- Under 15s Girls Touch, permission note & bus payment due 27 November 2020



PARENT PAYMENTS

Cash, cheque or EFT payments can be made directly at the school office. Alternately, parents have the option to pay by using an online option, the Parent Online Payments (POP), via Kandos High School's website, by clicking on the "[Make a Payment](#)" tab and following the instructions.

TEACHING SOMEONE TO DRIVE



Mid-Western Regional Council is partnering with Transport for NSW to deliver a FREE online information session to parents and guardians teaching someone how to drive this summer. The program is called Helping Learner Drivers Become Safer Drivers.

The presentation will offer practical advice and information about the Graduated Licensing Scheme, its log book requirements and useful tips on being a supervising driver.

The session will be delivered via Zoom on Thursday 10 December 2020 at 6-7.30pm.

Registrations can be made online at <https://www.trybooking.com/BMALZ>

To find out more, please call Council on 6378 2850.



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Rylstone Showground – 1
Cudgegong Street, Rylstone
Call 13 20 50

When

18th November to
2nd December 2020



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