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# PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

This fortnight in addition to our community celebrating Valentine's Day with roses and sweet treats, we have had a focus on literacy, with our Year 7 students completing their Best Start assessment and also a focus on reading with Library Lovers Day. We know students start secondary school with different skills and abilities in literacy and numeracy. The Best Start assessment provides our teachers with consistent and up-to-date information about new students' skills and abilities in literacy and numeracy, identify students at risk of falling behind and to help inform targeted teaching and intervention strategies. Below are some further resources to support literacy from home.

#### TEN LITERACY TIPS FOR PARENTS AND CAREGIVERS

Parents and carers can have a big impact on their children's education. By providing learning opportunities and support at home you can help encourage learning from an early age, right through to high school.

Here are some fantastic literacy tips and inspiring ways parents and carers can be more involved in children's learning.

#### 1. Make books important

Turn off the TV and devices and read for half an hour. Talk about what you are reading and/or read with your child, depending on the age group. Sitting in the same room and reading independently can send strong messages about enjoying books.

# 2. Visit the library

Help your children borrow books and borrow yourself. Talk about your choices (authors, topics, book types) on the way home.

# 3. Make books available

Have a range of books available in your home to read anytime. The Learning Potential website has helpful tips on choosing books for your child.

# 4. Write together

Compose greetings together for birthdays and other special occasions, whether a card, letter, email or a puppet play.

### 5. Set up some correspondence

Arrange for a family member or friend living away from you to correspond with your child via mail or email. Even young children who may need help reading the letters/emails will enjoy receiving and sending correspondence. Friends and family will love receiving a return letter or email from your child!

# What's on?

2020

Monday 24/2/20

Tuesday 25/2/20

#### Wednesday 26/2/20

Opens Basketball

### Thursday 27/2/20

Photo Envelopes will be handed out

#### Friday 28/2/20

**Swimming Carnival** 

Monday 2/3/20

#### **Tuesday 3/3/20**

Maths Tutoring 3.30 - 4.30pm Rm 3 TEA HSC major works display

Wednesday 4/3/20

Thursday 5/3/20

#### Friday 6/3/20

Study Break Cafe

#### 6. Discuss the news

Talk to your children about family events, trips, and local and national news events that are appropriate for their age. A strong vocabulary is important for oral language, reading and writing.

# 7. Help your child with homework

You don't need to be an expert on each task. You can support your child to think through how they should plan their time and complete the task. Just being there, expressing an interest and saying you want to help can make your child feel supported.

# 8. Get support if you need it

If you struggle with reading or writing, or have a language background other than English, use the support that is offered through the school, local library or community centre, or contact the Reading Writing Hotline. Talk to friends and neighbours who may be happy to read to your child, share books or talk about what they are reading.

### 9. Be selective about TV programs

Try to have a family night and watch something suitable together and talk about the show afterwards. The program might create an interest for future reading or research into a topic.

#### 10. Do things together

There can be lots of talking, reading and writing involved when planning and participating in family events. These include bike rides, cooking, shopping trips, researching for a day out, working in the garden, visiting friends or family, or planning an outing to a cinema, museum or public event. Get your children involved in the process.

Download the **free** <u>Learning Potential</u> **app** for lots of other useful tips and ideas to help you make the most of the small opportunities in your busy day or you can go to the website for specific resources <a href="https://www.learningpotential.gov.au/age-group/high-school">https://www.learningpotential.gov.au/age-group/high-school</a>.

Posted by Australian Literacy Educators' Association, Tuesday 30 August 2016.

"Literacy is a bridge from misery to hope. It is a tool for daily life in modern society. It is a bulwark against poverty, and a building block of development, an essential complement to investments in roads, dams, clinics and factories. Literacy is a platform for democratization, and a vehicle for the promotion of cultural and national identity. Especially for girls and women, it is an agent of family health and nutrition. For everyone, everywhere, literacy is, along with education in general, a basic human right.... Literacy is, finally, the road to human progress and the means through which every man, woman and child can realize his or her full potential."

Kofi Annan

Until next time....

Dyanna Thommeny **Principal** 

# GRIN BIN WINNERS 20/2/20 Blainey Pearce Emily Sack Roxy Sultana Jarad Nelson Mitchell Godwin

\$2 TEACHER VOUCHER
20/2/20
Miss T. Steinbeck x 2

Mrs W. Murphy Mrs Z. Hudson Mrs J. Hargraves

Working towards free iceblocks!







# A LIVING HISTORY PROJECT

On Wednesday 19th, Mr Andrew Gee, the Federal Member for Calare, presented students in the CLIP class with a cheque for \$4000 to assist with the completion of the "A Living History" project that they will undertake. This project involves students working with the Kandos RSL Sub Branch and community members to document the service of local men and women in conflicts. Using this information, students will design displays for community use on days of significance.

Numerous grants were applied for to support this activity and it was through the Local Schools Community Grants Fund, a Federal Government initiative, that Kandos High School was finally successful.

On behalf of our School Community I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mr Gee for his visit and willingness to participate in an interview on our local radio station KRR 98.7 FM.

Deb Johnston

Head Teacher Teaching & Learning













# **REVISED SWIMMING CARNIVAL DATE**

Kandos High School's annual Swimming Carnival will now take place on Friday the 28th February 2020 (Term 1, Week 5). This is a normal school day and attendance is compulsory. Written explanation must be provided for students who are absent on the day. Students are encouraged to attend, participate and support their house, and are permitted to dress in mufti clothes that represent their house colours (King – Blue, Macquarie – Yellow, Hunter – Green, Phillip – Red). Students who choose not to wear house colours should wear their normal school uniform.

#### **CARNIVAL DETAILS**

DATE: Friday the 28th February 2020.

TIME: Rolls will be marked at 9am. Late arrivals will need to see Mrs Heap at the recording desk

to sign in.

TRANSPORT: Students who normally catch a bus will be dropped off at school and are to walk straight to

the pool. Students who normally walk to school should walk directly to the pool. All students will walk back to school at the conclusion of the carnival and those who catch buses will do so

as normal.

LOCATION: Kandos Pool.

COST: Entry into the pool is free of charge.

CANTEEN: Canteen facilities will be operating on the day for students to purchase food and drinks.

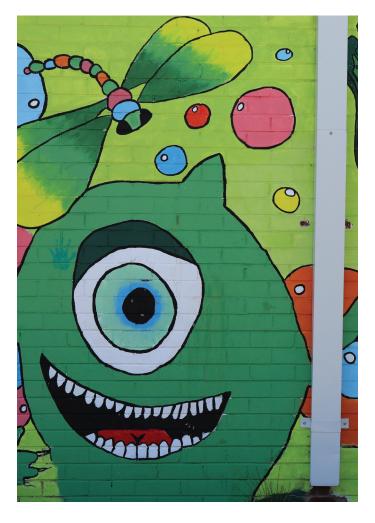
Alternatively, students may bring their own from home. Please note that NO LUNCH PASSES

will apply on the day.

Students are encouraged to SLIP, SLOP, SLAP and wrap on the day. Sunscreen will be available but students should bring a hat, sunglasses and suitable sun protective clothing.

Tara Steinbeck
Sports Organiser











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# 2020 NSW SCHOOL VACCINATION PROGRAM

Each year NSW Health works in partnership with schools to offer the vaccines recommended by the National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC) for adolescents as part of the school vaccination program.

In 2020 the following vaccines will be offered:

YEAR	VACCINE	NUMBER OF DOSES
Year 7	Human papillomavirus (HPV)	2-doses at least 6 months apart
	Diphtheria-Tetanus-Pertussis (whooping cough)	Single dose
Year 10	Meningococcal ACWY	Single dose

Parent Information Kits that include an information sheet, consent form and privacy statement will be sent home to parents/guardians. To consent to the vaccination of their child, parents/guardians are advised to:

- · read all the information provided
- complete the consent form, including signing their name next to the vaccine/s they would like their child to receive
- · return the completed consent form to their child's school
- · ensure that their child eats breakfast on the day of the school vaccination clinic

Please note that, to improve vaccination completion, students will be opportunistically offered any missed doses during Year 7 or 8 (for HPV and dTpa vaccination) and during Year 10 or 11 (for Meningococcal ACWY vaccination).

Parents/guardians who wish to withdraw their consent for any reason may do so by writing to the school Principal or phoning the school. The Procedure for Withdrawal of Consent is available on the NSW Health website at: www.health.nsw.gov.au/immunisation/Pages/withdraw\_consent.aspx

A Record of Vaccination will be provided to each student vaccinated at each clinic either as a physical card or a text message sent to the mobile number recorded on the consent form. Details about vaccinations given at school will also be uploaded to the Australian Immunisation Register (AIR) to support complete vaccination histories.

# **SCHOOL UNIFORM SHOP & CLOTHING POOL**

We have new navy blue polo shirts for all students available for \$30 with different versions for junior and senior students. Some sizes have already sold out, we apologise and will update you when new stock arrives. There will be a long transition period, so there is no need to buy the new shirts or hoodies unless you desire.

The old white, light blue and navy sport polo shirts are still available at a reduced price of \$5.

The new hoodies are \$35 and we have reduced our polar fleece jumpers to \$10.

Kandos HS peak caps are also available for \$20, students are required to wear only these caps. No other caps are permitted. Alternately, if they prefer a wide brimmed hat, bucket hats are available for \$5 and any other colour or size is acceptable as long as it doesn't display anything inappropriate e.g. alcohol logos, drug references or swearing.

You can purchase any uniforms during school hours, on any day. We accept cash, cheque, EFTPOS and payments can also be made via the schools website "Make a Payment".







Last Friday, in the spirit of Valentines Day, Kandos High School students exchanged flowers, cards and chocolates, organised by Year 12 as a fundraiser.

However, it was nothing in comparison to Miss Pennell's weekend.

To celebrate Miss Pennell's engagement, the Visual Arts students prepared a surprise for her, upon returning from submitting their art works into the Rylstone-Kandos Show. On behalf of the students and staff at Kandos High School, we would like to wish Miss Pennell a huge congratulations and wish a future of happiness!









# TOWNHALL

# Showing March 6th, 7th & 8th

Tickets available online from Monday 24th of February

Visit trybooking.com and search 'Mudgee Town Hall Cinema'.



# Mudgee District Hockey Association,

Come and Try 'Twilight Competition' will start Monday the 24th of February at 7pm. Games will be held for Ages over 13 with modified rules at Victoria Park.

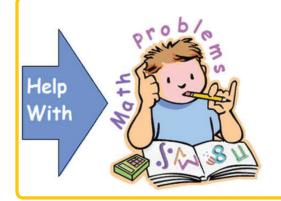
This will be a 6 week competition with a registration fee of \$10 or bring a friend for free. For Further information please see <a href="https://www.revolutionise.com.au/mudgeedha/home/">https://m.face-mudgeedha/home/</a>, Facebook Mudgee District Hockey Association <a href="https://m.face-book.com/mudgeedisticthockey/">https://m.face-book.com/mudgeedisticthockey/</a> or email <a href="mudgeehockey2850@gmail.com">mudgeehockey2850@gmail.com</a>

# **HOWARD SMITH**

Year 10 and Year 11 will be attending sessions run by Howard Smith from Business Concierge on the 10/03/20 at the school.



Howard Smith has spent over 30 years in the Finance Industry, working for companies such as AMP, IOOF, AXA and ING (amongst others). After holding positions in upper-management for many of those years, and gaining extensive experience in all areas, from recruitment through to training and development, Howard founded his own company The Business Concierge in 2000. This has allowed him to fulfil his life-long passion of educating youth in the area of Finance Literacy. Howard's selection of 'Survivor Life Skills' programs have not only been utilised by over 600 High Schools and Primary Schools, but also Youth Groups, Employment Service Providers, and Prisons across Australia. These programs cover over 60 topics, with a heavy focus on Finance Literacy and Careers. Over the past decade, Howard has worked closely with the Federal Governments Finance Literacy Foundation in Canberra, garnered the support of a number of high profile organisations (including The Salvation Army), and been a recipient of the Board of Educations Frater Award seven times. He has contributed articles to a number of financial and educational publications, all while continuing to present his programs across Australia.



The Maths department will be running after school maths tutorials this year.

If you need assistance with your maths work come to

# **ROOM 3, TUESDAY 3:30 - 4:30 PM**

This is a free service provided by the teachers to assist Kandos High students and parents. All Students and Parents are welcome to attend.

# \*IMPORTANT NOTICE \*

# **MUDGEE NETBALL TEAM NOMINATIONS**



Winter Competition 2020 – Saturday 28th March 2020

For players 8 – 12 years please contact your local club if you are interested in playing netball this year, please advise your child's name and DOB. For ages 13 + please find attached a team nomination form to complete and send to your club contacts below. If you are wanting to play and do not have a club, team or having trouble with numbers for a team please contact <a href="mailto:registrations@mudgee.netball.hwy.com.au">registrations@mudgee.netball.hwy.com.au</a> for assistance. Team nominations close 28th February 2020.

ALL STARS: natasha.smith2@hotmail.com

AZTEC'S: aztecsnetball@gmail.com

GULGONG: tops61@hotmail.com

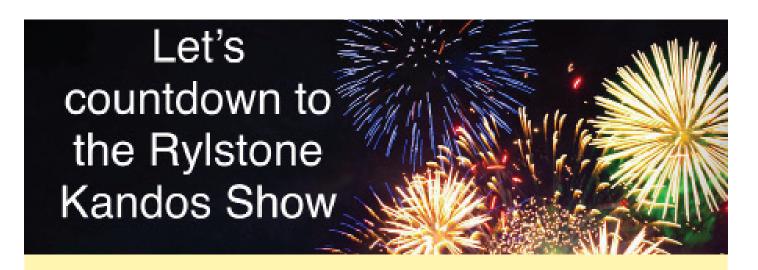
SAINTS: saintsnetballmudgee@gmail.com

STARLETS: starletsnetball@gmail.com









# 2020 JUNIOR SHOWGIRL COMPETITION

Chief Steward: Janell Cole
To be judged at 4pm on the day

### Sections:

Miss Tint Tot 4, 5 & 6 years
Miss Sub-Junior 7, 8 & 9 years
Miss Junior 10, 11, & 12 years

Miss Teenager 13, 14, 15, 16 & 17 years

- You must register with the Steward Janell Cole located at the Secretary Office from 12:30 till 2:30pm on Show day
- Judging will be by two independent judges who will judge on dress and confidence displayed on the day
- All entrants will be asked "their name, class and what they like about the show" in front of the crowd
- Miss Teenager will also be asked "What do you value about the Rylstone-Kandos Show?"
- Entrants must be from Rylstone-Kandos and surrounding communities to be eligible to enter

Prizes for each section

For further information please contact Janell Cole on 0407 796 383



# **UPCOMING PAYMENTS & PERMISSION NOTES**

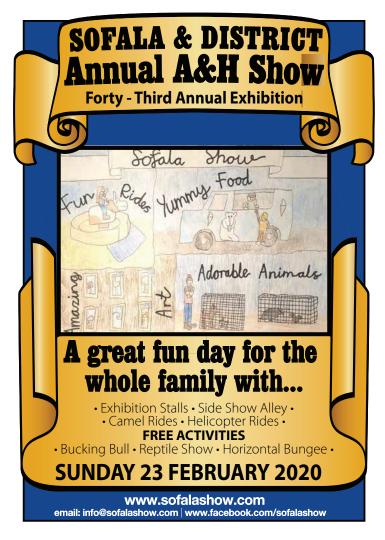
Just a reminder that payments and permission notes are due for the following:



- Course Fees and Voluntary Contributions
- HSC Science Study Lab, online access \$25
- 1st to 3rd April Year 9 Excursion, notes and \$300 due by Friday 27th Mar 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.



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