KINGYSPIRIT NEWSLETTER

Winner of four Director General's Awards for Education

KINGSCLIFF HIGH SCHOOL

ACHIEVEMENT THROUGH ENDEAVOUR

ISSUE 17 | TERM 4 | WEEK 8 | 25 NOVEMBER 2013
IMPORTANT DATES * Denotes importance

WORLD TRANSPLANT GAMES

The 19th World Transplant Games for 2013 were hosted in Durban South Africa. Recipients who had received lifesaving organ transplants from more than 55 countries worldwide competed in various sporting events. The games celebrate the triumph of the human spirit and the hope that is behind every transplant and raises awareness for the gift of life.

Nicholas Shugg was one of three teenagers representing Australia in a team of approximately 50 representatives of all ages.

Nicholas competed in the 5km cycling time trial in which he won Australia's only cycling gold medal. He also represented in Australia's swim team and won the 100m freestyle silver medal and the following day in the 50m freestyle event Nick won by a mere 0.09seconds beating the fast finishing English heart recipient Sam that had won the 100m the day before.

In the track and field Nicholas also competed in high jump and ran 9^{th} in the 100m final. The closing event for the games was the men's 400m relay in which Australia's B team consisted of Nicholas (kidney), 62 year old Max (liver), 16 year old Ethan (kidney) and 14 year old Adam (liver). Racing against the A teams they came a credible last however received the greatest cheer from the crowd as they finished in the spirit of the transplant games.



CSIRO CENTRE VISIT

On Friday 25th October Mr Graham took eight Year 10 Indigenous students to the CSIRO Centre in Brisbane as part of the Titans Beyond Tomorrow Program. Denae Nichols, Zoe Smart, Jarrah Smith, Vaughn Togo, Keohne Togo, Shania Barber, Narelle Johnson and Mikayla Brown got to hear about what the CSIRO does, meet some of the staff and do some experiments in the laboratories involving DNA and gel electrophoresis and robotics. The students also got a tour of the facility which included some cutting edge technologies which are conducting current research and investigations.

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| TERM 4 CALENDAR | |
|---------------------------------------|------------------|
| MONTH - NOVEMBER* | WEEK 8 |
| Monday 25 November | Day: 3 |
| Yr 10 Work Experience | Day. 5 |
| Tuesday 26 November | Day: 4 |
| Wednesday 27 November | Day: 5 |
| Thursday 28 November | Day 6 |
| Friday 29 November | Day 7 |
| MONTH - DECEMBER* | WEEK 9 |
| Monday 2 December | Day: 1 |
| Yr 10 Work Experience till 6 December | Day. I |
| Yr 6 into 7 Orientation Day | |
| Tuesday 3 December | Day: 2 |
| Wednesday 4 December | Day: 2 Day: 3 |
| CAPA Evening | Day. 5 |
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| 6.00pm entertainment & food | |
| 7.00pm show starts | Day 4 |
| Thursday 5 December | Day 4 |
| CAPA Evening | |
| 6.00pm entertainment & food | |
| 7.00pm show starts | |
| Friday 6 December | Day 5 |
| Rrisk Seminar Yr 11 | |
| MONTH - DECEMBER* | WEEK 10 |
| Monday 9 December | Day: 6 |
| Tuesday 10 December | Day: 7 |
| Wednesday 11 December | Day: 1 |
| Yr 10 Presentation 9.30 am | |
| Yr 9 Presentation 12.30pm | |
| Thursday 12 December | Day: 2 |
| Yr 8 Presentation 9.30 am | |
| Yr 7 Presentation 12.30 pm | |
| Friday 13 December | Day: 3 |
| MONTH - DECEMBER* | WEEK 11 |
| Monday 16 December | Day: 4 |
| Tuesday 17 December | Day: 5 |
| Wednesday 18 December | Day: 6 |
| Last day of term 4 | |
| Thursday 19 December | Day 7 |
| Staff Development Day | |
| Friday 20 December | Day 3 |
| Staff Development Day | |



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The whole program was designed to inspire Indigenous students to work in careers in Science. The students had a great time- as you can see from the pictures.









PRINCIPAL'S COLUMN

Preparation for our new students entering Year 7 in 2014 has commenced. An information evening was held in the MPU on Thursday the $21^{\rm st}$ of November. This evening gave a snapshot of our achievements and the wonderful facilities we have at KHS. Cassandra Morrison (Deputy) and Scott Ella (new Yr 7 Year Advisor for 2014) have been visiting all primary schools over the last few weeks to organise the transition for these students for next year.

The P&C have donated money to create a covered area in the Art/TAS Quadrangle. This will enable students to move through these areas in the shade and out of the rain as well as providing another covered meeting area for students. Thank you very much! A reminder that the P&C meet the first Monday of each month to organise their support and involvement in the school. Feel free to become an active member!

Vocal, Dance and Entertainment students will be participating in the School Spectacular 27^{th} — 30^{th} November. Good luck to these students for fundraising and rehearsal!! This is a wonderful experience for everyone involved. Thanks to Kurstin Boyd, Karen Levi and Karen Goode for the organisation of this event.

Les Watego will be leading a Promotions Team at the school to acknowledge the positive achievements of all of our students. If you have any information on our student achievements, please let Les know.

Robyn Ludeke

SCHOOL SPECTACULAR WELCOMES THE NINE NETWORK

The 2013 Schools Spectacular will be broadcast nationally on Channel 9. You can watch our students on: Channel 9 Saturday 30 November 2013 from 7.00pm—10.00pm; with a replay on GO! Sunday 1 December 2013 at 1.30pm. Please note the Schools Spectacular will not be live to air—Channel 9 will film the Friday matinee and Friday evening show, and this will be edited for the Saturday television broadcast. The broadcast will be 3 hours and include background stories on our students, teachers and schools. Due to timing (ad breaks and background stories) it is not possible to screen the entire show on 9 or GO! A full broadcast will be available to watch online, for free, at Jump-In from early December: www.jump-in.com.au

The Schools Spectacular features 3,600 students from 400 NSW public schools. It showcases the amazing talents of our students and teachers in an epic production of music, song and dance. This year is the 30th year of the Spec – one of public educations most colourful and inspiring entertainment events. Tickets to watch the Schools Spectacular live at the Sydney Entertainment Centre are available from Ticketmaster www.ticketmaster.com.au. For more information on Schools Spectacular, check out www.schoolsspectacular.com.au.

VOLUNTEERS

The school has purchased new texts for students; however they are unable to be distributed until they have been covered.

If any parent is able to give a couple of hours to help cover these texts we would be most appreciative.

Conditions are good, friendly people to chat with and always a cup of coffee or tea. Please contact Rosina or Jenny on 02 6674 9777 to arrange a time to suit.

UNIFORM SHOP HOURS

Opening hours are: Monday 1.30pm to 3.30pm Wednesday 8.30am to 11.30am Friday 8.30am to 11.30am

First opening for **2014** is Wednesday 29 January hours as above plus additional opening hours during the holidays will he:

Saturday 18 Jan 8am—12noon Monday 20 Jan 1.30—3.30pm Wednesday 22 Jan 8.30—11.30am Friday 24 Jan 8.30—11.30 am Tuesday 28 Jan 9am—3pm Wednesday 29 Jan 8.30-11.30am

Monday 3 Feb 1.30—3.30 when normal hours will resume.

CASH OR CHEQUE ONLY AT THE MOMENT



SENIOR SUCCESS

Year 11, 2014

Stage 6 or Year 11 and 12 provide very different learning experience for students and their families.

The Senior Success program is designed to support students and their families to navigate their way through this time.

The Senior Success program provides the opportunity for our students and a support person to discuss the best course of action for their needs in a range of important areas.

Parents of former HSC students will be present to give advice and a glimpse of their experiences. A team of experienced Kingscliff High staff from a number of subject areas will also be available on the night.

Parents and students have the opportunity to network on the evening.

KINGSCLIFF HIGH SCHOOL STAFF COMMON ROOM (ABOVE THE LIBRARY)

DATE: 4TH FEBRUARY 2014

DRINKS AND REFRESHMENTS FROM 6:45PM ONWARDS. WORKSHOP BEGINS 7PM SHARP

SUPPER KINDLY PROVIDED BY THE P&C AT THE CONCLUSION.

Workshop 1: Organisation and what to expect:

- Expectations.
- What do you need for senior school... equipment wise?
- How to be organised for senior school and minimise stress.
- Where to store stuff.
- Impact on home and family.
- How to make best use of your time.
- The art of balance.

Term 1, 2014

Workshop 1: Organisation and what to expect

Tuesday 4th February. KHS Staff common room - 7pm - 8:30pm

Workshop 2: Study Skills

Tuesday 18th February. KHS Staff common room - 7pm - 8:30pm

Term 2, 2014 - Dates forthcoming

Workshop 3: Preparing for exams

Workshop 4: Post exams

Term 3, 2014 - Dates forthcoming

Workshop 5: Looking ahead to Year 12, 2014.

3 workshops in Year 12, 2015

Future dates will be advertised in the school newsletter and via SMS.

For more information contact Ms Lauren Mansini (02) 66749777 or lauren.mansini@det.nsw.edu.au

CAREER NEWS

Forty Year 12 students have received an early entry offer from Southern Cross University. This is a fantastic opportunity for these students as the offer was based from a School recommendation on their suitability for university study. So it is a reward for all the work they have done and the passion they have shown for a course. On top of the 30 Griffith University early entries there are 70 early entries in total offered to our departing Year 12's. A big congratulations to them and best of luck for your university study.

Sunshine sugar are offering two full time engineering apprenticeships (Electrical/Instrumentation and Drafting). They are looking for dynamic and talented people who can demonstrate the following:

- Strong results in Maths, Science and English
- Passion for their chosen trade
- High level of workplace health and safety awareness
- Ability to work within a team environment
- Strong work ethic
- A 'can do' and proactive attitude toward work
- Attention to detail
- Ability to accept direction

To apply for an apprenticeship or traineeship, please **download an application form** from the Jobs section of the NSW Sugar website www.nswsugar.com.au and send with an introductory e-mail and a resume to jobs@nswsugar.com.au. **Incomplete applications will not be considered. Applications close 5pm Friday 6 December 2013.**

The annual Year 12 university tour is on again early in term 1, 2014. This is a great opportunity for our new Year 12's to visit universities on the Gold Coast and in and around Brisbane (Griffith, Bond, Queensland University of Technology and University of Queensland). Students will have the opportunity to hear presentation from current and past students and have a tour of each campus. This excursion will play an important part in planning on life after the HSC. It is worthwhile for a student to see the university they plan on studying at for the next four or so years. Students will also experience accommodation on campus at UQ. Cost is \$95 which includes transport; accommodation and breakfast. .For further information please see MR Ella.

Résumé builder – Is your child looking for part-time work? If you would like an easy and structured way to create a résumé go to the Kingscliff High School Careers website (www.kingscliffhighschoolcareers.com). On this website if you login/create an account in the "for student-students secure area". There is a résumé builder in there, all you need to do is insert information and the site will create the layout for you. Quick and easy. In this section you can also do some careers research lessons if you child is asking questions about the work force. Log in and check it out, this is a valuable resource for career development.

Remember to 'like' the Kingscliff High School Careers Facebook page To stay up to date with all career news happening in and around KHS. https://www.facebook.com/pages/Kingscliff-High-School-Careers/495226880498947

The best is yet to come, Scott Ella, Careers Adviser

RED CROSS BLOOD DONER DAY

The Red Cross Blood Donor Day was very successful. There were many first time student donors that bravely gave blood on the day. A majority expressed an interest to become a regular blood donor for Red Cross. Blood donation is a very important service in the Australian community. The focus of the Red Cross ClubRed Youth Program is to highlight this and encourage young people from the age of 16 yrs to become regular blood donors. Many thanks to all staff and students who participated.



A special thanks must also be given to the KHS Leos Club. They

provided homecooked goods and drinks for the donors. They also raised money to contribute to the Lions Foundation Bushfire Appeal. Thanks for the assistance.

Jacinta O'Keeffe

TWEED SHIRE KIDS IN COMMUNITY AWARDS NIGHT

Kids in Community (KIC) is a non-profit organisation that seeks to highlight the wide variety of ways that young people, and those supporting them, are making an important and positive contribution to community life. The Awards Night was held on

Wednesday 20 November 2013 at Twin Towns. The special guest was Dick, a Emma talented local sportswoman.



There are 7 categories that nominees can be nominated for, ranging from Community Service activities to encouraging and providing positive support to youth.

The KHS students who were nominated were Hana Mitchell, Jay Varudo, Tyarna Larkin, Lily Mitchell and Sage Black. It is with great pleasure that we announce that Hana Mitchell was awarded the Bronwyn Donaghy Memorial Award. This award recognises an 'all-rounder' who contributes to the community in a variety of ways.

The VET entertainment students assisted with the setup for the night and provided assistance throughout the awards night. Jesse Aviu was asked to give an impromptu performance and performed 2 songs to the delight of the crowd. KHS has been involved in the KIC Awards since its foundation 4 years ago. Congratulations to all nominees!

SPORTS NEWS

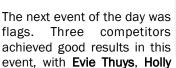
Congratulations to Zoe Smart (Year 10) for being selected in the Under 21s Indigenous Hockey Team. The team will play in a tournament in Singapore early next year. This is a great effort by Zoe as she is only 16 years old.

Also congratulations to Tyler Lock (Year 9) on running 4th in the Australian Boogie board titles held last week.

LIFESAVING CARNIVAL

On Friday 8th of November the annual North Coast Regional

Lifesaving Carnival was held at Yamba. After a 6 am start. 15 Kingscliff High students arrived at the Yamba Surf Club to begin the day at 9am. The first event of was the beach sprint in which we had couple of successful competitors. Riley Smith placed second in this event, followed by Ella and Tara Fitzpatrick who both placed 3rd in this event.





Smith and Rory Matthews all placing 3rd.

Next were the water events; the ocean swim, board and iron person events. Nina Jackson was successful in all three for her age group and Rory & Riley top 3 in their age grouping. Ella Fitzpatrick was 3rd in the swim closely followed by Evie. Molly McNamara and the twins Olivia and Sophie Enersen. In the older age group Myfawny Thomas & Tara perform well recording top 5 finishes.

Kingscliff finished 3rd overall in the carnival, a great effort considering our oldest competitors was 15 years old. Nina Jackson and Rory Mathews were age champions.

A big thank you to the parents for their support and hopefully

2014 will more competitors.

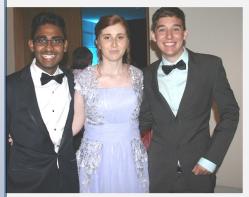




YEAR 12 FORMAL 2013

The Year 12 Formal was held at Peppers resort in the Salt Village on Thursday 14th, November 2013. This was a lovely and fitting farewell to an outstanding year group. The main bulk of arrivals were scheduled to start at 6:30, and as time approached a huge lightning, thunder and torrential rain storm hit Kingscliff. As every girl knows, a lot of time goes into preparing themselves for this moment. It's all about the arrival. So its fair to say that there was a lot of worried parents, staff and onlookers. But as 6:30 came, the greater part of the storm had gone and the red carpet was ready to be worked. The next hour saw a number of interesting arrivals and some beautiful cars. But none more interesting than Sahan De Silva and Danyon Bruce being chucked out of a van being driven by masked men, in black body bags. That's Arriving in style! The ladies and gents were working the cameras and getting photos from every angle. The event saw all of the ladies looking beautiful and elegant and the boys were smashing and smart. The rest of the night went off without a hitch and it was enjoyed by everybody. The photo booth at the formal was quite popular and some interesting photos were taken by students and staff.











REDUCE RISK - INCREASE STUDENT KNOWLEDGE

www.rrisk.com.au

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RRISK Seminar 2013

Year 11 students are invited to attend this year's RRISK seminar. 59 high schools from across the North and Mid North Coast will be attending RRISK at the following venues and dates.

RRISK seminar dates

Port Macquarie—Panthers Auditorium 7 and 8 November

Coffs Harbour—Southern Cross University 14 and 15 November

Kempsey-Melville High Community Hall 20 November

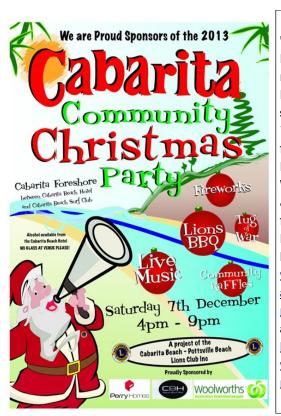
Lismore—Southern Cross University 25, 26 and 28 November

Tweed Heads—Twin Town Services Club 5 and 6 December

RRISK (Reduce Risk Increase Student Knowledge) encourages students to:

- Know the facts
- Be aware of the risks
- Make informed decisions
- Plan ahead
- Look after your friends

This is the 15th year that the RRISK Program has been running on the Far North Coast and the 7th year the program has been offered to schools in the Mid North Coast. If your teenager is in year 11, please encourage them to attend.



"Cabarita Pottsville Lions 2013 Community Christmas Party Held at Cabarita and starting 4pm on Sat 7 Dec - Fun evening for the whole Family-Music, BBQ, Tug O War, Raffles, Santa & Fireworks. Please follow TSC website Festivals & Events link http:// www.tweed.nsw.gov. au/attachments/ pdfs/672-.pdf and our Club website http:// www.cabapottlions.o rg.au/ "

Free presentation for parents, teachers and anyone who works with young people

Paul Dillon, Director of Drug and Alcohol Research and Training, Australia is keynote speaker at the RRISK Seminars. Paul works with young people in Australia and internationally and is regularly invited by the media to provide expert commentary on alcohol and drug issues. Paul will give a free presentation for adults on the latest evidence and how to communicate effectively with young people about alcohol and other drugs.

Port Macquarie—Panthers Club 7 November 4.00-6.00pm

Coffs Harbour—Southern Cross University 14 November 4.00-6.00pm

Kempsey—Melville High Community Hall 20 November 4.00-6.00pm

Lismore- -Southern Cross University 26 November 4.00-6.00pm

Tweed Heads—Civic Centre 5 December 4.00-6.00pm

Look for information about the RRISK Program including the full evaluation reports at our website www.rrisk.com.au

FREE EVENT

Our Kids, Their Future

Would you like to yarn about ways to talk with your teenager regarding career choices and life in general?

About changes they go through in the teenage years and how it affects your relationship with them?

Learn what to expect and share ways to stay connected.





Monday 2 December 3.00—6.00 pm at Kingscliff High School



Come and have a yarn with the team from The Family Centre.

