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IMPORTANT DATES * Denotes importance

Southern Cross University Access Program

Kingscliff High School has had four students complete the Southern Cross University Access program that enables Year 11 and 12 students to undertake a unit of university study at SCU while completing their senior studies. The students had to attend the Gold Coast campus for one day a week for over 13 weeks. Successful completion of the unit resulted in each of the student receiving a direct entry offer to SCU. A fantastic reward for students who worked hard throughout the course.

Congratulations to Krista Spicer, Kristi-Ellen Galluzo-Trim, Mitch Sales and Grant Sales and best of luck in you future studies. For more information on the SCU Access Program or the Head-Start Program call or email me scott.ella@det.nsw.edu.au



NSW Combined High Schools Sports Association

Year 12 student **Lily Mitchell** has been awarded a NSW Combined High Schools Sporting Association (NSWCHSSA) Blue for outstanding achievement in the sport of Athletics (Para Athlete). This award is for Athletes who are gold medallist at Open Age State Championships 2014.

Lily will be presented with her award on 5 December at a ceremony at Australian technology Park, Locomotive street, Eveleigh NSW.

Well done Lily, the school is extremely proud of your acheivements.

MONTH - NOVEMBER TERM 4	WEEK 8
Monday 24 November	Day: 5
Year 6 into Year 7 2015 Orientation Day *	Daw C
Tuesday 25 November Girls Cricket Grafton	Day: 6
Wednesday 26 November	Day: 7
Schools' Spectacular	20.51
Thursday 27 November	Day: 1
Schools' Spectacular	
Friday 28 November Schools' Spectacular	Day: 2
MONTH - DECEMBER	WEEK 9
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Monday 1 December	Day: 3
Tuesday 2 December	Day: 4
Wednesday 3 December	Day: 5
Thursday 4 December	Day: 6
CAPA Wet n Wild Day	
Friday 5 December RRISK (Twin Towns)	Day: 7
MONTH - DECEMBER	WEEK 10
Monday 8 December	Day: 1
Tuesday 9 December	Day: 2
Wednesday 10 December	Day: 3
CAPA evening	
Thursday 11 December	Day: 4
CAPA evening Friday 12 December	Day: 5
Yr 7 Dreamworld	Day. 5
Yr 8 Movieworld	
Month – December	WEEK 11
Monday 15 December	Day: 6
Year 10 Presentation 9:30am *	
Year 9 Presentation 12:30pm * Tuesday 16 December	Day: 7
Year 8 Presentation 9:30am *	Day. 1
Year 7 Presentation 12:30pm *	
Wednesday 17 December	Day: 1
Thursday 18 December	Day: 0
Staff Development Day	
Friday 19 December	Day: 0
Staff Development Day	

YOU HAVE A FRIEND

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"You Have a Friend" is a local non-profit organisation that support the homeless in the



Tweed/Murwillumbah region through a variety of programs. These include supplying food to the homeless some evenings a week via the food van and supplying food packages to families that are in need. Please use the website for further information and volunteering opportunities.

The Kingscliff High School Leos Club has organised a collection cage at the front office for the KHS community to drop off non-perishable foods eg canned food, long-shelf-life foods. The food will be collected by the "You Have a Friend" volunteers and used for their various programs in the Tweed /Murwillumbah area. Your donations are greatly appreciated.

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Principal's Column Parent Consultation

Our recent parent forum, conducted at the Kingscliff Surf Club proved to be an positive extremely event. Approximately 20 parents, drawn from across our diverse school community. gathered to identify the things they believed Kingscliff High School did well and, equally, to identify



things that could be done better. The enthusiasm and honesty of everyone's input was extremely gratifying and, as a result, a number of key themes emerged:

- The nature of learning opportunities provided
- The ways in which learning is supported
- The ways in which our school community works together
- The ways through which our school presents itself

The purpose of the parent forum was to identify the themes around which our broader school community consultation should be based. Accordingly, a survey which is now open to our entire parent body has now been constructed on 'Surveymonkey' and can be located via the following link: https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/KHS-Parent-Survey

This link has also been posted on our website and Facebook page. Further, parents visiting our administration office over coming weeks will also be provided the opportunity to complete a hard copy version of the survey. The survey itself is only 20 questions long, with requested responses being drawn from five options ranging from "Strongly Disagree" to "Strongly Agree". Each question also has an optional comment box for those who may wish to expand on their response.

I sincerely hope that as many parents as possible will take the very short time required to complete this survey. The results will be used, along with other sources of school based data, to inform our first School Improvement Planning Conference, to be held on our Staff Development Day on Wednesday 27th January 2015. All staff will be present for this conference, along with a number of parents and students. The end result will be our collective determination of our three Strategic Directions for school improvement for the period 2015 to 2017.

Clearly then, the results of this survey are extremely important and the more parents who complete the survey, the more inclusive of all views, and therefore more significant and valuable it becomes. I strongly urge all parents to complete this survey and play a significant role in determining the future direction of our great school.

P&C Information Day

Continuing the theme of community engagement, it was my great pleasure to attend the P&C Information Day on Saturday. I have been particularly impressed by the dynamic and high profile role the Kingscliff High School P&C plays in the ongoing operations and management of key aspects of the school. This is due in no small part to the ongoing commitment and drive of our P&C President, Mrs Felicia Cecil, who coordinated Saturday's event.

A gathering of P&C representatives from a number of our Coastal Learning Community schools attended and benefitted from a wide ranging presentation from Mrs Sharryn Brown-Lee, a past President and Treasurer of the State P&C Association. I certainly learned a great deal about the background to and supporting protocols of the vital partnership of P&C 's and school Principals in improving the context for teaching and learning and therefore improved student outcomes. It was also extremely gratifying to listen to parents from our partner primary schools speak about their interest in working with P&C associations across schools in our Coastal Learning Community, as this is certainly the direction which has informed the work of our local Principals for some time.

Year 6 Orientation Day

With the above in mind, it is timely that Year 6 students who will make up our 2015 Year 7 intake will be visiting Kingscliff High School this week. I certainly look forward to meeting these students and have no doubt that they will have an extremely enjoyable and exciting visit to their new school.

Year 7 Class Structure 2015

Kingscliff High School has a proud tradition of offering the 'KA' class for high achieving and / or gifted and talented students in each of the academic cohorts from Year 7 to Year 10. A very large number of students applied for placement in the Year 7 KA class for 2015 and were able to participate in a rigorous and transparent application process.

While the large numbers of extremely high quality applications were certainly gratifying to receive, it remained a source of concern for our school that so many deserving applicants missed out on placement. Given our school's commitment to meeting the needs of all students, our staff have decided to form a second 'KA' or Endeavour Class in order to provide appropriate class placement for these many students.

Consequently, in 2015, Kingscliff High School will provide two application based classes for high achieving and / or

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gifted and talented students. Membership of the existing KA class will remain unchanged as per the completed application process, while membership of the Endeavour class will be open to students who applied for, and missed placement in the KA class. Placement in both classes will be subject to semesterly review on an ongoing basis.

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Al remaining Year 7 students will be placed in mixed ability classes.

Begin the Day Safely

On most school mornings I take the opportunity to supervise student arrivals at our Oxford Street entrance. While most students arrive by bus or walk to school, there are a significant number of students who are dropped off by parents or carers each morning. I concerned about the safety of some students given the manner in which they are being dropped off.

Most, if not all of our parents will be aware that our school is positioned at the end of a cul de sac which certainly provides some unique logistcal challenges for a school of our size. All parents or carers dropping students off at the end of the Oxford Street cul de sac are asked to avoid the following:

- Stopping in the middle of the road to drop students off
- Pulling out in front of other cars or buses once students have been dropped off
- Pausing for "extended goodbyes"

Wishing all of our school community another great week at Kingy.

Michael Hensley



P&C Meeting

The next P&C Meeting will be 1 December at 7.30pm in the main Administrative Block.

Everyone is most welcome, so please come along and find out more about your students' school and how it is run. Felicia Cecil - President

AECG Meeting

The next AECG meeting will be on Monday 8th December at Kingscliff TAFE, Cudgen Road, Kingscliff, PH: 02 6674 7200 commencing at 4.00pm. If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact us. **President:** Deborah Johnson 07 5513 1960 **Vice Pres:** Joan Sherriff 07 55243408 **Secretary:** Jackie McDonald 07 55369629 **Treasurer:** Glenda Nalder 02 66740186

Aboriginal Education

Personalised Learning Plans

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students currently require a Personalised Learning Plan (PLP). Parents and carers will need to make an appointment with the front office. Interviews will run in Term 4.

Mr Appo will be coordinating the PLP interviews with the appropriate staff to provide a tailored educational plan for your child.

If you have any queries, please call Kingscliff High School. Mr Colin Appo (Monday & Tuesdays only) – PLP Coordinator

TXT4U Program

Congratulations to **Alyssa Mackenzie** of Year 9 who received the Gold Coast Bulletin's Reviewer of the Year award at a recent ceremony held at Seaworld Resort.

Through their **TXT4U program** for student reporters, the Gold Coast Bulletin provides opportunities for students to report on events, review activities, movies, games, books and other materials. These are then published



every Tuesday in the centre section of the Gold Coast Bulletin.

Since becoming involved in this program in primary school, Alyssa has submitted and had published numerous book and movie reviews; interviewed Gold Coast Titans NRL players including Nate Myles, Greg Bird and Ashley Harrison; attended movie premieres and interviewed film makers; participated in Junior Masterchef promotions; contributed to articles on fashion and current events; participated in ride launches and dolphin training days at Gold Coast theme parks; as well as submitting articles on school and local events. This is the second year Alyssa has won this award (previously winning in 2012).

Permission to Publish and Online Services

The School/Department of Education and Communities may publish information about your child for the purpose of sharing his/her experiences with other students, informing the school and broader community about school and student activities and recording student participation in noteworthy projects or community services.

The Department of Education and Communities also provides students with access to the Internet, a customised

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Gmail account and online applications such as Google Apps. These resources enable students to collaborate with peers, publish online and create personalised research portals. In Term 1 2015 every student will be sent home a permission to publish consent form.

Far North Coast Netball Gala Day

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The FNC Netball Gala Day, held on the 20th November, was a great day. Well organised by J. Alford of Tweed River High, it ran smoothly and was well attended.

Kingscliff High School had a 10 strong

team, but as few had come to the training days, it took all of the first game to see the players start to work well together. Our first game was against Wollumbin High and we were able to win that and enjoy the game as well.

The second game was against a very well oiled Tweed River High team. They out played and out scored us, but we can hold our heads high as we were able to hold them to only beating us by 1 goal in the final quarter.

Having lost to Tweed River, we then played off for third and forth against Southern Cross. We started strongly but the heat took its toll and the last quarter was not our strongest. We retained the lead, but it was a bit touch and go for those last minutes.

Thanks to all the girls who participated, the parents who supported and to Emma for umpiring. Maybe a little more training will set us up better for next year?

Mrs Matsuto

MAKE ONLINE PAYMENTS

It is now possible for parents to make online payments to the school for amounts owing for students, via a secure payment page hosted by Westpac. Payments can be made using either a Visa or MasterCard credit or debit card. The payment page is accessed from the front page of the schools website by selecting <u>\$ Make a payment</u>

Items that can be paid include voluntary school contributions, subject contributions, excursions, sales to students and creative and practical arts activities (these include band, drama and dance). There is also a category called Other this to cover items not covered in the previous headings, Other can be used to make a complete payment of a school invoice.

When you access the <u>\$ Make a payment</u> you must enter:

- the students name and reference number OR
- students name and date of birth.

These details are entered each time you make a payment as student information is not held within the payment system. There is also the option to enter the Student Registration Number.

This is a secure payment system hosted by Westpac to ensure that your credit/debit card details are captured in a secure manner, these details are not passed back to the school.

You have the ability to check and change any details of the payment before the payment is processed. Receipts can be emailed and/or printed.

Details of the payments are passed daily to the school where they will be receipted against your child's account. As a receipt has been issued from the payment page a further receipt will not be issued by the school.

For any enquiries regarding the Online Payment process please contact the Kingscliff High School Administration Office on (02) 6674 9777.

Did you know that you can make payments to your child's school online?

We have launched a new online payment portal linked to your school's website to make it easier for you to pay for school related payments. This is a secure payment page hosted by Westpac.

What expenses can be paid online?

- Voluntary School Contributions
- Subject Contributions
- Excursions
- Sport
- Creative and Practical Arts
- Sales to Students

Other

When?

This payment method will go live on 10 December 2014. How?

Log onto School site at www.kingscliff-h.schools.nsw.edu.au. Click on "Make a Payment" and follow the prompts to make a payment via Visa or MasterCard.

Section A	PARENT/CAREGIVER CONSENT				
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Community Notices



Club Red – Red Cross Blood Donations

The Red Cross Club Red program has been established to encourage young people 16 years and over to become lifelong blood donors. The next blood donation day for KHS students is **Saturday 13 December 2014** at **Coolangatta**. Any interested students are asked to see Mrs O'Keeffe to book times and receive enrolment forms.



Sign on Dav for 2015 Netball Season

When: 31 January & 7 February 2015 9am-1pm NSW time Where: Chinderah Tavern, 66 Chinderah Bay Drive, Chinderah NSW. New players will need to bring Birth Certificate & Medicare Card to sign **on.** KNC is offering members the opportunity to get a discount on their fees for 2015 Season. If you are able to help out with our fundraising raffles at Chinderah Tavern Fridays 3:30pm-4:45 we will offer \$20 per afternoon discount from your fees. For full terms and conditions visit the Kingscliff Netball Website. For more information relating to sign on please contact President Brooke Logankingscliffpresident@gmail.com 0451833445 or Sec.Courtney Jones kncsecretary@gmail.com 043332036.

MAKING WOMEN WINNERS

Tweed United Football Club is looking for female players of all ages and abilities to join their Under 18's, Premier Women, Div 1 Women and Div 2 Women leagues. Preseason beach training sessions are held on Thursdays at 6.30pm (NSW time) at Greenmount Beach. Contact Siobhan or Armando for further information. Siobhan: 0434 834205 Armando: 0419 859 611 We hope to hear from you soon!

For the attention of parents of Industrial Technology and Graphics students

The school year is quickly drawing to a close, and as such it is time to review accounts received from our students who have studied Industrial Technology (Timber, Metal, Electronics, Engineering) & Graphics

Industrial Technology & Graphics are elective subjects. We are fortunate to be able to deliver them with a large component of practical experiences here at Kingscliff High School, using modern equipment in well-resourced workshops. As a consequence, these subjects attract a fee/subject contribution to cover the cost of material used to construct projects.

This was explained in the Subject Selection booklet given to all students when choosing their electives.

Within the Industrial Arts faculty we make every effort to keep practical experiences relevant and interesting, using quality materials whilst working within a strict budget.

We rely solely on subject contributions to fund these activities.

We thank your child for choosing our subject, yet ask for your understanding in meeting the subject contribution attracted to these courses. The current fee schedule is outlined below. Fees can also be paid in instalments if this better suits your circumstance. Industrial Technology & Graphics fees are payable to the KHS Front Office, either in person or by phoning 6674 9777.

These fees are now over-due

Yr 7	Technology Mandatory Timber Bedside Storage Device and Calculator Box	\$20/term
Yr 8	Technology Mandatory Timber, Metal & Electronics Electronic Toy Truck Design	\$20/semester

Yr 9	Industrial Technology Timber, Metal, Electronics & Engineering	\$25/semester
Yr 10	Industrial Technology Timber, Metal, Electronics & Engineering	\$25/semester
Yr 9	Graphics Technology	\$10/semester
Yr 10	Graphics Technology	\$10/semester

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the subject

contribution for Industrial Technology or Graphics, please do not hesitate to contact me on 6674 9777.

With kind regards,

Mr Michael Connelly Head Teacher TAS - Industrial Arts

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The change(s) will be effective from Monday 8 December 2014.

STUDENTS & PARENTS NOTICE

Afternoon Bus 1202 – KINGSCLIFF HIGH TO BANORA POINT / TWEED HEADS

Please be advised of following: From Monday 8 December 2014, your bus service 1202 will be replaced by bus number 1239 and will depart Kingscliff High at 3:56pm. The bus route will remain the same.

Afternoon Bus 1232 – KINGSCLIFF HIGH (trip 3334)

Please be advised of following: Service change from Monday 8 December 2014 Please note that bus number 1232 will operate 4 minutes later, departing Kingscliff High at 3:37pm. The bus route will remain the same.

Morning Bus 1226 – KINGSCLIFF HIGH (trip 3203)

Please be advised of following: Service change from Monday 8 December 2014 Please note that bus number 1226 will be operating 7 minutes early, departing Clothiers Creek Roundabout at 7:30am and arriving at Kingscliff High at 7:57am. The route will remain the same.

Morning Bus 1218 – KINGSCLIFF HIGH

Please be advised of following: Service change from Monday 8 December 2014 Please note that this bus will operate 5 minutes early from Monday 8 December 2014, departing Sandalwood Drive at 7:30 and scheduled to arrive at Kingscliff High at 7:50am.

Morning Bus 1235 – KINGSCLIFF HIGH (trip 139)

Please be advised of following: Service change from Monday 8 December 2014 Please note that bus number 1235 will operate 10 minutes earlier departing from Dandlawood drive at 7:30 am and arriving at Kingscliff High at 7:52am.The bus route will remain the same.

Morning Bus 1236 – trip 3173

Please be advised of following: Service change from Monday 8 December 2014 Please note that bus number 1236 will operate 5 minutes early, departing from Kudgeree avenue at 6:44am. The bus route will remain the same until Kingscliff High (arriving at 7:46am) but will be extended to Lindisfarne High (arriving at 8:10am). All Lindisfarne High students can stay on this bus, no more transfer at Cabarita necessary.

New school timetable will be available on the website from 4 December 2014

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Health Promotion presents....

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ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUGS:

what people working with adolescents need to know

Paul Dillon has been working in the area of drug education for 25 years and works with young people across the country. Paul is the keynote speaker at the 2014 RRISK seminars. In this free presentation for parents, health workers, teachers and anyone who works with young people, Paul will share information on:

> Alcohol related violence

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- > Changes in attitudes towards cannabis
- > Novel ways of smoking sheesha and e-cigarettes

> Methamphetamine

> Changes in the way people are purchasing drugs

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Where: Tweed Civic Centre, Brett St,

Date: Thursday 4 December 2014

Time: 4.00pm—6.00pm

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