

# KINGYSPIRIT NEWSLETTER

ISSUE 2 | TERM 4 | WEEK 4 | 30 October 2023

## PRINCIPAL'S COLUMN

### Mobile Phones

No doubt families will be aware of the NSW Government ban on mobile phones in all schools. At Kingscliff High School, students will already be familiar with Yondr pouches, where mobile phones are secured for the duration of the school day. This expectation has seen a marked reduction in disruption of learning time.

Students have been warned that we will be conducting random "blitzes" this term to ensure phones remain in Yondr pouches. Students have also been reminded that ear pods are not to be used during school time. There are exceptions in place for a small number of students with identified needs, all of which are documented in learning support plans.

All students in Years 7 to 9 are using iPads as part of their learning, and this will expand to include Year 10 next year. Students know that iPads are only to be used under teacher instruction during class time, not during break times. Every parent I have spoken to shares the very strong view that students need as many breaks from screen time as possible.

### Year 8 VALID

The annual statewide assessment of Science based skills has taken place across last week and this week. With a growing emphasis on STEM related outcomes as part of student learning, VALID results form a critical part of our ongoing planning to improve student learning outcomes.

### Coastal Learning Community Combined Staff Meeting

It has been very exciting to see the progression towards closer collaboration across the Tweed Coast Public Schools. Our own staff met with colleagues from Cudgen Public School, Kingscliff Public School, Bogangar Public School and Pottsville Beach Public School to celebrate the work we already do together, eg:

- Sport Carnivals
- Debating and public speaking
- STEM
- Yuli program
- CAPA performances
- Years 6 into 7 transition
- Pinnacle Program placement

We also began discussion on our next steps, looking towards consistency across:

- Stages 3 (Years 5 & 6) and 4 (Years 7 & 8) teaching programs and classroom practice
- Use of digital technology
- Positive Behaviour for Learning

This work will continue in a combined staff development day at the start of the 2024 school year.

## Student Wellbeing

I am very grateful to our Deputy Principals, Mrs Rosser, Mr Matthias and Mr Borg, our Head Teacher Welfare, Mrs Mann, our Student Support Officer Ms Nance and the many other staff who work to support student wellbeing with an ongoing range of outstanding programs, including but not limited to:

- PCYC Perfect Presence
- PCYC Fit for Service
- My Strengths (Year 10)
- Yes TAFE
- Year 11 RRISK
- Extended Transition for incoming Year 7 students
- Friday afternoon gym program

We know that learning outcomes are at their best when students are at their best.

## Aboriginal Community Meeting

Our next meeting is this Wednesday 1 November, from 5:30 in our new Library. All welcome.

## Year 12 Formal

With the conclusion of HSC exams later this week, Year 12 2023 will be very much focused on their upcoming Formal next Wednesday evening (8 November), held at Fins in Plantation House in Duranbah. No doubt this will prove a memorable experience for Year 12 and their families.

Wishing all of our school community a great week.

**Michael Hensley - Principal**

## GENERAL NEWS

### Year 9 Child Studies

Year 9 Child Studies had an amazing morning at the Jindi play session at Kingscliff TAFE. The students were praised for their level of engagement and confidence interacting with children and their parents. Tori and Jess led story time at the end of the session displaying confidence beyond their years. As usual the students were a credit to the school and their families. Miss Rowles was super proud of their efforts. Special thankyou to the staff at Kingscliff TAFE for providing this opportunity for our students.



### Beyond Broncos

On Wednesday 18 October, the Beyond Broncos program held their Term 4 rewards workshop. It was a great turnout, with 20 students in attendance. Our Ambassadors, Ryan James and Olympic Gold Medallist Gayle Broughton, facilitated the workshop for this term. The students were separated into 4 different teams and participated in team building activities that involved completing puzzles, and captain's ball.

It was a great session to start the term, and it was great to see some of our graduated Year 12's attend their very last Beyond the Broncos workshop.







## **Stymie**

Struggles don't define your future.

Successes don't define your future.

Every day is an opportunity to stay hopeful, focused on your goals, and true to yourself.

**YOUR CURRENT  
SITUATION IS  
NOT YOUR FINAL  
DESTINATION**



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**#saysomething**



## IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

### TERM 4 CALENDAR 2023

30 October – 3 November, Week 4

Week D

#### Monday 30 October

HSC Exams: 11/10/2023 - 2/11/2023  
Year 8 VALID (held between 23 Oct-3 Nov during a scheduled Science lesson)  
CHS Boys Cricket (30 Oct - 2 Nov)  
YES TAFE (held on Mondays from 16 October for 7 weeks) - Years 9/10  
TAFE NSW Youth Engagement Strategy Taster Program - Big Picture

#### Tuesday 31 October

HSC Exams: 11/10/2023 - 2/11/2023  
Year 8 VALID (held between 23 Oct-3 Nov during a scheduled Science lesson)  
CHS Boys Cricket (30 Oct - 2 Nov)  
TAFE NSW Youth Engagement Program - YES Access to TAFE (Inclusive Education students)  
PCYC Perfect Presence Program  
Equine Therapy Year 7 Inclusive Education  
MyStrengths Workshop (Years 9 & 10)  
Inclusive Education Marine Snorkelling  
Kinky High Hip Hop Program (Period 2 Tues Week 3 to Tues Week 10)  
Year 6 Graduation and farewell video shoot at Pottsville Beach Public School

#### Wednesday 1 November

HSC Exams: 11/10/2023 - 2/11/2023  
Year 8 VALID (held between 23 Oct-3 Nov during a scheduled Science lesson)  
CHS Boys Cricket (30 Oct - 2 Nov)  
Aboriginal Education Team Parent and Community Meeting 5:30pm - Library  
Kingscliff High School - Band Program 2023 (11:55am-12:55pm in the Music Rooms)  
NSW School Sport Tenpin Bowling State Finals for Students with Disability 2023  
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Beach Volleyball training and trialling (as part of Wednesday sport) - Yrs 7, 8, 9 & 10

#### Thursday 2 November

HSC Exams: 11/10/2023 - 2/11/2023  
Year 8 VALID (held between 23 Oct-3 Nov during a scheduled Science lesson)  
CHS Boys Cricket (30 Oct - 2 Nov)  
PCYC Perfect Presence Program  
'Fit for Service' PCYC Program (Year 10)  
9CST1 to Jindi play session at Kingscliff TAFE (8:45am- 12:05pm)  
Inclusive Education Marine Snorkelling

#### Friday 3 November

Year 8 VALID (held between 23 Oct-3 Nov during a scheduled Science lesson)  
Community Access  
U15 & Open Boys and Girls FNC Beach Volleyball

6 – 10 November, Week 5

Week C

#### Monday 6 November

CHS Girls Cricket (6-9 Nov)  
Year 9 & 10 Yearly Exams  
YES TAFE (held on Mondays from 16 October for 7 weeks) - Years 9/10  
TAFE NSW Youth Engagement Program - YES Access to TAFE (Inclusive Education students)  
TAFE NSW Youth Engagement Strategy Taster Program - Big Picture

#### Tuesday 7 November

CHS Girls Cricket (6-9 Nov)  
Year 9 & 10 Yearly Exams  
PCYC Perfect Presence Program  
Equine Therapy Year 7 Inclusive Education  
Inclusive Education Marine Snorkelling  
Kinky High Hip Hop Program (Period 2 Tues Week 3 to Tues Week 10)  
Year 6 Graduation and farewell video shoot at Pottsville Beach Public School  
Year 12 HSC Visual Arts T5 Enrichment Day - Tweed Regional Gallery Murwillumbah

#### Wednesday 8 November

CHS Girls Cricket (6-9 Nov)  
Year 9 & 10 Yearly Exams  
Year 12 Formal - Fins at Plantation House  
Kingscliff High School - Band Program 2023 (11:55am-12:55pm in the Music Rooms)  
Beach Volleyball training and trialling (as part of Wednesday sport) - Years 7, 8, 9 & 10  
Big Picture Excursion - Hosanna Farm/Rail Trail



## Thursday 9 November

CHS Girls Cricket (6-9 Nov)  
Year 9 & 10 Yearly Exams  
Year 12 Legal Studies - Brisbane Supreme Court Excursion  
PCYC Perfect Presence Program  
'Fit for Service' PCYC Program (Year 10)  
10CST11 to Jindi playsession at Kingscliff TAFE (8:45am - 12:05pm)  
Inclusive Education Marine Snorkelling

## Friday 10 November

Year 9 & 10 Yearly Exams  
Community Access  
Big Picture Excursion - Silkwood Senior College



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### P&C Uniform Shop

The Uniform shop regular hours are **Tuesdays and Fridays 8:00am – 10:00am**. The price list and any other additional information can be found here:

<https://kingscliff-h.schools.nsw.gov.au/about-our-school/what-we-offer/p---c-uniform-shop.html>

- Payment at the P&C Uniform Shop is by cash, cheque, and EFTPOS.
- The P&C Uniform Shop is located near our Science block on the left-hand side of the ramp.
- For more information, you can contact the Uniform Shop. Email: [pckingscliffhigh@gmail.com](mailto:pckingscliffhigh@gmail.com) or Phone: 02 6674 9762



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- Craftwork
- Fermentation
- Fine Arts
- Fruit & Vege
- Home Brewing
- Honey
- Horticulture
- Needlework
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- Preserves

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