

# KINGYSPIRIT NEWSLETTER

ISSUE 4 | TERM 1 | WEEK 8 | 18 March 2024

## PRINCIPAL'S COLUMN

### Year 7 2025 Parent Information Night / Open Night

It was great to have so many parents attend our Open Night on Thursday 7 March, when many of our prospective new students for 2025 and their families had the opportunity to hear about what we have to offer at Kingscliff High School, and to tour some of our facilities. Thanks to Ms Penman and her team of helpers for organising such a great night. Thanks also to Mrs Rosser for filling in for me during my absence.

We will be looking to hold another Open Night for all of our school community once all of our construction works have been completed in Term 4.

### Parent Teacher Evenings

These are fast approaching. Parents can access interview times via our Parent Portal.

- Year 9 and Year 11 - Tuesday 2 April
- Year 10 and Year 12 - Tuesday 9 April
- Year 7 and Year 8 students will take part in our Stage 4 Showcase Evening, conducted by our Stage 4 Team on Tuesday 9 April.

### Big Picture Exhibition Week

This week parents of Big Picture students will be able to see what their daughters and sons have achieved so far this year during our Exhibition Week. Students will be able to share and celebrate their achievements in building up a portfolio of work which represents how their areas of strength and interest have directed their learning across curriculum areas.

### Representative Sport

Good luck to our swimmers competing in the North Coast Carnival at Casino tomorrow, to our Hockey players going to Ballina next Tuesday and to our Rugby League players heading to Coffs harbour next Thursday.

### Aboriginal Education Team Parent and Community Meeting

Our next meeting is Wednesday 27 March from 5:30pm in our Library. All are welcome.

Wishing all of our families a great week and Easter long weekend to follow.

**Michael Hensley**

Principal | Kingscliff High School

Celebrating individual growth through real world, respectful and passionate learning on Bundjalung land



## GENERAL NEWS

### Does the school have your latest contact details?

Sometimes we will need to contact you, including on the day that your child is absent and if you haven't notified the school with a reason for your child being away.

If your contact details are out of date or if you're not sure, **please contact the Front Office staff** so we can update our records and can contact you quickly when we need to.

Please include parent/carers name, address, phone numbers, email address and emergency contact details. **Please remember to contact the school if any of these details or your circumstances change.** This is particularly important so we can work together to protect the wellbeing of our students through the reporting and monitoring of student absences.

### Notice for Parents/Carers

We've been informed by Tweed Shire Council about community concerns regarding parking in the school pickup/drop-off zone at the end of Oxford Street. To address this, Parking Officers will now be monitoring the area.

Please note that parking in this zone is prohibited on school days between 8:00am - 9:30am and 2:30pm - 4:00pm. Violating these regulations may result in a fine of \$215.00 and 2 demerit points.

Thank you for your cooperation in ensuring the safety and efficiency of our school's traffic flow.

### 'Monkey Noodles' BANNED

There are lots of students with 'Monkey Noodles' in the playground - they are NOW BANNED at Kingscliff High School due to inappropriate use.



### Inclusive Education Fundraiser Raffle

Inclusive Ed has a mega Easter raffle leading up to Easter, to support the cost of their T5 camp at Lake Ainsworth. The winner will be drawn on the 27 March 2024. Winners will be announced in the notices on the 28 March 2024.

Tickets are \$2 each or 3 for \$5.

Students will be visiting homerooms selling tickets each day. You can also come to Inclusive Ed and purchase your tickets at recess and lunch.

There will be 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th prize!! Be in it to win it!!!! HAPPY EASTER!!

Thank you for your support!



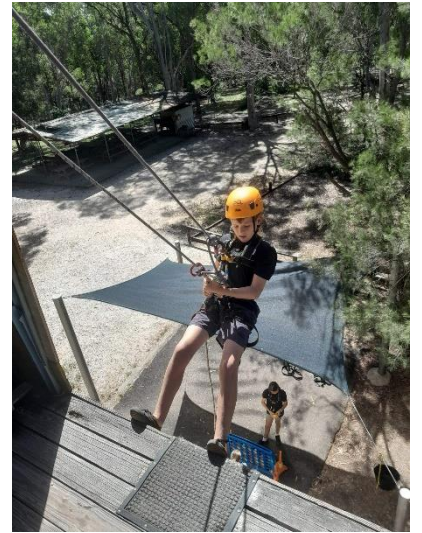


## Year 7 Camp

Year 7 having a great time at camp!



Day 2 at Year 7 Camp - abseiling, raft building, crate stack and canoeing



Last day of camp







# MATHS ANNOUNCEMENT



Please bring to every lesson:



- Maths Book

- Pen



- 'Abacus' Calculator



See Miss Pryer if you need  
assistance getting a calculator (:



## SPORT NEWS

### Nominations for the Kingscliff High School Surfing Competition

If you would like to nominate for the Kingscliff High School Surfing Competition, please come to the PDHPE staffroom and put your name down on the notice board. There are both Boys and Girls divisions for Juniors (15 & under) and Seniors (16 & above).

Nominations must be in by Friday 22 March.

Competition will be held at Kingscliff main beach on Thursday 28 March. First two places for each division will form the Kingscliff High School team to surf at Lennox Head in Term 2.

**SURFING  
COMPETITION**



### North Coast AFL trials

The Boys and Girls U15 North Coast AFL trials were held last week. Kingscliff High School had high representation at the trials, and a number of students gained selection in the North Coast team.

The Girls will travel to Albury Week 1, Term 2. The Boys will travel to Broken Hill Week 2, Term 2. Congratulations to the following students who gained selection.

#### Girls U15 North Coast AFL

Macey France  
Siena Hoopman  
Mia Philip  
Summer Taylor  
Mila Opsenica  
Arli Tapsall-Stalin



#### Boys U15 North Coast AFL

Riley Johnson  
Emile Halliday  
Tom Childs  
Sammy Ella  
Will France  
Slater Clarke







## IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER TERM 1 CALENDAR 2024

### 18-22 March, Week 8

Week B

#### Monday 18 March

PCYC Perfect Presence Program Year 8 & Year 9 (Week 2 - Week 11)  
Year 7 NAPLAN 2024 (18 & 19 March)  
P&C Meeting 6pm

#### Tuesday 19 March

Year 7 NAPLAN 2024 (18 & 19 March)  
North Coast Swimming Carnival at Casino

#### Wednesday 20 March

Tweed Coast Youth Service (TCYS) - Year 10 boys group

#### Thursday 21 March

7UP Program (Family Centre) Week 6 - Week 10  
National Close the Gap Day - Whole School Assembly at 9:05am  
Harmony Day  
Big Picture Parent Information night from 5:30pm - 6:30pm  
Kingscliff Rotary Club Film Project - Year 9 and Year 10

#### Friday 22 March

Community Access

### 25 – 29 March, Week 9

Week A

#### Monday 25 March

HSC Minimum Standard Test (Year 10)  
PCYC Perfect Presence Program Year 8 & Year 9 (Week 2 - Week 11)  
PCYC Celebration - Year 9 Perfect Presence Group at PCYC, Tweed Heads

#### Tuesday 26 March

HSC Minimum Standard Test (Year 10)  
Open Girls Rd1 State Knockout and Open Boys and Girls FNC Hockey trial  
Resilient Kids - Year 9  
PCYC Celebration - Year 8 Perfect Presence Group at PCYC, Tweed Heads

#### Wednesday 27 March

HSC Minimum Standard Test (Year 10)  
Aboriginal Education Team Parent and Community Meeting 5:30pm - Library

#### Thursday 28 March

HSC Minimum Standard Test (Year 10)  
7UP Program (Family Centre) Week 6 - Week 10 (TBC)  
NC Rugby League 18s Boys & Girls, 15s Boys & 16s Girls - Coffs Harbour  
9CST21 to Jindi play session at Kingscliff TAFE Period 1 and 2  
Year 11 Biology - Task 1 (Practical) - due Period 1 and Period 3  
Kingscliff Rotary Club Film Project - Year 9 and Year 10  
Community and Family Studies - Assessment Task due 28/3/2024  
Umpiring Primary School Hockey (4 x Year 9 - 10 students) at Hockey Tweed, Brisbane Street, Murwillumbah  
Resilient Kids - All day - Year 9  
Kingscliff High School Surf Competition (Years 7-12)

#### Friday 29 March

GOOD FRIDAY - PUBLIC HOLIDAY



Keep up to date with the latest announcements and events happening at Kingscliff High School. Take a moment to like our Facebook page. <https://www.facebook.com/kingscliffhighschool>



Check out our Instagram page. Click on the link to follow us [https://www.instagram.com/p/CosxzQZBcpX/...](https://www.instagram.com/p/CosxzQZBcpX/)



## P&C Uniform Shop

The Uniform shop regular hours are **Tuesdays and Fridays 8:00am – 10.30am**. The price list and any 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 EFTPOS or cash.
- 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 during P&C Uniform shop hours.



The image shows a printed price list for Kingscliff High School P&C. The title 'KINGSLIFF HIGH SCHOOL P&C' is at the top, followed by 'price list' in a large, handwritten-style font. The list is organized into sections for Girls, Boys, Unisex, and 2nd Hand uniforms, each with a corresponding price. The background of the poster features a faint image of a person in a blue uniform.

Girls	Price
Skirts	\$45
Shorts	\$35

Boys	
Shorts	\$35

Unisex	
Blue Shirt Grades 7-10	\$35
White Shirt Grades 11-12	\$35
Microfibre Jacket	\$55
Long Pants	\$55
V Neck Jumper	\$40
Zip Front Fleece	\$25

2nd Hand uniforms	
	\$5

Opening Hours
Tuesdays and Fridays 8am - 10:30am
EFTPOS or Cash transactions

## P&C Meeting – 18 March 2024

Unfortunately, due to technical difficulties, the online option for this meeting was unavailable. Despite our best efforts, we were unable to facilitate this for this P&C meeting.

We apologise for any inconvenience caused.

6 March 2024

Dear Parents/Carers

I hope this letter finds you well. I would like to take this opportunity to remind you of the Department of Education requirements for attending school sport every Wednesday afternoon, as well as provide important information about the Record of School Achievement (ROSA) requirements for sport, acceptable reasons to sign out of school, and the duty of care for staff at the sport site.

### **Department of Education Requirements for Attending School Sport**

It is a requirement for all students to participate in school sport every Wednesday afternoon as part of the holistic education provided at Kingscliff High School. This commitment to sport not only contributes to the physical wellbeing of our students but also fosters teamwork, leadership, and sportsmanship.

### **ROSA Requirements for Sport**

Participation in school sport also plays a crucial role in fulfilling the ROSA requirements. Students are expected to actively engage in sport to meet the ROSA criteria, which is an important aspect of their academic and personal development.

### **Acceptable Reasons to Sign Out of School**

We understand that there may be occasions when students need to be signed out of school for valid reasons. However, it is important to note that any sign out during school hours must be for legitimate purposes such as medical appointments or family emergencies. Medical appointments during Sport time should be avoided, the school will require a medical certificate in the event of repeated medical appointments during Sport time.

### **Importance of Not Attending School Sport Site if Signed Out**

I would like to emphasise the importance of students not attending the school sport site if they have been signed out of school. This is to ensure the safety and wellbeing of our students, as well as to maintain the integrity of our sign-out procedures.

### **Duty of Care for Staff at the Sport Site**

In the event that a student who has been signed out of school turns up at the school sport site, it is the responsibility of our staff to ensure the duty of care for that student. We ask for your cooperation in communicating with your child about the importance of adhering to the school's sign-out procedures and not attending the sport site if they have been signed out.

I trust that this information provides clarity on the Department of Education requirements for attending school sport, the ROSA requirements for sport, acceptable reasons to sign out of school, and the duty of care for staff at the sport site. We appreciate your support in ensuring the safety and well-being of all our students.

Should you have any further questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Yours sincerely



Michael Hensley  
Principal

Admin 2024-1898



15 March 2024

Dear Parents/Carers

### Year 9 and 10 Parent/Teacher Interviews

Parent/Teacher interviews for **Year 9 and Year 10 students** will be held on **Tuesday 9 April 2024 from 3:30pm until 6:30pm** in the MPU (school Hall).

You are invited to attend these interviews. Children are best educated through a positive communication and partnership between parents and schools. Parent/Teacher interviews provide an excellent opportunity for an open discussion on issues affecting your child.

To make Parent/Teacher night more accessible, bookings with your child's teachers can be made **online in the parent portal**. A link can be found on the school's website to the Parent Portal at:  
<https://kingscliff-h.sentral.com.au/auth/portal>

Families have already received information on creating a parent portal account. Please contact the school if you have not received parent portal creation information. If you do not have access to the internet, bookings can still be made by your child with their teacher.

If you are **not** making online bookings, your child should confirm with you the times when you can make it. Students then make bookings with their teacher for times that suit. Those who get their bookings done early are more likely to get the time slots that their parents prefer.

Please keep interviews to no more than five minutes otherwise it will be impossible for all parents to see the teachers with whom they wish to have an interview.

If a teacher is unavailable on the day for any reason, a phone call to the school can be made to arrange a special or longer interview if required.

Yours sincerely



Mr Wayde Smith  
Head Teacher HSIE

Admin 2024-1903

Online bookings will **open** at 12:00 noon on Monday 18 March 2024

Online bookings will **close** at 12:00 noon on Tuesday 9 April 2024

15 March 2024

Dear Parents/Carers

### **Year 11 and Year 12 Parent/Teacher Interviews**

Parent/Teacher interviews for **Year 11 and Year 12** students will be held on **Tuesday 2 April 2024 from 3:30pm until 6:30pm** in the MPU (School Hall).

You are invited to attend these interviews. Children are best educated through a positive communication and partnership between parents and schools. Parent/Teacher interviews provide an excellent opportunity for an open discussion on issues affecting your child.

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Mr Wayde Smith  
Head Teacher HSIE

Admin 2024-1902

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18 March 2024



Education

Dear Parents/Carers

### Working together for student attendance and to maximise learning

As we head towards the end of term, it remains important that your child attends school every single day. Being at school is the best place for students to learn as well as to keep social connections and build life-long skills. We want to do all we can to be sure your child achieves their potential and enjoys being in school.

Students should be at school every day during school terms, including until the end of term, unless they are sick or are absent for a justified reason. Whilst understand that families are eager to take a well-deserved break, please remember that planned travel should only be taken during scheduled school holidays.

We know that school is the best place to learn. By attending school every day your child will get the most out of their learning and improve their career and life options.

When your child is absent it is important you let the school know, including the reason why, on the day or the day before. This helps make sure we know where our students are and offer support for you and your family if needed.

If you are having trouble getting your child to school every day or on time, please talk to our school staff so we can work together, because every day counts.

Missing a day here or there may not seem like much, but absences add up and can negatively impact your child's learning and wellbeing. When your child misses one day a week that's 40 days of school and 8 weeks of learning in one year. Over an entire school journey this adds up to 2.5 years of lost learning.

We want to do everything we can to help all students be at school every single day, because every day counts.

Please contact the school if your child needs to miss school for any reason, so we can plan continued support for your child's learning and wellbeing.

Yours sincerely



Michael Hensley  
Principal



Admin 2024-1874

# Every Day Matters

If your child misses  
as little as

**1 day**  
per fortnight

they will miss

**4 weeks**  
of school  
per year

which adds up  
to over

**1 year**  
missed over  
their school life



Make sure your child doesn't miss  
out on the important things like:



Learning



Strengthening friendships

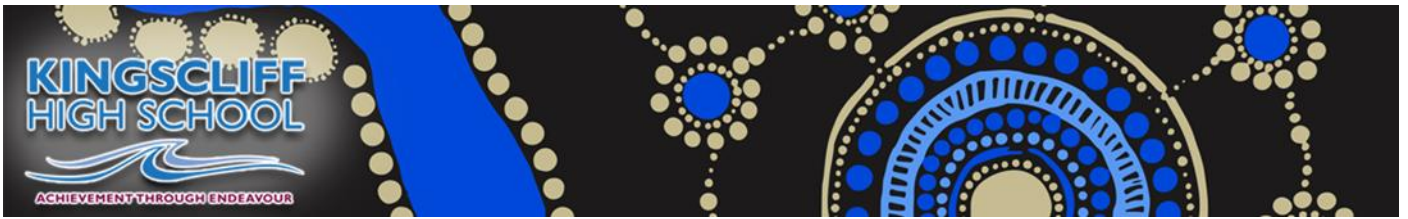


Emotional development



Scan the QR code  
to learn more





# Kingscliff High School

## CLOSE THE GAP Assembly

**Thursday 21 March 2024 at 9:05am**

**Main Quad**

- Acknowledgement of Country
- Question and Answer session with Kingscliff High School Students, Staff and Community
- Community Morning Tea



**Kingscliff High School**  
33 Oxford St, Kingscliff NSW 2487  
T 02 6674 9777

## Year 7 2025 Pinnacle Program

### What is the Year 7 Pinnacle Program?

Each year Kingscliff High School runs a program to cater for aspirational Year 7 students known as the *Pinnacle Program*. The philosophy behind the *Pinnacle Program* is to provide a challenging educational environment for students who endeavour to display high levels of academic and personal achievement with a commitment to learning. Student selection utilises the NSW Department of Education High Potential and Gifted Education (HPGE) Policy in the domains of creative, intellectual, physical and social-emotional.

### Who can apply?

- All current Year 6 students can apply for entry into our *Year 7 2025 Pinnacle Program*
- An application form is available at the end of this document. A copy of this document is available from the Kingscliff High School website:

<https://kingscliff-h.schools.nsw.gov.au/about-our-school/enrolment/year-6-into-year-7.html>

### Expectations of students in the Year 7 Pinnacle Program

As a member of the *Pinnacle Program* it is expected that students will:

- Exemplify the Kingscliff High School's STAR student expectations
- Endeavour to do their best at all times
- Demonstrate exemplary behaviour
- Complete all assessments and class work
- Demonstrate executive functioning skills such as organisation, time management and willingness to collaborate
- Maintain high standards of attendance

### What is the selection procedure?

There are four steps in the application/selection procedure:

1. Complete the attached application form and return to Kingscliff High School in person or by email to: [kingscliff-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:kingscliff-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au) before **Friday 24 May 2024** (Term 2, Week 4)
2. Students must complete a selection assessment held at Kingscliff High School at 6:00pm on **Wednesday 5 June 2024** (Term 2, Week 6)
3. Students must sit an interview on **Thursday 13 June 2024** or **Friday 14 June 2024** (Term 2, Week 7)
4. Information will be gathered from the Primary School.



## Year 7 Pinnacle Program – Selection Assessment

The **selection assessment** is completed at Kingscliff High School. Students complete four (4) tests of 15 minutes each in the following areas:

1. Literacy – Reading and Comprehension: students will be given a written article and asked several questions to gauge their comprehension of the source.
2. Literacy – Writing: students will be asked to compose an extended written composition in response to stimulus material.
3. Numeracy: students will be expected to complete several questions at the Stage 3/4 Mathematics level.
4. Creative and Critical Thinking: students will be asked to answer a number of questions designed to test their creative and critical thinking skills.

## The Interview

- Instructions will be distributed to all applicants by email by Friday 31 May 2024 (Term 2, Week 5).
- Students are asked to bring two (2) pieces of work with them and explain how this demonstrates their achievement and capacity as an engaged and independent learner.
- Each interview will be approximately 15 minutes long. The student will be asked a series of questions related to their individual learning processes, including the High Potential and Gifted Domains and their motivation for applying for the *Pinnacle Program*.

## Information from the Primary Schools

The information collected from the Primary Schools may include:

- Student literacy and numeracy levels as identified by Year 5 NAPLAN results
- The Yearly report from Year 5 and the Half Yearly report from Year 6
- Student profile information on levels of the HPGE domains, maturity, cooperation and diligence
- A recommendation / reference from the Principal (or their delegate)

## When will I know if my application has been successful?

Successful applicants will be contacted by email before Friday 5 July 2024.

## How do I get more information?

For more information on the **Year 7 2025 Pinnacle Program** please contact our *Pinnacle Program* Coordinator:

Mrs Jacinta O’Keeffe  
Kingscliff High School  
33 Oxford Street  
KINGSCLIFF NSW 2487  
Ph: 02 6674 9777  
Email: [kingscliff-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:kingscliff-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au)

# KINGSLIFF HIGH SCHOOL



ACHIEVEMENT THROUGH ENDEAVOUR

## Kingscliff High School P&C Uniform Shop 2024 Price List

KINGSLIFF HIGH SCHOOL P&C	
price list	
<b>Girls</b>	<b>Price</b>
Skirts	<b>\$45</b>
Shorts	<b>\$35</b>
<b>Boys</b>	
Shorts	<b>\$35</b>
<b>Unisex</b>	
Blue Shirt Grades 7-10	<b>\$35</b>
White Shirt Grades 11-12	<b>\$35</b>
Microfibre Jacket	<b>\$55</b>
Long Pants	<b>\$55</b>
V Neck Jumper	<b>\$40</b>
Zip Front Fleece	<b>\$25</b>
2nd Hand uniforms	<b>\$5</b>
<b>Opening Hours</b>	
Tuesdays and Fridays 8am - 10:30am	
EFTPOS or Cash transactions	

***Prices are current at time of print***

Kingscliff High School uniforms are only available at the school's **P&C Uniform Shop**  
There is no specific sports uniform required

If you have difficulty making it to the **P&C Uniform Shop** during the opening times noted above, please contact us via email, as we are happy to assist:

Email: [pckingscliffhigh@gmail.com](mailto:pckingscliffhigh@gmail.com)

Phone: 02 6674 9762

For further information on the P&C Uniform Shop, please refer to the school's website at:

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As at 18/03/2024



**LEARN. TRAVEL. GROW.**



**STUDY ABROAD AS A ROTARY YOUTH EXCHANGE STUDENT.**

**APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN FOR 2025 LONG-TERM & 2024 SHORT-TERM EXCHANGE. JOIN US FOR AN INFO NIGHT TO FIND OUT MORE.**







# Homestay families needed!

Have you ever considered hosting  
an International Student?

We have students who wish to study at  
KHS and are in need of a host family.



We're looking for homestays who can provide:

- \* A welcoming and supportive environment
- \* A fully furnished and private room in their home which is conveniently located to public transport.
- \* Balanced and nutritious meals daily
- \* A genuine interest in cultural exchange
- \* An interest in interacting with and offering guidance to young people.



Contact Auzzie Families if you're interested

[www.auzziefamilies.com](http://www.auzziefamilies.com) or call 02 8328 8499