

Annual Swimming Carnival

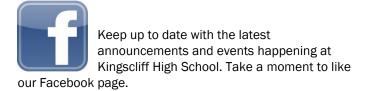
Congratulations

Congratulations to ex student Michael Ashburn on receiving the Tweed Shire Council Young Achiever in Community Service Award on Australia Day 2015. Michael and some of his friends have established a fundraising event called "Charity Cup" in which they raise money and distribute the funds through the community to help youth issues. A donation of \$5000 was also given to ex-student Sam Ford to help towards his rehabilitation.

Thank You

Once again our P&C have supported the school and donated \$8300.00 towards the pop-up irrigation system the school is installing in the football fields. Our football fields are so hard, it is like falling on concrete in some places and by installing this system it is making our fields safer for students.

Also a big thank you for your donation towards bus travel for students to the RRISK seminar last year.



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| TERM 1 CALENDAR | | | |
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| MONTH - FEBRUARY TERM 1 | WEEK 4 | | |
| Monday 16 February Yr 11 Biology Field Trip – Hastings Point | Day: 7 | | |
| Tuesday 17 February FNC Swimming Carnival –M urwillumbah | Day: 1 | | |
| Wednesday 18 February | Day: 2 | | |
| Thursday 19 February Yr 7 Amazing Race | Day: 3 | | |
| Friday 20 February Yr7 Amazing Race | Day: 4 | | |
| MONTH - FEBRUARY | WEEK 5 | | |
| Monday 23 February | Day: 5 | | |
| Yr 11 Earth & Enviro excursion – Burleigh Heads Tuesday 24 February | Day: 6 | | |
| Wednesday 25 February | Day: 7 | | |
| Thursday 26 February | Day: 1 | | |
| Friday 27 February FNC AFL under 15's -Byron Bay | Day: 2 | | |
| MONTH - MARCH | WEEK 6 | | |
| Monday 2 March | Day: 3 | | |
| Tuesday 3 March School Photos FNC Soccer – Lennox Head | Day: 4 | | |
| Open Rugby League Country Cup – Tweed South Wednesday 4 March | Day: 5 | | |
| Thursday 5 March NC Swimming Carnival - Lismore | Day: 6 | | |
| Friday 6 March FNC opens/Under 15's Rubgy League - Kingscliff | Day: 7 | | |
| MONTH - FEBRUARY | WEEK 7 | | |
| Monday 9 March School Photo catch-up day | Day: 1 | | |
| Yr 7 Vaccinations Tuesday 10 March FNC Rubgy Union – Southern Cross | Day: 2 | | |
| Wednesday 11 March | Day: 3 | | |
| Thursday 12 March | Day: 4 | | |
| Friday 13 March NC AFL – Byron Bay | Day: 5 | | |



Principal's Column Annual Swimming Carnival

As we begin another great week at Kingy, it is with great pleasure that I reflect on our recent Swimming Carnival held at Banora Point Pool. While an initial hint of inclement weather may have kept numbers a little lower than what we are used to, those that did attend enjoyed a fantastic day during which the enthusiasm and rates of



participation from all present, both staff and students, was exceptional. Indeed, in the final count, it was the points accrues through overall participation which eventually saw the Sea Eagles triumph in a very close result over Mr Lowrey's Dolphins.

My particular thanks are extended to Mr Dean Hillard and his team for organising such an enjoyable and positive day for all concerned. It proved to be yet another opportunity for me to truly appreciate the energy, potential and positivity of this amazing learning community that I have been lucky enough to join.

Kingscliff Way and Positive Behaviour for Learning

Last week, I was fortunate enough to have been involved in another outstanding annual event, namely the Kingscliff Way program, delivered to our Years 7 and 8 students. My role was a relatively easy one – to remind students of the positive expectations our learning community has of them, summarised in our concept of being a "STAR" student (standing for Safe, Tolerant, Achieving and Respectful). This concept has been drawn from our Positive Behaviour for Learning program, which has been in place at Kingscliff High School for some years, and which is currently being evaluated and revised by our hard working and innovative PBL team.

The time which I was able to spend with Years 7 and 8 students allowed me to not only set out the school's positive expectations of their behaviour as learners, but also to listen to their views on the things they considered as being important in terms of being a "STAR" student. While all of the young people I listened to certainly acknowledged the importance of all four of the "STAR" values, it was pleasing to note that, in particular, they felt that it was important that students should be <u>A</u>chieving and <u>R</u>espectful.

Our discussions of what an Achieving student looked like rang true in terms of our school's recently articulated Purpose statement, which I introduced in our last edition of "Kingy Spirit", i.e. 'Inspiring students to become lifelong learners and aspirational citizens". Many students recognised their time at high school as important in preparing them for not only the next step in their lifelong journey of learning, but also in laying the foundations for a rewarding and fulfilling life beyond school and learning.

I was particularly impressed with the importance which many students assigned to showing Respect. We reflected not only on the importance of respect in building the positive relationships so vital to meaningful learning, but also of the reciprocal nature of respect – those who give out respect generally get it back.

Department of Education Reforms

Unfortunately, being part of a school's leadership team cannot always be about listening to and engaging with young people. Last Friday I attended a meeting of all of the Tweed area Public School Principals', during which we were updated on the changing nature of school management and leadership. The overall theme was of "Local Schools, Local Decisions", which basically means much more decision making and accountability being assigned to each and every school.

On a positive note, we discussed the vital nature of engaging with our entire school community in terms of our strategic planning for school improvement. Our school is now well advanced in this process, begun last term with an extensive process of parent, student and staff consultation, and followed up this term with staff, students and parents engaging with a range of data, including the above survey response, to determine the three strategic directions for our planning for school improvement. These directions basically comprise the areas of communication, positive relationships and student achievement. I will outline these directions in future issues of "Kingy Spirit" once further consultation has been completed.

Last Friday's meeting also addressed the need to support newly appointed teachers, the ways in which all teachers will be professionally supported, the determination of staffing numbers, the ways in which students with identified disabilities are supported and the nature of our work with Aboriginal Education Consultation Groups. Significantly, a considerable amount of time was spent on discussing the localisation of responsibility and accountability for school financial management.

School Contributions

We are all lucky enough to live in a country where every child has the right to an education. To this purpose, Kingscliff High



School, like all other schools, receives predominantly from the NSW State Government, which allows us, to a certain degree, to provide exceptional curricular and extra-curricular opportunities for our students. The teachers of your sons and daughters have committed themselves to a unified purpose, "to inspire our students to become lifelong learners and aspirational citizens". At Kingscliff High School there is a powerful tradition of teachers consistently going "above and beyond" in order to achieve this purpose - our recent CAPA Performance Evenings at the end of last year provide just one example of this. The creative energy, sense of teamwork and achievement, let alone the emotion and pride bursting out of those evenings certainly encapsulate what we are all about at "Kingy".

Earlier this term, in finalising our 2015 budget, I was extremely disappointed to find that I could not fund the purchase of musical instruments and equipment needed for the development of our school's concert band, given the limitations of stretching government funding across all school programs, coupled with the limited response of families in paying our very modest music elective and band contributions.

Beyond the above example, success for students will always be the result of a strong partnership between the school, its students and their parents. I cannot urge strongly enough the need for all families to contribute through our extremely modest fee structure across all school programs in order to support our students as lifelong learners and aspirational citizens.

Wishing all of our school community a great week.

Michael Hensley



P&C Meeting

The next P&C Meeting will be 2 March 2015 December at 7.30pm in the main Administration block. We welcome all new members, 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 27 April at Cudgen Primary School, PH: 02 6674 1287 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 5524 3408 Secretary: Jackie McDonald 07 5536 9629 Treasurer: Marcia Browning 07 5524 2349.

Girls Uniform

A reminder that we are phasing out unacceptably short skirts during 2015. From Day 1 2016 skirts needs to be mid-thigh length i.e. in line with the tip of your middle finger.



Phoning Home

At times we will need to contact parents or carers due to your child being sick. Please note that our telephone number is a private number so if you have a missed called form a private number it could be the school trying to contact you.

Handy Hint: Students should take a photo of their timetable and keep on their phone. This way they will never be without their timetable and always be where they should be!



Promoting Well-being

Over the past couple of weeks the Year 11 Community & Family Studies class have been learning about Resource Management, in particular the differences between needs and wants and the effect of these on our wellbeing. Members of the class have put together some strategies to help promote positive wellbeing in our day to day lives.

Wellbeing is defined as a measure of the state of satisfaction that an individual or group experiences when needs are met. Wellbeing reflects an individual's comfort, happiness, security, welfare, safety and health (both mental and physical).

Factors that can influence a positive wellbeing include a healthy self-esteem, regular exercise and a nutritious diet, sufficient sleep and a sense of belonging. Some ramifications of not attaining the above factors can include anxiety, depression, loss of confidence and self-esteem as well as social awkwardness and ill health.

To help promote wellbeing an individual can:

- Join an interest or social group
- Participate in a team sport
- Take time to concentrate on your hobbies
- Ensure about 8-10 hours of quality sleep
- Surround yourself with happy, positive people
- Have regular health checks
- Talk about troubling issues with your doctor, family and friends, teacher or a counsellor
- Contact Kids Helpline or Lifeline for emotional support

Additional information can be found at the following websites:

Australian Unity - www.australianunity.com.au/wellbeing Kids Helpline - www.kidshelp.com.au Ph. 1800 55 1800

Lifeline - <u>www.lifeline.org.au</u> Ph. 13 11 14 Beyond Blue - <u>www.beyondblue.org.au</u>

Thank you to Makaylie Knight, Nicole Shackell, Jade Finselbach, Brooke Watson, Alanah Still, Zoe Clarke and Shannon Roberts for their input into this article.

Mrs K. Appo TAS Teacher

Fees

Term 1 fees are now due. Parents will be sent out an invoice in Week 4. Payments can be made by Cash, Cheque, Eftpos and online.

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 \$ Make a payment

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 is 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 **\$ Make a payment** you must enter:

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

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.

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.

Community Notices

Tweed Coolangatta Juniors AFL sign on

Date: 21 February 2015
Time: 11.00am to 12.30pm
Where:Tweed Heads Bowls Club

Phone: 07 5536 7119

Tweed Valley Relay for Life

When: 7 and 8 March
Where: Merv Edwards Fields, Kingscliff

Phone: 1300 65 65 85 relayforlife.org.au

Kingscliff Wolves

Kingscliff District Football Club are currently registering players from U6 through to seniors both boys and girls. To register go to www.kingsclifffootball.com.au





Murwillumbah Netball Sign-On

When: 21 and 28 February 2015

Where: Knox Park Time: 11am - 2pm

Any enquires phone: 0419 722 235

Nations Of Origin Bundjalung North

7's Rugby Trials

Under 16 Boys and Girls **When:** 28 February

Where: South Tweed Footbal Club Time: BBQ 1pm, Trials 3pm

Cool Heads free BBO and Activities

for Young people aged 12-17yrs **When:** 28 February – Ice Candles

14 March – Tye Dyling 28 March – Easter Eggs Where: Goodwin Park, Coolangatta

Time: 4pm - 7pm

Community Workshops

Do you have a child with a disability and need more support with their behaviour?

When: 20 February

Where: Activities Room, HACC Centre, Heffron St, South

Tweed

Time: 9:30am-2:30pm

Do you support people with disabilities in your community? Do you want to improve inclusion in your community?

When: 21 February

Where: Activities Room, HACC Centre, Heffron St, South

Tweed

Time: 9:30am - 12pm

Do you support people with disabilities?

Do you want to develop your understanding of behaviours in

order to assist with communication?

When: 23 February

Where: Banora Point Community Centre, Woodlands

Dve, Banora Point

Time: 9:30am - 2:30pm



Kingscliff High School P & C Association Uniform Shop

Open Monday 1.30pm - 3.30pm Wednesday & Friday 8.30am - 11.30am

CASH OR CHEQUE ONLY

| Girls Skirt | Size 4 to 20 | \$40.00 |
|-----------------------------|--------------------|---------|
| Culottes primary | 2XZ - M | \$30.00 |
| Culottes adult | 8 - 14 | \$30.00 |
| Blue Polo Shirt (yr 7-10) | 6 - 26 | \$30.00 |
| White Polo Shirt (yr 11-12) | 6 - 26 | \$30.00 |
| Microfibre Jackets | 8 - XL | \$50.00 |
| Football Socks | 2 - 8, 8-11 & King | \$10.00 |
| Sloppy Joes V Neck | 10 - 2XL | \$35.00 |
| Zip Front Fleece | 10 - XL | \$40.00 |

Full range of specified uniforms are ONLY available at the school uniform shop.

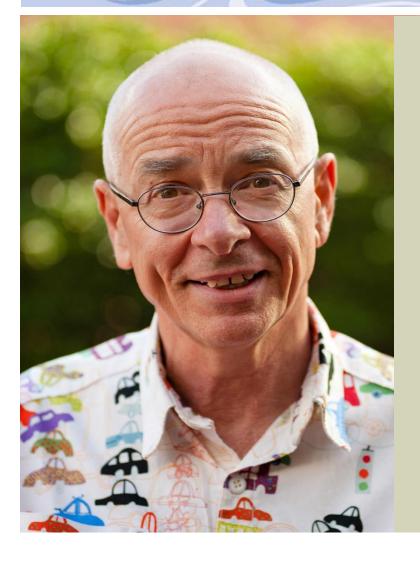
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Uniform Shop Convenor:

Debbie Jenkins

Ph: 02 6674 9762





Earth Learning presents

Dr Karl

Kruszelnicki 'Great Moments in Science'









Friday 13th March2015 7pm (NSW)

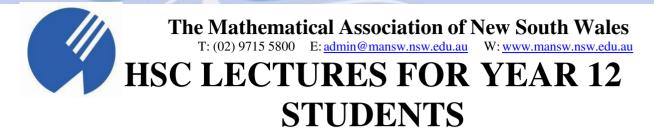
Kingscliff High School

Multi Purpose Unit

Adults\$10 Concession \$5

All welcome to this not for profit fundraiser to help restore Tweed riverbank & biodiversity. www.earthlearning.org.au





University of Sydney

Bosch Building 1A, Western Avenue

The Mathematical Association of NSW (MANSW) is the professional body for mathematics educators. It is a not-for-profit organisation that has provided HSC lectures for students for many years.

These lectures are intended for students as revision and preparation for the HSC Examinations. Teachers are also welcome to attend and can purchase tickets online. These lectures are not accredited professional learning.

Students and teachers are able to attend one, two or three full days of lectures, as follows:

| Monday 29 th June 2015 | Tuesday 30 th June 2015 | Wednesday 1 st July 2015 |
|---|--|---|
| No Maths General today | Maths General Basics 9:30am to 3:30pm | Maths General Beyond Basics 9:30am to 3:30pm |
| Maths 2 Unit Basics 9:30am to 3:30pm | Maths 2 Unit Beyond Basics 9:30am to 3:30pm | No Maths (2 Unit) today |
| Maths Extension 1 Basics 9:30am to 3:30pm | No Extension 1 today | Maths Extension 1 Beyond Basics 9:30am to 3:30pm |
| Maths Extension 2 - Day 1 9:30am to 3:30pm | Maths Extension 2 - Day 2 9:30am to 3:30pm | No Extension 2 today |

The content of each day is described on the following page.

Our lectures are highly regarded and provide a comprehensive coverage of a wide range of topics.

The lecturers are highly experienced mathematics educators who have vast experience in teaching the HSC courses and preparing students for the HSC examinations.

Notes that cover important concepts from a variety of topics will be provided.

The lectures are excellent value for a full day of revision: \$103 (including GST) per day per student.

Bookings and payment must be made online with a credit card. If you are purchasing tickets for students you will be required to provide a name, contact number and an emergency contact number for each student. Use the following link to an online booking system:

www.mansw.nsw.edu.au/student-activities/hsc-lectures-metropolitan

Check your emails to ensure that you received a confirmation and receipt and the details are correct. Ticket sales will close on the morning of the lectures unless they are sold out prior to the day.

For more information, contact MANSW on projects@mansw.nsw.edu.au or (02) 9715 5800.

Please note:

- Students will need to bring writing paper, pens, a scientific calculator and a ruler.
- There are limited options nearby it is advisable to bring morning tea, lunch and a water bottle.
- It is a long day, so it is advisable to bring something soft to put between you and the seat.
- It may be hot or cold in the room, so bring a variety of clothes with and without sleeves.



| Monday 29 th June 2015 9:30 am to 3:30 pm Choose one of the following: | Tuesday 30 th June 2015 9:30 am to 3:30 pm Choose one of the following: | Wednesday 1 st July 2015 9:30 am to 3:30 pm Choose one of the following: | | |
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| There is no Maths General course offered today. | Maths General Basics The lecturer will address all the knowledge, skills and understanding required to ensure a satisfactory level of achievement. A wide variety of topics and concepts will be covered. | Maths General Beyond Basics* This day is for students who are determined to achieve at the highest possible level. A wide variety of topics and concepts will be covered, with emphasis on the more challenging aspects of this course. | | |
| Maths 2 Unit Basics The lecturer will address all the knowledge, skills and understanding required to ensure a satisfactory level of achievement. A wide variety of topics and concepts will be covered. | Maths 2 Unit Beyond Basics This day is for students who are determined to achieve at the highest possible level. A wide variety of topics and concepts will be covered, with emphasis on the more challenging aspects of this course. | There is no Maths 2 Unit course offered today | | |
| * For Maths General and 2 Unit , students may benefit from attending one day or both days. There is a very little overlap in content between 'Basics' and 'Beyond Basics'. | | | | |
| Maths Extension 1 Basics # The lecturer will address the knowledge, skills and understanding required to ensure a satisfactory level of achievement. A wide variety of topics and concepts will be covered. | There is no Maths Extension 1 course offered today, but Extension 1 students may find '2 Unit Beyond Basics' worthwhile. | Maths Extension 1 Beyond Basics # This day is for students who are determined to achieve at the highest possible level. A wide variety of topics and concepts will be covered, with greater emphasis on the more challenging aspects of this course. | | |
| #For Extension 1 , students are advised to choose either Basics or Beyond Basics and not both days. There will be a significant amount of content overlap between Monday and Wednesday lectures. | | | | |
| Maths Extension 2 Day 1 The lecturer will focus on the following topics: Complex Numbers Polynomials Graphs | Maths Extension 2 Day 2 The lecturer will focus on the following topics: Volumes Integration | There is no Maths Extension 2 course offered today, but Extension 2 students | | |

It is recommended that Extension 2 students also attend Extension 1 Beyond Basics.

Mechanics

ACADEMIC CULTURE VALUES SPORT

Harder Extension 1 Strategies

for managing examination

questions will be included.

may find 'Extension 1 Beyond Basics'

worthwhile.

Conics

included.

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