Power Shift 2013 Youth Climate Summit

During the holidays four of our students, Jay Kapodistrias, Ellie Davies, Lowana Davies and Lilliana Bowen joined another 2,000 passionate young people to work together to try and come up with ideas to shift Australia away from fossil fuels and towards the use of renewable energy. The belief being that together change can be made on climate.

The three day summit consisted of many elements - actions, a political Q&A, workshops, panels, master classes, strategy sessions and more. Topics in the panels included such things as: “Lessons from the Coal and Gas Movement”, “The Power of Poo”, “How do we get to 100% Renewable Energy” and “How to build a Campaign Strategy”. The students came home full of excitement and brimming with ideas to pass on to our community. Watch this space.

NATIONAL LEADERSHIP CAMP

Going to the National Leadership Camp was the experience of a lifetime, for me and everyone involved. The people there were all on the same page and were inviting and inspiring. Students who went from Kyogle have all grown that much closer and have made everlasting friendships with other delegates nation wide. I would encourage anyone to take up the opportunity if it comes along because you will not regret it. A big thank you to the school, the SRC and the P&C for supporting us and making this amazing experience happen for all of us.

Kimberley Langley.

Kyle Dunn - New State President for Rural Youth

Founded in 1928, NSW Rural Youth is a non-profit organisation for 8-30 year olds who follow the motto, “I Aspire I Achieve”. Kyle was recently voted the new State President at the state conference in Bega. Rural Youth is an organisation that encourages and assists young people who are interested in rural communities, the land, the farm and the home. It inspires them to become self-reliant, responsible and effective citizens, with the added understanding of the interdependence of the various sections of society. Kyle is also heavily involved with our own farm here at school and studies Primary Industries as a senior subject.
Welcome back to Term 3 1013.

This is a huge term for our Year 12 ...their final term of formal schooling. They will be receiving HSC Trial results and completing their major works as well as some subjects completing their HSC. I would like to thank teachers who gave up their holidays to work with students on their major works. Not every school has teachers who do this and I would like to recognise publically our staff who do this year after year.

Thanks you to parents and community members who attended our first P&C of the term last week. Work is continuing, under the leadership of Karen Slater, on a winter uniform. Our Community Liaison Officer, Sue Landers discussed our upcoming Trivia Night and we discussed ways we can continually improve on what we do. Year 11 students came and talked about what a wonderful experience the National Leadership Camp was and thanked the P&C for supporting them. The P&C thanked staff for organising an excursion to see the War Horse in the holidays.

Our capital works are anticipated to be completed August 9, 2013. We are very thankful and excited about this.

This week we begin preparedness for students entering Year 9 and Year 11 to begin considering electives and subject choices. There is an Information Evening tonight and I urge all students and parents/carers to avail themselves of the opportunity to gather information.

This is the final week for a long serving staff member. Susan Attwood has been at Kyogle High School for over fifteen years and has worked in the Library, Front Office and administration area. Susan is looking forward to spending time with her family and pursuing hobbies. We wish Susan all the best in her retirement.

A staff update; I apologise for the end of term assembly when I forgot to mention Trudy Spargo as a newly appointed Science teacher...welcome Trudy. Tony Millward has returned to Kyogle High School HSIE faculty after some leave. We welcome Tony back. Rachel Rasborsek will begin maternity leave in the next week and we wish her and Brad all the best as they begin a new and exciting, albeit, tiring chapter in their lives.

We welcome Kalista Lemoine to our Learning and Support Team as we investigate additional opportunities to support all students at Kyogle High School.

Have a great week.

Mrs Janeen Silcock
Principal

REMEMINDER
Payments for the Snow Excursion need to be finalised by Friday 2 August 2013. Students must be fully paid before they can attend this excursion.

Front Office

From the Deputy’s Desk
It is good to be back at school and I am looking forward to Term 3. It will be a busy time for both Year 12, who are entering the last term of their schooling, and also for Year 11, who have the Snow Trip, exams, nominations for School Captain 2014 as well as the last term of their preliminary courses. An important date for both years in the Year 12 Farewell Assembly at 10am on Thursday 19 September and the Year 11 Academic Awards Assembly at 12 noon on Monday 16 September. Please mark these important events on your calendar.

Confiscation of Items
Kyogle High School has a strong policy when it comes to ensuring the safety and welfare of all students, including equitable access to learning in the classroom. For this reason there are certain items that students must not use at school and/or during lessons.

Some students ride skateboards, bikes, scooters to school. If you are a student who does so, you must dismount BEFORE entering the school grounds and immediately take them to the designated place for them to be secured for the day. Bikes are to be locked up at the bike rack and scooters and skateboards put in the locked cupboard near the maths staff room. There are no exceptions to this rule and students who do not follow this will be interviewed and formally warned about future consequences of not following school rules.

In the classroom, students must have their mobile phones turned off or on silent and placed in bags. Students are asked not to check messages or use their phone for messaging or checking emails. It becomes disruptive to the learning environment when students are distracted by their phones. If a teacher sees a student using or looking at their phone they will be asked to hand it to the teacher until the end of the day. If students do not comply with this simple request they will be referred to the Head Teacher and the phone confiscated with further consequences. When a phone is confiscated, it is signed in to the Front Office and locked in the strong room. If a student has their phone removed from them three times, a parent must come and collect it from the school.

The rules are made to ensure that all students have a safe and productive learning environment.

Mrs Gae Masters
Deputy Principal

COMING EVENTS
24-25 Jul Small Schools Workshop
29 Jul Education Week
12 Aug Year 11 Snow Trip/Work Placement
21 Aug P&C Meeting
5 Sep Year 12 Farewell Social- (Tentative Date)
19 Sep Year 12 Farewell Assembly

P&C Uniform Shop
Open Wednesdays
8.30am to 9.30 am
**CANTEEN ROSTER**

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The Canteen is always looking for more volunteers. If you can help out please phone Faye Rose (Canteen Supervisor) on 6632 1300.

**Community Liaison Officer**

**Back to School Trivia Night**

Our long awaited Trivia Night is drawing closer! The money raised will be used to set up a Leadership Fund within the school that can be accessed by students to take part in creative, cultural, academic and sporting activities.

As well as the fundraising element, we want this event to develop Kyogle community relationships and envisage this to be an annual fundraiser that involves parents, businesses and the wider community.

This adult only event will be hosted by comedian Mandy Nolan and will be held on Friday September 6th at 6.30pm in the School Hall. Come dressed in ‘Back to School’ theme and don’t forget to bring your school bag with a lunch box filled with goodies to share and drink bottles with your favourite beverage. (alcohol is permitted). Teams will be made up of 8 people at $20 ea. Presently we are canvassing businesses for sponsorship of this event. Contact Sue or Nicole at the school for more details.

*Mrs Sue Landers– Community Liaison Officer*

**SRC FUNDRAISER**

The Kyogle High School SRC are currently running a fundraiser to help raise funds for the Kyogle Cinema.

- Every family will get some tickets sent home.
- The funds will be going towards funding for the cinema.
- The prize is a huge jar of Nutella!
- And a huge thank you to Mr O’Meara for supplying the prize.

Please support this great fundraiser!

**Models for Fashion Parade**

We are running a fashion parade for formal wear and require some Year 12 Boys and Girls to model the suits and dresses. If you are interested please contact Karen Lutwyche on 0466 093 116.

**ABOUT RURAL YOUTH**

On Friday 12th July a group of 12 travelled from Ballina airport to Sydney, then we caught a train to Canberra and then a bus from Canberra to Bega. We arrived at Bega at 9.30 where our billet families were waiting. We were all relieved to finally reach our destination. Over the next few days we visited an oyster farm, travelled to Merimbula and Eden and did some sightseeing. We saw some very picturesque places. We visited the Eden Whale Museum, and the Bega Cheese Factory. We then travelled to the Bega showgrounds for a night of laughs and movies. The next day we attended a 3 hour meeting which was followed by debating and public speaking. We then had a rural relay in teams to complete an obstacle course in the quickest time. On the final day it was time to say goodbye to our billet families and start the long journey home. We had a great time despite our long journey.

*Kyle Dunn*