BYRON BAY WRITERS’ FESTIVAL

On Thursday the 1st of August, 20 Kyogle High students had the amazing opportunity to mix with students from schools all around the region and listen to some incredible speakers, authors and comedians at the Byron Bay Writers’ Festival. The sessions were on a great range of subjects from writing non-fiction stories about family and series of novels to a session about belonging and identity. The students also had the chance to buy books and have them signed by authors such as Melinda Marchetta and Phillip Gwynne, as well as getting invaluable advice as to how to become a published writer. We were also joined by a number of our Year 11 students who were attending the festival as part of a Southern Cross University EXCELerate camp.

Tess Gould-English Teacher

Regional Athletics

This year Kyogle High was represented by 17 students at the Regional Athletics Carnival held last Friday at Kingscliff. It was a large, competitive carnival with fine conditions with many of our school's representatives experiencing various levels of success. A special shout out to five students in particular Shania Porter, Sam Walters, Carleta Owen, Mikailah Piggott and Marty Ferguson for their selection to represent the North Coast in Sydney at the State Athletics Carnival. We wish them all the best for the next leg of competition.

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A few little tasks to be completed and we will begin our celebrations at the end of our major capital works...what a delight.

Congratulations for our students who performed last week at the CAPA Night. It gave them a chance to practice for their HSC Practical and gain valuable feedback to improve and get ready for the real event.

Congratulations to our Year 11 Peer Support Leaders who worked with Brad Rasborsek and Jessica Bryant with our incoming Year 7 2014. The day was on a great program “Bullying-No Way”

The EKKA Excursion was held last week and our thanks goes to Jarrod Kelly for running this event and to the staff who supported him and our students.

Last weekend, our Year 11 headed off on the Snow Excursion. We hope they have a terrific time in the cold country.

Nominations for the School Captains 2014 have closed. Students who have been successful in their nominations will be presenting their speeches on the 19 August 2013.Invites have been sent to parents and carers.

Nicole Peisto and Sue Landers have been working tirelessly to hold a Trivia Night on the 6 September 2013 at our School Hall. The news of the Federal Election has played a bit of havoc as normally elections are held in our facility. Thanks to the Electoral Commission and Kyogle Public School, the elections will be held in the hall at Kyogle Public School instead, allowing us to proceed with the Trivia Night on 6 September 2014.

Have a great week.

Mrs Janeen Silcock
Principal

Community Liaison Officer
Back to School Trivia Night

Only 24 days to go until the best night on this terms school calendar – the ‘Back to School’ Trivia night with Mandy Nolan! This event is our major fundraiser for the year and we are calling on all parents and carers to support the school in making this event a huge success. There are four ways you can help:

Be a helper on the night, decorate the hall etc
Donate a bottle of wine, chocolates or anything else that goes well in a Gift Hamper
Donate an article to the silent auction – e.g. business vouchers, works of art
Form a table and attend the night. Call in to the school or Gateway Office Supplies and get an envelope of tickets and sell a table of tickets for us. Alternatively just ring and we will deliver the envelope to your workplace or town address.

If it is difficult for you to drop off any of the above items just call the school and leave a message for Sue Landers or Nicole Peisto and we will arrange picking up the item.

Mrs Sue Landers-Community Liaison Officer

My Library
Book Week 2013
August 19-23

Recess each day—Reading Only—special display of Marvel & DC comics available to read.

Lunch Monday & Tuesday
Reading only in the Library. We will celebrating the “Reading Hour” for Saturday August 24 by reading during lunch for these 2 days. All readers will be able to enter our lucky door prizes for these days.

Lunch Thursday & Friday—Movie
Stores through movies. You will need a ticket to get in for the movie. See Mrs Kershaw.

From the Deputy's Desk
Australian Curriculum supporting the New BOS syllabuses
This year I have been supporting staff to work towards implementing the new BOS syllabuses in Year 7 and 9 in English, Maths, Science and HSIE in 2014.

Work that we have specifically done is mainly directed at up skilling all staff in areas including:

- How the new curriculum will meet the needs of all learners.
- Understanding educational change.
- What is 21st century education? Challenging teachers to adopt a new paradigm of education that is bold, flexible, creative, challenging and complex.
- Conduct an audit of what ‘we are currently doing’ and ‘what we would like to be doing’.
- Understand the 10 general capabilities that are key dimensions to the syllabuses.
- Understand the goals of the Melbourne Declaration of Educational Goals for Young Australians which plays a significant role in supporting students to become successful learners, confident and creative individuals and active and informed citizens.
- Online tools to assist with programming including modification and adjustments for students with special learning needs.
- Facilitate an online tool for tracking student progress on the literacy and numeracy continuums which will allow clearer sharing of student ability between partner primary schools KHS.
- This year I have been working with staff at staff meetings, running a shared School Development Day for targeted faculties and Kyogle Public School and moving towards working with individual faculties to put this new knowledge into KLA specific context.
- We also anticipate to be working closely with Kyogle Public School as we try and align Stage 3 with Stage 4 scope and sequences to ensure a smoother transition for our students. We are so fortunate to have great working relationships with our partner primary schools and this has a flow on effect for improved learning opportunities for our students.
- It is an exciting time for education but also a time consuming one for our staff, as they juggle their teaching loads with understanding new syllabus documents.

Mrs Gae Masters
Deputy Principal
STUDENT MEDICAL FORMS
During Terms 3 and 4 we will be updating our medical records systems to ensure we have the most up-to-date information on your child’s health.

Every family should receive these forms so you can update us on your child’s health. If the forms are not returned to us we will assume your child has no health problems which need to be reported.

The new forms will help us collect your child’s important medical information and the introduction of new systems will mean we will be able to better manage the daily and emergency health needs of your child.

We appreciate your support as we start collecting this information and if you have any questions please call the school office on 6632 1300.

No Trespassing
We are lucky to have the school facilities such as those here at Kyogle High School. We have a beautiful new quad and buildings and an Agriculture Farm which is the envy of most schools in the state.

Kyogle High school is a Department of Education property. No unauthorised persons may enter this site on the weekend without the permission of the Principal. Last weekend, we had some damage to property and we are missing newborn ducklings and a lamb. We work hard to ensure we manage our resources so that students are the beneficiaries of an excellent learning environment.

Kyogle High School has over 64 security cameras and also a security guard. Persons unauthorised to come on site will be identified by the security system and the names handed to the Police.

We want to protect what is our students. If you have any information to help us do this please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Mrs Janeen Silcock—Principal

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Other students who represented at the Regional Athletics Carnival: Nathan Farragher, Josie Ferguson, Renae Duley, Kodi Stephen, Broden Clarke, Jenna Jones, Jakob Smith, Liesl Pederson, Hayden Pratt, Adam Little, Kate Houlden, and Kyle Armstrong.

Brad Razborsek– Sports Organiser

FEDERAL ELECTION
VOTING
7 September 2013
Kyogle Public School Hall
Groom Street, Kyogle