*Theatre sports students’ from Years 7-10 have been working tirelessly over the past term on the production Bugsy Malone. It has been a journey of not only skills learned but friendships made throughout the year groups. For many of these students this will be the first time that they will appearing on stage, and although nervous are extremely excited to perform for family and friends.*

We will be showcasing two performances; the first a matinee at 10am on Thursday 10th October where all our local primary schools have been invited along with the residents from Kyogle Court. The evening performance starting at 7pm, is open to the community, family and friends. If you cannot make the evening performance, you are welcome to attend the matinee. Cost is $5.00 per person and $10.00 per family of 4. A fundraising BBQ will be running from 5.30pm which includes such dishes as a vegetarian fried rice and honey soy chicken sticks.

The money raised from the dinner and night of entertainment goes towards the drama and music fund for future endeavours within the Performing Arts. It would be wonderful if you could come along and support the students as a successful evening will result in the students confidence for future performances.

**‘BUGSY MALONE’ THE DRAMA PRODUCTION**

Bobbie Sharpe
Director
Leila Gray
Directors Side Kick
PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

Today marks the last formal timetabled lessons on a Monday for our Year 12 students. This is their last week of school. It is the culmination of thirteen years of schooling where friends were made, memories were stored, childhoods were adventurous and learning took place. It is a time when decisions were made about their future and when parents, carers, family and staff at schools supported them on a journey which was both exhilarating and challenging. They have a number of events this week as their schooling ends but they also have time to continue to review and prepare for their HSC exams next term.

Last weekend, we had trespassers in the school who did a significant amount of graffiti on new and old buildings. Our school community was rightly upset. We have video surveillance footage that is in police hands and we have information. It is not acceptable to enter our school site... It is not legal to be on our site and it is disappointing that our students and their property are destroyed. If you have any information that may assist, please contact the Kyogle Police.

This week we have a number of students nominated for the Kids in Community Award and we wish them all the best and will let you know next term how they went.

Our Year 11 Leaders held workshops this week to support students across the years—to inspire and to lead.

This is the last week before holidays. I urge everyone to stay safe and healthy, enjoy the weather and look after each other.

Take care,
Janeen Silcock
Principal

Gifted and Talented
TAS Extension Day

At Kyogle High School each Faculty has been allocated time for teachers to develop units of work for our Gifted and Talented students.

Within the Technological and Applied Studies Faculty an Extension program based on CO2 powered dragsters has been developed for use with selected students.

Students from Years 9 and 10 were able to research, create and test their Dragsters with shape and aerodynamics as a guide. Internets links for research and the program Google Sketch Up were used to help develop their designs. They then raced them with much success and a huge amount of fun!!!

Kendal Bryant
TAS Teacher

P&C News

The P&C held a BBQ at IGA last weekend. We made $230 on a very quiet post-election Sunday. I would like to thank Michael Donnelley for supplying and cutting up the onions, Gavin and Kimberley Langley, Gae Masters and Linda Jones for their help on the day. There is a P&C Meeting this Wednesday at 5.30pm in the High School staff common room. All parents are welcome to come along and have an input into our decisions and discussions.

On behalf of the P&C I would like to express our sincere condolences to the Cox Family. Damien and Linda lost their eldest son Dominic, in a tragic boating accident in Canada last week. Dominic was a former student of Kyogle High School and completed his HSC in 2005. Linda was an active member of the P&C during Dom’s years at Kyogle High School, and has continued to support the P&C over the last five years during Joshua’s enrolment. Dominic can best be described as a wonderful young man who lived every day to the fullest. Damien, Linda and Josh have our support as they try to come to terms with their tragic loss.

Louise Petherbridge
P&C President

Community Liaison Officer

Thanks to the sponsors for our Trivia Night— Roxy Gallery, Dave’s Bakehouse, Summerland Credit Union, Ozwide Transport Company, Earth Bistro, Bambu Food, Commonwealth Bank, Kyogle Community Health, Tilmac Sheds, Kosmetikos, Hickey’s Meats, Espresso Edge, Gateway Fine Foods, Rebecca Harris Hair, Pro Optics, Koonorangan Coffee, Karen Slater, Snipping Heads, Pete’s Food Hall, George’s Country Café, Gateway Office Supplies, School Canteen, Jurassic Joe, Liisa Peisto for Kiswa, Katie Alleava Printmaker, Kyogle Pharmacy, Kyogle Physiotherapy/Robyn Clark, Jo Bulmer and to the many parents/staff who generously donated chocolates, wines, and gifts.

The Trivia Night was a fantastic success raising $3,600 for our students to attend leadership activities in their chosen field. Thank you to all who supported our event!

Mrs Sue Landers—Community Liaison Officer
From the Deputy's Desk
As Term 3 draws to a close, it is timely to reflect on what makes Kyogle High School such a great school. Our mantra ‘Here to Learn, Here to Lead’ is exemplified in the wide range of activities supported by KHS including a solid curriculum and a wide range of extra curricula activities. Some of the activities this term have been: GATs programs, KEEP program, Year 11 Snow Trip, perspective School Captain speeches, Year 12 Farewell Social, staff in-services on the new Board of Studies syllabuses supporting the new Australian curriculum, information evenings regarding electives in Year 9 and 11 2014, assessment tasks, Year 12 Major Works completed, CAPA HSC performance night, and SCU excursions. In all these activities, students and staff certainly lived by our mantra and demonstrated the best of learning and leadership.

On advice from ACARA, it is anticipated that 2013 NAPLAN Student Reports will be delivered to schools across Australia from 8-11 October 2013 with distribution of reports to parents to occur in the week Monday 14 to Friday 18 October 2013.

I hope all students have a great break these school holidays. Please remember we don’t start back until the Tuesday 8 October as the Monday is a public holiday.

Mrs Gae Masters
Deputy Principal

Adolescent Drinking Behaviour
Young people aged 16-24 are amongst the heaviest drinkers in Australian society. In NSW, 46% of males and 43% of females in this age group are drinking at levels that could pose a serious risk to their health if they continue to drink at this level during their lifetime.

Over half of this group regularly drink to intoxication, which places them at risk of an alcohol related injury on any single drinking occasion. (NSW Health Statistics, 2011)

Youth are less likely than adults to be concerned about the negative consequences of heavy drinking. They are more at risk than adults as they are physically and psychologically immature, lack experience with alcohol, are more willing to engage in risk taking behaviour and are often unaware of the dangers of excessive consumption.

Choosing not to drink or learning how to drink responsibly can be among the most difficult tasks facing young people today. The earlier young people start drinking, the more likely they are to become high risk drinkers and experience alcohol related harm whilst they are young and in later life.

Alcohol and adolescent brain development
The brain is not fully developed until about 25 years of age. Drinking alcohol to intoxicating levels during adolescence can result in permanent brain damage. Areas of the brain that control memory, learning, decision making and problem solving can be permanently affected.

Learning problems can result in poor exam results and life skills which will reduce future career options and employment. Lack of judgement often leads to greater risk taking and increased likelihood of violence or sexual assault. Regular heavy drinking can cause irrational and aggressive behaviour, inability to understand social cues, depression and anxiety.

For more information on the effect of alcohol on the developing brain, see http://darta.net.au/wordpress-content/uploads/2013/02/ALCOHOL-AND-THE-DEVELOPING-BRAIN.docx.pdf

Mental health
Drinking at a young age increases the risk of mental health problems such as depression, anxiety, bipolar disorder, attention deficit disorder and increased risk of self harm, including suicide, delinquent behaviour and alcohol dependency in later life.

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Year 10 Sydney Excursion—17-22 November 2013
Payments Due:
11 October $75.00
25 October $75.00
Remember to keep making payments for this excursion.

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