# Celebrating NAIDOC Week

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Welcome back to Term 3. It has been a brisk start to the term at Kyogle High School and a timely reminder that students need to organise warm clothing in line with the uniform guidelines.

Information Evening
Thank you to the parents, students and staff who braved the cold and wet on Tuesday night to attend the Information Evening. It is important that students consider their electives in Year 9 and subjects in Year 11 with thought and discussion with parents and key staff at school. Too often we see students electing subjects because their friends are doing it and not considering their own interest and skills. Huge thank you Mia McDonough for her organisation of the information evening.

Truancy
Over the last couple of days I have been walking down the street and sending students who have left the school grounds, without following the Department guidelines, back to school. In all cases I have followed this up with a phone call home and/or a letter home. The DEC guidelines state that the Principal or delegate ‘must ensure the school has effective measures in place to monitor and follow up student absences.’ I thank all the parents who support the school by encouraging students arriving on time, attending all classes and not leaving the school grounds without day leave.

School Development Day
While students enjoyed the first Monday at home, staff worked in faculties on Differentiated Learning. The day provided an opportunity for Kyogle High School teachers to work in their faculties on programs and have a shared understanding of effective teaching strategies which provide different students with different avenues to learning. Overall, it proved an extremely positive way to start the term for our teachers.

KEEP
Thank you to Mr O’Meara for a fantastic day for the KEEP students.

CO2 Dragsters Race for KEEP
Students from our local primary schools recently came to Kyogle High for a day designing and making gas powered racers. The day began with some background research into aerodynamics, followed by the development of design ideas of the racers. After the completion of a safety induction to the workshop students began manufacturing their designs. Students used simple marking out tools to position their axles and drilled them using a pedestal drill. Following that students shaped their dragsters with files, rasps and sand paper. Although we could have spent a lot longer on building the dragsters it was time to race them. Using small CO2 bulbs and a firing mechanism the dragsters are powered by the release of gas from the canister. The group ran the dragsters over a fifteen metre track (the length of our school hall). It made for a thrilling conclusion to the day. Students were then tasked to complete and decorate their dragsters for a future event. Mr O’Meara

Throughout Term 2 Indigenous girls involved in the Sistaspeak program designed and made a quilt representing their culture and the significance of their Totems. The girls worked tirelessly every Wednesday to personally paint their artwork which was then joined together to create a quilt. Special thanks to Mrs Bryant for her sewing expertise. The quilt is now on display at the school. (Photo on front page of this newsletter). The boys also created a banner for NAIDOC Week which is also displayed within the school grounds. These banners will be used every NAIDOC week to celebrate and represent the Indigenous culture. The school community would like to thank the Indigenous parents and carers who volunteered their time to help with these projects in order to celebrate unity. Jodi Davies and Rachael Rasborsek

Kyogle High is currently preparing for two upcoming rugby league carnivals. Our girls side have been in training with local league development officer Mike Donnelly in preparation for a carnival at Mullumbimby on the 3rd of August. The side will travel by bus from the school at 8:50 am on the day and will be home for the afternoon buses. Kyogle is hosting an upcoming event at New Park for the 16½ year old boys side in Titan's Shield. Kyogle will playing against Casino, St Mary's and Woodlawn in the competition. Notes have recently sent home for both events. Recently with help and encouragement from Kurt Virtue in Year 12 we have begun negotiations with St Mary's for a couple of friendly's between the two schools. We are aiming for games for our Opens side and our 14's side. Once the details of the games are firm it will give the boys another hit out after the disappointment of being eliminated in the knockout competition earlier in the year. Mr O’Meara

Just a reminder that Snow Trip payments need to be finalised and fully paid by 31 July 2015.

Mrs Gae Masters
Principal

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RUGBY LEAGUE

Principal's Report

Jodi Davies and Rachael Rasborsek
**Year 10, 11 and 12 Family Planning Service Information Session**

All year 10, 11 and 12 students will be attending an information session provided by Dr Kate Bolam from Lismore and Kyogle Family Planning Service on **Monday 27 July 2015**. The session will be held here at Kyogle High School.

Topics covered will be:
- Sexually transmitted infections (signs, symptoms and screening tests available)
- Sexual safety
- Contraception
- Services available at family Planning Kyogle (an overview)

If you do not wish for your student to attend this session please contact the school on 6632 1300.

Wendy Mitchell
PDHPE Teacher/Girls Advisor

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**GIRLS IN – Engineering, Science & IT**

Southern Cross University is pleased to extend an invitation to your students and their parents and teachers to our GIRLS IN – Engineering, Science & IT. This inspirational event encourages young women to explore exciting career opportunities in engineering, science and information technology.

**GIRLS IN – Engineering, Science and IT** provides an opportunity for women of all ages to enjoy an evening of inspirational sharing from successful women together with activities, demonstrations and lucky door prizes.

Where: Ballina Surf Club Function Room

When: Thursday, 20 August 2015

Time: 5.30pm – 7.00pm followed by networking and activities at the exhibition stands

The event is open to men and women. Large groups are also welcome.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact Maree Savins on engineering@scu.edu.au or telephone 6620 3026.

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**CANTEEN ROSTER**

| Fri  | 24/07 | J O’Neill, C Howes |
| Mon | 27/07 | S Pederson |
| Tues | 28/07 | K Hoffman |
| Wed | 29/07 | J Bulmer |
| Thurs | 30/07 | Help needed |
| Fri | 31/07 | Help needed |
| Mon | 03/08 | C Campbell |
| Tues | 04/08 | K Carter, K Crawter |
| Wed | 05/08 | Help needed |
| Thurs | 06/08 | V Barney |
| Fri | 07/08 | Help needed |
| Mon | 10/08 | R Ederle |
| Tues | 11/08 | J Bulmer |
| Wed | 12/08 | Help needed |
| Thurs | 13/08 | N Anderson, K Little |

The canteen is always looking for more volunteers. If you can help out please phone Deb Skinner on 6632 1300.

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**CANTEEN NEWS**

Hi there, my name is Deb Skinner and I NEED YOUR HELP!

I would like to invite parents, grandparents and community members to come along for a free morning tea and lunch. Any day of your choice, bring a friend along too!

- 5 hours (9am—2pm)
- 2.5 hours (9 - 11am)
- One day a month

Volunteering at the canteen is a great way to see the wonderful work environment and learning place your children and grandchildren enjoy at Kyogle High. Come along and meet new people or catch up with friends!

*If you’re available call Deb Skinner, Canteen Supervisor on 6632 1300 (School) or 6636 4261 (Home)*