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School Funding
From the start of 2015 and moving into 2016, all NSW schools will be funded according to the needs of the students based on the socio-economic status of their communities, numbers of students with disabilities, numbers of Aboriginal students, students from non-English speaking backgrounds and the location of schools. Under the above criteria, Kyogle High School receives additional funding which has opened up many opportunities for our school community. What we have received has certainly been put to use in supporting our students, in line with strategies developed in our School Plan, which I have written about in previous issues of this newsletter. These can be summarised as follows:

**Sista Speak program** supporting Aboriginal female students. This program is designed to engage, retain and increase attendance.

**The New Direction program** for Year 10 students. This program has students participating in reflection, revising and presenting oral portfolios.

**Study skills and mentoring program** for all senior students.

**Improved physical learning environment** – including the foyer, front gardens and general maintenance.

**Professional learning opportunities** for staff to build capacity and knowledge of Professional Learning Plans

**Tutor** employed 2 days per week to support ESL students

Use of **surveys** to inform practice

**Committees** established to improve consultation opportunities for staff

**Self-nominated projects** to provide opportunities for Gifted and Talented students.

**Wear It Purple Day**

Congratulations to Louise Donnelly and Andie Judd for registering Kyogle High School to be part of ‘Wear it Purple Day’. Wear it Purple is a message saying ‘you have the right to be proud of who you are and sexuality or gender identity does not change this’.

For Wear it Purple Day on the 27 August, students will be holding a bake stall, selling purple ribbons and selling purple hearts to be decorated and displayed in front of the school. All funds raised will go to this great cause.

**Farewell Mr Cowley**

Ed Cowley was the GA at Kyogle High School for many years. The school community was saddened to hear of his passing on the 14 August. Our thoughts are with his family.

Have a great week!

*Gae Masters*

Principal

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**KYOGLE FAMILY PLANNING CLINIC**

Need to **TALK ABOUT**………………
- Contraception
- Pap Tests
- Gynaecology issues
- Sexual Health screening
- Pregnancy planning, counselling and info
- Breast examinations
- Vasectomy information
- Menopause information and care
- Specialist appointments with referral
- Disability access bed

Contact us at Kyogle Community Health Centre on 6630 0488.

Specialising in FREE sexual and reproductive health services.

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**Trivia Night**

Organisations are well under way for the Trivia Night. Thank you to Mia McDonough, Karen Slater and Louise Petherbridge who have undertaken the mammoth job of creating a fun night for everyone. Please start thinking of teams of 8-10 and set aside the date on your calendar—**SATURDAY 31 OCTOBER 2015**. All proceeds for the night go into a Leadership fund to support our students in accessing leadership opportunities such as study days and leadership camps.

*Mrs Gae Masters—Principal*
Year 12 Major Textiles Project
For the last 3 and a half terms of school the HSC textile students have planned, designed and produced Major Works for marking. Their commitment to completing a major project through to the end is a great achievement for each one of them. I would like to congratulate them on their perseverance in this very demanding subject. Their works have been sent to Sydney for external marking which will comprise 50% of their final mark for this subject. Well done. Mrs Kendal Bryant

The P&C were saddened to hear of the passing of Mr Stuart Browns sister, Margaret Rogers last week. Our condolences go out to the Rogers and Brown families at this sad time.
We would also like to express our condolences to the family of Mr Ed Cowley. Ed was the General Assistant at Kyogle High School for a significant number of years. He was well loved by the entire KHS community and our thoughts are with his family.
Don’t forget the annual Trivia Night is set for October 31st. Tickets are on sale now from the Front Office. $25 per person, with tables set for 8-10 people. With Mandy Nolan in charge we are sure it will be a great night!

Kyogle High School Uniform Shop
Open Wednesdays
8.30am—9.30am
Jumpers $30.00
Jackets $40.00

Byron Bay Writers Festival
On Thursday the 6th August 21 lucky students attended the Senior School day of the Byron Bay Writers Festival. Schools from all around the region joined us in listening to a range of amazing speakers from all over the writing spectrum. Crowd favourites were First Dog on the Moon, the fascinating political cartoonist and Nury Vittachi, a novelist who has also worked in film and game design. There were also sessions about discovery, creativity, writing historical fiction and spoken word poetry. Students also had a chance to investigate the festival bookstore and speak directly to the writers in the signing tent. Also attending were some of our Year 11 Headstart students who were lucky enough to be provided entry and transport by Southern Cross University.

Tess Gould—Teacher
PARENTS OF YEAR 12 – Please visit: http://kyoglehighcareers.com there are links to universities and post school options as well as a state by state calendar showing all university events and important dates. This site is a wealth of information and the embedded links makes searching the net even easier for Year 12 and their parents.

YEAR 12 – all students were given a package of information to help them through this very stressful and important decision making process – included in the package were UAC How To, SRS (Early Entry Scheme) application process and EAS – (Educational Assistance Scheme) for students who have experienced disabilities or disadvantages. Remember if you are applying for university or employment please follow the processes and see Mrs Riesinger with any questions or applications. Resume Proforma’s are on the schools collaboration drive under Year 12/Careers/Resumes – there is an example as well as a blank template for your use. (Don’t forget to copy and paste onto your thumb drive before filling it in.)

REMINDER – SOUTHERN CROSS EARLY ENTRY APPLICATIONS CLOSE SEPTEMBER 9. Griffith Connect Early Entry Program – Note- applications for this scheme must go through UAC SRS and are only for the Gold Coast Campus.

YEAR 10 – SCHOOL BASED APPRENTICESHIP/TRAINEESHIP (SBAT) OPPORTUNITIES.
Do you want to stay at school; work and study in an area that you would like to pursue as a future career then an SBAT may be an option for you.  
If you are interested in becoming a butcher please give your name to Mrs Riesinger by Monday 3.30pm.
Year 10 Aboriginal students interested in working in Childcare please see Mrs Riesinger ASAP.

YEAR 10 & 11 – SCU HEADSTART – If you are interested in studying a university course while at school there will be an information session in the next few weeks. Date TBA.

YEAR 9 SCU UNIBOUND EXCURSION – AUGUST 2015
Nearly 50 Year 9 students travelled to SCU for a day of lectures and workshops. The students were exposed to information about university life and also had the opportunity to select a workshop in a faculty of their choosing. These included – Law, Midwifery, Sports Science, Math, Environmental Science and Engineering, Media and Music. The workshops enabled the students to have a practical experience in one of these areas including creating their own television show, delivering a baby and much more. I would like to thank SCU for allowing our students to be part of the UniBound Program.

APPRENTICESHIP OPPORTUNITY FOR YEAR 12 ONLY – If you are interested in a possible Electrician Apprenticeship please see Mrs Riesinger no later than recess Monday 24 August.
Aboriginal Leadership Camp
Last week three of our talented students attended a Leadership Camp which tested their courage and developed their teamwork and leadership skills. The students were Tayla Nielsen, Alana Toffetti and Kleon Toffetti, of Years 10 and 11. The camp was a culmination of four day sessions these students participated in during 2014 and 2015, demonstrating the success of the program. Thirty-one students from a variety of Northern Rivers schools gathered in Kunghur for three days of activities and cooperation; raft building, high wire courses, 4km mountainous treks and group discussions about identity and belonging, all of which gave the students rewards and food for thought. Many of them expressed how much they changed during the course, especially in regards to confidence. Our students represented Kyogle in an outstanding manner, with camp facilitators commenting on their maturity and talent. The group will gather one more time later in the year to reflect on how these profound experiences have impacted on their everyday lives. Leila Gray

Canteen Roster
Mon 24/08: S Pederson
Tues 25/08: K Hoffman, K Crawter
Wed 26/08: C Judd
Thurs 27/08: R Harley
Fri 28/08: HELP NEEDED
Mon 31/08: R Ederle
Tues 01/09: K Carter, K Crawter
Wed 02/09: HELP NEEDED
Thurs 03/09: V Barney
Friday 04/09: HELP NEEDED
The canteen is always looking for more volunteers. If you can help out please phone Deb Skinner on 66321300 (w) or 66364261 (h).

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 are available call Deb Skinner, Canteen Supervisor on 6632 1300 (School) or 6636 4261 (Home)

Kyogle Touch Football
New Junior Fun Competition
Mixed teams: 8/9/10 division and 11/12 division
Teams chosen by committee
From 4.45pm on Wednesday’s
Kyogle New Park Grounds
Sign-On & Come and Try day Sept 16th
Starts 7th October 2015
SENIOR COMP Sign-On Sept 2nd, 9th & 16th
For more info contact Jade: 0434419289

2015 Coolangatta Secondary Conference
Date: Monday 26th October 2015
Venue: Tweed Heads Civic & Cultural Centre
See Mr McKee or SRC Reps for details!
We look forward to seeing you at the GRIP Student Leadership Conference!