

It is difficult to believe the term is drawing to a close. I hope everyone had a safe and enjoyable Easter break. This should set us up for a good 9 days of quality learning before going into the two week holidays. It seems so much has been achieved by so many in just 1 term - keep up the good work in Term 2.

Good luck to Yr 12 who commenced their mid-course exams today. These exams will continue until the end of term. A reminder for the rest of the school, to be considerate in the areas around the exams to give Yr 12 the best possible environment to complete their exams.

Term 2 will see some staff changes around the school. Firstly, I would like to congratulate Mrs Lyndall Nickell as she was successful in being appointed as Deputy Principal at Wagga Wagga High School commencing term 2. Mrs Nickell has been a significant contributor to our school as Head Teacher Science for the past 8 Years and more recently relieving as Deputy Principal for 2 terms. We wish her luck in her new role and thank her for the efforts she has made here in the classroom, on the sporting fields, in productions, in dance and across the whole school - you will be missed.

The second staffing change is around the role of Principal. The position is yet to be activated by NSW DoE school staffing and as a result will remain in an Acting capacity for all of term 2, with the aim to run the state wide advertisement to fill the position to commence a new principal at the beginning of term 3.

I will be taking Long Service Leave next term which means Mr Davies will be the Acting Principal Term 2. There will be some follow on changes as other staff move into relieving capacities as Deputies and Head Teachers. Some are known and others are in the process of being filled. I will list the positions that are known and Mr Davies will let you know the others early next term.

- Deputy Principal (Relieving) - Mrs S. Regan
- Deputy Principal (Relieving) - Ms N. Cocks
- Head Teacher Welfare (Relieving) - TBA
- Head Teacher Teaching & Learning - TBA

Lastly, as a school we will stop to recognise ANZAC day at a formal assembly in the last week. ANZAC day falls just prior to school commencing term 2. Our Captains and Leaders will represent the school on the day in both the march and the wreath laying ceremony. Take some time to REMEMBER all those who have served our country in so many ways and also their families who have also given so much.

Have a safe holiday.

K Ireland  
Acting Principal

### Chess



Kooringal High School played Wagga Wagga High School in the first round of the Country Secondary Schools Chess Competition.

Yifei Wang, Caleb Addison, Adam H and Mackenzie S played strategically, beating Wagga Wagga High School 3 games to 1, moving Kooringal High School into the second round of the competition.

Well done to all who played.

## Upcoming Events

Tuesday 29th March - Friday 8th April	Year 12 Mid Course Exams
Friday 8th April	Last day of term
Tuesday 26th April	Staff Development Day
Wednesday 27th April	Students Return School Cross Country
Monday 2nd May - Friday 6th May	Year 11 Mid Course Exams
Wednesday 4th May - Friday 6th May	Year 10 Sydney Commerce Excursion



# Sports Roundup

## Davidson Shield - 22.3.16



Tessa McGlynn & Jamila Piercy at the All Schools State Softball Carnival in Sydney

KHS won the toss and elected to bat. The opening pair of Bailey Lloyd and Kyle Schmetzer putting on 98 for the first wicket, with Kyle falling for 47 on first ball of the 10th over and Bailey losing his wicket on the last ball of the same over. The captain Angus McLay came in at number 3 and steadied the ship until after drinks and then went about tearing apart the Mount Austin attack, finishing with 64 and also sharing a healthy partnership of 80 with Stephen Marsden, 22. Connor Willis was the other notable scorer with 27. In total, KHS scored 9/268.

Defending a large total, KHS bowled and fielded quite well. Mount Austin's lost it's first wicket in the first over from Bailey Lloyd, who finished with bowling figures of 1/2 from 4 overs. Wickets were also shared around fairly evenly with Denzil Noack, Cain D, Jeremy Yeo and Connor Willis all taking 1 wicket each. Kyle Schmetzer and Ryan Bunyan taking 2 each, Ryan finishing on a hat-trick. Mount Austin eventually succumbing in the 23rd over for 40. Overall, the game was played in great spirit and Mr Peel and Mr Edmunds, from Mount Austin, enjoyed umpiring. A big thank you to Sharon for scoring and for washing the playing shirts.



Year 9/10 Touch Football Grand Finalists at the All Schools Touch Football Gala Day

## Open Boys Basketball

On Tuesday 15th March our Open Boys Basketball team competed in the Gala Day at Bolton Park.

First game was against Wagga High which was a tough game. Boys were down by 10pts at half time but pulled themselves back into it with a comeback win due to terrific defence. Final Score 34-31.

Second game was against Gundagai who had very good guards. They were accurate from the field shooting a high scoring percentage. However, with great defence again and terrific rebounding from our big men we were also victorious in this game 40 - 38.

The final for the day was set up against Tumut. The word around the stadium was they were the team to beat since they had won in some high scoring games against Cootamundra and Temora High. The whole team pulled together and showed both great sportsmanship and discipline to be up by 3 points at third quarter. A big effort was needed for the final to which the boys answered scoring 14 - 4 in the final term. Final Score was 42 - 24.

Congratulations to all involved! The team now progress to the next round.



Years 7-9 League Tag Girls playing on Tuesday 22nd March. Girls had a fun day learning the game and participating in the day.

## Girls Softball

Tuesday 22nd March the Girls Softball team played Albury HS and defeated them 28-2 and then played Murray HS and defeated them 18-2. The 2 wins has enabled the team to qualify for the final 16 component of the state wide CHS knockout draw. This will be held in Newcastle on June 21st and 22nd. All the girls positively contributed and the team is confident of performing well in Newcastle at the end of term 2.

## Girls Cricket

Congratulations go out to Rachel Trenaman who recently was part of the NSW CHS First XI cricket team at the NSW Schoolgirls Championships in Campbelltown. At the conclusion she was named Player of the Series and named in the NSW Schoolgirl Honour Team.

## Boys Lawn Bowls

Congratulations to our Lawn Bowls team who last Monday defeated Wagga Wagga HS and then Tumbarumba H S in the CHS Bowling Tournament. They now progress to the next round where they will meet Albury High School.



## Open Girls Basketball

On Tuesday 22nd March our Open Girls Basketball team competed in the Gala Day at Bolton Park.

The girls played with plenty of passion and determination which saw them place 4th including a spectacular win over Wagga High. A big congratulations to Sam C, Rebecca Forbes-Taber, Chelsea D, Kymberlie McEwan, Katharine C, Madeleine C, Angela Byron, Kristen J and Olivia Fawns.



2016 Byrnes Cricket Shield Team Runners-Up

### A message from the Home School Liaison Officer:

Dear parents/caregivers,

Please find information below regarding some of the areas around attendance I have frequent questions about. If you would like further information, or require clarification, please call me on 69258613.

Stephanie Williams, Home School Liaison Officer

### If my child is away from school

Parents or caregivers are required by law to provide an explanation to the principal to say why their child was absent from school. A note of explanation should contain:

- Date that the note was written
- Child's name
- Days/dates the child was absent from school
- The reason the child was absent
- The signature of the parent or caregiver

A note should be brought to school on the first day the student returns to school after an absence. The school is required to investigate all unexplained absences (where a child has been absent and no explanation has been received) within two days. If your child has problems remembering to hand in the note to his/her teacher, you can call the school on 69226443 and provide the information listed above verbally.

### Leaving school early or arriving late

Schools are regularly audited by the Home School Liaison Officer around school attendance. One area of scrutiny is reasons provided for why children are late or leave early. The reasons provide staff with information to put accurate codes on the rolls. Please do not only write 'appointment' – please provide further information eg speech therapist, OT, dentist, counsellor etc. Medical and paramedical appointments are classed as 'sick' leave. If 'appointment' only is used, it is an unjustified absence.

### Holidays

As part of the implementation of the National Standards, holidays taken by students outside of school vacation periods will now be included as absences. A Certificate of Exemption can no longer be granted for this purpose. Families are encouraged to holiday or travel during school vacations. If travel outside of school vacation periods is necessary, the following considerations apply:

- If the principal accepts the reason for the absence, the absence will be marked as "L" and a Certificate of Extended Leave – Holiday issued. This must be done prior to going on the holiday.
- If the principal does not believe the absence is in the student's best interests and does not accept the reason or if the parents have not approached the principal, the absence will be recorded as "A". A Certificate of Extended Leave – Holiday will not be issued.
- If the period of absence is in excess of 50 days, the student may be eligible to enrol in Distance Education See: *Distance Education – Revised Enrolment Procedures 2015* for that period the student's enrolment transfers to the distance education school.

### Accepting explanations

- The "A" code is to be used if no explanation has been provided by parents within seven days of the occurrence of an absence or the explanation is not accepted by the Principal. It is at the principal's discretion to accept the explanation provided. This code is used for whole day and part day absences.
- If a student's absence is due to sickness the "S" code is used. The principal may request a medical certificate in addition to an explanation if the explanation provided is doubted or the student has a history of unsatisfactory attendance.

### Yr 7 Immunisations

Reminder that Year 7 immunisations will be Friday 1st April. Please ensure your child eats a good breakfast and drinks plenty of fluid. This will help reduce risk of dizziness or dehydration.

### Production Help Needed!

Our Production Team are looking for people to help with the following:

Sewing - Volunteers needed  
Patterns - Donations needed  
Material - Donations needed

If you can help out in any way, please contact Erin on 6925 5155



### Clothing Pool

Have your kids outgrown their uniform again? Please consider donating it to the school's clothing pool.

### Friday Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club is run each Friday (unless otherwise notified) in C20 from 8:15am - 9am.

All students are welcome to come and enjoy a healthy start to the day.

*Please note: Will not run last day of term*

### BYOD Tip No 3:

Personal data security – When internet fraudsters impersonate a business to trick you into giving out your personal information, it's called phishing. Don't respond to email, text, or pop-up messages that ask for your personal, social or financial information!

## WHY PHISHING SCAMS KEEP WORKING



**EWK JFNC**  
**Registration & First Training**  
**Auskick, AFL & Netball**  
**Thursday 7 April 2016**  
**Gumly Oval at 5pm**  
**New Players Welcome**  
**Come and give it a go!!**  
**Email: ewkjfe@gmail.com**

The Wagga Autism Support Group would like to invite everyone to help celebrate Autism Awareness Month by joining them at Apex Park, Lake Albert, Wagga Wagga @ 10.30 on 3rd April for our Annual Autism Superhero Walk.

Come dressed in your favourite superhero outfit and walk around the lake (shorter course available) to help support and raise awareness for Autism. There will be prizes and balloons, jumping castle and sausage sizzle. Services will be on hand to show how they can support people with ASD.

Contact Sheila Buntin 0402 807 014 for more details or go to [www.waggaautismgroup.org.au](http://www.waggaautismgroup.org.au) Free entry to walk but adult supervision required.



**WAGGA MAGPIES 2016 REGISTRATION**

Wagga Magpies Junior Rugby League Club invites past, current and new players to register for the 2016 rugby league season. We are looking for players in particular for our U14's and U15's league teams.

Registration price is \$90 first child, \$75 second child, third child free.

Please visit [www.waggamagpies.sportingpulse.net](http://www.waggamagpies.sportingpulse.net) to register for the 2016 season.

For further information, please contact:  
 Vice President - Chris Mortimer (m) 0427 009 707  
 Secretary - Kerryn Fuller (m) 0427 893 315

\* Would you like \$500 to spend on your child's extra activities?  
 \* Do you have a Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card?  
 \* Do you have some regular work?


If you answered yes to these three questions then you could be eligible for the Saver Plus program, which matches your savings dollar for dollar, up to \$500!

The Smith Family is now offering the Saver Plus program in your area.

Contact: Jenny Saver Plus Coordinator  
 Wagga Wagga Region  
 0437 375 832  
[jenny.rolfe-wallace@thesmithfamily.com.au](mailto:jenny.rolfe-wallace@thesmithfamily.com.au)



Have you "Liked" the new KHS Canteen Facebook page? See firsthand all the great specials that are posted regularly.

**'YOUR LINK TO SUPPORT'**

The Family Referral Service and Education have partnered to provide greater access to service for local communities. The Family Referral Service is aimed at assisting families to link into various support services. These may include:

- \* Housing and accommodation
- \* Financial assistance
- \* Parenting
- \* Drug and alcohol support
- \* Domestic violence
- \* Youth support
- \* Health
- \* Counselling and mediation
- \* Mental health
- \* Cultural support
- \* Health and wellbeing

KHS will host Sam the FRS Family Worker on Fridays between 9am - 3.30pm.

If you would like to get in contact with Sam phone 1300 307 897, visit the school or drop into the FRS office located at 36-40 Gurwood Street.

Relationships Australia Canberra and Region inc acknowledges the Traditional Owners of country throughout Australia and their continuing connection to land sea and community. We pay our respect to them and their cultures and to the Elders both past and present.



**Love**

**GET IN THE GAME. BECOME AN UMPIRE.**

**Umpiring = Fun = Fitness = \$\$\$**



**Here are just a few reasons why it PAYS to get in the game...**

- Earn up to \$180 per game
- Stopped Playing? Stay Involved!
- Never Umpired? No Worries... FREE training provided by accredited coaches
- Saturday and Sunday games to umpire - You choose!
- Play one day - Umpire the next!
- FREE registration
- Young or Old? All Welcome!

**Interested In Finding Out More?**  
**We Would Love To Hear From You!**

Go to: [getinthegame.com.au](http://getinthegame.com.au) and complete the enquiry form OR  
 Contact: Troy Mavroudis (Umpire Development Coordinator Southern NSW)  
 0410 472 151 or [troy.mavroudis@aflnswact.com.au](mailto:troy.mavroudis@aflnswact.com.au)

Did you know KHS have our very own App? The app gives parents the ability to instantly access newsletters without going to the website, you can send in a sick note, change address details, request a teacher interview and more! You will also receive important messages to your device. Search for Koorngal High School and download today!

