

The Ziegler

KOORINGAL
HIGH SCHOOL
Newsletter



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Respect ~ Responsibility ~ Excellence

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

As we draw to the end of Term 2 and the half way point of the school year, there are so many wonderful things to reflect back on for the Koorungal High School community.

An absolute highlight of this term was the production titled 'A Holster Full of Love'. With a unique blend of comedy, action and romance, this show had the audience enthralled from start to finish. The sound of laughter was abundant throughout the show, and as we watched the faces leave the PAV each time, there were beaming smiles all around. Well done to our extremely talented students and staff – yet again you have blown us away with your talents!

Koorungal High also recently hosted the NSW Secondary Principals Council Conference. This hybrid event (face to face and online) was a massive undertaking which saw guest speakers' from around the world join in. There were Q&A sessions with these speakers which were then broadcast to more than 300 delegates at venues around the state. The professionalism with which our VET Entertainment Industry students and staff conducted themselves in producing this event was first class. The event was compered by a senior news reporter for a national news service and she was of the belief that Mr Lowrie was a TV producer, such was the professionalism of his team. Well done to everyone involved!

Yet another high for the term was our Opens Girls Basketball team taking out the John Vrolyks Shield. That is the third time running (a 3peat), what a fantastic effort from all involved.

Hopefully students and staff can now take a well deserved rest over the next two weeks. Wishing you all a healthy and happy holiday and we look forward to seeing your smiling faces again next term.

Regards,
Mrs Helen Schmetzer
Principal (Rel)



UPCOMING EVENTS

July 13

All students return for Term 3

July 13-22

Year 11 2022 3-Way Conferences

July 20

Parent Teacher Interviews Surnames A-K

July 27

Parent Teacher Interviews Surnames L-Z

July 26 -Aug 6

Year 11 Work Placement

Aug 9-13

Year 12 HSC Trials



Selective High Schools Application (Years 8 to 12 only)

Applications are now open for placement in the selective stream in 2022. Please see the link attached for further information and documentation.

Applications must be returned to the front office at Koorungal High either in person or by email prior to close of business on Friday 16th July.

For more information go to:

https://bit.ly/Selective_Schools_Year8to12

Alternatively you may contact the front office on 6922 5155.

Study Hub

The study hub is an opportunity for students to seek assistance with homework, assessment tasks and any additional skills that they wish to develop.

It is open every Monday afternoon between 3.30pm and 4.30pm during the school term.



SRC REPORT

Koorungal High is taking a step forward towards a better world. The SRC have launched 'Lids for Kids' with multiple collection stations around our school. This project turns non-recyclable lids into prosthetic limbs for children. Families are encouraged to donate their milk, water and soft drink bottle lids to this great cause. The prosthetic limbs are donated to the victims of landmines in countries that lack medical and technical facilities. Koorungal High School is proud to be involved in this journey.



This term the SRC has provided support at the Athletics Carnival selling lollies and snacks to students. SRC students also participated in the Rotary Book Fair with setting up and cleaning. Most recently we helped the production cast, dancers and musicians by running a canteen.

Next term the SRC will help support The Pyjama Foundation by hosting National Pyjama Day. Students will be able to wear their favourite pyjamas to raise awareness and money for children in the foster care system. Stay tuned for more details next term.



WELFARE REPORT

Lunch time activities

Next term we will offer expanded lunch time activities. We have added anime club, board games, drawing and footy kicking. Lunch time activities offer a safe and relaxing spot for all students. Make sure you keep an eye on the daily notices to see what days there are things on that interest you.

Respect

This term our focus in Home Room has been on how we can demonstrate respect in the class room, the playground and at home. Next term we will move our focus to another of our school values, Responsibility.

We can demonstrate responsibility by taking ownership of our learning by coming

prepared to learn equipped with pens, books, calculators and a device. Wearing full school uniform is also a way of showing responsibility. A reminder that school track pants are navy. Tights and grey track pants and hoodies are not acceptable at KHS.

Uniform Pool

We are desperately in need of uniforms for our second hand uniform pool. The school holidays are an ideal time to take stock of the uniforms and send in anything you have outgrown.

Breakfast club

Don't forget to come along to Breakfast Club each Friday for a toastie and flavoured milk. It runs from 8.15-8.45am and is a great place to catch up with friends and staff.

HSIE NEWS

Business Studies Excursion to Junee Licorice & Chocolate Factory

This term in Week 9, Mr Collins' Year 11 and Mr Celi's Year 12 Business Studies students participated in an excursion to the Junee Licorice & Chocolate Factory where they were able learn about business operations, marketing strategies and production of goods. A big thank you to the Junee Factory staff who spoke to the students and gave them the opportunity to make some chocolate freckles and try some fresh licorice, also thank you to the students involved who represented KHS exceptionally on the day.



Polynesian Expansion

As part of our Year 8 studies, students have been learning about the expansion of Polynesian cultures across the Pacific. During this unit, Mrs Field's and Miss Brooke's students participated in building paddle pop stick canoes to replicate the style and success of the traditional Polynesian boats. The students enjoyed the hands on craft and tested their designs with great success across the board!



MATHS NEWS

Riverina Chess Competition

The Chessnuts have been smashing the competition! After defeating both Leeton High School and Border Christian College, 4-0 in both games, they are now in the semi final to be played in week 1 next term.

Led by Mr Wickham, the team consists of Aayan Bashar, Sandin Jayasekera, Tenzin Pelsang and Chinmay Sholapurkar.

We wish them all the best in the upcoming semi final.



Year 8 Measurement Activity

Year 8 students have been learning about calculating the area of different basic shapes. Students were provided with photos of different shapes that can be found in the school gym. They had to go and find the shape and use the appropriate measurement tool to calculate the area.



Australasian Problem Solving Mathematical Olympiad (APSMO)

Secondary students in year 7 and 8 have the opportunity to participate in this Olympiad which consists of 25 questions completed over 5 separate occasions. It aims to foster creativity and ingenuity in problem solving by presenting stimulating questions that challenge participants to use their mathematical knowledge in various situations.

This year Koorringal High School has the following nine entrants and is coordinated by Ms Witt.

Susha Gupta
Stephanie Houghton
Yashi Kakshapti
Nethukee Jayaskera
Pranav Raman
Andrew Stumpel-Taylor
Dimitrios Ligakis
Cameron Hawkless
Elijah Kelleher

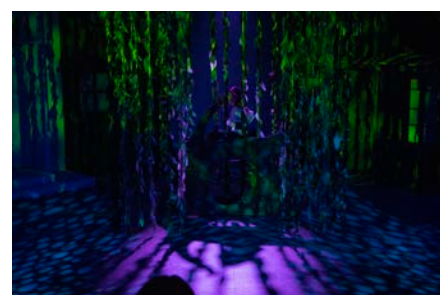
These students are to be congratulated on their determination and problem solving skills. The final results will be known when the Olympiad concludes in September.

Year 12 VET Entertainment

Year 12 VET Entertainment students smashing it at the 2021 SPC state conference. This is the first time that this event has ever been staged in such a way. A 'hybrid conference' with key note speakers from all levels of Australian government and celebrities from across Australia and as far away as Los Angeles. 355 school principals in over 26 sites across the state were treated to a masterclass in media management and professionalism by our own students.



A Holster Full Of Love



Learning in the Intensive English Classes (IECs)

Over the past term students in the Intensive English Class have been engaging in 'Hands on Learning.' Students completed a number of practical hands-on activities across all KLA's that developed their vocabulary and allowed students to develop skills in social communication.

The Year 10 EALD students at Koorringal High School have participated in a RAW program (Ready Arrive Work). We welcomed Mount Austin and Wagga High students to participate in this program. They have completed Resumes, Cover letters and learnt about employability skills.



The Intensive English Class have been developing their vocabulary skills across all subject areas. In Science they have focused on water and clouds and have begun to construct an explanation of how clouds are formed. They participated in a hands-on experiment of making a cloud in a jar.



In English we have been creating word clines and developing our language skills. Students worked in groups and played communication games.



Throughout this term Koorringal High School have been working closely with STARTTS counsellors to develop social skills and practical techniques to help within daily lives. We have been successful in a nomination for a humanitarian award Rural and Regional. Bindee Jobe accepted this award on Monday on our behalf.



Year 10 Dance

Students have participated in the Secondary Aboriginal Dance Program this term. This was an amazing opportunity for our students. The program was run by the talented Dance Teachers at the Sydney Bangarra Dance Theatre. Our sessions were completed over Zoom. Our students learnt Aboriginal dance movements, as well as having the opportunity to compose their own movements that represent KHS and the Wagga community.

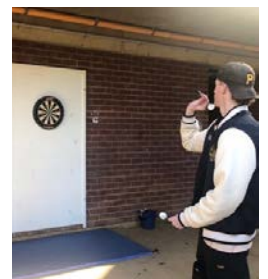


Year 10 Child Studies

Child Studies students have been studying a unit called Food and Nutrition in Childhood. Students have completed a number of practical activities including planning 3D food plates, making pinatas and biscuit decorating. Their assessment task was to plan a party for a particular child with an allergy or food intolerance. The students have thoroughly enjoyed learning about different allergies and food intolerances and how they can cater for each individual's needs when planning a party.



Out and About In PDHPE



CAREERS NEWS

KHS Careers website

The KHS Careers website is your one stop shop for all things careers.

<https://www.kooringalhighcareers.com/>

Paving Project

Year 9 and 10 students were recently involved in paving an area near the bus shelter at the front. The students learned some construction related skills while improving an area of our school that was typically wet and muddy during winter. Well done to all involved



Discover My Career Workshop

Some of our students recently took part in the Discover My Career workshop which aimed to target their work related strengths and possible future career options. Thank you to Jon from Squad for running the workshop.



Did you know KHS has our very own App?

You can send in an absentee note, change address details, access the online uniform shop, access school newsletters, access the student/parent portal and more!
You will also receive important messages to your device.



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