From the Deputy’s Desk

Term 3 is certainly flying by and Kanahooka High School is a hive of activity.

Year 12 have hit the home straight and are now completing their Trial HSC. The practical subjects with major works are almost complete. Congratulations to the students on their efforts over a sustained period. The Industrial Technology Timber projects are excellent and the scope and variety of major works in Visual Arts is most impressive. Well done to Mr Traicevski and Mr Powell.

Year 7 camp have headed down south with smiling faces and anticipation of the adventures that lay ahead. I am sure Mr McKay, Mrs Ates and the staff will come back with great stories and pictures. Year 9 Ski Trip have been lucky enough to have one of the best snow seasons in years and will no doubt tell us of their Winter Olympic style feats in the snow.

From a personal viewpoint, sitting in the Deputy chair the past five weeks has given me a clear indication that our school is headed in the right direction. The appointment of a new Principal is the next exciting step for Kanahooka High School as we look ahead to a new era of leadership.

Mr T Panecasio
Relieving Deputy Principal

Merit Presentation Evening

Due to unforeseen circumstances the Merit Presentation Evening has been postponed. The new date for the presentation evening is Tuesday 9 September at 6pm. The presentation evening is held to congratulate students who have been striving for excellence across a number of areas. Our school is very proud of these students and we continue to encourage others to work towards achieving their very best.

UPCOMING EVENTS 2014

Monday 25 to Friday 29 August
- Year 11 Hospitality Work Placement

Wednesday 27 & Thursday 28 August
- Southern Stars Rehearsals

Friday 29 and Saturday 30 August
- Southern Stars

Monday 1 & Tuesday 2 September
- Science Fair - Lunchtime activities

Wednesday 3 September
- Science Fair 6pm

Thursday 4 September
- Year 9 Careers Enrichment

Tuesday 9 September
- CAFS Excursion to Berry & Kiama
- 14’s & 15’s Football Gala Day
- Merit Presentation Evening 6pm

Wednesday 10 September
- P&C Meeting 7pm Common Room

Thursday 11 September
- Year 12 Hospitality Night Out

Thursday 11 to Friday 19 September
- Year 11 Examinations

Thursday 18 September
- Year 12 Graduation

Friday 19 September
- Year 12 Mystery Day
- Last day Term 3

Tuesday 7 October
- Term 4 begins

Monday 13 October
- HSC begins
**MEP News**

This week the MEP Table Tennis Tournament has really started to take off. The tournament consists of 12 players hitting it out in a round robin. Only the top 8 will make the finals and from there the winner will be decided. At the moment leading the comp is Harry Carusi-Smith and in close second James Millington. The tournament has just begun and many more competitors are battling it out for a position in the top 8. We will keep you posted.

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**Southern Stars #webelieve2014**

There is only one more week until Southern Stars hits the stage at the WIN Entertainment Centre on Friday August 29 and Saturday 30 and there are still tickets available to all four shows, with Saturday night selling quickly.

The Saturday matinee is a great opportunity for families to attend and with a family ticket at $140 (two adults and two children) it’s great value too. Friday night tickets are also still available.

If you don’t have a child involved in the show this year don’t let that stop you from getting a ticket to the biggest arena style show to take place in Wollongong each year.

The show has something for all ages and musical tastes, and the little ones in particular will love seeing the segment on their childhood heroes – both the traditional ones and new ones like Elsa from Frozen. Let them go!

The show is a celebration of all that we believe in, from our earliest memories right through to adulthood. We believe that you will be amazed by the talents of our public school children and that you will really love the show.

Thank you to all the businesses and individuals who have taken on our challenge to find 100 Friends of Southern Stars in August. We have nine so far including Mortgage Choice, Peoplecare, Dion’s Buses, Danz Gallery and individuals Rae Mitchell and Jeannette and Stan Warren, Lynn and Norman Saad, and Jacqui McGee. We are still looking for more to secure the show’s future so if you or your business would like to become a friend of the show contact Sharon Buikstra 0419 402 033 or email sharon.buikstra@det.nsw.edu.au

Please support Southern Stars by getting along to the show. Buy your tickets today through Ticketmaster.
Exemption from Attendance
If your child is going to be absent from school for a period of time e.g. travel or sickness, you can apply for an Exemption from Attendance at School. This form is available at our Front Office and needs to be approved by the Acting Principal, Ms Toohey.

Credit Card phone payments and EFTPOS now available at the school office.

Young ICT Explorers
Congratulations to our Year 11 students, Matthew Moukaddem, Joel Hudson, Aaron Gentle and Ethan Marsland who gained a Merit in the category Year 11-12, at the Young ICT Explorers Competition at UNSW on Saturday 16 August.

Young ICT Explorers encourages students from primary schools and high schools across NSW to create apps, games, websites, robots or other technology. The students worked on their project for a year and all in their own time. They received lots of interest and praise for their ICT work and for their great sense of teamwork.

Kanahooka High was the only high school in the Illawarra to be represented and one of the few Public Schools. Congratulations boys!

If you are interested in computers and want to find out more about getting a project entered in the Young ICT Explorers competition 2015, see Ms Phelan. Let’s have a girls group next year as well!

Ms A Phelan
Careers

Participating Schools 2014
23 Schools
78 Projects
145 Students

- Narrabeen College
- Coffs Harbour High School
- Wauchope Public School
- St Mal’s Primary School Campus
- Kooragang Public School
- Loreto Junior School
- MLC School
- The Junction Public School
- De La Salle College
- Abbotsleigh Junior School
- Emanuel School
- Northern Beaches Christian School
- Macarthur Anglican School
- Knox Grammar School
- Fairvale High School
- Seton High School
- Manly Selective Campus
- North Sydney Boys High School
- Kanahooka High School
- Chatswood High School
- Neutral Bay Public School (1)
- Masman High School (1)

Second Hand Uniforms
If you have any spare second hand uniforms that you wish to donate to the clothing pool, please send them in to the front office. They would be very much appreciated. Thank you.

Canteen News
Kanahooka High School Canteen is in need of volunteers.

If you can help out please contact Jan in the canteen on 4261 4011.
Australian Air Force Cadets

314 Squadron is recruiting!
Attend an information session with your parent(s) or guardian(s)

Date: Tuesday, 26 August 2014 or Tuesday, 02 September 2014
Time: 7 pm, for approx 1 hour
Location: Lake Illawarra Cadet Facility
2/1 Northcliffe Drive
Warrawong
(between the Illawarra Rowing Centre and The Illawarra Yacht Club)

More information:
314sqn.aafc.org.au
co.314sqn@aafc.org.au
(02) 4276 3906 (Tuesday nights)

Enjoy Science? Want to be part of a team? Then Join THE BURNERS.

This is the brand new Science group where you can join with your friends to work on interesting challenges and problems across all branches of Science.

What can we offer?

- Fun
- Challenges
- Food
- Learning
- Entry into Science Fair
- Excursions
- Awesome Prizes
Dapto Little Athletics

2014/15 Season Details
We compete 2pm on Saturdays in Sept/October and then 5:30pm on Thursdays Nov - March

Start: Saturday 20th September
Venue: Dapto High School
Ages: 3 to 17 years of age

Registration Days at Dapto High School on the following dates -
Sunday 31st August – 10am to 2pm
Saturday 6th September – 10am to 2pm

For further information, contact Andrew Kolts – 0402 840 983 or visit www.daptolittleathletics.org.au or find us on facebook.

Registration Dates for Dapto Junior Cricket

Reed Park Cricket Nets
Saturday 16th August - 12.00pm to 3.00pm
Saturday 23rd August - 12.00pm to 3.00pm

Dapto Leagues Club
Saturday 30th August - 12.00pm to 3.00pm
Saturday 13th September - 12.00pm to 3.00pm

Junior Fees
U10’s - $115.00
U11’s & U12’s - $135.00
U14’s & U16’s - $145.00

$20.00 off fees if there is more than 1 child registering from the same family
Milo Cricket - 5 to 9 years old - $70.00

Urban Dance Crews
From these workshops, a number of students may be identified to form the 2014 Urban Dance Crew. Any student who is unable to attend the workshops and would like to audition for the Urban Dance Crew must contact Kirsten at kirsten.diekema1@det.nsw.edu.au to seek approval to audition via YouTube.

Workshop dates and venues:
Tuesday 9 September
Keira High School
10.00am – 3.00pm
Lynah St, Fairy Meadow
Cost: $22.00 (inc GST)

Apply online at:
Senior Boys Hip Hop Workshop Application
Applications close 28 August 2014
- Don’t miss out!

For further information please visit our website at www.artunit.nsw.edu.au or contact Kylie Watts – 0413 679 856, kylie.watts@det.nsw.edu.au.

The 13th Annual
Dapto Art & Craft Show
Saturday 30th & Sunday 31st of August 2014

Shop till you drop

Build Your Stash
Grab a Gift for Fathers Day
Kids Craft Corner

Bring the Kids
Learn New Skills

Free Giveaways
Lucky Door Prize, Raffle & More!

Stock up on Supplies
Hand Made Items
Paper, Beads
Patchwork
Fabric, Thread
Wood

All Funds raised will go towards new and present community support services provided by CareWays Community Dapto Neighborhood Centre
P&C News

The next meeting will be held in the Common Room on Wednesday 10 September at 7.00pm.

Judy Bertinato
P&C President

SAVE THE DATE

Illawarra Coal
RUN WOLLONGONG

WE'RE BACK & CAN'T WAIT TO BE BIGGER & BETTER!
SUNDAY OCTOBER 19, 2014

100% of every registration goes straight to the redevelopment of Wollongong Children’s Ward & Illawarra Shoalhaven Children’s Assessment Unit.

RUN, WALK OR ROLL ... JUST GET INVOLVED!

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NO CONTRACTS NO DIRECT DEBITS Pay as you go!

After School Fitness Program

Is up and running again in Term 3! All students who want to get active, improve fitness and most of all have fun are welcome!

When: Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons
Time: 2:45 to 3:45pm
Where: Kanahooka High School – Fitness Room
What to bring: Water Bottle and Towel

A big thank you to all students who participated last term! I am very proud of your constant efforts to improve and achieve your best. A special mention to David Whitehouse in Year 11 who has demonstrated great commitment to the program and is always improving. Well done to all!

Mr R Cox

Mobile Phones at School

Please remember to only call your child at recess or lunch breaks.

Urgent calls can be left with the front office on 4261 4011.
Punctuality for School

It is very important for your child’s progress that they be in class ready to start at 8.30am. If students miss the beginning of the lesson they are not getting the explanation that the rest of the class receive from the teacher. This impacts on development of their knowledge and understanding.

School begins at 8.30am. We need all students to be at school before 8.30am so that when the bell goes for the start of the day they can proceed directly to first period.

If your child is late we ask that you give them a note explaining the reason for their lateness. We would also ask that you write and sign the note.

Students who are late to school without a parental explanation will be issued a lunch detention.

Celebrate Attendance
Hints and Tips No. 3: Writing notes

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:
1. Date that the note was written;
2. Child’s name;
3. Days/dates the child was absent from school;
4. The reason the child was absent;
5. The signature of the child’s parent or caregiver.

If more than one child from the same family has been absent a separate note for each child should be written.

A note should be brought to school on the first day the student returns to school after an absence. Your school is required to investigate all unexplained absences (where a child has been absent and no explanation has been received) within two days.

Did your child give the note to their teacher? This can sometimes be a problem with younger children.

Kanahooka High School
After School Tutorial Centre

All welcome and it’s FREE!

Held in the School Library with Teacher supervision.

Refreshments provided.

Every Tuesday & Wednesday
Time: 2.30pm to 3.30pm

Come along and get help with your homework, assignments and assessments.
TRY BASEBALL
AT CHIEFS
Dapto Chiefs Junior Baseball Club invites all boys & girls ages 5+
to TRY BASEBALL
Come to our Try Baseball Days
Saturday 23rd & 30th August
At Reed Park 10am - 12.30pm
Contact
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