



# KALBARRI DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL

Our school is here to...  
*provide a supportive environment for  
 students to develop relevant skills,  
 knowledge, attitudes and values  
 that maximise individual potential  
 in a global society.*

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## COMING EVENTS

22 March 2017

### MARCH

Friday 24 Whole School Assembly  
 Wednesday 29 Primary Parent Meetings  
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 Thursday 30 CLONTAF Visit  
 Friday 31 NCVISSA Swim Carnival

### APRIL

Friday 7 Anzac Assembly  
 Friday 7 Last Day of Term 1  
 Monday 24 Staff Development Day  
*Students Do Not Attend*  
 Wednesday 26 First Day of Term 2

## 2017 SCHOOL PRIORITIES



This year our three priority areas at Kalbarri District High School are; **Attendance, High Quality Teaching and Health and Wellbeing**. Priority areas are set by schools to reflect school and system-wide directions. Setting these three areas as school priorities allows us to create and implement plans that will result in better outcomes for our students at our school.

### ATTENDANCE

We are implementing a number of strategies to assist in raising our attendance rates. We are significantly below the Western Australian average. Strategies include rewarding individuals and classes for high attendance and creating attendance plans for students who are attending below 90% of the time. We believe that getting students to school more regularly will have a positive bearing on their achievement.

### HIGH QUALITY TEACHING

Our High Quality Teaching Committee has highlighted two areas for focus this year. The first is the use of engagement strategies to combat apathy in some students. Engagement strategies are strategies that help to grab the attention students and motivate them to participate enthusiastically in their learning. The staff at KDHS are working together to uncover and share some of the great engagement strategies already being used and research and trial others. The other focus of High Quality Teaching is the use of Formative Assessment. The goal of formative assessment is to *monitor student learning* to provide ongoing feedback that can be used by staff to improve their teaching and by students to improve their learning. We have a wealth of experience on staff and we are sharing and trialing best - practices in this area as part of this plan.

### HEALTH AND WELL-BEING

Health and Well-Being has been highlighted as one of our priorities because it is an area we are constantly working to improve on. Students have very complex social and emotional needs that are required to be met at school. We are planning to conduct professional learning for our staff in this area to assist in meeting these needs. Another large aspect of this priority area is our Positive Behaviour Support Program which is up and running and is already having a positive impact on our students. The Health and Wellbeing Committee will also be reviewing resources used to deliver the Health curriculum and promoting Health within our school with a few special events.

As always the staff at Kalbarri District High School are committed to improving the standards of literacy and numeracy with our students.

### PRIMARY PARENT TEACHER MEETINGS

Next week we will be running our Primary Parent teacher meetings. Please see your child's teacher or the ladies in the front office to book a time. The meetings will run for 15 minutes and will give you a chance to discuss your child's progress at school.

Thursday March 30	KPP Mrs Davidson Year 1 Mrs Heelan Year 3/4 Mrs Keenan Year 5 Mrs Tennant / Mr Loffler Year 6 Mr McQuade
Tuesday April 4 <sup>th</sup>	Year 2/3 Ms Currie

## PRIMARY DEPUTY PRINCIPAL REPORT

Year 2/3	Abby	For consistently participating very well in all class activities and always doing her best. Good on you Abby!
Year 3/4	Keeley	For working with a responsible and positive attitude. Keeley always does her best work.
Year 5	Pia	For her awesome effort in persuasive writing. Pia structures her writing using paragraphs and often uses humour to help convince the audience to agree with her point of view.
Year 6	Tom	Tom has again just snuck ahead this week through meeting PBS- EXPECTATION OF THE FORTNIGHT. "Do Your Best - Challenge Yourself" and earning 8 Personal Best points.

### STUDENT COUNCIL NEWS

#### DICSO

The Student Council will be running a disco on Friday the 31<sup>st</sup> of March at the Sport and Recreation Hall.

Primary (K-6) – 5PM- 6.30PM

Secondary- 6.30pm – 8.30pm

Snacks and drinks will be sale

The cost is \$5 and all proceeds will go towards subsidising our Year 11 and 12s Senior High School Country Week next term.

#### STUDENT COUNCIL RECYCLING PROGRAM

The Student Councillors are leading two new recycling programs in our school this year. Our school will become a recycling hub for Nescafe Pods. We have been able to get three large recycling boxes from Nescafe for us to collect the pods in our area. When the boxes are full they supply us with free postage to get the pods back to their Sydney recycling plant. The aluminium will be melted down and reused and the coffee granules will be used in compost. Hopefully we can stop pods used in Kalbarri ending up at the rubbish tip. If you have pods to be recycled, the box will be outside the front office from next week.



The Councillors are also running a phone recycling program. If you have an old phone lying around please send it in to the school to be recycled. We will bag them up and send them to ARP (Aussie Recycling Program) and money raised will go to Humane Society International's Save the Mountain Gorilla Program.



#### FREE DRESS DAY

The Student Councillors will be holding a **Free Dress Day** on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> of April. There is no gold coin donation needed.

Luke Bradley

Primary Deputy Principal

## SECONDARY DEPUTY PRINCIPAL REPORT

Last Thursdays ASPIRE incursion for the school was a great success with both secondary and primary students engaged in a day of activities and workshops. The ASPIRE Team always come prepared and are very enthusiastic in their interaction with the students. The day consisted of problem solving activities and information sessions such as, Find Your Future Year 5/6, Building Aspirations Year 2-4 and Uni Discovery Year 9/10. Later in the year their will be the opportunity for Year 9 and Year 11 students to be selected for the ASPIRE camps in Perth. These camps are to give regional students the opportunity to experience university life and inspire them to pursue a university pathway. One of our ASPIRE success stories is Damita Dixon who was accepted into UWA this year and is studying a Bachelor of Arts. Our Year 11 cohort this year has 9 ATAR students who all have intentions of pursuing a university pathway.

We have completed our first round of OLN testing for Year 10/11/12 students and it was excellent to have nearly all of those students completing the tests. Passing the tests in numeracy and literacy is now a requirement for WACE graduation and we view this as very important, we are always striving to make sure that all our senior students graduate with a WACE certificate.

Stuart Teasdale

Secondary Deputy

## P&C REPORT

"The KDHS Parents and Citizens Association has recently held its Annual General Meeting. Unfortunately this year we had a less than expected turnout of numbers attend. Due to the low numbers of members and the positions of President and Secretary not being filled this leaves us with some difficult decisions. As your local P&C run the Canteen and Uniform shop we have legal obligations we have to meet to continue to have these services provided to you and your children. Not being able to meet these requirements will mean we will have to close the Canteen and Uniform shop. As our time frame is minimal for this we are asking for your support. If you use the Canteen or Uniform shop please give some of your time and join the P&C as no one wants these services gone from our school. There is nothing too in depth about what we do as members and all roles can be worked on and shared around to lessen the load. Basically we need numbers and as stated previously these are the reasons why. Any time you can give will benefit all. Membership forms can be found at the schools front desk or from Petro at the Canteen. Membership is the measly sum of \$1. If you would like to know more about the P&C you can contact Justin [justin.golding@hotmail.com](mailto:justin.golding@hotmail.com) The next P&C meeting will be held once school goes back next term. Please come and show your support. Meeting date and time will be advertised in newsletter and on schools notice board.

The P&C would like to thank all the parents that generously donated baked goods for our cake stall on Election Day. We raised \$114.00. A great effort. Thank you to Hailey Ralph and her team for volunteering their time on the day.

### KALBARRI CRICKET CLUB

#### KALBARRI FOOTBALL AND CRICKET COMMUNITY EVENTS SCHEDULE SATURDAY MARCH 25TH 2017

**FROM 9AM** All ages 16 and under development training and preseason scratch match's Gold verses Green for the Kakkas Cup. Super 8s, 10s, 12s 14s Boys and Girls and Men's AFL 9s and AFL Masters information and Registration Day for all community football groups

**FROM 12PM** Final Junior Cricket match for the season Vs Hutt River ages 10 - 15 Green Vs Gold in the Hutt River Cup.

Women's AFL Grand Final on the Big Screen

**FROM 3PM** Kalbarri Vs Hutt River 20/20 Big Bash in the final game of the year.

**FROM 6PM** KCC match presentation and Wind-Up for season 2016/2017 with Round 1 AFL match Essendon Vs Hawks on the Big Screen. Half Time Hero's with the Biggest Torry and the best hang in "King of the Pack"

### MATHLETICS

Mathletics had seven superb efforts last week, with those students again meeting the standards of,

#### **PBS- EXPECTATION OF THE FORTNIGHT "Do Your Best- Challenge Yourself"**

Well done to Jessica A, Harry G, Ella T, Dylan McK, Lily D, Ricki E, and champion of the week with 3950 points Emily D.

Great work gang!

### NORTHAMPTON JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB



The 2017 season is here! Please join us at  
**Northampton Junior Rams!**

All players in UNDER 10's, 12's, 14's and 16's. Season starts 29/30 April first training Friday 31 March @ Northampton Community Centre Oval. Register and pay at the link below or at our first training <https://membership.sportstg.com/regofrm.cgi?aID=5794&pKey=09e83d27ae751e4f8b21c5071cfb25f5&cID=89994&formID=36056>

For all further information please email Rochelle at [northamptonjfl@gmail.com](mailto:northamptonjfl@gmail.com)

### A MESSAGE FROM THE CHAPLAIN

#### PETER'S CHAP CHAT #417

*"Let's do this together!"*

How can I help my child get good friends?

Did you know that being able to make friends is a skill that you can learn? The following are some guidelines for your consideration...

- Ask your child to do some reflecting... "What qualities do you have that would make people want to be your friend?" And more importantly, "How do people know that about you? How do you let people see what you value, what's important to you, and who you really are?"
- Not everyone will become a BFF!
- How do we engage in conversation? Practice making light & easy conversation about hobbies, music, homework. Keep it positive and teach the value of LISTENING.
- Conflict is a natural part of relationships. We need to fight fair and know when to stop arguing and cool off. Social media is particularly prone to conflict and we need to be able to say, "I think we're both really upset. Let's talk about this in person tomorrow."

Your child needs to feel safe and secure in their relationship with you and other adults in their life. They need to be able to count on you for unconditional love and support...not an easy road eh???

My 'door' is always open for a chat, blessings

Peter Hanrahan, Kalbarri D.H.S. Chaplain