



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

4 May 2017

MAY

Thursday 4 Road Trauma Day Yr 10,11 & 12
Tuesday 9 NAPLAN Week Yr 3, 5, 7 & 9
Wednesday 15 Year 12 External Exams
Wednesday 17 Rainbow Festival
Friday 19 Yr 5/6 AFL/Netball Carnival

MAY

Monday 29 Yr 11/12 Exams Start

JUNE

Friday 2 Yr 11/12 Exams Finish
Friday 9 8/9 AFL/Netball Carnival

PRINCIPAL REPORT



RESPECT RESPONSIBILITY CARING

As we steadily move into term 2 we have had a busy start. We have attached our term calendar and we know there will be added events as we move through the term. This is the term when teachers do their first formal report on students in their class. Please take the opportunity to talk to your child's teachers should you have concerns about your child's progress. It is best to make an appointment so that the time you require is set aside and fits with the teacher's schedule.

Reports will be available in the last week of term. NAPLAN testing for Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 will occur next week. This is a one off test for those classes that gives us an overview of how students, classes and the school are progressing. It is not the only gauge and moderated teacher judgement is still the best way to ascertain your child's progress.

Thank you to all staff and students and especially Year 11 and 12 for their tolerance and understanding this week while our school computers were out of action. On Monday and Tuesday computers were down as we had a new server installed and data migrated from one to the other.

Coming up in week 4 is the primary Rainbow Festival when all children from PP to Year 6 are involved in literacy activities.

During the last week of the term our senior students will be involved in the Senior Country Week. We haven't sent a team to this before, so our Volleyball team is practicing hard so that we can hold our heads high against Senior High Schools across the metro and regional areas.

Carol Goodwin
Principal

ATTENDANCE PRIORITY 2017

School Attendance Priority 2017

One of the targets that we have set for 2017 is to decrease unauthorised absences from 31% in 2016 to below 20%. The strategies that we are using to achieve this are firstly contacting parents through SMS texting when children are absent. We have employed this strategy to make it easy for parents to simply text back the reason why your child is absent. We would also encourage parents to let the school know if your child is going to be absent on that day, this can be done by phoning the school after 8.00am. Finally, if we do not receive authorisation for your child's absence we send out a letter twice a term with the dates of absence, which needs to be signed and returned to the front office. Our intention is to make it easy for parents and we ask for your assistance in reaching our target in 2017.

Stuart Teasdale
Deputy Principal

BIRTHDAYS

Congratulations and best wishes to the people who will celebrate their birthday over the next week.

Lucas Yr1, Clayton Yr1, Sophie Yr2, Audrey Yr3,
Tom Yr5, Luka Yr6, Bodee Yr9, Harrison Yr9,
Augusta Yr10, Mrs Davidson, Mr Van Den Bosch and
Mr Tennant.



We hope you have a fantastic day !



CONTRIBUTION AND CHARGES

Contributions and charges payments can be made at the school office during office hours 8am - 4pm Monday to Thursday or 8am - 3pm on Fridays. The school office only accepts cash or cheques. Alternatively you can pay by direct deposit into the school bank account using your child's name as the reference.

Kalbarri District High School

BSB: 016650

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VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED FOR THE BOOK FAIR

BOOKANEER BOOK FAIR

Monday 15 May - Wednesday 17 May

The Library is looking for volunteers to help with the Book Fair
If you are able to help please let Julie know in the library or contact the
front office.



A VISITING STUDENT FROM GERMANY

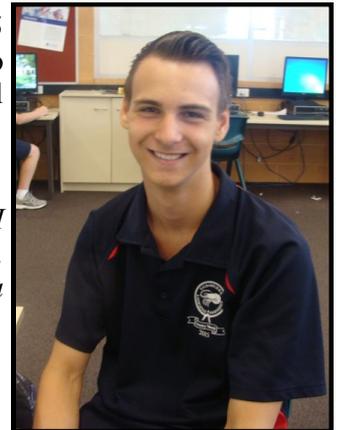
Last term Julian, a student from Germany, joined our Year 12 class. He was here for only 5 weeks and managed to pack in a lot of learning. Following are a few sentences he handed to me as he left. They are by way of a thankyou to all our students who made him feel welcome.

My Kalbarri Experience

I found Kalbarri to be very different to where I come from. Some of the great things I enjoyed were, playing basketball, fishing, eating all sorts of unhealthy food all over town, swimming, diving, snorkelling and camping at Lucky Bay. I told my friends that I have a surfing class at school, they were incredibly jealous.

So in conclusion, the time was way too short and I'd love to come back.

Julian Rimrodt



SECONDARY DEPUTY PRINCIPAL REPORT

It has been a busy start to Term 2 for our secondary students with the realisation that much is taking place in the next 10 weeks. We start this week with the Biannual Road Trauma Prevention Day for Year 10/11/12 students. A full day excursion involving the agencies in town such as the Police, SES, Health Centre and SJA to name a few. We look forward to this being as successful as the last day in 2015.

Teachers are contacting parents in regard to education plans for their children and would like to meet with parents to discuss these plans. We are very lucky in that our small cohort does give us the opportunity to work closely with individual students and parents to reach positive academic and social outcomes. Senior secondary students are preparing for exams in Week 6 of this term and developing revision skills. This is an opportunity to remind students of the necessity in having a well organised study timeframe that includes weekends and holidays.

Year 7 and 9 students will be doing NAPLAN next week on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. All students need to be present at school for these days. Students who do not attend on these days will be required to do the tests on Friday. Year 12 students who are completing General Courses in 2017 will be required to do the Externally Set Tasks in Week 4.

Teachers are also busy collecting data for the Semester 1 reporting period and require high attendance from students at all times.

Stuart Teasdale
Secondary Deputy Principal

FREE MENINGOCOCCAL VACCINE FOR YEAR 10, 11 AND 12



A vaccination to protect against meningococcal strains A, C, W and Y will be offered to 15-19 year olds in an Australian-first, statewide program to start in school Term 2. The campaign is in response to a concerning increase in the number of meningococcal W cases in WA and other States and Territories.

The incidence of the W strain has been rising since 2013 but jumped from four in 2015 to 14 last year. This compares with just three cases of meningococcal W in WA during the four-year period to 2014.

Research shows vaccinating 15-19 years olds is the most effective way to prevent the spread of meningococcal. More than 150,000 WA students and young adults are expected to be vaccinated over the three-year program, with the cost covered by the State Government, making it free to the target group.

This year, the program will provide immunisations in school to Year 10, 11, and 12 students, with additional vaccinations conducted at community health clinics to capture 18-19 year olds and other age-eligible persons not attending high school.

In 2018 and 2019, the program will target incoming Year 10 students only. The school-based vaccination program is expected to begin when sufficient vaccine supplies have been delivered, starting in school Term 2, with the majority of vaccinations planned for Term 3.

Our Year 10, 11 and 12 students received their consent forms today can you please return to the front office ASAP. For more information on meningococcal disease read frequently asked questions (PDF 237KB)

REWARDS BOX SECONDARY STUDENTS

Our High School Students are learning the Expected Behaviours from our PBS matrix. They are doing a great job at working towards the expectations of RESPECT, RESPONSIBILITY AND CARING. Our first three points of focus this year have been: listen attentively; do your best - challenge yourself; and show kind words and actions. We are implementing a High School rewards system (very similar to the Primary one) to encourage and acknowledge the students for their efforts. Our students have created a "rewards menu" where they can accrue pink slips and choose their own reward from their list. Once a week they can also be drawn from our reward box and receive canteen vouchers or stationery. Reinforcing our 'focus of the fortnight' at home, will also support your child to be RESPECTFUL, RESPONSIBLE AND CARING. Thank you to Macey and Gisele for decorating the High School rewards box!



A MESSAGE FROM THE CHAPLAIN

PETER'S CHAP CHAT #617

BEING A GREAT DAD!



“Train up a child in the way he should go – but be sure to go that way yourself.” Charles Spurgeon

As a Dad we have a huge role to play in the mental, physical and emotional well being of our children. I am a dad of four boys Benjamin, Jeremy, Simon and Patrick and now I am also a very proud Granddad!

So, what's the secret about becoming a great dad? It doesn't just happen; it is a building process, it is learning about ourselves and our children so that we can become better fathers. Over the next few Newsletters let's explore some ideas and tips to help us blokes with the hard job of being a dad...

Tip #1, Love your wife or partner.

This is the best thing that you can do for your children. They will pattern their lives after yours. Express your love in a way that your children can see. Tell her (your wife or partner) that you love her. Let there be no doubt in her mind and in your children's mind that you love her. Give her a hug, tell her she looks great, and make this a habit. Don't let your children speak badly to their mother. Defend her. Teach your children that speaking badly to Mum is not the way you do relationships. They will feel safer and more secure in a world that is ever changing and insecure.

My 'door' is always open for a chat, have a wonderful week!

Peter Hanrahan, Kalbarri D.H.S. Chaplain

Kalbarri District High School

Calendar - Term 2 - 2017

Wk	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
1	24 08:30 School Development Day	25	26	27	28 08:40 Yr 2/3 Local Excursion	29	30
2	1 MAY	2	3	4 08:30 Road Trauma Day Yr 10/11/12	5	6	7
3	8	9 09:00 Naplan	10 09:00 Naplan	11 09:00 Naplan	12	13	14
4	15 08:30 Yr 11/12 Externally set Exams 15/4-19/4 08:40 Bookfair	16 08:40 Book Fair	17 08:40 Rainbow Festival 08:40 Bookfair	18	19 08:40 Yr 5/6 AFL/Netball Carnival	20	21
5	22	23	24	25	26 08:40 Whole School Assembly Yr 1	27	28
6	29 08:30 Year 10 Exam Week 08:30 Yr 11/12 Exam Week	30	31	1 JUN	2	3	4 08:40 Bushrangers Camp 4-9 June
7	5 08:40 W.A. Day Public Holiday	6	7	8	9 08:40 Yr 8/9 Netball/Football Carnival	10	11
8	12	13	14	15	16 08:40 NCVISSA Carnival	17	18
9	19	20	21	22	23 08:40 Whole School Assembly Yr 2/3	24	25
10	26 08:30 Artist in Residence June 26-30 08:40 Country Week Yr 11/12 14:00 Reports Available	27	28	29	30	1 JUL	2