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Principal’s Comment

Ministers Award for Excellence in Student Achievement

Congratulations Sam Bannister

The highest award for achievement in the NSW Government School system is the Ministers Award for Excellence in Student Achievement.

Each year on average 40 students from across the state receive the award.

This week we received the news that our School Captain, Sam Bannister, will receive a Ministers Award at a ceremony at Parliament House in Sydney later this month.

Sam has an outstanding academic record as well as a strong history of leadership and involvement both in and outside the school.

We should all feel proud of the fact that a student from our school has been recognised at the highest level. Well done Sam!

Captains 2016

It is with pleasure that I am able to announce our Captains and Vice-captains for the 2016 school year.

Congratulations go to:

Captains: Sachi Bandara and Rebecca Forbes-Taber
Vice-Captains: Francis Elliott-Rudder and Gabrielle Pollard –Garbett

I know that they will do a fantastic job for the school community and I look forward to their success.

Thank You to our Unsuccessful Captains Candidates

I publicly extend my thanks to the 12 other candidates who stood for election but were unsuccessful in the ballot.

This year the quality of the candidature was the highest for many years and it really was a tough job separating students on the ballot paper. Significantly, I felt that any of the candidates would have filled the role with distinction, a sentiment that was expressed by many members of staff.

I thank Head Teacher Mrs Regan and Year Adviser Mrs Mattingly for the excellent job they have done in fostering the leadership contributions of all our candidates.

Special thanks also to Mr Mowbray and his Year 10 Commerce class who conducted the poll.
Year 9 PASS classes have started their new unit on Orienteering and Bush Survival Skills. They have been looking at how to use a compass and direct themselves around the school, and last week have learnt how to make a stretcher to carry an injured person out in the bush. In the upcoming weeks they will be looking at how to build a fire and many more skills to survive in the bush.

Both Miss Cowied’s and Miss Absolum’s/Mrs Macri’s classes have succeeded in making a stretcher to carry their peers around the school oval, simulating the bush.

Congratulations Amy Hawkins, Nathan L, Melissa H, Jess Oehm, Eilidh Lucas, Angela Byron and Annastasia Lucas who are Riverina Regional Winners of the Social Science, Secondary Division of the Tournament of Minds Competition. The team will now compete in the State finals at the UNSW on 13th September.

Congratulations to our Maths & Engineering Team consisting of Jessica Martin, Amy Martin, Chloe Dean, Kobi S, Hugh Schmetzer, Michael Nixon, Yomith Piyasiri did a great job and received an Honours Award at the Tournament of Minds Competition. Thank you also to Mrs McArthur who was the facilitator for the group.

Well done to our Social Science Team consisting of Bridget Elliott-Rudder, Jess Barrow, Elizabeth Hartley, Zac Taylor & Samantha Ritchie who also did a great job at the Tournament of Minds Competition.

Thank you to Mrs Harrison facilitator of the Social Science teams, Matthew Crouch who co-facilitated with Mrs Harrison and who was also a judge on the day.
Former Kooringal High School student and Author Gabrielle Tozer is coming to Kooringal High School to give an author talk on the 14th September in the PAV. See your English teacher or Ms Lightfoot for more information.

The Year 9 Child Studies class went on excursion to Amy Hurd Early Learning Centre last Thursday. This was the first of four sessions at the centre. Students were engaging with the young children in play-based activities as well as assisting with morning tea.

Congratulations to James Scott of Year 11 who after umpiring at the PSSA State Softball Championships here in Wagga last week, has been selected to umpire at the Pacific School Games in Adelaide in November this year. This is a huge achievement for James and KHS would like congratulate him and wish him all the best for his upcoming trip

Congratulations to our U/15 boys basketball team who on Monday participated in a competition at Bolton Park where they won 3 from 4 games, losing their only game by one shot. Best players on the day were: Jacob Edwards, Jackson H, Jacob H, Zac Pinney, Nathan Clarke, Eddie M, George Kendall, Cameron Elphick & Kyle Schmetzer

Congratulations to our Show Team who came away with two seconds and two third place ribbons at the recent Ganmain Show.

Congratulations to the Year 11 Committee who ran a fabulous trivia night on Wednesday night last week. The night was enjoyed by everyone. Staff present were impressed by the independence, co-operation and general level of maturity displayed by students on the night. Well done to the Committee: Gabby Pollard-Garbett, Sachi Bandara, Bec Forbes-Taber, Georgina Noack, Matt Tom, Yifei Wang, Francis Elliott-Rudder, Liah Elliott Rudder, Yahni, Mackenzie, Adam & Georgia. The committee was well supported by PAV President Connor Crawford.

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Congratulations to all involved with the Shipard Shield competition. Unfortunately our girls were beaten by Mater Dei in the grand final last night 2 - 0. It was a great game despite the weather. Thank you to Mr Antill (Shipard Shield) & Mrs Tregea (Creed Cup) for all their coaching.

Well done to our boys too who finished fourth in the Creed Cup

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Host: Jean van Asperen
When: Saturday 19.9.15
2.30pm – 4.30pm
Where: 449 Uranquinty Cross Rd,
Uranquinty
RSVP: 0400 245 356 or
https://highteaforhamlin.everydayhero.com/au/jean
Extra info: $15 per head
Raffle and games. All funds go to
Hamlin Fistula Ethiopia

Canteen helpers urgently required!
If you can help for a few hours a day,
week, fortnight or month please contact
Amanda on 6922 4286

Pathways School Dental Program is available to all interested parents that would like their child to have a free dental check up with CSU Thursday mornings through school. They clean their teeth, X-ray, protective coating if needed and do fillings with parent/caregiver permission. A bus will pick up students and return them to school before 12:30. Forms can be download from the KHS Facebook page or collected from the library. Please return signed permission note to the library. This is a totally free service that can save families $$

MhsCareers Newsletter has information for students interested in apprenticeships, full time work, TAFE, private training and university pathways - there are also lots of competitions advertised through the newsletter. Like MhsCareers' Facebook Page - https://www.facebook.com/mhscareers

Homework Centre
A Homework Centre has started of a Wednesday from 3pm – 4pm in the Library. Come along and get help with assessment tasks, assignments, homework, class work, or do some quiet individual reading. Feel free to come along and do some work until your bus arrives or stay until the end at 4pm.

Monday Madness
An opportunity for Year 7 and 8 students to practice drama skills. Each Monday from 3:30-4:30. Activities include drama games and script work.

English Study Sesh
Held each Thursday of Term 3 between 3:30 and 5pm giving the opportunity to use a space for quiet study and individual help and/or specific study skills.