



Tech Talk 2021

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"We acknowledge the Traditional Owners of the Land on which our School is situated. We pay our respects to Barapa Barapa Elders past, present and future." KTHS Community



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19th February, 2021

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Flexible Remote Learning

Return to school Thursday 18th February! This was great news to have the Lockdown and return to remote learning last only 5 days. I would remind everyone that masks are required indoors, including when travelling on the bus, and outside when you cannot socially distance 1.5m from each other. WELCOME BACK!!!!!!!

It was with a sense of foreboding that I let the school community know school would be in remote learning from Monday 15th to Wednesday 17th Feb. inclusive. It was a feeling of "here we go again", tinged with uncertainty as to what would happen after the 17th of February.

I would like to thank you all for your support and consideration during the three day return to remote learning. School's have had very little time to prepare for it and I was very proud of what the school achieved at such short notice. Our school was able to act so quickly because KTHS staff have continued posting lessons online through XU NO, in readiness for any further remote learning periods. Transferring to online remote learning was simply a matter of 'flicking the switch' and getting computers out to those who needed them. This was achieved in just over an hour thanks to the forward planning. Unfortunately, the year 7 students were away on camp and not returning to school until Friday 3:00pm. Therefore work packs were prepared for them to take home as they stepped off the bus from camp. Once again this was achievable because of the cooperation of everybody at school.

Throughout the lock down school was still open, run by a skeleton crew. Staff here, supervised students whose parents could not work from home and students deemed to be vulnerable.

While the lock down was only for a short period of time you may have still experienced some degree of anxiety. The Department COVID-19 helpline is available weekdays from 8:30am to 5pm on 1800 338 663 to discuss any concerns you would raise.

School Review

Due to the Lock down the review has been postponed until Monday 22nd. Once it begins, staff will be working with the reviewer and two challenge partners to assess the school's performance against goals set 4 years ago. The end outcome will be the development of a new set of goals to see the school through the next four years.

Junior School News

Year 7 Camp

Last week fifty-one Year 7 Students attended a three day camp at Camp Kookaburra. Students were divided into three groups and had the opportunity to participate in a variety of adventure activities including abseiling, flying fox, initiatives course, archery, low ropes course, indoor climbing, canoeing and raft building. Over the three days the students developed confidence and showcased outstanding teamwork skills, however it was fabulous to see new friendships develop. For each activity, the groups given points for their teamwork, effort and behaviour.

At the conclusion of the camp, staff awarded student prizes for those who demonstrated the following:

Most Supportive: Seth Hall

Most Encouraging: Archer Lancaster & Jack Keath

Best Teamwork: Jaxson Neil

Most Respectful: Will Hogg

Most Determined: Will Mellington

Most Considerate: Maia Velleley

Most Courageous: Jake McGee

Most Courteous: Jardal Orminston & Riley Longmuir

Most Persistent: Hunter Ash

Quiet Achiever: Hannah Buckow & Montana Wilson

It was a pleasure to take the students away. I would like to thank Mr. Robinson, Mr. Morison, Mr. Bannister, Mrs. Grills, Sharon, Miss Demaria for giving up their time to attend camp for the three days. Thankyou also to Mr. Henry and Mr. Rogers for visiting on Wednesday and Thursday.

Zoe Ferrier—Junior School Leader







SWAN HILL DIVISION SWIMMING SPORTS

RESCHEDULED TO TUESDAY
MARCH 2ND





Year 7 'Meet and Greet'

As previously published, we are looking to hold a year 7 Meet and Greet evening. The night will be informal with parents having the opportunity to meet their child's Year 7 teachers along with Mr. Paul Robinson, our Year 7 Co-ordinator. Given the current restrictions, further information will be provided in terms of whether or not this event can proceed.

Date: Wednesday, 3rd March—please note change of date

Time: 4:45pm-6:00pm

Venue: KTHS Library



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GIRLS OF ALL AGES

JUNIOR NETBALL REGISTRATION/ COME & TRY

Thursday February 19th

Thursday 25th Feb from 5.15pm

COME MEET OUR JUNIOR COACHES, TRY OUT & REGISTER TODAY!

LOCATION:
RIVERSIDE PARK, KERANG

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN

IN ALL JUNIOR AGE GROUPS:
NETSETGO, UNDER 12'S, 14'S,
16'S & 18'S

MORE INFO:
CONTACT KIRSTYN ON 0408 509 221 OR
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KERANG
Football Netball
Club Inc.

BE PART OF OUR TEAM IN 2021

SHARPEN YOUR SKILLS,
MAKE FRIENDS FOR LIFE AND
BELONG TO A SPORT YOU'LL LOVE,
PLAY JUNIOR NETBALL AT
RIVER RAIDERS



Venue

Barham Recreation Reserve Netball Courts
Registration Night for Juniors and Seniors
18th February 2021 at 4.45pm

Contact For more information

Netball Manager - Julie 0408133410

Head Coach - Rianna 0409174673

Active Kids Vouchers can be used for Netball



DANCESCAPE

Dance Classes Commence Monday 8th February

Presbyterian Church Hall

Victoria St, Kerang

Enquiries 0438 568 592



Science & Engineering Challenge is Back in 2021!

The Science Domain will select 32 students to attend the fun filled day completing science challenges, with 2 of our past students, Engineers Toby Hastie and Ester Thomson at the helm. Eager student can let Ms Batchelor or Mr Morison know they would like to attend, and the final 32 will have permission forms sent home prior to February 25.



SCIENCE & ENGINEERING CHALLENGE IS BACK!

The challenge is a nationwide STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) outreach program that is presented by the University of Newcastle in partnership with communities & a range of sponsors

Through this challenge students will be exposed to all aspects of science & engineering.

ARRIVE AT EVENT: 9:30 AM
INTRODUCTION: 9:55 AM
MORNING ACTIVITIES: 10:00 AM
BBQ LUNCH PROVIDED: 11:45 AM
AFTERNOON ACTIVITIES: 12:15 PM
BRIDGE TESTING: 1:55 PM
PRESENTATION: 2:30 PM

THURS FEBRUARY 25TH
THE GRAINSHED SWAN HILL

For more information please contact MMLLEN on 5033 2017 or email projects@mmlen.com



KTHS School Council are seeking new members for 2021/22

Form 3: self-nomination form for parent member category

I wish to declare my candidacy for an elected position as a parent member on the school council.

Name

Residential Address:

Contact phone (mobile or landline):

Email:

I am the parent/guardian of
who is/are currently enrolled at this school.

Statement	Yes <i>(Mark with an x)</i>	No <i>(Mark with an x)</i>
I am an employee of the Department of Education and Training		
I am an employee of the school council		
I am engaged in work at and for the school.		

I am prepared to serve as a parent member of the above-named school council.

I hereby declare that:

- I am not, and have never been, insolvent under administration
- I am of sound mind
- I have not been found guilty of an offence that is, or would if committed in Victoria be, an indictable offence
- I am not a registrable offender within the meaning of the *Sex Offenders Registration Act 2004*.
- I am not suffering from any medical condition that would affect my ability to perform the role of member of a school council.

Signature of Candidate

Date:	
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International Asperger's Day

February 18th is International Asperger's Day. It aims to highlight the significance of Asperger syndrome for both society and individuals. It also illustrates the many challenges to the newcomer trying to understand the autism spectrum.

What is Autism Spectrum disorder (ASD)?

It is a lifelong condition that affects the way a person processes and experiences their environment. It includes a wide range of differences in how people think, feel, and communicate **with the world around them. Asperger's Syndrome people usually do not experience a delay in language development.** People with Autism often find it difficult to read social signals such as body language, facial expressions and eye contact. As a result they find it hard to communicate and interact with others.

Although people on the Autism Spectrum often have difficulty socially, many have above average intelligence, especially those with Asperger's; Syndrome. They may excel in fields such as science, arts, literature, math's and computer programming.

Support is available at Asperger Services Australia. Your School can help with adapting learning for a child with Autism. Just remember to be patient, to be understanding, to be accepting of people with differences.

Cheers Meg

IMAGINE not being able to talk, use your hands, use facial expressions or gestures, & you had not been taught sign language.

IMAGINE Hearing 10 TV's at once & not being able to 'tune in' to any of them.

IMAGINE trying to find your way in a crowd, in a foreign country with only jumbles signposts to follow. And with directions which you can only partially understand.

IMAGINE you had just landed on another planet & you did not know the inhabitants, their language & customs, how they interacted, or how you should behave in their presence.



— 18th February —
INTERNATIONAL ASPERGER'S
 Awareness Day