



"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.



# TECH TALK 2024

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

### EDUCATION WEEK:

Education week has been celebrated at Kerang Technical High School with a number of activities organised by staff and students.

On Monday, a Maths Day was held with student against student in a fun activity involving numbers.

The event was organised by the Maths Department and Mr Nemtsas with the help of the Vocational Major students.

On Friday, the Wellbeing Team put on a BBQ to recognise IDAHOBIT day which is a chance for KTHS to demonstrate its inclusiveness. Significantly IDAHOBIT day is 17th May, and linked to the World Health Organisation removing same sex relationships from the classification of Diseases.



### CHILD SAFE:

As part of the school review in Term 4 we are required to have all policies and procedures accounted for. One big area is the Child Safe Standards. These policies include expected behaviours, inclusive behaviours, reporting of incidents and how to make complaints. If you want to find out more these policies are available on our webpage at [www.Kerangths.vic.edu.au](http://www.Kerangths.vic.edu.au).

## PROTECT

Everyone has the right to be safe and be protected from abuse.

No one should behave in a way that makes you feel unsafe or afraid, including anyone in your family, anyone at school or anywhere else in the community.

Tell a teacher or any adult at your school if you feel unsafe.



It's everyone's responsibility.

Adults at school must listen and respond to concerns about child abuse.

If you suspect abuse of any child or young person, you have a responsibility to report it, even if you are not sure.

Further information & resources  
[www.education.vic.gov.au/protect](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/protect)



### AUDITS:

In the week just gone by the school had two Audits.

The first was doctors in school and the auditors were looking at our procedures and processes to see that everything was compliant. A couple of interesting facts is that there is 100 Doctor in Schools positions to fill throughout Victoria. Ninety-six of these positions are filled with a doctor.

Kerang technical High School is one of two schools that has a Nurse Practitioner instead of a doctor. Two positions are not filled. The report from the auditors was very favourable and they were impressed with our set up, location and processes.

A lot of other schools have their program set up in a portable and placed down the back. The Auditor's were also impressed with the explanatory video Miss Ferrier had created and want to use it in other schools.

Our school was described as exemplary. The other audit was the OHS Assurance audit. This audit is to confirm that the school is implementing the Departments Occupational Health and Safety Management System. In all there are 22 assessments that the auditor needs to see evidence of ranging from a walk through, chemical registers, OHS consultation critical incident management, reporting of incidents, staff professional development to Plant and Equipment maintenance.

At the end schools receive a grade out of 100.

I am pleased to announce KTHS received a score of 94.5.

This is thanks to the work of everyone and particularly Ms Vivienne O'Shea and Mr Dean Smith.

*Principal, Dean Rogers*

### STUDENT ILLNESS

A reminder to families, as per the Department of Education [Infectious Disease Policy](#) students with cold or flu-like symptoms are required to stay at home until symptoms have passed. Students experiencing vomiting or diarrhoea are to remain at home until there has not been vomiting or a loose bowel motion for 24 hours.



The shared vision of Kerang Technical High School is to provide our students with a quality education for the future in an inclusive and supportive environment.







# Building Works Nearly Complete

Just an update for all involved, essentially we are very close to being complete, which I'm sure everyone will be glad to hear



## RESTUMPING WORKS AND LOCKER AREA:

Completion anticipated by the end of next week so we can get locker bay, Common Room and Rms 16 and 17 back as rooms.



## BASKETBALL COURTS:



Fencing has been completed this week.



Plexipaving and line marking will occur next week,

for the most part completed next week.

## LOCKERS FOR SALE:

Now that the building works are complete the old lockers will be available for sale. They will be \$50 per unit ie 4 lockers initially and you pick which ones you want. Lesser quality or damaged lockers (we have replacement parts) will be \$30 per Unit. Please XUNO message Mr Smith if you are interested and quantity. This will become available once students have transitioned back into their lockers. The aim is to remove all old green lockers from outside the toilet block.







# TRANSITION WEEK

## 6th - 9th MAY, 2024



**Murrabit Group School** ↑

Transition days last week with students from Koondrook PS, Murrabit GS, St. Joseph's PS, Kerang Pri. School and Kerang South Pri. School attending KTHS. Transition Days provide the Grade six students with the experience of what a day in Secondary School will look like. They get to school the way they normally would, bus, walk, ride or parent drop off. While at school they are linked into the timetable and attend the six lessons as they would if at high school. This introduces the students to Secondary school and gives them the chance to get a feel for the school and the 'rhythm' of the school. Talking to the grade six students they all have had a good time and enjoyed themselves. Photographs in next week's Tech Talk of their class time activities.



**Kerang Primary School** ↑



**Kerang South Pri. School** ↑

↓ **Koondrook Primary School**



← **St. Joseph's Primary School**



# KTHS 2024 SPORT DATES

TERM 2			
<del>1</del>	<del>Friday 19<sup>th</sup> April</del>	<del>State Swimming</del>	<del>Melbourne</del>
<del>3</del>	<del>Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> May</del>	<del>Winter Sports</del>	<del>KER, SH, COH</del>
<del>4</del>	<del>Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> May</del>	<del>Smr Boys Football (10/11/12)</del>	<del>Swan Hill</del>
7	Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> May	LMR Cross Country	St Arnaud
10	Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> June	Open Girls Football (9-12)	Swan Hill
TERM 3			
1	Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	State Cross Country	Melbourne
5	Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> August <i>(back up Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> August)</i>	House Athletics	Kerang
8	Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September <i>(back up Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> September)</i>	Swan Hill Division Athletics	Kerang
TERM 4			
1	Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> October	LMR Athletics	Bendigo
3	Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> October	State Athletics	Melbourne
	TBC	Field & Game School Shoot	

**\* NOTE:** some dates are yet to be confirmed and there will be other events that will arise if we get students and teams through to the next level. If this occurs staff will be notified in a timely manner. More sporting dates may be added, depending on the outcome of Interschool sport: dates can be found at: <https://teamup.com/ksrvf3hixh44xjnr9>

Any questions, please come and see me! *Zoe Ferrier, Sports Co-ordinator.*

Student  
Voice

Fundraising

**WE NEED YOUR OLD CANS PLEASE**

and BOTTLES - SO IF YOU COULD, DROP THEM OFF INTO THE CRATE BESIDE THE SCHOOL LIBRARY. Thanks.

The Student Voice Team is after your discarded recyclable Cans and Bottles. We are raising money for new seating around the school. We appreciate any donations which can be left at the school.





Dear Parent/Guardian

A number of our senior school students are driving or intend to drive to school this year and some have indicated that they intend to carry another student as a passenger.

Despite the fact that most young drivers try to be careful, safety conscious and considerate when driving, research clearly shows that they are at a higher risk of having a serious crash than older, more experienced drivers.

The presence of young passengers also greatly increases the risk for teenage drivers and, the more passengers, the greater the risk.

It is important that all students and their parents/guardians are aware of these risks and the type of behaviour that the school expects from student drivers.

Copies of the school Policy on student drivers and the Parent Permission and Student Agreement Form are available upon request.

The policy outlines the school's expectations and provides information regarding the transport of passengers. Of particular note is that student drivers are not permitted to carry other students as passengers to and from school.

Under the Graduated Licensing System, no more than one peer aged passenger (aged 16-22 years) is permitted to travel with the driver, unless the passengers are siblings of the driver. The school requests that only siblings to travel to and from school with the licensed driver. This is based on research that shows that young drivers carrying several passengers are more likely to engage in risk taking behaviour. For more information, go to:

<https://www.vicroads.vic.gov.au/safety-and-road-rules/driver-safety>

To ensure that all involved are aware of these requirements, student drivers and a parent/guardian are required to sign a Parent Permission and Student Agreement Form.

The form must be signed and returned prior to students using the designated parking area on Burgoyne Street

These requirements are intended to ensure the welfare and safety of students at our school and the local community.

Mr. Dean Rogers  
Principal





# 2025 ENROLMENTS

*Kerang Technical High School are now accepting 2025 Enrolments.*

## FURTHER INFORMATION



03 54521062



Yrs 7-9: [Zoe.Ferrier@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:Zoe.Ferrier@education.vic.gov.au)

Yrs 10-12: [Nathan.Henry@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:Nathan.Henry@education.vic.gov.au)

RESPECT

RESILIENCE

RESPONSIBILITY



# Mallee Family Care Disaster Recovery Support

The Mallee Family Care Disaster Recovery Support Program offers assistance and guidance to help you with your concerns or challenges in relation to flood recovery.

## We can help with

- Insurance questions
- Legal advice
- Rebuild and repair guidance
- Housing advocacy
- Mental health support
- Grant applications
- Referral to other supports
- Financial counseling

### Mallee Family Care

Email: [disastersupport@malleefamilycare.com.au](mailto:disastersupport@malleefamilycare.com.au)

Free call: 50 324 479







Presenting the

# *Victorian State Concert Orchestra*

- Soprano, Veronica Iredale
- Conductor, Gerald Keunemann
- Tenor, Nicholas Matters
- Concertmaster and President, Loretta Frances Meagher

## Sunday 2 June, 2024

2.00 - 4.30pm (including a short intermission)

**Kerang Memorial Hall, 4 Nolan St, Kerang**

Afternoon tea provided

Tickets \$10 adults, children U16 FREE

Bookings: [www.trybooking.com/CRHMM](http://www.trybooking.com/CRHMM) or scan the QR code:



Tickets may also be purchased at Gannawarra Shire Council Customer Service centres in Kerang and Cohuna. For more information please call (03) 5450 9333



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