**Kingsgrove North High School** 

# The Way North

## Our Community Newsletter No. 6, 2018

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## Principal's Report

As we come to the close of another term I would like to take this opportunity of wishing year 12 students all the best in their upcoming HSC examinations. I would also like to congratulate Mr Jason Rozario on his appointment of Head Teacher PDHPE and wish him well in his permanent appointment.

This term has again been a busy one for our school with several whole school events taking place. Our showcase was a huge success with a total of 6 neighbouring schools taking part in both the Art exhibition and the showcase performances. The hall had close to 700 people watching the various performances. There are many people to thank for the evening but I would like to especially thank and acknowledge Ms Sarah Noulas and Ms Dioni Karpathakis.





The prefects investiture ceremony has also taken place and the new leadership team for 2019 are

#### Captains

Angela H. and Mohamed A.

Vice-Captains Georgia K. and Matthew B.

**Sports Captains** Alma R. and James C.

#### Prefects

Lisa M., Sahara R., Michelle T., Maree T., Jorja Z. Dean R., Shariq K., Ukasha M., Raphael E., Edison H.

Congratulations to the new team and we wish them a lot of success over the next year. At the same ceremony a new SRC (student representative council) was also elected and they will work in partnership with the leadership team on various events and projects as well.

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The new school entrance and office has now been officially handed over, the entrance to the school has also been enhanced with a bigger foyer. The new office layout has also resulted in more space with its new modern workstations for all staff.

There are also a number of pergolas about to be built which will provide more shaded area for students with summer fast approaching, this is complementing the work that Padstow TAFE are doing on the oval with the construction of two shelters.

The next big project that we are working towards is the development of the Indoor soccer court, which will replace the current volleyball court. This is proving to be a bigger project than first thought as the surface is in desperate need of repair before the new fencing and synthetic grass can be laid. The ground at one end has partly broken off due to the erosion underneath and I have engaged a structural engineer draw up plans to address this. Most of the work will now go to tender and we will provide all this information to the Asset Management unit and then decide if we will proceed.

I will be on leave for the first two weeks of term 4 in Vietnam as part of the DE International students recruitment. Ms Bilali will be relieving Principal during that time and we welcome her back.

I wish everyone a happy and safe holiday break and look forward to term 4.

Angelo Stasos Principal



Maths Corner

The Faculty would like to wish all of our Year 12 students Good Luck for their upcoming Higher School Certificate examinations, not only in Mathematics but in all their subjects. We know how much they have been applying themselves



and using the resources that their teachers have provided for the classes to enable them to unpack and become familiar with the language and required setting out of pipers

solutions for the examiners.

Year 11 are currently sitting for their Final Exams and some of them will be faced with major decisions about whether they should continue with their level of study if their results are less than they expected. Students should attempt the level at which they will have success, not what they think will give them a greater ATAR, as this is more often not the case.

All the Juniors have Yearly Examinations to look forward to, starting as soon as week 3 next term. They will all be examined on the whole year's work and should spend some time over the term break summarising and going over their work. Whilst last minute efforts are of some benefit it is the long and sustained efforts that are usually rewarded.

The faculty would like to congratulate Mr Poulos and his wife on the safe arrival of their daughter Elle Kate Poulos this term. After a short break Mr Poulos has returned and is looking forward to guiding our Extension 2 students to success next term.

It was exciting to watch Ms Selwains engage her students in class with a program called Gapminder, where they could select different sets real-life data and make comparisons and formulate hypotheses. With the majority of fields and jobs today requiring Data Science our Year 10 students enjoyed

investigating Bivariate Data and its uses to better prepare them for the real world. . Check out

gapminder.org activities for an enlightening data experience.

The Maths Faculty





#### From the English Department

As Term 3, 2018 draws to a close all our junior classes are busily finalising and submitting their essay

assessment task. Essay writing is a critical skill that every student needs to achieve their best in High School. Not only English, but a vast number of other subjects require students to complete structured

analytical writing, including Social Science, History, Visual Arts and Hospitality. That's why starting from Year 7, it is vitally important that all students work to develop this important skill. The English Faculty requires all students to use the **ToPEAL** formula when constructing essay body

paragraphs, this ensures an argument in organised, coherent and is sustained through the provision of evidence. Students who refine and improve their essay writing throughout the junior years will be well equipped to tackle the rigors of senior school, as essay writing plays a huge part in the Year 12 HSC course.

# Think **ToPEAL**

#### in every body paragraph.

#### To - Topic Sentence

A broad conceptual statement outlining your thesis.

#### P – Point

Introduce your text and how it relates to your topic sentence.

#### E – Evidence

Support your point with evidence and examples.

#### 4 – Analysis

Analyse and explain how the evidence supports your point.

#### – Link

Link back to the question.

Nicholas Kennedy Head Teacher English

#### **Report From The Head Teacher Administrator**

As we have come to an end of another Term 3, so does another assessment period. Year 11 students have just finished their yearly formal assessments. I would like to thank the Year 11 teachers who have assisted in the supervision of our students through this stressful period. These teachers are now well in the process of marking and submitting grades to me that I will be entering on NESA's schools online to meet the deadline of the 26<sup>th</sup> of October 2018. Year 10 grades will be due not long after.

I am also currently in the process of organising KNHS's permanent staff to be ready to pick up in-lieu's during the Meadowbank period that will officially start on the 18<sup>th</sup> of October 2018. On this note, I would like to acknowledge and thank my wonderful and loyal casual staff that have worked tirelessly at our school over the year, especially during the heavy winter period. I look forward to seeing them at our school in Term 4, during times that our permanent staff members attend important professional development days.

Finally I have had regular contact over the last few weeks with the University of Sydney and the University of NSW and have made arrangements for a number of students (future teachers) to complete their professional experience at our school in Term 4. These students will be mentored by the experienced staff at our school, enabling them to complete their degrees and prepare them for possible employment in NSW schools in 2019. Thank you to the following faculties for supporting the universities and the professional experience program: Social Science, History, CAPA, LOTE and Maths.



Above: Some of our many wonderful regular casual staff, from left to right, Ms C. Kiprovski, Mr R. Azmy, Ms B. Miller and Ms T. Spero.

Miss Dimitra Tsiotsioras Head Teacher Administration

#### **CAPA News**

It has been a very busy Term 3 for the Creative and Performing Arts team at Kingsgrove North High School, with the year 12 students completing their HSC practical examinations in both Music and Visual Arts, as well as the KNHS COS showcase and COS Band workshop and concert. This is all happening with the continual teaching and learning our CAPA students experience throughout the term in their lessons. It is wonderful to see all the CAPA staff involved in these activities to ensure students achieve the best possible learning outcomes and I really appreciate their contributions to making our faculty shine.

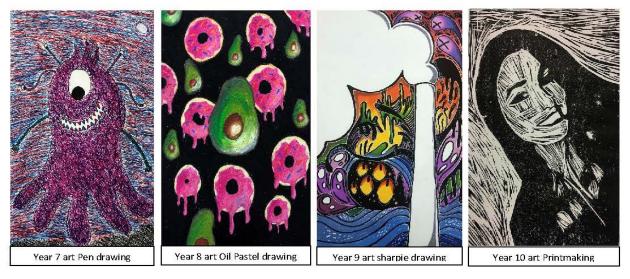


The KNHS COS Showcase is always a great highlight to term 3, On Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> August KNHS and our community of schools collaboratively worked to celebrate the Visual Art and Creative Art projects of our students. I believe this was our largest participation, with 7 public schools displaying both artworks and performances on the evening. This event has great benefits to our students and the wider education community through their opportunities within leadership, community services, exhibition and performance opportunities and curriculum development. I would like to thank all the community of schools who participated in this wonderful community event. I would also like to thank the CAPA staff for the tireless efforts in ensuring this event went smoothly on the evening and a special thank you to Ms Renee Todd and her hospitality classes for the wonderful catering of the art exhibition on the evening. Huge congratulations to all students who received acknowledgement in their art making practice, receiving a generous prize donation by S & S wholesales.





With semester 2 learning well into its second phase, students are producing strong practical works in Visual Arts, Music and Photography and Digital Media. All classes have received their theory assessment tasks to support their theoretical learning. These assessments will be due at various times throughout early term 4.



It was also great to see year 8 students using our outdoor classroom as a learning environment while working on their Still Life drawings.



As we finalise our teaching and learning for term 3, I would like to say thank you to all the CAPA teachers who have worked tirelessly this semester to ensure all student reach their full potential in CAPA subjects. I would like to especially thank Mr Antoine Sayegh for his contribution to our faculty throughout his block in CAPA during term 3.

Sarah Noulas Head Teacher CAPA



#### COMMERCE DAY -\$20 BOSS @KNHS

#### What could students do with \$20? The answer might surprise you!

Year 9 Commerce students participated in an immersive entrepreneurship program, learning how to make money, create social good and preparing students for the future of work. Developed by the Foundation for Young Australians (FYA), the program gives students \$20 of start-up capital to create, launch and operate their venture over the course of a school term.

Through the **\$20** Boss program, students hosted **Commerce Day**. Year 9 Commerce entrepreneurs with **Retail Service students** helping with merchandising and **2018 Prefects** transformed the main quad into a festival with colourful stalls, selling a variety of food, with music and live performances by talented students- singing and playing musical instruments.

On the day it was an honour to have with us the inspiring **Mr. Peter Magiros** from **FRUTEX** spending recess with us, meeting and supporting Commerce students in operating their business. Thank you to **Eleni Pap** from **FRUTEX**- who, from the classroom, motivating the students, to now empowering them to operate their own business, embracing **Mr Peter Magiros's** words, **"Food is good business"** ensured the day was a success. Thank you to staff and our amazing **Commerce parents** for supporting your children in their enterprise venture. What a blessed teacher I am to work with inspiring people. To experience the power of students in transforming their environment, bringing the school community together, showcasing students' talents and raising money for charities.

Maria Papadopoulos (Year 9 Commerce Teacher)



What dis Commerce Day- \$20 Boss mean to me?

I was able to start a business with a close friend. The best was being able to sell our strawberries and raising funds for our charity- Stewart House. I feel proud. I would like to thank Ms Papadopoulos and Abdul for doing his part in our nosiness. Thank you to the seniors for helping us. Lastly but most importantly I would like to tahnk my parents for giving me advice and helping our business sell out! **Angelo B** 







The \$20 Boss Program showed me how to start my own business practically and it gave me confidence when communicating with others. The thing I liked most was when we sold things to people. This program has made me learn a lot. Thank you! Abdul T (Strawberries and Chocolate enterprise)

#### What does Commerce Day- \$20 Boss Mean to students? By: Stephanie, Mandy and Jing, Year 9 Commerce

On Tuesday 19th of September it was Commerce Day- \$20 Boss at Kingsgrove North High School. On this day, there were stalls set up in the main quad selling pizzas, doughnuts, milk tea, strawberries and chocolate, Iolly bags and manoosh pizzas. This was all done and prepared by the yr9 commerce class.

Commerce Day is a positive experience and a huge opportunity for students to present their communication, creativity, entrepreneurial, organisation, team work and time management skills. As a result, a friendly and enjoyable environment is created for students, staff and visitors. Commerce Day- \$20 Boss has effectively given a positive event in the school.

There has been nothing but positive feedback from students and staff about this event. We would like to thank all year 9 commerce students and Ms Papadopoulos for making this amazing day happen as well as all students and staff for coming. Thank you.

Abbas Z -"Commerce Day was a successful class project. I enjoyed it because it gave us the opportunity to experience what a business runs like. The best part was setting up the store and selling, raising funds for 14 Stars Foundation. It was stressful at times but in the end we felt good as we sold everything and funds are donated to charity. My group was the Souvlaki Bar- selling 100 freshly made chicken souvlakia in a wrap. Ali's mum, Mrs Hammoud, thank you for coming to school and helping us cook the kebabs with Ms Lathouras and Mr Spero. Thank you to my partners, Petros, Ali H. and Juan A."

**Brandon T**- "I learnt communication skills, teamwork and how to run a business. I liked our presentation and our pre orders side of our business- selling 64 pizzas in 20 minutes! It was a fabulous Commerce Day experience. Thank you to Ms Papadopoulos for your support and wisdom that you have shared with us. Thank you to my group members- Bryce, Toby and Akarsha for this best experience".

**Toby P-"** ......We worked well together, from pre orders, to handling large crowds of people and we had great ideas. It was a fabulous Commerce Day, we experienced a lot of fun and everyone was entertained"



## What did Commerce Day- \$20 Boss mean to us?

Julnar-" It educated us on how to run a business, how to manage our budget." James- "It was a good experience" Annie-"It was fun and exciting. I want to do it again!" Elle-" This was a fun assignment with my friends" Joan- "It was a fun Day!" Thank you to Julnar's parents for helping to make 200 fresh manoosh pizzas.

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**Ruth, Year 12 student-** "In my whole 6 years at this school I have not experienced such a hardworking and student based activity take place. Tuesday was beautiful and different. A highlight was seeing the school come together for a good cause. The day was perfect and sunny and the food amazing. Ms Papadopoulos did an awesome job. She always does a great job for the students. Not only was it benefiting charities but also students. Definitely should do it again. Congratulations year 9 Commerce students!"

**Katrina, year 12 student-** "The event was fantastic. It brought so much fun not only to commerce students but also to the entire school, especially for us year 12s who are

graduating soon. It was one of the most memorable events I had so far."

**Mrs Ioannou** (Science Teacher)- "The atmosphere was magic and so good to see the students embracing this great learning initiative in such a warm wonderful and fun way.

Mrs Lathouras (Home Economics Teacher)-A fabulous learning initiative. Everyone enjoyed it and it was lovely to meet Ali's mum **Ginan** and work the BBQ with her.

**Ms McGill** (English Teacher) An amazing event. Fantastic atmosphere and the kids were great. You could feel the school spirit-it totally made my day!

**Mrs Macindoe** (Science Teacher) Brilliant Year 9 Commerce! Congratulations on the success of the day's event. Students and your teacher, you are an inspiration.

**Mrs loardanidis** (Science) Great job today! Great performances from students that got involved that made it extra special.

**Mr and Mrs Hamoud** (Commerce parents) Very impressed with the whole process of the project, especially seeing our son so inspired and engaged. Seeing him sourcing and negotiating with suppliers for the best prices for chicken, drinks and other food items and wanting to raise funds for charity- 14 Stars helping disabled children, we are proud of Ali and Year 9 Commerce students.

#### Feedback

Thank you for inviting me to KNHS to present a talk on success and leadership to your Year 9 Commerce class. I found the students to be interested and beautifully mannered. I thoroughly enjoyed their presentation of their stall initiatives at the end of the session. The students were passionate and showed that they had given a lot of thought and effort to their \$20 Boss day project. Congratulation on your successful \$20 Boss initiative. **from Ms Papanikolaou– Frutex** 

Congratulations, The Year 9 \$20 Boss day was the best I have ever seen in a school in my life. That is a real learning university. I congratulate both the school and Maria on their efforts. From Mr Magiros







#### Kingsgrove Public School Enrichment class 2019

 Kingsgrove PS is now accepting enquiries and enrolment applications for the Enrichment class for students in Years 5 and 6 in 2019.
The Enrichment class will provide academic extension and challenge for motivated students as well as a range of extra-curricular activities.
Please phone 9150 9097 or visit the school website at <a href="https://kingsgrovep.schools.nsw.gov.au">https://kingsgrovep.schools.nsw.gov.au</a> for more information.

Ms B. d'Astoli, Principal, Kingsgrove PS

#### Year 11 Adviser Report

Some very exciting news for Year 11.

Firstly, I would like to congratulate the new Prefects and Year 12 SRC for 2019. It has been a very eventful term with speeches and voting. All students involved did a fantastic job. Congratulations to the newly elected ones. I look forward to seeing you all in your new rolls as 2019 leaders at Kingsgrove North High School.

Secondly, Term 4 is around the corner and this means Year 11 will officially be starting their HSC subjects/courses. Ensure you come prepared with new books and folders at the start of the term. It is very important that students come to class prepared, are attentive, complete all class work and assessments on time. Students can attend the Homework Centre every Thursday afternoon for additional academic assistance.

On a final note, Year 12 Jackets will arrive at some stage in Term 4. I will notify students as soon as they arrive.

Best Wishes Ms Kallitsis Year 11 Adviser



#### Year 10 Advisor and Prefect Coordinator Report

Year 10 completes the term enjoying many different experiences. They had the opportunity to be involved in the "bstreetsmart" NSW Event which is an inspiring initiative of the Trauma Service at Westmead Hospital which is designed to educate our students on Road Safety. Westmead's Trauma Service is constantly reminded through their hands-on work that young people aged between 15–30 are disproportionally represented in road trauma and as our students are reaching the age of acquiring a learners' permit such a program is inspirational. Students can further enquire about their Learners permit at <a href="https://www.rms.nsw.gov.au/roads/licence/driver/learner/index.html">https://www.rms.nsw.gov.au/roads/licence/driver/learner/index.html</a>

Many students were rewarded in Science with the opportunity to attend the Science Festival held at the Australian Museum which with the support of a wide range of researchers and professionals from tertiary institutions, scientific organisations and industry sponsors, the program included a wealth of high-quality educational activities and presentations designed to encourage and stimulate interest in the study of science, technology, engineering, arts and mathematics – STEAM.

The Commerce class got to visit the NSW courts and witness a live hearing.

Also, not only the year 10 but all the junior years and many year 11 students got to participate in elections of the new SRC (Student Representative Council) committee. The prefects for 2019 were also elected as they were given the opportunity to represent themselves as future leaders in the nomination process. The Prefect and SRC investiture ceremony with parents/ carers and fellow teachers and students of year 11 was also a commendable opportunity to congratulate the 16 new students in the leadership team and 27 new SRC members.

Finally, on behalf of the school I would like to wish our current Leadership Team all the very best in their HSC and future endeavors as they have served the school with integrity.

Mrs Varvaressos (Year 10 Adviser and Prefect Coordinator)





#### **Deadly Kids Doing Well Awards**

On Friday afternoon 7<sup>th</sup> of September, 2018 Damien P, Natasha N (Damien's mother), and Roger Bourne were fortunate to attend the Deadly Kids Doing Well Awards at the Great Hall of the UTS. At the awards, Damien was recognised for his school leadership. Damien readily volunteers to be involved in leadership opportunities, collaborates with his peers, engages with learning opportunities, and is a fantastic representative of the school.

Roger Bourne's contribution to Aboriginal Education was acknowledged and he was awarded the inaugural 2018 Aunty Fay Carroll Memorial Award.

The participants are grateful to our Principal Angelo Stasos for supporting Damien's and Roger Bourne's nominations

#### **Report on STEAM camp**

Our First Nation students went to the AECG Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Mathematics development camp from the 3<sup>rd</sup> to the 5<sup>th</sup> of September. The program was packed with educational experiences. Tahleeha Y, Jemma M, Taya B, Emelita S, Damien P, and Tatum S all attended the camp.

On the first day, our students engaged with recording plasticine animation, magnetism, entrepreneurship, and an integration of Corroboree dance and mathematics activities. They learnt how to

simulate movement through taking stills and applying computer applications, how magnetic

fields are generated, how to interact as valued members of a functioning team, and how mathematics informs the organisation of group activities.

On the second day, they visited Jibbon Beach and identified artefacts and evidence of the lifestyle choices of the First Nation peoples before the arrival of the Colonialists. The Rock Art engravings were of whales, kangaroos, and sea creatures. In the afternoon they explored the Rain

Forest in the Royal National Park, engaged in scratch art on black paper, and learnt how to discover the real world geographic location of objects. They learnt how to measure the humidity, temperature, wind speed, and direction of their current location.

On the last day, they were introduced to the ancient knowledge of string finger art, the skill of navigating drones in three dimensional space, and the concepts of one, two, three, and four dimensional representation.

Our First Nation students socially interacted together and with First Nation peoples from all over the state. They had meals together, enjoyed entertainment together, and engaged in learning together.

They established deeper relationships with each other and made new friends with a wide circle of First Nation peoples.











#### From the Library .....

#### The library in numbers

Our library has

1117 borrowers

3174 Fiction titles

7986 Nonfiction titles

1756 items currently on loan

tion titles

There are many books waiting for you to borrow.

#### What to read next....

Over the Holidays

The holidays are a great time to get into reading. Year 7 classes have a reading challenge, and can use the holidays to really get some points on the board.

With the long days stretching out ahead, this is the perfect opportunity to read a series. We have series for every taste and interest. If you like comedy, you cannot go past the Diary of a Wimpy Kid Series. These books are our most borrowed items, and are an all-time favourite.





If you've read the Wimpy Kid books, the Bad Guys by Aaron Blabey will have you in stitches.

You can visit our bright green series shelves on the mezzanine level to choose a series for yourself. Remember you can borrow as many books as you want

If the Lord of the Rings films inspired you, we have the backstories, mythologies and histories of Middle Earth by J.R.R. Tolkein. My favourite is the Silmarillion, which tells the history of the elves and the coming of evil to middle earth.





If you're not able to go to camp, read all about it in Camp Confidential..

If the thought of reading a long novel is too much for you, select a number of Quick Reads

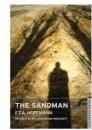
After the Holidays...

October is the month of Halloween and we celebrate all things Horror. Here are some all time favourites...









The library is a busy place, and this term, I wouldlike to thank our library assistants, Ms Vanzanella and Ms Yan, our monitors, Dean and Anthony and our morning library teacher, Mr O'Connell who go above and beyond their duty to make the library the warm and welcoming place it is.

## **Social Science News**

#### Year 10 Commerce Excursion

On the 24<sup>th</sup> September, the Year 10 Commerce classes went on an excursion to the Downing Centre Law Courts and the Reserve Bank of Australia. At the Downing Centre, students were able to walk into and observe real court cases, thus providing them with an opportunity unlike any other. Furthermore, students got the opportunity to attend a presentation at the Reserve Bank of Australia where we got to learn about

economics, the specific roles of the RBA has as well as the security features within our currency. In all, the

excursion was considered to be a

valuable experience and was enjoyed by everyone.

By Christopher P, Sapphira C and Alyssa S.







In late May this year, a small group of Kingsgrove North High School students tested their geographical knowledge and skills against students from across the nation.

Over 72,000 Year 8 to 12 students, from 743 schools, entered the competition which required the answering of 40 Multiple Choice questions in 35 minutes.

Congratulations to Andy L, of Year 10, who achieved a distinction and Stephen R, also of Year 10, who achieved a credit in the competition.



For the duration of term 2 the <u>Links to Learning</u> program was facilitated by 2Connect at KNHS working with a group of year 9 students.

2Connect have collated and reported the attached feedback data from the students involved, indicating it was a positive experience for the majority of participants. 2Connect continue to "check in" with the participants, with a few students accessing additional services as part of 2Connect's referral.

#### Links to Learning – "Step Out!" Program 2018 Kingsgrove North Evaluation Report

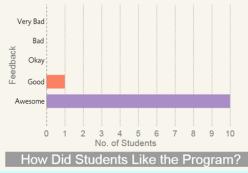
#### Project Background and Overview

Links to Learning – "Step Out!" is a project funded by the NSW Department of Education and delivered by 2Connect Youth & Community. Students participate in a variety of personal development activities and life skills training to assist them in their future employment, educational outcomes and overall wellbeing. The project ran for one day a week at Kingsgrove North High School on Tuesdays for 10 weeks in 2018 (From 1<sup>st</sup> May to 3<sup>rd</sup> July inclusive).

#### Feedback Survey Results

On the final day of the program students were asked to complete an anonymous written evaluation form to provide feedback on their experience with the program. 11 students (out of 13) were present at the final session.

When asked "How did you like the program?" students responded as follows:



The general feedback regarding what students liked about the program was that they were able to learn

while having fun. They liked the program staff and the activities and also mentioned that they liked having a say in the activities and workshops that were taught and found the program helpful.

When the students were asked if they had learnt something new at the program, 100% responded that they had learnt something new with 82% stating that they had learnt heaps/a lot.

Students were asked to identify specific things that they had learnt throughout the program and whilst the responses were varied, particular standouts included how to control anger (mentioned by 7 students) and strategies to cope with anxiety and improve their mental health (mentioned 4 times). Other responses included improving self-esteem, the effects of drugs, managing money, resume writing and goal setting.

#### Conclusion

Overall the students had a really positive experience in the program with a number of students mentioning that they wished the program was longer. Facilitators also noticed a good harmony and general respect amongst the group members and the program staff. It has been a pleasure working with Kingsgrove North High School on this project and 2Connect Youth & Community looks forward to our future partnership with the school moving forward.



## CAMPSIE ROTARY

On Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> September, Sapphira, Carmen, Eva and Anisha of Year 10 along with Ms Ellis

attended the Campsie Rotary meeting. Campsie Rotary sponsored 32 students in Year 9-11 to attend the Science and Engineering Challenge that was held earlier this year. The girls met with 10 Rotarians to talk about the activities that they were involved with on the day such as creating a Bionic hand, building a structure able to withstand an earthquake, creating a catapult, sending messages via Morse code and an ecological water wheel. The girls informed the Rotarians that it taught them the skills that were needed when working as part of a group such as excellent communication. The Rotarians then



asked the students about their future directions after leaving school. Campsie Rotary is a sponsor of Kingsgrove North and we would like to thank them for their

payment of the registration fee that enabled the students to attend the challenge for another year.



On the Thursday the 6th of September, 2018, Year 11 Biology went on an excursion to the Botanical Gardens and Australian Museum to complete their Depth Study hours and outcomes for their preliminary course Module 3 - Biological Diversity.

Ms lordanidis and Mr Celenk escorted the year 11 students where they completed booklets, studied plants from the gardens, handled some animals from the mobile zoo by Taronga Park Zoo and then off to the Museum to study



the Megafauna of Australia.

All students were on their best behaviour and were welcomed by the education officers with enthusiasm. Even though it was a full day with limited time, the students got a lot of information that fulfilled their outcomes for their syllabus.

A fun-filled, educational day for the students and their teachers.

Regards Ms K lordanidis Biology Teacher





# VET NEWS

**Term 3** is always a particularly busy time for VET students and teachers. Year 12 students have completed their final competencies as well as HSC requirements and Year 11 students are finalising preliminary competencies, as well as completing their 1st or 2nd work-placements.

Year 11 Work placement success stories:

A number of students have made a great impression with some of our host employers during their work placements. Hospitality students, Raed A. (Stamford Plaza Hotel Sydney Airport) and Viona L. (Rashays at Darling Harbour) received a very positive report from their host employers with an offer of employment presented to Viona. The reports stated that these students showed a high level of interest and perseverance and a very high level of skill. They were able to work and communicate well with other employees and worked well in a team environment. Well done Raed & Viona on such a great report from these very well respected establishments.



Raed A. @ Stamford Plaza Hotel Sydney Airport)



Viona L. @ Rashays at Darling Harbour

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Work placement dates for the VET course at KNHS are as follows:

Retail Services	Term 4 or	Week 5: 12 <sup>th</sup> – 16 <sup>st</sup> November Week 6: 19 <sup>th</sup> – 23 <sup>rd</sup> November
Hospitality	Term 4	Week 4: 5 <sup>th</sup> – 9 <sup>th</sup> November Week 5: 12 <sup>th</sup> – 16 <sup>th</sup> November
Construction	Term 4 or	Week 3: 29 <sup>th</sup> October – 2 <sup>nd</sup> November Week 4 5 <sup>th</sup> – 9 <sup>th</sup> November
Metal & Engineering	Term 4 or	Week 5: 12 <sup>th</sup> – 16 <sup>th</sup> November Week 6 19 <sup>th</sup> – 23 <sup>rd</sup> November

#### Head Teacher VET

Paul Smith

### SRC 2018/2019

On the 14<sup>th</sup> September 2018 we celebrated the newly elected SRC body of 2018/2019. We look forward to seeing the many school and community based projects and events our SRC representatives will be participating and running throughout term 4 2018 and in 2019. SRC have a large amount of exciting ideas and opportunities and we are proud of the students who nominated themselves to take on the role of student representatives. KNHS SRC students are dedicated and committed students who are ready to take on the upcoming role within the school and community. We look forward to celebrating and experiencing man adventures with SRC!

Ms Karpathakis and Mrs Saad





#### Year 8 Advisor Report

Year 8 have completed their subject sections for Year 9 and are looking forward to seeing what exciting subjects the school has to offer. The entire Year 8 cohort have been very impressive in terms on attitude, leadership and commitment to their studies that a camp in term 4 is in the early stages of planning. Keep up those quick positives in class and let us finish 2018 in the best possible way.

Mr Poulos, Year 8 Year Advisor

## Year 7 Advisor Report

We've come to the end of another term. One term of Year 7 left to go!

The students have been very busy this term. Assessment tasks and topic tests have kept them all on their toes! Year 7 even wrote their first assessed essays in English. This was a scary experience for them but they persevered and I'm sure that they felt a deep sense of accomplishment by the end of the process.

"The Super Duper Reading Challenge" is in full swing and the competition is red hot! Students are expected to be reading every night for at least 20-30 minutes and filling in their logs. Please remember to sign your child's reading log so that they can receive their merit awards and be in the running for the "super-duper" class prize at the end of the year.

NAPLAN results have been issued. If your child hasn't received their NAPLAN results, please ask them to come to me. I have a few envelopes still belonging to students who have been absent from school. Please feel free to call the school and speak to your child's teachers if you have any concerns.

Year 7, have a safe break and see you all next year for a big term! Angela Faros

#### PDHPE News

#### Integrated NRL workshop

As part of the integrated program this term an NRL workshop was held for all year 7 students. It provided an opportunity for students to get active and involved in a variety of activities, drills and skills associated with Rugby League. Professional trainers enjoyed sharing their knowledge, experience and engaging activities about the game. A fun and enjoyable afternoon for many of our students!

#### Rugby League in harmony

Over the last 7 weeks Year 10 PASS class have been involved and completed a 'League in Harmony Program'. This program is designed to help provide students with useful tools to strive to achieve their personal best. Topics covered included goal setting, positive decision making and support networks available. The presenters and trainers attended KNHS once a week. They delivered a presentation as well as a sports rugby league clinic where students were given an opportunity to play, bond and have fun in games, drills and numerous activities related to the sport.

Thank you to the program coordinators for giving this opportunity to the students at KNHS.

#### Paige Hadley

On Wednesday the 26/9/2018 all year 7 girls were lucky to enjoy a beneficial and very informative talk by Paige Hadley. Paige Hadley is a current NSW Swifts player and Vice-Captain, who also represents Australia on an international level. She is a role model and Ambassador for the Premiers Sporting Challenge and loves to spread her passion for netball. Paige presented a talk the girls about her life and experiences as a current Netball player who highlighted her hard work and effort to get to where she is now. Girls were informed of the essential need to strive for their personal best and not give up on their dreams. Healthy eating and regular exercise were also covered as Paige stressed the importance of a healthy lifestyle.

#### MS SAAD

#### **ABCN Excursion to Microsoft**

The ABCN excursion went really well last Friday. Students worked with their mentors and also did team building and communication

activities. All students were engaged and enriched with valuable skills and knowledge they can use in the workforce.









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