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Term 4 - Week 9

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KANAHOOKA HIGH SCHOOL IS A PROUD MEMBER OF THE DAPTO LEARNING COMMUNITY



Maths and Stats Explorer Day

On Thursday 1 December, I had the pleasure of taking ten young mathematicians from 8KR and 9R to participate in a fun maths day at the University of Wollongong. This day was supported by the Faculty of Informatics and the University of Wollongong through the Social Inclusion Participation Scheme.

This was the second year this Mathematics Explorer Day had been run and the first year Kanahooka High students participated. The day consisted of a Maths relay, "Swap or No Swap" game and a presentation by Dr Virginia Wheway on "Where can maths & stats take you". There were eight schools from the local area and Kanahooka High walked away with the major prizes in both the Maths Relay and "Swap or No Swap". I was so proud!

Many thanks to Mr Young, Mrs Judy Bertinato and Mr Steven Hocking who helped transport our students to and from the University.

The students involved were Joshua Bell, Kaitlyn Kelly, Hayden Loveday, Nadija Magri-Barden, James Kearnton, Tyler Kelly, Nicola Carter, Mitchell Hocking, Rianna Le and Noah Zderic.

Below are some of the comments that the Maths Explorer students made about the day.

Mathematicians can make lots of money \$\$\$\$

Arithmetic excellence pays off

Team prize winners for the Relay were Noah (1st place) and Nicola (2nd place table)

Hope to do it next year!

Super, Awesome Statistics

Easy? No but rewarding!

X-citing day

Puzzles and problems were fun

Lovely day

Opportunities in life because of Maths

Related to everything – "it's glorified commonsense"

Engaging

Relays were VERY competitive

So much FUN!

and we will definitely be organising this for 2012!

Mrs K Lowis

Head Teacher Mathematics



Victor Chang Cardiac Research Awards

Rachel Lam in Year 11 was presented with her award at a ceremony at the Innovation Campus, University of Wollongong on Monday 5 December.

This award recognises her high achievement in Year 11 Biology and Chemistry and encourages student's excellence in future studies.

Rachel, together with 28 other students, from as far as Bulli, Eden and Jindabyne, were congratulated by Associate Professor Sally Dunwoodie who outlined the great work and history of this important research facility.

In addition to a Certificate of Achievement, each recipient was formally invited to spend a day in the Institute to observe and participate in the research work. Congratulations to Rachel on her hard work and excellent results that are recognised in this award.



Year 6 Orientation Day

The day began with 115 nervous Year 6 students entering our school.

After getting the Year 6 students organised, we continued moved onto physical games which the kids really enjoyed.

After recess the students went to the library where they engaged in an educational computer game. The students went on a tour around the school where they collected words from the school staff which formed a sentence. The sentence read, "Welcome to Kanahooka High School where learning is fun." The students enjoyed finding out what the answer was.

The SRC put on a BBQ for lunch where they got a sausage sandwich and a can of drink.

The final period was History with Mr Panecasio. He had arranged an interactive game which the whole class got involved in.

All in all it was a very successful day.

Chad Matagi and Abigail King-Crank

SRC Induction

The induction ceremony for the 2012 Student Representative Council (SRC) was held on Wednesday 7 December. Students were presented with their SRC membership badges by Mrs O'Sullivan and Mr Glasgow with Mr Jones presenting badges to our new SRC Presidents and Vice-Presidents. The SRC students would like to thank the parents and staff who attended this important event.

2012 SRC Members

Year 8

Brittany Denny
Mackenzie Hill
Victoria Southall
Isaac Payne
Shania-Lea Johnson

Year 9

Blake St Claire
Alicia Charles
Chloe Spajic
Hayden Loveday
Kayla Stork
Kaitlyn Kelly

Year 10

Madison Chatham
Mitchell Hocking
Rianna Le
Ashley Salisbury
Tyler Kelly
Courtney Maylin

Year 11

Danielle Aikman
Courtney Childs
Elise Gersbach
Sarah Jennings

Year 12

Samantha Butler (President)
Reece Armstrong (President)
Lauran Allias (Vice President)
Travis Taylor (Vice President)
Rebecca Tancevski
Jacob Holm



P&C in 2012

The next meeting of the P&C will be held on Wednesday 8 February 2012.

The meeting will include the AGM as well as the February meeting of the Kanahooka High School P&C. All parents are very welcome. The meeting will start at 7.00pm and be held in the Common Room.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday 14 December

- School Presentation Day at the Ribbonwood Centre

Friday 16 December

- Year 10 Graduation at 9.00am in School Hall
- Last Day of school for Term 4

Monday 19 & Tuesday 20 December

- Staff Development Days

Friday 29 January 2012

- Staff Development Day

Monday 30 January 2012

- Years 7, 10, 11 & 12 students return for Term 1

Tuesday 31 January 2012

- Years 8 & 9 students return for Term 1

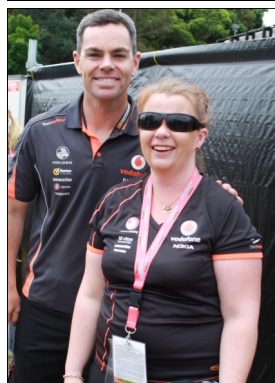


Senior Student Scholarships from St Vincent de Paul Society

Two of Year 10 students, Rebecca Drew and Jordan Robinson, were presented with scholarships from St Vincent de Paul Society.

These scholarships are provided each year to Year 10 students to assist them and their families with the physical, mental and financial challenges of the senior years at school. As well as the financial component the Society assigns mentors to each student to help them with the ups and downs of school life and assist them to realise their goals for the future. The assistance is targeted to also continue into their tertiary education. Congratulations to Rebecca and Jordan for their consistent hard work at school.

Mr G Stewart



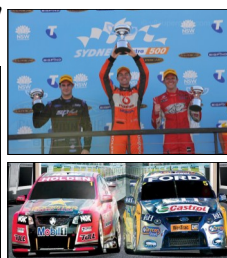
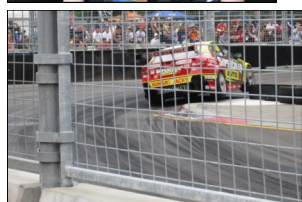
On Friday 2 December 46 Support, Koori and Mainstream students went on an excursion to the V8 Supercars grand final at Olympic Park, Homebush.

There were many exciting moments during the day but none more so than some very lucky students being able to meet Craig Lowndes. Craig was extremely gracious with his time, signing posters and taking photos with a lucky few.

A group of students watched the talented skaters at Monster Skate Park and the crazy antics of the Motor Cross riders flying over the jumps at the end of Merchandise Alley.

The students especially loved seeing the V8 Supercars on the track doing speeds of up to 295kph and up on 2 wheels when taking on the corners. A great day was had by all and we look forward to doing it all again next year.

Mrs Jennison



Kana Concert 2011

This years Kana Concert was a great success with a large and appreciative audience.

Year 9 Drama performed two student devised plays, "60 Milesto Graceland" and "C.O.D: The Paly", both with all male casts. The boys threw themselves across and even off the stage with maximum enthusiasm!

Year 10 Drama performed a two-hander Monty Python scene "The Fish Licence". Music students performed pieces from contemporary genres as soloists and in ensemble. Beginning and experienced performers demonstrated their developing levels of technical skills and should be proud of their efforts.

Song writer, Nicholas Summerfield, also returned to perform one of his own compositions.

It was a great show and thanks to the audience. A profit was returned to be spent on Drama and Music equipment.

Mr Baker and Ms Dedini



CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Patrick Kearney in Year 9 at Kanahooka High School for his successful audition for Sothern Stars 2012.

He will be in the Ensemble 2012 and an ISER featured soloists.



HO HO HO Merry Christmas

Santa Claus is coming to town
to the Mission Australia Dapto Store

This Saturday 10 December
Between 10am to 12noon

Santa will be giving out presents to all children, so please
come along and say hello to the man in the Big Red Suit!

Would love to see you there.

Dapto Big Heart Op-Shop
2 Marshall Street, DAPTO

Summer at SYFS

Youth Health Services
Young People 12 to 24yrs
Extended Hours for Summer
Activities from 4pm - 6pm



CHAIN 1A Denison St Wollongong
Call CHAIN staff to book in 4226 5816
LIMITED SPACES FOR OUTINGS



CAREERS CORNER

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES:

Eagle Boys Dapto have vacancies in two areas:

- Driver - needs licence and own car
- part time work that will possibly lead to full time work for someone interested in the Hospitality Industry

If interested, contact the manager Nick Dhani on 4261 6177.



DATE	ACTIVITY
Tuesday 6 December 2011	Cooking Christmas Treats with dinner
Tuesday 20 December 2011	Hangdog with afternoon tea provided
Tuesday 3 January 2012	Making homemade pizzas
Tuesday 17 January 2012	Beaton Park gym or swim with snacks
Tuesday 31 January 2012	Fun and games with sausage sizzle
Tuesday 14 February 2012	Kickboxing with afternoon tea
Tuesday 28 February 2012	Cooking simple snacks at CHAIN