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



A year in the life of the Kottcamps

At the start of the 2012 year two of our English teachers, Mr Francis and Ms Goodwin, decided to travel over to the USA on a teacher exchange. They swapped their home to go and live and teach in Denver, Colorado.



In return, we had Mr and Mrs Kottcamp make the long journey to Australia.

Today we present to you some of the thoughts of students about a year with the Kottcamps.

Courtney Child remembers early on when Mr Kottcamp asked did we ride to school on Kangaroos? Was he serious?

Kyle Dawes-Hall remembers when Mr Kottcamp first came to the school and he knew by the first look at me I was trouble but I got on his good side because I like the Denver Nuggets.

Mr Panecasio remembers when he found out that he and Mr Kottcamp both supported the Denver Broncos NFL team. Mr Kottcamp came in saying how much he was looking forward to watching the game he taped when Mr P came in and said how good was the win. So much for that surprise!

One day a Rainbow Lorikeet flew into their house. The fans were on and they panicked that it would fly into them. Their kids threw a shirt at it. They caught it but in its scared state it peed all over their homework. Must remember to try that excuse.

Some students still couldn't cope with the accent. We say ALUMINIUM they say ALOOMINOM. And it hasn't changed.

Mr Kottcamp had his class believing that his wife was here to play in the Australian Open Tennis championships. And we thought Americans were gullible.

At least now his class does not have him repeating everything twice so that they can understand him. Although they both still can't say VEGEMITE correctly. Wonder if they have tried it?

Mr Kottcamp is still of the belief that every Australian animal can kill him. Watch out for the Drop Bears!

They have tried to pick up our Aussie slang, but still have trouble with things like goodbye when we say hooroo!

But we have to like them using cheat sheets so that they could sing the National Anthem.

We hope their year in Australia has been memorable and that they take back with them a little bit of Australia in their hearts. Good luck Mr and Mrs Kottcamp.

The next question is... Will Mr Francis come back with an accent?

School Presentation

A reminder that the School Presentation will be held in the hall at school and **not** at the Dapto Ribbonwood Centre this year, commencing at 10.30am. Students are expected to wear full school uniform. School reports will be issued on Tuesday Period 4

2012 Annual Student Returns

Our Annual Student Return forms were handed to students on Thursday. All students are now requested to return any resources, textbooks, sports uniforms etc and pay all outstanding fees and monies prior to Wednesday 19 December. The completed form should then be handed to their Year Adviser.

The school has limited funds to assist those families requiring financial assistance to pay for school fees. Should you require assistance please collect a Student Assistance Application form from the front office.

Dear Mr Jones

This year marks the 33rd year that Lakelands Primary School has been running their swimming scheme and we definitely could not obtain the wonderful results without the assistance of your brilliant students. This year your students were dedicated, enthusiastic and supportive of all the children in their care. I have been the organiser for the past 5 years and your students would have to be the best group that I have worked with.

This year saw our finest results with every child moving up at least 1 level and 84% of students moving up 2 levels in their swimming ability. I can only attribute these fantastic results to the Kanahooka High School students. I congratulate you and your staff on teaching and guiding some great citizens who were willing to give up their time to share their knowledge and skills with students who they have never met before.

I would also like to thank your staff member, Tracy Cannon, who helped organise the students. She chose a wonderful group of students.

Once again, thank you for all your help, we could not do it without Kanahooka High School.

Respectfully Yours

*Melanie Hogan
Assistant Principal Lakelands Public School*

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday 19 December

- School Presentation Day - 10.30 in School Hall
- Last Day of 2012 for Students

Thursday 20 December

- Staff Development Day 1

Friday 21 December

- Staff Development Day 2

UPCOMING EVENTS 2013

Tuesday 29 January

- Staff Development Day

Wednesday 30 January

- Students Return - Years 7, 10, 11, 12

Thursday 31 January

- Students Return - Years 9 and 10

**SVDP Breakfast Club every Tuesday at
7.30am in Room 703**



Excursion - Citizenship Award

Monday 10 December was cool and possibly not the best of conditions for the 99 students who went to Jamberoo Action Park.

However, it did not dampen the enthusiasm of our good citizens and gold star recipients who enjoyed the day nonetheless. Thank you to the teachers who helped supervise and make the day enjoyable - Mr McKay, Mrs Nyman, Mr & Mrs Kottcamp & Mr Thatcher.

Thank you again to the P & C for subsidising the trip for these deserving students.

It has been running for over 10 years and it is nice to be able to recognise the efforts of students and mix with them in an informal setting.

Mrs Sutherland

Exemption from Attendance

If your child is going to be absent from school for a period of time e.g. travel or sickness, you can apply for an Exemption from Attendance at School. This form is available at our Front Office and needs to be approved by the Principal, Mr Jones.

Good Bye!

I would like to thank the staff that are leaving for all their hard work in their time at Kanahooka High School and wish them all the best in their new endeavours.

To the Kottcamps especially we all wish them a Merry Christmas and a safe journey home to Colorado where they will start work almost immediately. No rest for them.

Mr Jones, Principal



Ms Patterson, English
To Bulli High School



Paul Morris, AEW/
SLSO
To Lake Illawarra
High School



Mr Mar, HT
Welfare, Science
To Corrimal High
School



Mr Ballas, Outreach
To The Highlands
School,
Mittagong



Mr & Mrs Kottcamp,
English
Denver, Colorado



Kiama... it's back
2013 K.I.S.S. Arts Festival
4-6 January with three
amazing events

1. **FREE** Street Theatre Festival in Hindmarsh Park with 4 world class acts from across the globe here to entertain you.

2. **FREE** Open Air Cabaret for all ages. 4-5 January in the Sebel Harbourside Courtyard between 7-9pm and on Sunday 6 in the Jamberoo Pub beer garden from 5-7pm.

Performers will request donations, please give generously.

3. Circus Workshops 2-15 January from 10am-3pm everyday.

Kids and adults classes available. Workshops will be held at Dance Sensation Studios in Brown Street Kiama. Cost \$50.

FOR CIRCUS WORKSHOP BOOKINGS AND MORE INFO ON ALL ASPECTS OF THE FESTIVAL

www.kissartsfestival.com.au or call Tamara 0403 817 549

Want to play football?

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Boys & Girls
Welcome



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Expressions of interest
can be sent via
text or email

Lakeside Lions JFC - recipients of the
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Awarded for
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new and returning players for the 2013 season.**

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Merry
Christmas
&
Happy
New Year!

