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



2012 DER-NSW Parent Survey

Dear Parent/Guardian,

We seek your views on the NSW one-to-one laptop program.

A formal evaluation of the program is being undertaken by the NSW Department of Education and Communities in collaboration with the University of Wollongong. It is an attempt to determine how the DER-NSW program may impact on learning and teaching education across the state, this evaluation has taken place over 3 years.

Please go to the link below and complete the 2012 survey. It won't take you too long.

<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/DER-NSWPr2012?c=8489>

To access the link please enter it into the long address bar at the *top* of the page of your internet browser (not into a search engine such as Google) and press enter or go – this will take you to the survey.

Individuals cannot be identified in the data.

Evaluation reports to date can be viewed online: <https://www.det.nsw.edu.au/about-us/how-we-operate/national-partnerships/digital-education-revolution/rql/research>.

Thank you for assisting us.

Connecting Girls, Inspiring Futures

Congratulations to our young female leaders at Kanahooka High as we celebrate International Women's Day.

As members of the SRC, these students have chosen to do something for their school community.

They are an inspiration to our school.



Invitation to Parents: Record of Student Achievement Information Evening

I extend an invitation to parents of students in Years 7-10 to attend an important information evening at Kanahooka High School on 14 March at 6.00pm.

The Board of Studies Liaison Officer, Cheryl Russell, will be speaking about the new Board of Studies accreditation called the **Record of Student Achievement**.

This new credential will be initially issued to students from Year 10 2012 when they leave school whether it be in Year 11 or after the HSC.

Come along and find out about the Record of Student Achievement and the implications for parents, students and employers.

There will be question time and parents can find out about other new initiatives, for example, the Australian Curriculum.

The Presentation will be held from 6.00-6.30pm. It will be followed by a light supper provided by the P&C.

The P&C extends an invitation to parents to stay for the P&C meeting starting at 7.00pm.

Please return the tear off slip to Mrs O'Sullivan if you will be attending.

Mrs O'Sullivan, Deputy Principal



HARMONY DAY 21 MARCH

Harmony Day will be celebrated on 28 March at Kanahooka High School. We will be celebrating the diversity and multiculturalism present in our school and community.

This year we will hold sporting activities during the day and will top it off with the International Food Court our students and staff enjoy so much.

A letter will go out in the next week asking for food donations from families to be able to make this day the success it has always been.

For any enquiries please contact Ms Abarcia or Ms Thatcher.

www.harmony.gov.au

Ms Abarcia



UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday 14 March

• Record of Student Achievement
Information Evening - 6.00 pm

Friday 16 March

• Mufti Day - Gold Coin

Tuesday 20 March

• Year 7 Parent BBQ

Wednesday 28 March

• Harmony Day
SVDP Breakfast Club Every Tuesday -
7.30am in Room 703

International Women's Day

On Tuesday 6 March, Rowena Yeadon, Natasha Grech, Danielle Aikman, Sarah Jennings and Ms Phelan attended Australia's Industry World for International Women's Day.

There were four women guest speakers who spoke about their success in life and the struggles they faced from being women in the work force.

We had a great time and parted with the message of taking every opportunity that comes your way.

Danielle Aikman, Year 11



Photo: Rowena Yeadon, Natasha Grech, Danielle Aikman, Sarah Jennings.

Old School Clothes

Don't know what to do with school uniforms your child has outgrown?

Why not donate them to the school clothing pool?

Please drop off clean clothes to the Front Office.

I will be attending the **Record of Student Achievement Information Evening**
on Wednesday 14 March at 6.00 pm.

Student's Name: _____

Parent's Name: _____

Signature: _____

Number attending: _____



CAREERS CORNER

Careers Expo coming up in Term 2

Do you really know what to do when you leave school?
Have you considered all the options?

To help you answer these and other questions, Illawarra Careers Advisers have organised the Illawarra Credit Union Careers Expo at the Illawarra Credit Union Sports Stadium, Waples Road, Unanderra on Tuesday 8 and Wednesday 9 May, 2012.

Parents are welcome to attend on Tuesday afternoon 4.00 - 6.30pm.

The Illawarra Credit Union Careers Expo will feature representatives from:

- Most TAFE departments
- All Universities in NSW and ACT
- Many private training providers
- Major employers
- A wide variety of jobs
- Various help agencies

All Year 10 and 12 students are expected to attend to find out about study and work options.

Careers in DISABILITY SECTOR

Do you know what you want to do after high school? If you're thinking about a career in the disability or community care sector, projectABLE may be able to help you.

There are a huge variety of roles available in the disability and community care sector; from support workers and nurses, to social workers, physiotherapists, marketing professionals, IT support staff and so much more.

These fun half-day workshops take place in Term 1 and Term 2 each year.

After completing the workshops, you'll be invited to enrol in a **3 day work experience and training program** in the Winter school holidays.

For more information, see Ms Phelan, Careers Adviser about enrolling in projectABLE.

Mufti Day

Get ready for our first mufti day!

On Friday 16 March the SRC will be holding a mufti day to raise money for Down Syndrome NSW.

There will be an optional theme "MOVIE CHARACTERS" for those who are brave enough to get dressed up as their favourite movie character.

So come armed with a gold coin!



National Ride2School Day

In the 1970's, 80% of school students were active on the way to school. Today, only 20% experience the joy of getting fresh air on the school journey. National Ride2School Day provides an opportunity for Australian students, parents and teachers to give riding, walking, skating or scooting to school a go, while celebrating the regular active travellers.

On this day, an active journey to school is normal and the entire school community gets behind it. It is a chance to celebrate on a large scale and to prove it can be done. After showing it's achievable on this day school communities are encouraged to keep the momentum going throughout the entire year.

P&C Meeting

The next P&C Meeting will be on 14 March commencing at 6.00pm when parents will be provided with information about changes to the School Certificate. This will be followed by a light supper and the March meeting will commence at 7.00pm as normal.

Following the meeting, the 2012 Annual General Meeting of the P&C will be held to elect the 2012 Office Bearers.

Small Motor Maintenance Group

The Small Motor Maintenance Group have begun a project involving the restoration of a small motorcycle. This vehicle will be used for a charity ride over Easter. The Scrapheap Adventure Ride involves hundreds of riders from all over Australia travelling to Mt Kosciuszko on a motorcycle costing less than \$1000. The event aims to raise over \$60,000 for Down Syndrome NSW.



The Small Motor Maintenance Group would like to thank the following areas of the school for offering assistance in making this project a reality:

Industrial Arts - Mechanical advice and fabrication of parts

Visual Arts - Painting of panels

Geography - Route planning/mapping/weather

Work Education - Fundraising logistics

SRC - Fundraising

Information on the charity ride and the project's progress can be found at:

https://www.thankq.net.au/tq_community_dsyna/default.aspx?Ref=TT104460/0

Mr G Knowles

Brick Fair and Competition

Saturday 31 March 10am - 4pm

University of Wollongong, McKinnon Bldg. Free Parking

LEGO® creation competition:

7 & Under: Water **8-11 yrs:** Food **12+:** Music

All age: Open

Register via website by 6pm 28 March.

LEGO displays and play area.

Robot sumo tournament - BBQ.

Entry donation: \$5 ea, \$10/family

More info at www.robokids.info



Koonawarra Breakfast Club

FREE TO ALL SCHOOL STUDENTS

Where: Koonawarra Community Centre

When: Monday, Tuesday and Thursday

Time: 7:30am to 8:00am High School students

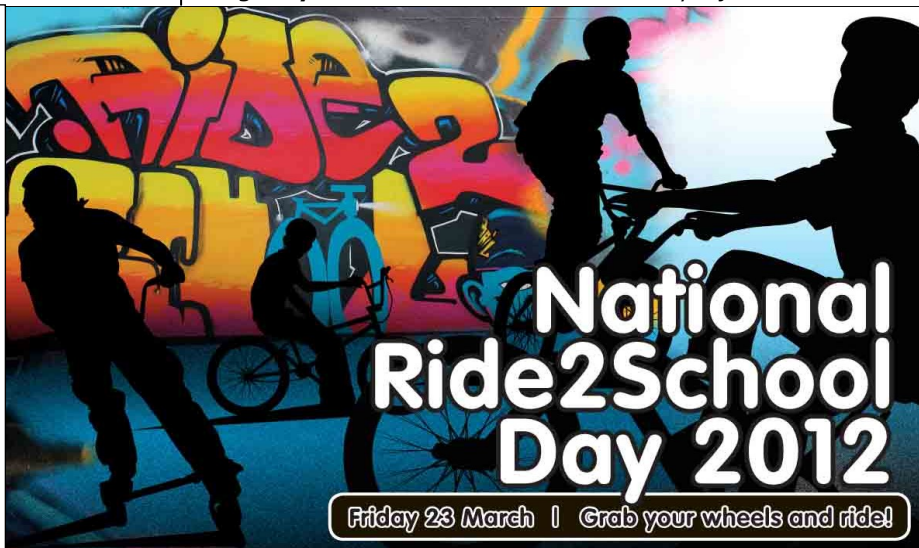
8:00am to 8:30am Primary School students

Breakfast Menu: cereals, toast and warm Milo in Winter.

NOTE: A sandwich will be provided for you on request if you have forgotten your lunch.

Volunteers: The young people rely on our volunteers to provide this service and we are always looking for community members to donate as little as one and a half hours per week to help out. If you are a person who enjoys the company of others and the reward of a smile on the face of young people, the come along and lend a hand.

Ring Sonya 4262 1005. We would love to have you join us.



Friday 23 March | Grab your wheels and ride!

ride2school.com.au



An event by

