

KANAHOOKA HIGH SCHOOL

Proud member of Dapto Learning Community and Curriculum Network Illawarra

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Music Makes My Day



I consider myself lucky to be teaching the most extraordinary Year 7. They love singing, playing instruments and appreciate a broad range of genres which is most refreshing.



It is exciting to witness on a daily basis their individual progress and musical development. Here are some personal anecdotes from some wonderful music students:

"Keyboard is extremely hard for me though when I get in the rhythm it feels amazing, like I'm in a different world, especially when it is a song I love to sing as well. When I do practise a song it feels like I'm doing a hobby in my spare time." Caitlyn T

"I can shred that thing." Kody B

"I like how we learned to play **Without You** by The Kid Laroi with the class." Ike K & Blake H



MUSIC

There are too many to mention, however, those who are enjoying the process are reaping the rewards are as follows:

Lainie R – Listening skills

Owen H – Composition

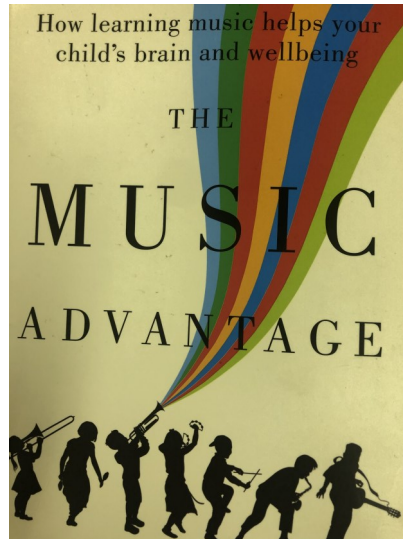
Matilda P and Harper H - Broadway belting

Jasmyn T, Jordan S, Emmerley B, Max W, Isabel F, Bradley A and

Kody B - Guitar

Paige D, Piper C, Max W, Lachlan C, Caleb M and Peyton B - Vocals

Garion W and Xavier A - Piano and listening skills



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English

Coming up next....

The Debatables



KHS Debating

This year, KHS have two debating teams competing in the Premier's Debating Challenge, each team competes in three rounds against other high schools in the Illawarra.

Our junior team is made up of Katie B, Katelynn K, Chloe T and Lilli R. Our senior team consists of Rowen P, Alannah B, Tye P and Toby H.

A few weeks ago both teams were involved in the Dapto Learning Community's Debating Gala Day, where both teams participated in workshops led by university debaters, practised adjudicating primary school debates and the senior team debated against the senior Dapto High School team for the Rotary Shield.

Kanahooka High performed extremely well for their first debate together, discovering their strengths and developing their skills. We would like to thank Dapto High for hosting a valuable day of learning and debating.

This week, the KHS senior team completed their first round of the Premier's Debating Challenge against Smith's Hill High School. The topic for the debate was ***that private tutoring should be banned*** and KHS were the negative team.

Our team narrowly lost but had some great feedback from the adjudicator to prepare for their next debate.

The junior team will be debating against Wollongong High School of the Performing Arts in Week 9.

Rounds 2 and 3 will be held in Term 3. We wish both teams every success in their upcoming debates!

I Constantine
English



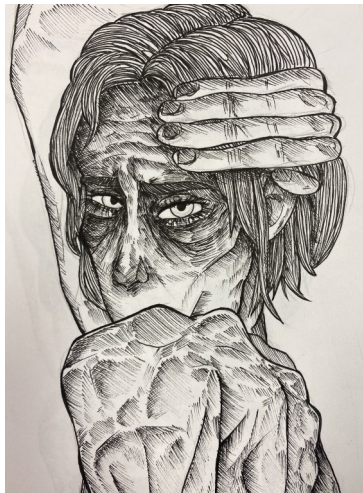
VISUAL ARTS

Kanahooka High School Showcasing Artist: Paige G

Paige has been a Kanahooka High School Visual Arts student for the last six years. She is a naturally talented artist and an exemplary Visual Arts and Visual Design student.

Paige has learned and applied new skills and techniques throughout her artmaking practice by selecting Visual Arts for both Stages 5 and 6 and Stage 6 Visual Design as elective subjects. She has developed a personal artistic style by constantly striving to work meticulously in order to produce an outstanding level of work.

Paige is always willing to apply feedback from her teachers and is now completing her Visual Arts HSC Body of Work and we know that her determination will lead to a conceptually beautiful and skilfully executed Body of Work.



A Bowen and M Langlands
Visual Arts

LUNAR ECLIPSE

Year 9 Photography Student, Hunter K took some great photo's during the recent lunar eclipse.

Well done Hunter and thank you for sharing.



DANCE

South Coast Public Schools Dance Festive

In Week 6, 21 students from Years 7-11 took part in the South Coast Public Schools Dance Festival for 2021. From Wednesday to Saturday the students performed in four shows at the Illawarra Performing Arts Centre in Wollongong. All the students are to be congratulated for their exceptional behaviour and commitment.



A big thank you to all staff who helped to supervise the students with special mention to Ms Page and Ms Bowen who have been working with the students from the beginning of Term One.



DANCE

Southern Stars 2021

Anyone who is interested in doing **Southern Stars 2021** please see Ms Page in English ASAP for more information/permission note.

Dates this year for Southern Stars are:

**Wednesday 18 - Saturday 21 August
at the WIN Entertainment Centre**



This year marks 20 years of Southern Stars and will be a special one. Come along and celebrate with your friends for another epic show week after missing out last year!

All students Years 7-12 are welcome.



TRANSITION CENTRE

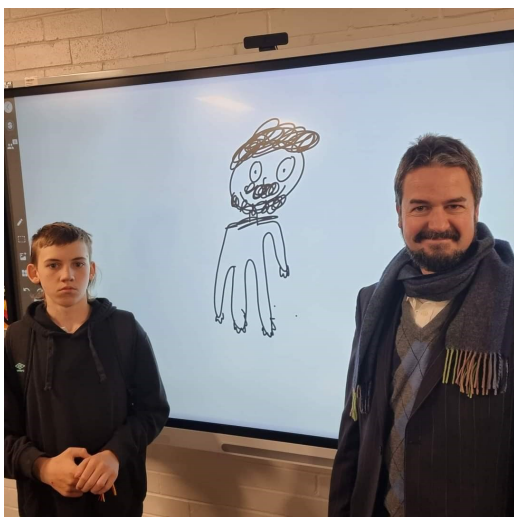
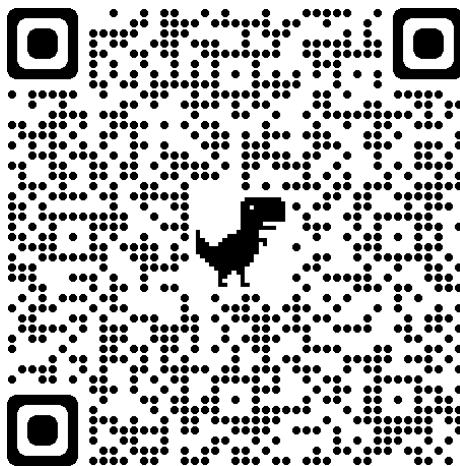
Transition Centre Open Door Event

Teachers of the Support Unit, located in the Transition Centre opened the doors to Parents and Carers last week. It was the first chance parents had to tour the new look program, meet the teachers and check out the learning spaces.

A lot of fun was had by all but we are always looking at ways to improve.

We ask that Parents and Carers of students from the Transition Centre take a couple of minutes to scan the QR Code and answer the questions in our short survey. This will help us to prepare for our next Open Door Event.

J Burns
Head Teacher Transition Centre



TRANSITION CENTRE



Welcome
Parents and Carers



DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

With the end of the term quickly approaching, I would like to congratulate students for their efforts this Semester. Teachers have been working tirelessly to produce student reports that will be issued Monday 21 June, Week 10.

Parents will be given the opportunity to discuss these reports with teachers on our upcoming parent teacher night on Wednesday 23 June, Week 10.

Bookings are now open and can be made via the Sentral Parent Portal. If you have not set up your Parent Portal account, please contact the office for an access key. We look forward to seeing as many parents and carers as possible, to continue working together to support all students at Kanahooka High School.



This term all students completed the 'All About You' survey. This survey gave teachers at KHS an insight into the interests and future directions for students. This valuable information has been analysed and is being used to support new ideas and options for students and their educational pathways in 2022 and beyond.

Early next term, Year 10 will begin making choices for their final years of schooling. Further information about options that KHS can offer all students through the Subject Selection process will be provided shortly. Our Stage 5 Elective Subject Selections will also take place next term.



As the term draws to a close, students are reminded of the importance of regular attendance, arriving to school on time and wearing appropriate school uniform. Students must ensure if they are late to school that they sign in through the front office and provide a note explaining their reason for lateness.



C Cohen
Deputy Principal Stage 5

Flight KHS505 has Landed!

Students from 7HSIE2 took a virtual trip to China recently as an introduction to their Chinese History topic. Once they made it past our Year 12 Security and Customers Officers, students were welcomed on board by the Captain.

Bags were then checked-in and Flight Attendants ensured everyone had refreshments for their journey.

In-flight entertainment was provided and students learnt about Qin Shi Huang, the first emperor of China and how international flights operate.

Thank you to our Year 12 Work Studies Ground Crew and the HSIE Faculty for helping to make this journey possible.



HSIE

KHS505

In Flight Refreshments



Thank you for flying with KHS Airlines!



G Knowles
HSIE

ABORIGINAL EDUCATION



During Reconciliation Week students and staff came along to the library during recess or lunch to weave or participate in our Art Competition .

Thank you to all the entrants and the wonderful Library Staff who assisted during the week.

Congratulations to our Reconciliation Week Art Competition Winners.

First Place - Tone C
Second Place - Daniel D
Third Place - Samara-Lee D

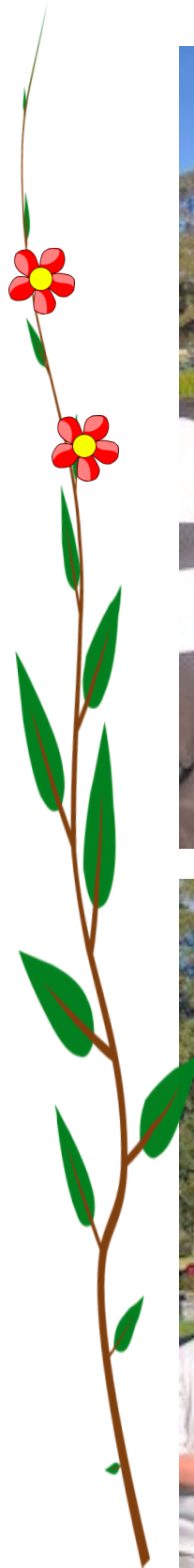
Staff Award - T Moore



J Scheers and The Aboriginal Education Team



Year 11 and 12 Work Studies have begun installing the border for the garden bed in front of the 500 Block. They have worked hard to ensure their new garden frame will have a structure strong enough to last for years to come.



Legal Studies

Year 11 Legal Studies have been learning how to write an essay evaluating the effectiveness of Law Reform.

As part of this process they have engaged in a learning activity called "Texta Talk" where the students share their ideas and let the texts do the talking. This activity allows the students to build on each others idea and for everyone to have a voice in the classroom.



K Pickering
Head Teacher HSIE

Cloud Backup

Don't forget students and staff have access to Google Apps and Microsoft Office 365, both of which have Cloud drives so you can back up your important schoolwork. Click through to the Learning tab on your student portal to find either one.

Google – Google Drive
Office 365 – One Drive



Computer Updates

All the school computers except for Mac's are being reimaged and updated over the next month to make sure they all have the latest version of Windows with the latest security patches.



Some students have reported having a "Trial Expired" warning when trying to login to Minecraft. If this has happened to you, please leave your name with the Library staff so I can reapply to get a Minecraft licence working for you.



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Technology



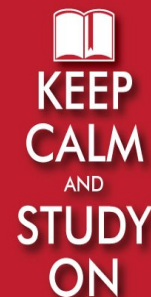
New Phone number for Transition Centre

From Term 3 the Transition Centre will have their own direct telephone line. If your child is enrolled in a Support Class and you need to contact the school please ring:

4262 6367



Kanahooka High School After School Tutorial Centre



All welcome and it's FREE!

*Held in the School Library with
Teacher supervision.*

Refreshments provided.

**Every Tuesday & Wednesday
from 2.30 to 3.30pm**

Come along and get help with your
homework, assignments and assessments.

Our space is your space



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our
space**

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Help reduce waste by receiving an electronic copy of the newsletter. It is also a great way to ensure the newsletter does not get lost in transit.

Our fortnightly newsletters are published to our website and Sentral parent portal. If you would like the newsletter emailed directly to you please advise by phone 4261 4011 or email us directly:

kanahooka-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au



YEAR 7 ENROLMENTS FOR 2022

All enrolment forms for
Year 7 2022 are required to be submitted
ASAP.

Please bring in your child's Birth Certificate,
Immunisation Record and proof of
residential address.
We can copy these for you.

Any enquiries please contact Vera Rupa or

YEAR 11 CAMP!

WHERE: CAMP YARRAMUNDI

WHEN: 23 - 25 AUGUST

LEAVE: MONDAY 7.00AM

RETURN: WEDNESDAY 4.00PM



TO DO!

**Return YELLOW pages to
Ms Constantine or Mr Arthur
by Friday 18 June in roll call.**

COST: \$335

Payment Schedule:

23/06/21 - \$50

14/07/21 - \$70

28/07/21 - \$70

11/08/21 -\$70

20/08/21 - \$75