

# DENISON COLLEGE OF SECONDARY EDUCATION

# **KELSO HIGH CAMPUS**

# NEWSLETTER

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# **Kelso Crane Creations**

Every year students in Year 8 Japanese classes learn how to fold a variety of origami shapes, including that of a 'tsuru' paper crane. In conjunction with a unit of study on Japan's experiences during World War II, students aim to fold one thousand cranes which are strung up and displayed in the classroom. This year the green, white and yellow Japanese classes' tally surpassed the aim of a set of one thousand – students amazed themselves with a grand total of 2212 cranes!

The number of one thousand cranes is significant. There was a young girl called Sadako who survived the Hiroshima atomic bombing, only to become sick with leukemia at a later age. One of her friends encouraged her to fold origami cranes from her hospital bed, and cheered Sadako with the belief that folding one thousand would gain her a wish. She reached her goal but sadly died of atomic bomb sickness.

The Kelso campus cranes are currently on display at the front of I5, the Japanese classroom. Students have suggested sending a portion of the cranes to the peace memorials in both Hiroshima and Nagasaki, or even to Cowra for the Japanese Gardens to put on to display. They are also wondering if they will get two wishes, as there were over two thousand cranes successfully folded!



#### **P&C News**

At our last meeting we were excited to support a student from our school, Andrew Browne for his selection as umpire at the All Stars Hockey Carnival in Western Australia, congratulations Andrew.

We also discussed some fundraising ideas and would love to hear from anyone with their great ideas at our next meeting or you can leave your details with the office ladies and one of the P&C members will get back to you asap.

Fundraising ideas so far are the following ideas

Wine/food tour

Warehouse Shopping tour

School Calender

School Cookbook

School Concert

The P&C are interested in helping with any fundraising. The current one is the Pavers. Please place orders at the office with payment. We also have a BBQ coming up in November at Bunnings, Volunteers are needed for the day. The exact date will be confirmed closer to November.

The canteen are asking for volunteers Monday to Friday 10am to 2pm. If anyone is interested please see Sue at the canteen.

The P&C would also like to wish Yr 12 the very best with their exams and with their futures when they leave school.

Roni O'Connor and the P&C members.

#### **Important Dates**

24th Sept. Year 12 Presentation Assembly

24th Sept. Last day of Term 3
11th Oct. First day of Term 4
14th Oct. HSC exams begin
15,18,19th Oct. Yr10 exams in gym
19th Oct. Yr 7/8 exams begin

4th Nov Yr6 into Yr7 Enrolment Night 8th Nov. Yr 10 School Certificate exams begin

11th Nov. Yr9 exams begin 16th Nov. Yr12 Graduation 23rd Nov. Yr 8 ESSA exams 6th Dec. Presentation Night

7th Dec. Yr6 into Yr7 Orientation Day 9th Dec. Yr 10 Presentation of School

Certificates and Merit Presentation

15th Dec. Last day of Term for students17th Dec Last day of Term for teachers



Kathleen Compton

## From the College Principal

It is an exciting time and Year 10 students are preparing for an exciting future.

Many of the employment and training opportunities that will be available in 2015 do not even exist today, such is the rapid change that technology is driving in our society. In 2011, for the first time in history, every Year 11 student at Denison College will have a personal Lenovo laptop. This is an unprecedented opportunity for our students to enhance their learning.

Year 10 students at Denison College have been to the Careers Expo; they have attended the Future Directions Evening at Charles Sturt University; they have submitted an expression of interest for courses for the Higher School Certificate. All Year 10 students and their parents have attended interviews to finalise their subject choices for 2011.

Kathleen Compton College Principal



Mr Hurford accepts a hand carved emu egg with a Kelso High Campus crest on it from Quinton Carberry.



Greg Hurford

## From the Campus Principal

Congratulations to Paul Stirling who has recently been successful in being appointed School Education Director for the Orange District Schools. For the last twelve months Paul has been a Partnership Mentor working with the schools in the Orange district on many programs. Paul has been Principal of Kelso High Campus since 2001 and prior to that was Deputy Principal. Paul was Principal during the time of the school fire in 2005 and the rebuilding of the school which followed. Paul's leadership of the school during this time was outstanding and we congratulate him on this promotion and wish him well in his new role.

The position of Principal at Kelso High Campus will be filled permanently under the normal Department of Education's processes.

Congratulations to the following students who have been elected as School Captains of Kelso High Campus for 2011: Rachel Harvey, Jarrod Grabham, Emily Sawaya and Ethan Martin. Also congratulations to the following students who were successful in their nomination to the Student Leadership Team: Sam Bolt, Matthew Carter, William Horspool, Hollie Johnson, Ben Larnach, Donna Jo Mair, Matthew McLennan and Jodie Muldoon.

The second half of this term has been very busy with many school based events being conducted or planned in the remainder of this term.

Interviews have been conducted with all Year 10 students and their parents to confirm student suject selections for Year 11 2011. This is a part of Denison College's Future Directions program and we are pleased with the support of parents in making every to attend these important meetings.

Year 8 students are also completing their elective course selections for Year 9 2011. Elective course booklets and elective sheets have been issued to students and are now due for return. On Tuesday 7th September an Information Evening was held for parents and students and many parents took the opportunity to discuss courses with the Head Teachers. Again thank you to the parents who took advantage of this opportunity.

The school has distributed 150 surveys to randomly

selected parents to gain feedback on various aspects of school life and management procedures. The survey was mailed and invited the parents to complete the survey either by returning the survey to the Front Office or by completing the survey on Denison College's on line learning site "Moodle". The survey will provide information on different areas of the school and will be used as part of the school's Annual School Reporting program.

Year 11 End of Preliminary Examinations have been held over the last two weeks of this term commencing on Monday 13th September.

Year 10 students have also sat their Trial School Certificate Tests on Thursday and Friday the 16th and 17th September. Trial tests were held in English, Mathematics, Science and the combined History, Geography, Civics and Citizenship test. Students are also completing a Trial Computing Skills Test. Students will also sit for their other school exams in PD/Health/PE and their electives in the first two weeks of next term. The state-wide School Certificate Tests will be held in Week 5 of Term 4 on the 8th and 9th November with the Computing Skills Test also being completed during that week.

On the last day of this term we will be holding our Year 12 Presentation Ceremony where our Year 12 students will receive their Trial HSC reports as well as First Place, Outstanding and Merit Certificates. The ceremony will commence at 12 o'clock and parents are asked to be seated 10 minutes before. Parents have received a separate written advice about the Presentation Assembly as well as other matters of importance for Year 12 students.

Congratulations to many of our students who have achieved success in many areas. Of particular note are the following achievements:

Bethany Hackfath of Year 8 who has been selected in a western area band that will tour Hawaii in March 2011.

Cassandra Talbot of Year 8 was successful in winning one of the major awards at a recent art competition sponsored by the Westpac Bank where students had to complete an art work in a short period of time focusing on the theme of what they like about Bathurst.

Rebecca Smith of Year 11 has been selected in an Indigenous Dance Ensemble for the School Spectacular to be held in December in Sydney.

Lisa Griffith of Year 12 and one of our School Captains recently gave the student address at a Vietnam Veterans' meeting and those present were extremely complimentary about Lisa's thoughts and speech.

Many of our students recently participated in the 40 Hour Famine weekend. Our school's involvement was co-ordinated by Year 11 student Rachel Harvey and Mr Stroeve. Congratulations to the students who participated and showed a commitment to helping others by doing so.

It is also gratifying to see our past students doing so well after they have left school. The achievements of some of these have recently been highlighted in the local and Sydney newspapers. Congratulations to:

Jason Saxby who completed the HSC in 2003 and who was successful in being named as the Sydney Morning Herald's Good Food Guide Young Chef of the Year. Jason

# **Student Leadership Team 2011**













is currently working at the Quay restaurant in Sydney.

Alex Hausfeld, who was a former School Captain in 2005, was recently awarded the TAFE Western NSW Region Apprentice of the Year. Alex is currently employed by Newcrest Mines at Cadia. Alex continues our school's fine record in having students recognized for their successes as apprentices in various trade areas.

Jarred Portegies who completed his HSC in 2009 has recently been successful in gaining a scholarship to attend university in the USA and to play football (soccer) for the Upper Iowa University Peacocks.

Greg Hurford Relieving Principal



Wallace Stocks

#### **Farewell to Wallace Stocks**

For nearly twenty years Wallace Stocks has provided invaluable support to the agriculture department in his role as Farm Assistant. His lifetime of practical farming meant that he could fix and build just about anything so that equipment and facilities were always serviceable and available for teachers and students to use. Similarly if we needed to find something or someone then Wal's network of connections could always deliver. He was unfailingly reliable in tending the plants and animals that were left in his keeping especially during the holidays and his good humoured approach which was greatly appreciated when things went awry. Wal's efforts had a wider impact than just the school farm because he and Adrian Haswell made a very handy team and they have been responsible for many innovations and repairs around the school. We wish Wal and his wife Wendy a long and enjoyable retirement with Wal secure in the knowledge that he has made a real difference to Kelso High.

Kingsley Picker

# 2010 Kelso High Trivia Night

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# **NAIDOC Celebrations 2010**





A newly hatched chick

# Counting your chickens after they've hatched

Year 7 Agricultural Technology students and their teacher Mr McNee have successfully turned eggs into chickens. The young chicks are alive and doing well. The baby chicks were grown in the school incubator and recently hatched. Chicken sexing will be done later.

Mr McNee would like to thank Bathurst High for the eggs.



Checking out the chicks

# **Year 11 Work Placement for Retail Services**

The students had a successful week at work placement with some being offered part-time employment. Thanks goes to the host employers. Thanks also to Carolyn Murphy from Central West NSW Youth Transition Services for her help with student placements.

Placements included:

Travis Sheehan The Good Guys
Jessica Bailey Payless Shoes
Shannen-Lee Hobby Inspirations Bathurst
Eden Moloney Martin Phillips Pharmacy

Melinda Nockles Best & Less

Shannae Sanders John Matthews & Co



Scanning Curtis

# Science

To conclude the HSC Physics course, the students have recently participated in two excursions. On Monday 6th September, students visited the Bathurst PRP Diagnostic Imaging where they observed the latest technology used to diagnose injuries and diseases. Imaging techniques observed included X-ray, CT scanning, nuclear medicine and ultrasound. On Tuesday 7th September, we all had an early start to visit the Physics Faculty at Sydney University, where the students participated in the 'Kickstart' HSC Workshop. Under the guidance and instruction of Physics staff, the Year 12 students carried out many experiments to further develop and consolidate their knowledge of



Sydney Uni Physics Faculty



Experimenting with water rockets

# **Creative and Performing Arts Evening - 9th September 2010**



## **High Tea Attempts to Avert War**

Representatives from the major European powers (aka Mrs Chopping's Modern History class) met last week in an attempt to avert war. Over a 'cuppa' accompanied by French fries, Scotch finger biscuits, French tarts, German liverwurst and American crackers, the alliances were tested and broken down.

America (Emma Wright) spoke of her unwillingness to join a European war, while Austria-Hungary (Sarah Stackman and Rachel Harvey) agreed to give Bosnia her independence if Britain (Jarrod Grabham and Sam Bolt) agreed to do the same for their colonies. The Ottoman Empire delegate the "old man of Europe" (Jihad Alameddine) fell asleep as usual. France (Leanna Carney) who filled in for the absent French representatives was willing to avoid war for the return of the province of Lorraine from Germany. However, Germany (Evan Stroeve) would not concede any territory. There was only one solution - divide and conquer. Russia (Mrs Chopping) took the baton, appealing to all at the table to consider the great cost of a war, both human and material. Russia (who didn't really want to go to war anyway) then joined with her Triple Entente allies, persuading Austria-Hungary to come over to their side. Still Germany would not make peace (despite the good tucker). With that, the delegates left to make ready for the eventual "war to end all wars".

Sandra Chopping



#### **Modern History Talks**

Preliminary Modern History students recently presented talks on their research on several personalities involved in the Origins of the Arab-Israeli conflict. As you can see, some students "became" the characters. Students presented power point presentations using links to video clips on You Tube and other sites. Mrs Chopping was most amused and can't wait for their next group productions on the causes of World War One.

#### Reminders

- \* Senior Bible Study is on Tuesdays at lunchtime in C5, Mr Blencowe
- \* Glee Club meets at lunchtime on Fridays in the Human Movement Studio, Mr Taylor
- \* Yearbooks for 2009 are available from the front office. Cost: \$17. Yearbooks for 2006, 2007 and 2008 are also available. Cost: \$5.
- \* Coles Sports for School Docket Collection. Please save all of your Coles dockets and place them in the large Coles box near the staffroom. The vouchers can be exchanged for sporting equipment for the school.

## **Senior History Talks**









# **Year 11 Hospitality Work Experience**































# **Country Energy Cup 2010**

Country Energy has agreed to sponsor a trophy for inter-school sporting and cultural competition between Kelso High, Cowra High and Canobolas High (Orange). This will be known as the "Country Energy Cup". This will be held as follows:

Wednesday 8th September Kelso travels to Cowra.

Wednesday 15th September Cowra travels to Canobolas.

The Canobolas trip to Kelso is yet to be announced. .

The competition is for students from Years 7 to 10. The sports played will include: netball, volleyball, touch football, T ball, soccer, basketball, drama and full contact debating.

The results for the first day of competition between Kelso and Cowra were:

Cowra won the Yrs 7/8 girls' netball by 40-10, Yrs 9/10 girls' netball by 31-5, Yrs 7/8 boys' T ball by 13-8, Yrs 7/8 boys' touch football by 6–5, Yrs 7/8 girls' soccer by 1-0, Yrs 9/10 boys' soccer by 1-0, Yrs 9/10 boys' basketball by 38-34, Yrs 7/8 boys' basketball by 27-26, Yrs 7-10 drama by 4-3 and Yrs 9/10 debating by forfeit.

Kelso won the Yrs 9/10 boys' volleyball by 3-0, Yrs 9/10 girls' volleyball by 3-0, Yrs 9/10 girls' touch football by 4-2, Yrs 7/8 girls' touch football by 3-0, Yrs 7/8 girls' T ball by 17-9, Yrs 9/10 boys' touch football by 3-2, Yrs 7/8 boys' soccer by 2-0 and Yrs 7/8 debating.

The Yrs 9/10 girls' soccer was a 2-2 draw.

The result was 10 wins to Cowra, 8 to Kelso and 1 draw.

The outstanding players of the day were:

Yrs 9/10 boys' volleyball: Campbell Carney, Hayden James

Yrs 9/10 girls' volleyball: Alicia Auld, Jessica Daymond

Yrs 7/8 boys' touch football: Bailey Waldron, Jordan Naylor, Jesse Scott

Yrs 7/8 girls' touch football: Sarah and Jessica Watterson, Morgan Sherman

Yrs 9/10 boys' touch football: Caleb Moore, Michael Betts, Hayden James

Yrs 9/10 girls' touch football: Esther Hotham, Jasmine Rae, Kelsev Sherman

Yrs 7/8 boys' soccer: Jarrah Hale, Nick Rae, Callum Christie

Yrs 7/8 girls' soccer: Morgan Sherman, Chloe Lamberton, Caitlin Morris

Yrs 9/10 boys' soccer: Jack Press, Jye Fleishmann, Caleb Moore

Yrs 9/10 girls' soccer: Kelsey Sherman, Jess Daymond, Esther Hotham

Yrs 7/8 boys' T ball: Tom Baker, Nick Rae

Yrs 7/8 girls' T ball: Kelly Baker, Sarah and Jessica Watterson

Yrs 7/8 boys' basketball: Nathan Fairbrother, Stephen Cossey, William Cross Hicks

Yrs 9/10 boys' basketball: Emmitt Smith, Bradley Brown, Joshua Williams

Yrs 7/8 girls' netball: Rachael Smith, Ebony Hotham Yrs 9/10 girls' netball: Samantha Thompson, Olivia Meek



9/10 Boys Volleyball



9/10 Girls Volleyball



7/8 Boys Basketball



7/8 Debating



7/8 Boys Basketball



7/8 Boys Soccer



7/8 Boys Soccer



9/10 Girls Netball



7/8 Girls Touch Football



7/8 Girls Netball



9/10 Boys Basketball



9/10 Girls Touch Football



9/10 Girls Soccer



9/10 Boys Touch Football



7/8 Girls T Ball



7/8 Boys T Ball

#### Girls' Touch Football

Our first game we played and won.

Our second game we played and won.

Our third game we played and won. It was a hard game.

Our fourth game was against Orange High and we lost 6-2. Morgan Sherman and Jessica Watterson scored tries. This was a hardest game because we let Orange High run with the ball.

Our fifth game we played and won. We needed to win this game in order to be in the grand final.

Our sixth game was the grand final against Orange High. We lost 7-0. We didn't get much of the ball but it was ok because we had a good time playing for the day. The boys' team was there too and they were supporting us.

Special thanks go to Miss Logan for looking after us. Morgan Sherman and Jessica Watterson who got the best players awards.

Jessica Watterson

## Is your Year 8 child better than 'average'?

Mr Stroeve's Year 8 class have just completed a unit of work on statistics, and they were comparing how much time each student spent doing various things in a day.

According to their results the 'average' Year 8 student:

- 29 minutes a day doing homework
- 73 minutes a day listening to music
- 36 minutes a day doing chores
- 47 minutes a day recreational reading
- 128 minutes a day watching television
- 103 minutes a day eating
- 9 hours a day sleeping
- 191 minutes a day using facebook/computer
- 132 minutes a day doing other leisure activities like skateboard etc.
  - 23 minutes a day doing nothing
  - Sound like anyone you know?

# Australian Childhood Vision Impairment Register

Sue Silveira, Research Fellow Royal Institute for Deaf and Blind Children contacted the Regional Director, Carole McDiarmid about the Australian Childhood Vision Impairment

Register.

This project is sponsored by the Royal Institute for Deaf and Blind Children, in

partnership with children, families, eye health professionals, low vision service

providers and children services. The Register aims to capture data on Australian

children who live with vision impairment.

We currently have 220 children registered, including children who are blind and

vision impaired.

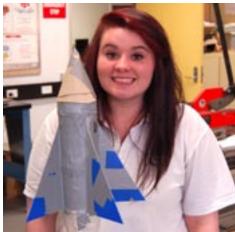
Data from the Register is shared with researchers and in planning for

better services for children.

However, children and their families are not identified in any way.

Parents are able to find out details about the Register, and register their child at the following website:

http://www.ridbc.org.au/renwick/research/ozviskids.asp.



More rocket technology

## **Sport: Boardgames and Knitting**

Amongst the wide range of activities for students at Kelso High students can elect to do boardgames or knitting for sport.













Yanes Ketty

#### Goodbye to Yanes

Yanes Adolofrian Ketty is one of the children we sponsor through World Vision. After 9 years we have helped Yanes and his community to break the cycle of poverty and become self-reliant, and take control of their own development.

When we began to help, food shortages and low agricultural production were common, child malnutrition & HIV and AIDS were significant health problems. Education standards were low, and extravagant wedding and funeral customs were a major cause of poverty.

So much has changed in these areas: roads, bridges & irrigation infrastructure; training for farmers; credit unions have been formed; good hygiene & sanitation practises exist; 160 wells have been constructed; new schools, resources & teacher training are in place.

SO MANY LIVES HAVE BEEN CHANGED – CONGRATULATIONS KELSO HIGH COMMUNITY.



Van

#### But welcome to Van

Van Luan Ho lives in the Tra Bong Project in Vietnam. Van Luan is 8 years old, he was born on August 20th 2002 and his favourite game is marbles. Both his parents are farmers, and he has one brother. He is in primary school, where his best subject is music. Life for children and families in Van Luan's community is extremely difficult because they lack access to the basics, like healthcare & educational purposes.

Most people in this mountainous area are farmers, but outdated methods, isolation and a shortage of productive land makes it difficult to grow enough to support their families. Most people live in simple thatched mud huts which are extremely vulnerable to the frequent floods, typhoons and landslides. A limited diet and lack of fresh water means children are malnourished and susceptible to illnesses like diarrhoea. Many children miss out on education because of isolation and the cost of basic supplies.

Our sponsorship will help to provide:

Training in disaster management, to cope with floods Health education to help prevent disease

Safe, clean water supply systems

Educational support & school supplies

New health facilities

Seeds, fertilizers and training in agricultural techniques

# Stroevey's Challenge: Number 162 Mathanagrams

Rearrange the letters to give words you would find in Mathematics. For example: hams act time becomes "mathematics".

- 1. Great pence
- 2. Madlice
- 3. Car core lip
- 4. Vine gate
- 5. None mad riot
- 6. Yes thou pen
- 7. No net gap
- 8. Cat in for
- 9. Meer drain

10. All are quiet

Solutions showing necessary working and your roll call group should be given to Stroevey. Prizes always on offer.

Stroevey's Challenge: Number 161 How many students? 301 students

The winners were Trent Flanagan (Yr9), Joel Simmons (Yr8) and Josh McGrath (Yr8).

## Stroevey's Website Challenge: Number 11

Dots: just like the game we call "Boxes" but against a computer.

http://www.elogiq.com/games/dots/play.htm

# Facts and figures about the number 44

The number of different ways in which five people with five hats can each take the wrong hat is 44.

How many paving slabs measuring 1 metre square will it take to surround a square pond 10m by 10m? Draw a diagram and the answer is 44.





Curtis McAlister

# **International Schools Science Competition**

Students from Kelso High Campus achieved outstanding results in the International Schools' Science Competition. The competition is run in schools across Australia and in 30 other countries. The tests are designed to assess student ability in science. These students are to be congratulated on their achievement.

Year 7: Trent Cunynghame – Credit
Madison Phillips – Credit
Breanna Clarke – Distinction
Mollee Simons – Credit
Year 10: Heidi Annand – Distinction
Charles Hall – Credit
Amelia Meurant – Credit
Year 11: William Horspool – Credit
Year 12: Chrysanth Hackfath – Credit
Curtis McAlister – High Distinction



Kelso High Campus welcomes Mr Peter Gallanty as the new farm assistant.

#### Life Saving

At the end of the year, Kelso High will conduct Royal Life Saving classes for students in Year 7, Year 8 and Year 9. Students will be instructed in groups ranging from weak swimmers lacking in confidence to strong, confident swimmers who can attempt the Bronze Medallion award. The program will be conducted at the Bathurst Aquatic Centre. Each day year 7 students will attend in periods 1 & 2; year 8 students in periods 3 & 4 and year 9 in periods 5 & 6.

A brief outline outline of the program is:

Thursday 2nd Dec: All students tested on their swimming ability so that they can be placed in the appropriate group for their level.

Friday 3rd Dec: Day 1 Life Saving instruction.

Monday 6th Dec: Day 2 to Day 6 Life Saving instruction.

Friday 10th Dec:

Monday 13th Dec: Day 7 Life Saving instruction. (maybe some testing of students who have reached their level.)

Tuesday 14th Dec: Testing of all students.

Wednesday 15th Dec: Personal Best Timing. (PBT) All Yr7, Yr8 and Yr9 students to pool 9.30am to 12.45pm for swimming.

Periods 5 & 6 Mr Stroeve's games in the Gym.

Last day of school for all students.

Thursday 16th Dec: Staff Development Days. No students.

Tuesday 1st February 2011: School Assembly. Presentation of Life Saving Awards.

Some 'dry land' instruction will happen in Term 3 during PE classes.

The cost of the 10-day course will be \$75 per student. This cost includes daily return bus fare, admission to the pool, instruction, testing and Life Saving Award.

If you would like to know more details about each Life Saving level, please complete the attached note 'Like to Know More about Life Saving' and have your child return it to Mr Hanger in Staff 1. A detailed booklet will be sent home, as well as a full permission note. A returned 'Like to Know More about Life Saving' note in no way commits you to engage in the course.

We hope that many, many (ideally all!!) students will enrol in this valuable course, the first time it has been offered at Kelso High. The emphasis is on Life Saving; in 2009 over 500 young Australians drowned in tragic circumstances. Our aim is to prevent this ever happening again.

We look forward to your support in this exciting experience for our students.

#### **Pakistan Flood Appeal**

Well done to Year 11 students who assisted with the 'bucket' collection for the Red Cross appeal for the survivors of the Pakistan floods. \$251 was the final total. Thanks to the generosity of the students and staff of Kelso High Campus. Also thank you to Stocklands Shopping Centre who allowed us shelter on a rainy day to collect extra coins from some Bathurst citizens.



Senior Volleyball Team

# Volleyball Report Western Region Representatives

Last term, two of the Kelso High senior volleyball squad travelled to Bomaderry on the south coast to compete for Western Region in the State Volleyball Carnival.

Derryn Clayton and Tyler Dean both gained selection in Term 1 and worked hard to get their skills up to the standard required at the carnival. Both boys are in Year 10 which hopefully will mean they will be able to represent for the next two years.

Originally the boys were picked as bench players but due to their commitment to training and improving they worked themselves in to the 'First 6' and remained on the court throughout the whole 9 games.

The Western team finished 6th which was well above expectations.

Congratulations to both boys who represented their school and region with pride and conducted themselves respectfully at all times.



Junior Volleyball Team

#### **Junior Squad**

The junior squad is up and running. There are approximately 15 enthusiastic students who train twice a week at lunch times as well as Monday night. The talent is very high and I feel this team has a lot of potential. Most of the players are also involved in other sports outside of school so I appreciate them giving another sport a try. Hopefully they will enjoy the challenge of a new sport and stick with it.

We attended our first tournament Week 2 of this term

at the Homebush Olympic Park complex. The tournament was the Trans Tasman cup with American teams playing in many divisions. Unfortunately they did not play in the U/15s division in which we competed.

The boys, with limited experience played well throughout the day, improving with every game. In hindsight we should have entered 2 teams as we had too many players and we found it hard to find our rhythm while changing the team so often.

I was very impressed, however with the athleticism and sportsmanship of all the boys. Although we did not win a game we never gave up and found it increasingly easier to win points as the day progressed. All teams we played had more experience and unfortunately our lack of consistency did not allow us to win many consecutive points in a row.

They did however show a great deal of potential for future years.

Well done to all the boys who attended and to the whole squad for their continued efforts at training.

#### **Senior Team**

The senior team also attended the Trans Tasman cup and came away with a trophy for first place in the opens second division. This is an especially pleasing win due to the fact our team are still only Yr 9 and Yr10.

Hayden James (Dos) was under pressure after taking up his new role as the setter in the team. This was his first competition in this role and he did not disappoint. His speed and knowledge of the game allowed him to create many opportunities for our spikers to aggressively put away their hits.



Our 2 outsides hitters were outstanding. Tyler Dean and Derryn Clayton displayed maturity and consistency on the court. They knew when to apply full pressure and when to just return the ball which is an area we they have worked on to improve, you can't always belt every ball. Ty was particularly impressive with some amazing spikes whilst also captaining the team. Our centre blockers Aaron Hall and Campbell Carney were able to defend impressively. They easily read the play and blocked many balls. Our universal players Nathan Taylor and Harry Bowden also played out of their skins. They both picked up many defensive balls and passed consistently. Thank you must go to our bench players (Zach Morrison and Matt Clarke) who came on to the court when asked and did their jobs well. They encouraged the team constantly from the sidelines which pushed the boys to play better.

Congratulations to all the senior squad who continue to train hard in preparation for the Australian Schools' Championship held in Melbourne at the end of the year.

# **Australian Schools Championship** (Melbourne)

The senior boys team will be attending the Australian Schools' Championships held in Melbourne at the end of the year. This is a huge tournament with over 116 schools and over 400 teams participating each year. It is expensive so we are holding some fundraising events throughout the year. The first of which will be 24hr volleyball game. To be held on the last day of term.

# 24 Hour Volleyball fundraiser

On the last day of Term 3, 24th of September Kelso will be hosting a continuous game of volleyball for 24 hours in order to raise money for the Melbourne trip. The game will commence at lunch time with a teachers vs teachers games, then a game between Foster High Juniors and Kelso juniors followed by Foster's senior team vs Kelso's Yr 9 & 10 team.

Students will be allowed to watch all the games and we will ask for a gold coin donation as they enter the gym.

At 7.00pm that night we will be holding some more games between Kelso and Foster so that the parents can come and watch. All those attending will be charged \$2 dollars which goes towards the Melbourne trip.

A BBQ will also be held and the day and various other activities will be taking place. We hope all students will get involved and support our efforts to get to Melbourne.





Rocket science at Kelso High

## Year 11 Work Experience









#### **Cybersmart:**

#### **Tips for Kids and Teens**

Think before you post. Content posted online can be there forever. You can put it up, but you can't necessarily take it down.

Make sure you don't put any key personal information on your profile. This includes your phone number, personal email address, home address or the name of your school. Be careful when you post photos, that they don't include any of this information either.

Check with your parents if you do decide to give out personal information or put it in your profile.

Use the privacy settings. Learn how to make your profile private, so only people you accept as friends can see what you're posting.

It's still public. Even if your profile is private you can't control what your friends do with the information you post. It's important to guard your privacy – don't post information or photos that you wouldn't want everyone to see.

Remember, not everyone is who they claim to be. Although it's great to have online friends, including them on your "friends" list allows people you don't know to learn all about you. This information could be used for a scam, to steal your identity or worse.

Keep your online friends online. If you don't want to meet someone that you haven't met so far in person, ask a parent or another trusted adult to go with you and always meet in a public place, preferably during the day.

Say no! Free offers are usually too good to be true and can end up costing you a great deal.

Be considerate. Only post comments you would be happy to receive yourself. Don't post photos of other people without their permission. Remember, when you post photos you might be impacting the privacy of your friends too.

Don't respond if someone sends you unkind or bullying messages or asks you to do something that makes you feel uncomfortable. Instead tell your parents or another adult you can trust.

#### **Tips for Parents**

Stay involved in your child's use of new technology – ask them to show you how social networks work. Set up your own account, ask to join your child's 'friends' list and see for yourself what they're doing. It can be a fun experience for you too.

Check the age guidelines of any site or game your child might want to engage in.

Help your child set up their profile to make sure that they don't put too much personal information online. Help them to identify what is and isn't appropriate to post online.

Check the privacy settings for each service and find out how to block other users and report abuse. Hopefully you will never need to do this, but it's good to be prepared.

Talk to your child about who they should communicate with or make 'friends' with online.

Discuss the amount of time your child can spend online and ensure they maintain a balance. Remind them of their other responsibilities and encourage outside activities, hobbies and face-to-face time with friends.

Keep the lines of communication open. Children need to be confident that they can talk to people about what is happening.

#### Year 10 into Year 11 Interviews



Interviews were conducted for students wishing to do senior study recently. Parents were welcome to come and participate in the interviews.



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