



Kyneton Secondary College

Epping St, Kyneton, 3444. Tel: (03) 5421 1100. Fax: (03) 5422 3505.
 Dedicated Absence Message Recording Telephone No – 5421 1195
 Principal: Glenn Davey. www.kynsec.vic.edu.au

Thursday, 23rd July, 2009

Newsletter

No. 21

Kyneton Secondary College is committed to building a learning community, based on positive relationships and a strong work ethic, where people are able to realize their potential in a safe, caring, stimulating and sustainable environment.

A word from Glenn Davey

Dear Parent/Guardian/Student,

Kyneton Education Plan Progress

While staff are still busy visiting schools and developing ideas around how the teaching and learning should operate in our proposed K-12 college we have been given approval to contact a list of Architectural consultants who may be interested in getting involved with our project. Our intention would be to speak to each of these consultants over the course of the next few weeks.

Students At Risk

Parents of students at risk, of not passing and not being promoted in 2010, on the basis of Semester One Results, are being contacted by Year Level Coordinators and Homegroup teachers at the present time. It is very important that we work with the student and their family to bring about the necessary improvement to get students back on track.

Glenn Davey - Principal

COMING EVENTS.

	EVENT	YEARS
JULY		
Tuesday 28 th	Deb Practice	
Wednesday, 29 th	VTAC Information Evening	Yr 12
AUGUST		
Tuesday August 4 th	Deb Practice	Yr 11
Thursday August 6 th	HOWRU Survey	7A, 9L, 11E
Tuesday August 11 th	LOCKDOWN PRACTICE	All
	Deb Practice	Yr 11
Wednesday August 12 th	Information Evenings	Year 9 – 10 Year 10 - 11
Thursday August 13 th	Year 10 – 12 Course Counselling Starts	Yr 10, 11, 12
SCHOOL COUNCIL		
Friday August 21 st	Course Selection Forms Due Yr 10 - 12	Yr 10 - 12
Monday August 24 th	Year 8 – 9 Course Selection Week	Yr 8 - 9
Tuesday August 25 th	Deb Practice	Yr 11
SEPTEMBER		
Wednesday September 2 nd	Progress Reports sent home Year 9 – Battle for Australia	All Yr 9
Monday September 7 th	Year 7 – 8 Course Selection Week	Yr 7
Thursday September 10 th	PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS	All

Tuesday September 15 th	Whole School Assembly	All
Wednesday September 16 th – 18 th	Year 8 Camp	Yr 8
Thursday September 17 th	SCHOOL COUNCIL	
Friday September 18th	Last Day of Term 3 – 2.30pm Finish	

EDUCATION MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCE.

The Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA) is provided to assist eligible families with the costs associated with the education of their children.

To be eligible for receipt of the EMA you must:

- be either a parent or guardian of a primary or secondary school student up to the age of sixteen; **and**
- be an eligible beneficiary of a Centrelink pension, allowance or benefit within the meaning of the *State Concessions Act 2004* **or** be a Veterans Affairs (TPI) pensioner **or** be a foster parent.

Consequently parents/guardians are able to access the EMA if they have a valid Health Care Card or valid Pension Card.

The eligibility criteria must be met as at the first day of Term 1 (**28 January 2009** which is the first day for teaching staff) and Term 3 (**13 July 2009**).

The EMA application must be submitted to the school by **7 August 2009** for the second instalment.

The EMA provides an annual amount of **\$221** for primary students and **\$443** for secondary students and is paid in two instalments. This amount is split evenly between the parents/guardians and the school.

Students turning 16 years in 2009 will be paid on a pro rata basis.

Parents with continuing eligibility, who are paid the first instalment of 2009 through this school will not be required to complete a new application for the second instalment. Parents who transfer children to another school after 27 February 2009 and prior to or on 7 August 2009, must reapply at the new school for the second instalment.

EMA Application Forms are available from the school office.

ATTENTION ALL YEAR 12 PARENTS AND STUDENTS

We invite you to a very important VTAC Information Evening on Wednesday the 29th of July, in the Hall at Kyneton Secondary College from 7.00pm to 8.30pm. This is a very important night which will assist you and your student to become more familiar with the VTAC application process. This is a very important and informative night. We hope that you will be able to join us.

Please contact Georgina Hasell, Senior Years Manager, should you require further information.

ENROL TO VOTE WEEK 2009

A special message for our students who are who have turned 17 this year. Next week is Enrol to vote Week!! This initiative has been organised by the Australian Electoral Commission. Kyneton Secondary College has registered to assist our students in undertaking this important step forward in our democratic society. At next week's Year 11 and 12 assemblies, students will be given the opportunity to enrol to vote. Teachers will be on hand to assist in the process and authenticate their documents. It's important that students bring with them to these assemblies one piece of ID. Proof of identity documents are as follows:-

1. Drivers Licence or Learners Permit (preferred); or
2. One original identification document that can be shown and verified by a teacher (such as a Proof of Age card, Australian birth certificate (or extract) issued at least 5 years ago, concession card (must be current), Medicare card, passport (must be current and Australian), employee identification card (current with photo and signature); or
3. If you don't have any of the above, please speak to Mr. Sheahan who will be able to assist.

Eighteen year olds are under-represented on the electoral roll compared with other electors and most 17 year olds are unaware that they can enrol now so they're ready to vote in elections when they turn 18. It's important that our young people have a say in the running of our country so get involved and get registered!

GARDENING GROUP.

This term the Gardening group will be working on the following days:

Tuesday:	4 th August,	18 th August,	1 st September,	15 th September.	
Wednesday:	22 nd July,	5 th August,	19 th August,	2 nd September,	16 th September.

WORKING BEES.

The dates for the Working Bees this term are: Saturday, 8th August
Saturday, 12th August.

More information will be provided closer to the dates.

UNIFORM SALE ITEMS [Until sold out]

For Year 9 – 11 students only.

- Boys Blue DS Pants – sizes 24-26" & 38" - \$26.00
- White Polo Shirts - sizes 8-12 & 22-28 - \$20.00

UNIFORM SHOP HOURS.

The Uniform shop is open every Monday, 3pm – 5pm and Tuesday 2.30pm – 4.30pm

LAUNDRY ROSTER.

Friday 24th July : Jacqui Moore

(Please contact Judy at the school on 5421 1100 if you would like to take part in the roster.)

FOUND.

One boy's black size 12 shoe. Near new. Found outside Home Economics Area. Come to the General Office to collect if yours.

PARENT CLEANING GROUP.

The Parents & Friends Group has initiated support for the school. They are volunteering to undertake support cleaning and will be tackling particular tasks. Please see Cheryl Wheeldon **Wednesday, 22nd July** in Room 34/35 at 3.30pm. to collect equipment and find out locations. Any assistance, whether on a regular or occasional basis, will be greatly appreciated. Thank you to the wonderful volunteers for their great efforts last term, we managed to achieve quite a lot. For more information contact Cate Burton or Fiona Rankin on 5421 1100.

Thank you

Cheryl Wheeldon

COMMUNITY NEWS

TRIVIA

Stop Press!

Yes, the Lady Brooks Kindergarten Trivia Night has been rescheduled and is now on Saturday August 1st.

So you haven't missed out! - come and have a fabulous night supporting our biggest fundraiser of the year. All money raised will benefit our wonderful kindergarten.

When: Saturday August 1st, 7 pm for a 7.30 start

Where: Kyneton Masonic hall, Yaldwyn Street, Kyneton

Cost: Only \$10 per person, 8-12 people per table

Limited seats available so book by Wed July 29

Contact: Tracey on 5422 7089

BYO food and drinks and bring lots of loose change for fun games, silent auctions, lucky door prizes and much, much more!

TRENTHAM'S GOT T★ALENT

Calling all performers!!!

Musicians, Jugglers, Gum Leaf Whistlers, Magicians, Poets, Contortionists, Comedians, Yodellers.

Prizes Galore!!!

7.30pm Saturday 1st August. Doors open 7pm. St Mary Magdalen's Hall, Bridge Street, Trentham. Gold Coin Donation.

Register your act **NOW!!!**

Limited spaces available. Phone 5424 8480. 5424 1788. 0407 280 272. \$5.00 Registration Fee.

BYO Drinks and snacks. Mulled Wine and Cheese Platters available.

Brought to you by St Mary Magdalen's Guild.

Kyneton Police Station Tours.

Bronwyn Wilson (Exhibition Curator & Museum Supervisor, *Kyneton Museum*), at last night's AGM of the *Friends of Kyneton Museum*, mentioned there would be tours of *Kyneton Police Station* organized in conjunction with Kyneton Police, in view of the present *Kyneton Museum Ned Kelly: Fact & Fiction Exhibition*, the National Museum of Australia travelling exhibition. Ned Kelly was imprisoned at the Kyneton Police Station at one stage in his youth.

The tours are on *Friday, 31st July commencing each hour from 9.30am, concluding with the 12.30pm tour*. Each tour will include a 'cuppa' at the *Kyneton Museum*. For bookings t/ph 5422 1228 or 1300 88 88 02. Numbers are strictly limited so there is a need for booking early.

It is an excellent opportunity to see the old bluestone lock-up and the police complex before it closes to make way for the new *Kyneton Police* building and re-development of the Hutton Street precinct.

Inquiries: Bronwyn Wilson M 0409 379 760.

MACEDON RANGES SHIRE YOUTH SERVICES AND MACEDON RANGES HEALTH SERVICES GISBORNE YOUTH SPACE UP AND COMING EVENTS.

Tuesday 4th August 4.30 – 6.30pm Band Night

Tuesday 25th August 4.30 – 6.30pm Acoustic Music

Tuesday 15th September 4.30 – 6.30pm Wii Guitar Hero and Drums.

At Manaaki, 35 Aitken Street, Gisborne.