

The Harvest

The Newsletter of Kerang Christian College



Integrity, Faith, Family

Wednesday, 21st June 2017

Dear Parents and Friends,

Well, the end of the first Semester is almost upon us and what an amazing semester it has been.

Some of the recent highlights have been the Year 5/6 Speech night last week attended by around 60 people. The Year 5 and 6 speeches were very good and the students showed great courage in standing up and speaking publicly to so many people. I commented to some staff that I am not sure I could have done that when I was in Year 5 or 6!



The Year 7 Information night for 2018 students was held and it looks like we could have a full Year 7 next year.

The Year 5/6 Camp (which we combined with Son Centre Christian College) was another highlight for the term just gone.

Our secondary students have just finished their semester examinations with the Year 12 students (and quite a few Year 11 students) also sitting the GAT (General Achievement Test).

The Year 8 students enjoyed their medieval night two weeks ago and the list goes on!

It is great to celebrate the many achievements of our students and this will be further documented in the student reports that you will receive shortly.

Usually teachers write their reports highlighting some of the good things that a student has achieved and a number of areas for improvement. It would be good to sit down with your student and celebrate the good things they have achieved and work out an action plan to help your student fulfil the suggestions made by their teachers for improvement. If, for example, the suggestion is something like “seek more help from the teacher” perhaps role play with them on how to go about it!

Did you know that the Bible has much to say about listening to correction such as in Proverbs 12: 1 “If you love learning, you love the discipline that goes with it – how short sighted to refuse correction” and “Proverbs 19:20 “Listen to advice and accept correction, and in the end you will be wise”. This advice is something that children and adults alike need to be reminded about as none of us is by any means perfect.

As this is the last newsletter before the semester break I would like to wish you all a good and safe holiday and God’s richest blessings.

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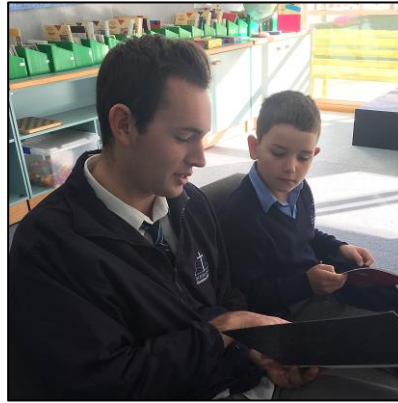
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READING HELPERS



Luke and Zane



Lachlan and Logan

This week, two of our Year 11 students, **Lachlan Gill** and **Luke Slatter** heard some of our students read. We have other reading helpers that come in to hear the students read too. Thank you for your support. If you would like to help in this area of the College, please contact the school office. You must have a Working with Children's Check.

YEAR 5/6 SPEECH NIGHT

Thank you to parents and supporters for attending our Year 5/6 speech night. This year the students shared about what it is like to be an author. They shared the first chapter of their novel.

Round 2 of speeches will be held on Monday, 26th June 2017 and the Lions Club will be in attendance to announce winners of the next stage.



T-BALL



Last Friday our Year 5/6 students participated in the annual Lightning Premiership Competition. The day was a great success and the students are to be congratulated on their incredible enthusiasm and effort! Thank you to Miss Hutton and Miss Price for helping with this event.

Seven of our Year 5/6 students will be competing in the Mallee Division Winter Sports Finals [T-ball] in Swan Hill on **Friday 23rd June**. We wish them all the best!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

END OF TERM

School finishes at 3:20pm on **Tuesday, 27th June 2017**. Term 3 commences on **Monday, 17th July 2017**.

CRAZY HAIR DAY

Crazy Hair Day is an annual fundraising event at the end of a Term 2 (**Tuesday, 27th June**) at Kerang Christian College. This event supports Cystic Fibrosis Victoria (CFV) and is a fun way for students to celebrate the end of the first semester and a great way to raise awareness and funds for those living with Cystic Fibrosis. Primary and Secondary students may wear free dress for the day and provide a gold coin donation to participate in the day.

CANTEEN REDUCED MENU

A new canteen menu is attached to the newsletter. The menu has been significantly reduced. Please only order from the Term 3 menu. We still need helpers for this valuable service to our school community. Please contact the office if you can help out.

BOOK PARADE

The Primary School Book Parade will be held on Friday, 25th August 2017. This year's book is titled, "At the Same Moment, Around the World" by *Clotilde Perrin*.

Students are asked to wear a multicultural costume for this event. More details of this event will be made available next term.

WELFARE UPDATE

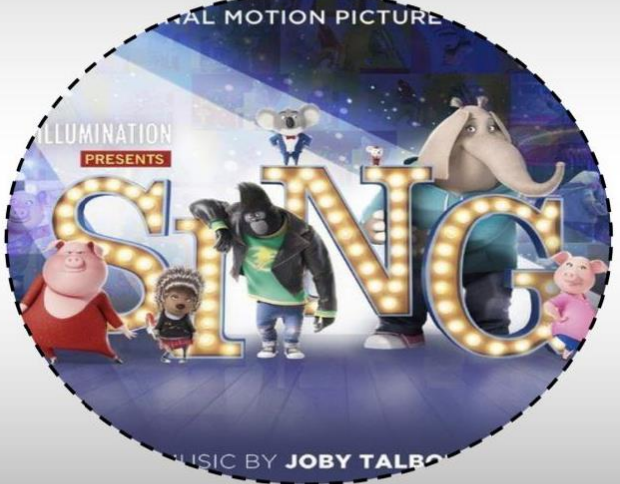
All the staff at KCC will be participating in a 2-day training course during Curriculum Week. The Counselling Department from the Swan Hill hospital will be delivering the Youth Mental Health First Aid training package. As a College we have made the financial and time commitments to this course a priority as we strive to equip our staff to handle the realities of Mental Health concerns amongst our students and our community. We will be looking at a broad spectrum of mental health issues and focusing on several issues that we are coming across regularly, including anxiety and depression.

As the term has progressed it has been encouraging to see more and more students accessing the Welfare Department. Please remember that you can contact me at any time through the school – either directly or via your child's Classroom or Home Room teacher.

Have a safe and restful holidays!
Caz Anderson.

Grainshed KIDS SCHOOL HOLIDAY FREE MOVIE DAY

WEDNESDAY JULY 12, 2017
10:30 AM @ THE GRAINSHED, 2-8 KING ST
All Children Must Be Accompanied by an Adult



SAUSAGE SIZZLE, SNACKS & DRINKS FOR SALE
PROCEEDS TO COMPASSION AUSTRALIA

THE GRAINSHED, 2-8 KING STREET, SWAN HILL - PH: 5032 9449 EMAIL: reception@thegrainshed.org.au

What's happening ?

Prep/1/2

In P.E, we have been focusing on practising our throwing and catching skills using tennis balls and beanbags.

Year 3/4

Year 3/4 students have been drawing simple graphs comparing Canberra and Darwin in temperature and rainfall.

Year 5/6

In Visual Arts, the 5/6 students have been designing and painting face masks.

Year 7

In Art the Year 7s have been creating fish sculptures out of a range of materials. Students spent time sketching out their design before they created the steps that they would take to create their sculpture.

Year 8

Year 8 Science students have been doing small practical activities to build up their laboratory skill set.

Year 9

Year 9 English are studying the life of William Shakespeare in preparation to read Romeo and Juliet next term.

Year 10

Year 10 English are writing speeches, self-chosen on a current event. These will be presented early next term.

Year 11

Year 11 Systems Engineering class are beginning to build circuits using PCB boards.

Year 12

Year 12 have begun to study their final text for the year, *Black Diggers*. Soon, they will be writing comparative essays on this and the text *The Longest Memory*.

June

Fri	23 rd	T-Ball in Swan Hill
Fri	23 rd	Fishing – Outdoor Adventures
Mon	26 th	Round 2 Year 5/6 Public Speaking
Tue	27 th	Term 2 ends
	27 th	Reports Posted Home
	28 th -30 th	Staff Planning and Professional Development

July

Mon	17 th	Term 3 starts
Fri	21 st	Prep Health Assessments
Tue	25 th	CSSN Cross Country (Secondary)
Wed	26 th	Year 7 Transition Day
Thurs	27 th	Parent Teacher Interviews 3:40pm – 8:00pm

August

Wed	2 nd	2018 VCE Information Evening
Wed	9 th	The Big Event (more details soon)

PRAYER POINTS

- Praise for our Year 5/6 Speech Night, continue to pray for students as they prepare for the next round of speeches.
- Pray for staff as they complete the report process.
- Pray for safe and happy holidays.

NEWSLETTER INSERTS

- Selected Year 5/6 Rurals T-Ball (CareMonkey)
- Outdoor Adventures – Fishing trip (CareMonkey)
- Canteen Menu

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