Dear Parents and Friends

Our Primary School students had a terrific time participating in the Book Parade on Friday, 26th August. This year, the Primary School staff selected a delightful book from our school library for the Book Parade. The book selected for 2016 was “My Grandad Marches on Anzac Day” written by Catriona Hoy and illustrated by Benjamin Johnson. Students enjoyed the opportunity to get dressed up in a range of costumes, including soldiers, doctors and nurses, pilots, navy personnel, tanks and more.

Students from Kerang Christian College also entered a wide range of books in the Book Week Writing Competition. We congratulate all the students who entered into this competition and wish to acknowledge the Year 2 students and Zaeli Cutter on their awards in this competition.

I also wish to thank Elizabeth Kopec who did a fantastic job painting our school canvas of our selected book. We also wish to thank Mrs Jennifer Vellacott for taking on an active role in the Writing Competition judging and representing our school on the committee organisation of the parade.

Working together,

Michael Bond
Principal
What did you do at school today?

Prep
Yesterday the Preps enjoyed ‘Party Food’ prepared by the Unit 2 Food Studies class.

Year 1
Year 1 enjoyed Show and Tell this week, when William brought his puppies from home. The students loved patting and playing with the Blue Heelers.

Year 2
Recently in Health, the Year 2 students have been looking at the things that can sometimes cause conflict between people and the strategies to help resolve these issues.

Year 3
The Year 3 students have been learning about two digit subtraction with regrouping during Mathematics lessons in the past week.

Year 4
The Year 4 students enjoyed watching a digital video clip on volcanoes. They commenced writing an informative piece with facts about volcanoes.

Year 5
The Year 5 students have been enjoying learning about the new character quality, cautiousness. They have been making a comic demonstrating each of the five ‘I wills’.

Year 6
The Year 6 students continued learning about the Australian Government this week by role playing the House of Representatives. They debated the ‘No Homework Bill’ and the votes were 7 in favour to 5 against.

PRIMARY SCHOOL ATHLETICS DAY
On Thursday, 25th August students from Kerang Christian College competed in the annual K.D.P.S.S.A Division 2 Athletics in Kerang. Our students were well prepared for this competition after completing an Athletics unit during PE classes in Term 3.

Thank you once again to Mrs Michelle Brady who assisted as a volunteer official. We also acknowledge and thank Mrs Jennifer Vellacott, Mrs Jennifer Moore, Miss Sarah Hutton, Mr Jesse Cutler, Miss Colleen Price, Mrs Pam Banfield and Mrs Leanne Pryor who assisted as officials and helpers on the day. It was also great to have some assistance throughout the day from some of the year 9 students, including Elizabeth Edgley, Emily McDonald, Emily Steains, Olivia Steel, Natasha Vellacott, Hannah Vollmannshauer and Aaron Boal. We are particularly grateful for the work of Miss Georgina Beach, who acted as the Meet Organiser for the K.D.P.S.S.A Division 2 Athletics.

Congratulations to Elora Brown, Lanie Somerville, Darcy Strange, Lachlan Somerville and Arya Banskota who were awarded age group champions at this competition.

ZONE ATHLETICS TRIALS
Congratulations to the students who participated in the trials on Monday. A number of students have also qualified for the Zone Championships on Wednesday, 14th September. Thank you to Mrs Jennifer Vellacott and Mrs Pam Banfield who assisted on Monday.

INTERIM REPORTS
Parents and guardians will be receiving interim reports next week. The reports are being posted home to parents / guardians. The interim report is designed to provide a brief report on the student’s academic progress and behaviour during Term 3.

ROTARY ANNUAL SPELLING COMPETITION
Students from Years 4 – 6 have been invited to the Rotary Annual Spelling Competition which is to be held on Monday, 12th September at Thornley Hall, Kerang Technical High School. The Annual Spelling Competition is organised and run by The Rotary Club of Kerang and does not attract any entry fee. Entries have closed for this competition.

FOOTY COLOURS DAY
On Friday, 16th September all Prep – Year 12 students will have a chance to participate in Footy Colours Day. Students are invited to wear their favourite footy colours. It may be their favourite AFL team, soccer team or netball team. However, it is not just an opportunity to wear plain clothes.

SAMARITAN’S PURSE
Thank you to those families who have already returned their forms to be involved in the 2016 Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child appeal. Please refer to page 4 of The Harvest for additional information about the 2016 Samaritan’s Purse Operation Christmas Child appeal.
PRIMARY SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS

UNIT 1/2 FOOD TECHNOLOGY
The Prep and Year 1 students enjoyed a special afternoon tea prepared by the students studying Unit 1/2 Food Technology. Brylie Xuereb and Tiarna Shephard prepared a range of dishes for the younger students. Their brief was to design and cook “party food”. As you can see from the images below, our Prep and Year 1 students had a great afternoon and greatly appreciated this special treat from the Food Technology class. Thank you also to Ms Rachel Lowe for your assistance with overseeing this activity.

Please refer to the calendar on the last page of The Harvest to see a list of upcoming events.

Working together,

Michael Bond
Head of Primary School / Principal
SAMARITAN’S PURSE
Thank you to those families who have already returned their forms to be involved in the 2016 Samaritan’s Purse Operation Christmas Child appeal. It has been exciting to see some boxes already completed and returned to school. If you would still like to participate, families right across the College are encouraged to help us in trying to reach our school wide goal of 61 boxes. Please contact the College Office if you have any questions about the process involved in filling a box.

WEEK 5: The week commencing the 5th September provides students with an opportunity to add “Something for personal hygiene”. Examples include: Soap and face washer, toothbrush, hairbrush, comb, hair clips, scrunchies, etc... Please remember that toothpaste and any products containing liquid (e.g. bubble bath) are not able to be sent overseas.

WEEK 6: The last week of Term 3, commencing the 12th September is a chance to add “Something special” to your shoebox. Examples include: Carry bag, sunglasses, bangles, necklaces, craft kits, stickers, a personal note, a photo of yourself, hairbands, balloons, any other thing from previous weeks, etc... Some students and families who have already returned boxes have included photographs of themselves and/or personal notes addressed to the recipient of the box. This is a lovely, personal touch that the children who receive the boxes will greatly appreciate.

The ages for the shoe boxes include; 2 – 4 years, 5 – 9 years and 10 – 14 years. Please remember to select either girl or boy and pack appropriate items for the age group. Please keep in mind that articles have to fit in a shoe box approximately A4 size and no second hand items are acceptable.

School Goal for 2016:
61 shoe boxes

What did you do at school today?

Year 7 English
In English, students are currently developing their debating skills and will have the opportunity to put these skills into practise as they participate in a class debate in the weeks to come.

Year 7 ICT
The students in Year 7 have been learning about computer networks such as Local Area Networks (LANs) and Wide Area Networks (WANs). The have also studied the different types of network configurations, including Star, Ring, Bus and Hierarchical.

Year 8 Mathematics
In Year 8 Maths, students have been working on plotting linear graphs on the Cartesian plane, identifying rules to construct linear graphs and finding the y-intercept and gradient.

Year 8 ICT
Students have been using an online diagram editor to develop a network model of the Primary School building. Students have attempted to show as many of the devices as possible in the network within this building, including network hardware components.

Year 9 English
In Year 9 English, students have been studying camera shots, angles and techniques used in films and the effects these have on the audience.

The Great Bake Off
In The Great Bake Off, students completed an assessment task that involved them selecting a recipe and adapting it to create a gift jar, complete with instructions on how to make up and bake the item.
MIDDLE SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS

PREMIER’S SPIRIT OF ANZAC PRIZE 2016-17
The Premier's Spirit of Anzac Prize is open to students in Years 9 and 10 currently enrolled in all Victorian Government, Catholic and Independent Schools. Students need their parents' permission to enter the competition.

The 2016-17 Premier's Spirit of Anzac Prize will provide 22 students with the opportunity to participate in an overseas study tour to Lemnos, Gallipoli and the Western Front. In addition, regional finalists will tour a significant Australian location and will be invited to attend lunch with the Premier of Victoria.

Applications should be submitted via email to SOAP@dpc.vic.gov.au by 10am, Friday, 23rd September 2016. Early lodgement is welcome at any time. For more information, please visit the website below: http://www.dpc.vic.gov.au/index.php/veterans/veterans-board-positions/premiers-spirit-of-anzac-prize-2016-17

UNIFORM REMINDERS
Parents and students are reminded that non-uniform items of clothing are not permitted to be worn at school. Additionally, female students who choose to wear the winter skirt are reminded that they are required to wear navy, wool tights. Black, opaque tights are not permitted. Finally, all Secondary School students are required to wear a tie with their winter uniform. Thank you for your assistance with these matters. Please refer to page 9 of The Harvest for details regarding the transition to Summer Uniform.

MIDDLE SCHOOL INFORMATION EVENING
Kerang Christian College invites you and your child to attend our Middle School Information Evening tonight, Wednesday, 7th September at 7pm in Room 12 of the Secondary School at Kerang Christian College. The evening is designed to prepare Year 6 students and their families for the experience of Secondary School education at Kerang Christian College. To make the transition as smooth as possible for your son/daughter, we will attempt to cover many aspects of entry into the Secondary School and the Middle School program at Kerang Christian College. Key topics will include: expectations for students in the Middle School, homework expectations and subject and elective information. We look forward to welcoming current Year 6 students and parents to learn more about the Middle School this evening.

CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS EVENTS NETWORK - ATHLETICS
Students in the Middle School have recently been completing a unit on Athletics as part of their Physical Education classes. There have certainly been some impressive efforts, especially in the high jump and shotput events. A number of students have been selected to represent the College at the Christian Schools Events Network (CSEN) Athletics Carnival, which is being held on Tuesday, 13th September. Students who received permission forms to participate in this event are reminded to return their form promptly. Thank you to Miss Georgina Beach for her work in coordinating this event.

UPCOMING EVENTS
Please refer to the calendar on the last page of The Harvest for the dates of upcoming College events.

Michelle Bond
Head of Secondary School
What did you do at school today?

Year 10 Mathematics
The Year 10 students have been completing a unit on Financial Mathematics. They have been studying percentage discounts, budgeting and simple interest. This content will be crucial for those students continuing onto General Mathematics next year.

Year 10A Mathematics
Students in the 10A Mathematics stream are just finishing their unit on Polynomials. They have been solving polynomial expressions through long division as well as looking at factor theorem and techniques for factorising.

Unit 2 Psychology
Students have been studying classic psychological research studies looking into power, obedience and conformity. They have also considered the influence that the media has on one’s behaviour.

Unit 2 Mathematical Methods
Students are finishing up their unit on circular functions, looking at the graphs of sine, cosine and tangent functions.

Unit 4 Psychology
Students are relieved to have finished the course content and can now turn their attention to preparing for the end of year examination. Students have been provided with over 10 practice examinations to complete over the holiday period.

Unit 4 Health & Human Development
Students are working towards their final assessment task, by looking at ways that health and human development can be promoted on a global scale. Students have been provided with extensive revision materials to work through over the holidays, in preparation for their final examinations.

TERTIARY APPLICATIONS
A number of Year 12 students have commenced tertiary applications including SEAS and scholarships. Applicants are made through VTAC and close on the 29th September. If you have any further questions regarding this process, please feel free to see Mrs Café.

VTACmag
Year 12 students are advised that the VTAC booklet has been replaced by a new VTACmag. VTACmag contains practical, easy to follow information about the VTAC process and preparing for study, and is available for purchase in printed format from newsagents (RRP $7.95), and for tablets and smartphones as an eMagazine ($4.49).

INTERIM REPORTS
Interim reports for Prep – 11 will be posted this week. Year 12 interim reports will be posted home during Week 1 of Term 4. This is slightly later than the Prep – Year 11 reports so that we can provide parents and students with more detailed information regarding SAC performance.

VCE HANDBOOKS
This year we have provided each student in Years 9 - 11 a copy of two key documents, our VCE Student Policy Handbook and the VCE Subject Selection Guide. Please let me know if you know of a family who is interested in receiving a copy of these documents. We look forward to seeing our school grow in 2017.

Students are reminded that signed ‘Parents and Student Declaration’ forms are due by Friday, 9th September. This form was included in the information package at the Senior School Information Evening.

SUBJECT BLOCKING LETTERS
Thank you to all families for the prompt return of subject selection forms for 2016. Students received a letter informing them of the subjects they have selected and the relevant blockings, with this newsletter. I would like to remind families that any changes to your subject selections will require you to complete the appropriate ‘Change of Subject Selection’ form. These forms are available from myself and changes will need to be endorsed by a Parent/Guardian and Head of Senior School. Once approved, a copy of the ‘Change of Subject Selection’ form with the Head of Senior School’s signature will be given to you as confirmation of the changes. Students are reminded that changing subjects after Friday, 9th September 2016 will incur a textbook cost.

PRESENTATION EVENING
The College is currently making early preparations for our 2016 Presentation Evening, which will incorporate the Year 12 graduation ceremony. Please note that the date for Presentation Evening for 2016 is Thursday, 24th November 2016. This event will include Year 12 Graduation for the first time in the College’s history. Presentation Evening has been scheduled earlier than previous years due to the number of Year 12 students participating in the Alternative Schoolies trip to Cambodia in partnership with the Rotary Club of Kerang.
SENIOR SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS

VCE EXAM REVISION LECTURES UNITS 3 & 4
Access Education
The Access Education revision lectures are a great opportunity to complete additional preparation for Unit 3 and 4 VCE examinations. For more information about this opportunity to prepare for VCE examinations, please refer to: www.accesseducation.com.au.

Engage Education
Unit 3 and 4 students are encouraged to visit: https://engageeducation.org.au/lectures/ to learn more about VCE exam revision lectures provided by Engage Education.

TSSM
TSSM’s September Holiday Exam Preparation Program is designed to help Unit 3/4 students thoroughly review all key areas of study as outlined in the VCAA Study Design for each subject prior to the exam rush. Please refer to: http://www.tssm.com.au/

NEAP
The September Program by NEAP is a knowledge-based program. Guided by experienced and enthusiastic VCE teachers, students will revise and summarise the course of your subject/s in detail to consolidate your learning and work through exam-style questions. Please refer to: http://www.neap.com.au/.

SECONDARY SCHOOL STUDENT I.D. CARDS
The College has student I.D. cards available for Secondary School students to purchase at the College Office. I.D. cards are available for $8.00. Please contact the Office for more information.

EASTERN COLLEGE AUSTRALIA
Open day at Eastern College Australia is on Monday, 17th October 2016, from 11am - 1pm. For a full list of courses and more information about each one, please go to www.eastern.edu.au/study/courses.

KWONG LEE DOW YOUNG SCHOLARS
The Kwong Lee Dow Young Scholars program is an academic enrichment program designed to support high achieving Victorian senior secondary students. Year 10 students are eligible to apply for the program, after being endorsed by their school. Please speak to Mrs Bond or Mrs Café. Applications close on Monday, 10th October.

MYFUTURE
The myfuture website is a career information service that assists career planning, career pathways and work transitions. - See more at: www.myfuture.edu.au

If you have any concerns throughout this year, please do not hesitate to contact me at the College.

Michelle Café
Head of Senior School
BOOK PARADE
TERM 4 SUMMER UNIFORM

SUMMER UNIFORM
Please note at the start of Term 4 students wear summer uniform.

PRIMARY SCHOOL

Primary Boys: Boys are to wear school uniform grey shorts, blue school uniform short sleeve shirt (with logo), school jumper, grey socks, black shoes and blue school hat.

Primary Girls: Girls are to wear the school uniform navy and white check dress, school jumper, white socks, black shoes and the blue school hat. Hair ties are to be navy blue.

SECONDARY SCHOOL

Secondary Boys: Boys are to wear school uniform grey shorts, white school uniform short sleeve shirt (with logo), school jumper, grey socks, black shoes and blue school hat.

Secondary Girls: Girls are to wear the school uniform navy and white check dress, school jumper, white socks, black shoes and the blue school hat. Hair ties are to be navy blue.

Reminders:
• Hats are to be worn at all times when students are outside.
• Dress length should reach the bottom of the knee cap when wearing their jumper.
• Additional information is published on page 121-122 of the College diary.

SYSTEMS ENGINEERING

STUDENT PORTFOLIO
This week in Systems Engineering the final Year 12 SAT (School Assessed Task) was completed. This involved a large folio that outlined the design, production and evaluation processes that the student completed throughout the year. An integrated system was also finished and tested, this year the system chosen to be built by the student was an iPhone dock.

Samantha Cordingley
Subject Teacher
ANNOUNCEMENTS

NOTICE TO WITHDRAW
Parents are reminded of their obligation to give the school one full term’s notice, in writing to the Principal, if their children are not continuing at Kerang Christian College. The lack of one term’s notice will result in the payment of one Term’s Tuition Fees. It is also a legal requirement for you to inform us of the school to which your child’s enrolment is transferring.

STUDENT DRESS CODE
Thanks to all those families who make the effort to ensure that their children are abiding by the student dress code. Staff will quickly address any variations noticed amongst the student body. If you receive a yellow “Uniform Notice”, please attend to the request promptly. The College’s dress code and Uniform Policy is clearly stated in the Student Diary. It reflects the values of the school community.

ORDERING PRIMARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOL SUMMER UNIFORMS
The Uniform Shop is now taking Summer Uniform orders. We would greatly appreciate the opportunity to take all orders by Friday, 2nd September. The College attempts to stock as many sizes of each item as possible; however, we sometimes need to order additional items. Your assistance in ordering early ensures that all students are dressed appropriately in summer uniform at the start of Term 4. For more information, please speak with Mrs Leanne Pryor in the office.

VISITOR SIGN IN
On arrival at the College all visitors must report to the school office and sign in. This procedure is very important and is in place to protect our students. Thank you for your ongoing support. Parents do not have to sign in and out if they are picking up their child from school at the end of the day.

KEEP YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS UP TO DATE
If you have changed your email address recently or are unsure that your correct email address is on file at the School, please advise your correct details to: admin@kccs.vic.edu.au.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE
Parents need to notify the College by 9:30am if their child is going to be absent for the day. This assists our classroom teachers and Office staff. Thank you in advance for your support.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

KERANG BAPTIST CHURCH
Kerang Baptist Church Craft Group’s “Stitches for Dignity” is excited to be holding a second sewing day to create Sanitary Kits for Girls and Women in Developing Countries. We have two days planned: Friday, 9th September from 9.30am – 4.00pm and Friday, 14th October from 9.30am – 4.00pm. These days will be held in the Sewing Room at Kerang Technical High School, Murray Street where we have access to their sewing machines and overlockers. Please bring your lunch, morning tea will be provided. For further information, please contact either:

Linda Harrison on 5457 8266 or 0427 578 266 OR
Sue Keath on 5452 2552 or 0428 858 888
ENROLMENT INFORMATION

You are invited to join our friendly school family on the next chapter of our stimulating journey.

Special Announcement
Kerang Christian College is pleased to announce that there are a limited number of free tuition places available for Prep and Year 7 for 2017 for complete enrolment applications received prior to the 16th September 2016. Please note that enrolment places are always subject to Principal approval after an enrolment interview. Please contact the College Office for more details.

School Tours
Families considering Prep – Year 12 enrolment at Kerang Christian College for 2017 are most welcome to visit the College for a Principal’s Tour. Tours will allow visitors to meet the College Principal and enjoy a guided tour around the College’s facilities whilst viewing classes in action. Reservations can be made by contacting the College Office by phone on 5450 3894.

Academic Excellence
A key strategic priority for Kerang Christian College is the development of a culture that has a passionate pursuit of academic excellence. The College is offering Prep to Year 12 studies for the first time in the College’s history in 2016.

Connect With Us
We know that developing a connected school community is important for the overall educational experience for our students. Whether you're interested in our curriculum initiatives, our student achievements or attending the next event at the College, you'll find an appropriate social site to follow here or a web page with additional information.

https://facebook.com/kerangcc
https://twitter.com/KerangCC

Prep Transition for 2017
To enrol for Prep, families are encouraged to pick up a copy of an Information Package, which includes an Enrolment Form. Enrolment Forms are also available on the College website. Enrolment places still exist in our Prep program for 2017. Please contact the Office if you wish to find out more information.

Year 7 Transition for 2017
Our transition program into Year 7 involves a number of important events. Tours of the school are available throughout the year by appointment. This is an opportunity to see how the school works and what the school looks like. Please contact the College office to find out additional information.
The Harvest – Wednesday, 7th September 2016

CALENDAR

September
Wed 7th Middle School Information Evening
Tue 13th CSEN Athletics
Tue 13th Unit 3/4 Physical Education excursion
Mon 12th Annual Rotary Spelling Competition
Fri 16th Footy Colours Day
Fri 16th Term 3 Ends at 1:30pm

October
Tue 4th Kerang Show Day (No school)
Wed 5th Term 4 Commences
Tue 18th Last day of classes for Year 12
Wed 19th Year 12 Valedictory Dinner
19th – 21st Year 3/4 Camp
26th – 18th Unit 3/4 Examinations

November
14th – 17th Assessment Week
14th – 15th Year 7 – 10 Examinations
21st – 24th Unit 2 Examinations
Thu 24th Presentation Evening
Mon 28th Year 6 Graduation
28th – 2nd VCE Orientation Week

December
Fri 9th Term 4 Ends at 3:20pm

PRAYER POINTS

• Please pray for students attending the CSEN Athletics and Physical Education excursion next Tuesday.
• Pray for our Middle School Information Evening tonight.
• Continue to pray for enrolments for 2017.

PARENTS PLUS PRAYER GROUP
The Parents Plus Prayer Group meets every Thursday in the College Staff Room at 9am. All welcome. It is a relaxed and informal environment. No RSVP is required. There is no commitment to attend every week.

CHARACTER FIRST

CAUTIOUSNESS
Knowing the importance of right timing in accomplishing right actions.

The Role of Leadership
Parents and teachers have the responsibility to teach their child safety rules such as “look both ways before crossing the street,” “don’t talk to strangers,” “don’t run with sharp objects,” and “buckle your seat belt.” Thorough instruction, however, goes beyond the rules to provide reasons and examples.

Stories of cautious decisions and rash mistakes can create lasting impressions. With enough warning, one generation might avoid the mistakes of the previous generation.

NEWSLETTER INSERTS

• VCE Physical Education Excursion (Sent: 06/09)
• CSEN Athletics (Sent: 06/09)
• 2017 VCE Subjects Selected (Sent: 07/09)

BIRTHDAYS

Happy Birthday to:
6th Sept – Miss Price
9th Sept – Rickie
9th Sept – Harley
10th Sept – Elliot
11th Sept - Zach

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NEWSLETTER VIA EMAIL

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