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A WEEK OF CELEBRATION AT HENRY KENDALL HIGH SCHOOL

Henry Kendall High School strives to provide our students with a well-rounded education. The school ensures students are provided with access to a range of experiences, both curricular and extra-curricular, a culture of promoting values of respect, tolerance and responsibility. This week two events have been shared with students:

INTERNATIONAL WOMENS DAY

International Women’s Day is a day to celebrate the contribution women have made across the world to their communities and the progress that has been made for equality. This day was first declared in 1910 and continues as a celebration on the 8 March every year.

In schools this day is celebrated in recognition of the relationships and support our female staff have provided for school communities. Here, at Henry Kendall, we are fortunate to have a fantastic team of women who strive to support students and the wider school community. To celebrate their contributions Learning Support provided coffee and cake to staff as a show of appreciation. A special thank you to Kathy Secomb and our Special Education students for their support and assistance.

HKHS SUPPORTS THE ELIMINATION OF RACIAL DISCRIMINATION THROUGH HARMONY DAY EVENTS – FRIDAY 14 MARCH

Harmony Day is recognised nationwide on the 21 March each year. The message of Harmony Day is Everyone Belongs. It is a day to celebrate Australia’s diversity. It is a day of cultural respect for everyone who calls Australia home – from the traditional owners of this land to those who have come from many countries around the world.

There are many ways we can celebrate Harmony Day – through sport, dance, art, film, music, storytelling, cooking and sharing cultural meals. By participating in Harmony Day activities, we can learn and understand how all Australians from diverse backgrounds equally belong to this nation and make it a better place.

Harmony Day is an Australian Government program and coincides with the United Nations International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination.

Since 1999 Harmony Day has been widely celebrated across schools, childcare centres, community groups, churches, businesses and federal, state and local government agencies. (http://www.harmony.gov.au/about/).

At Henry Kendall we are embracing this event today, 14 March. The SRC has planned the following events:

- Face painting
- BBQ with staff and students
- Making a harmony kite
- Starting a harmony record book
- Live music
- A celebration photo shoot on the oval
- Crazy head and toe day

Please look out for our spectacular photos in our next HKHS Highlights edition showcasing this great day. Ms Donna Loveridge, Deputy Principal Years 7, 9 & 11
EXPLANATION OF ELECTIVE COURSE FEES

At Henry Kendall High we endeavour to offer students with as broad a range of subjects to choose from as possible. We are proud of the diverse educational experiences and opportunities that we are able to provide. However, in recent years the percentage of elective course fees collected by the school has decreased dramatically. If it continues, this trend may result in certain courses no longer being available to students as the school is unable to meet the ongoing costs associated without parental support.

The area of concern for the school is the elective courses that incur cost to be able to run. These are not mandatory courses; they are courses in Years 9-12 that students choose to enter voluntarily with prior knowledge of the associated costs. The course fees for these subjects do not contribute towards general school resources. Rather, they provide materials and resources that are used specifically in delivering the course to your children. The school does, of course, offer a broad range of elective courses that do not incur any fee. We also offer payment plans to assist families in meeting these costs.

In coming weeks each course will be providing families with details regarding the fees for that course and what they are used to provide. For those families who have already met these costs, thank you. For those families who are yet to do so, I appreciate your support in meeting the costs of the course that your son/daughter has entered into. Thank you for your understanding and assistance in this important matter.

Mr Andrew Backhouse, Principal

YEAR 11 BIOLOGY ENJOY THEIR TRIP TO PUTTY BEACH ROCK PLATFORM

On Wednesday 26 February, Year 11 Biology students took part on an excursion to the Putty Beach rock platform. The day was carefully chosen to coincide with the lowest tide for the month that occurred around midday.

The excursion was all about gathering data first hand, on location, just like real scientists. This involved using skills learned during our first topic: “A Local Ecosystem”.

As part of our first assessment task, our job began by carrying out an initial survey of the rock platform. This involved locating, identifying and categorising numerous different species according to tidal zones. We then engaged specialised measuring and counting techniques involving quadrats and transects. This was used to gather data to be analysed in the report. Teams of students all worked extremely well throughout the day to gather and share data. The day finished in the lab by analysing water samples taken during the day.

It was a most enjoyable day out together with so many keen and engaged students. It was such a beautiful day; we were all very tempted to “fall in”.

A special thanks to Mrs Dowzard and Mr Booth for your valued contributions on the day.

SPECIAL EDUCATION NEWS

WELL DONE MITCHELL AND BEN!!

Both Mitchell Carlin and Ben Kemsley represented Henry Kendall at the district swimming carnival. Mitchell and Ben did extremely well in both mainstream and athlete with a disability (AWD) events. Both boys also swam in the relay for the school. What a fantastic effort from two sensational students.

HENRY OF THE WEEK

Our winners of Henry of the week for the past two weeks have been Alec Miles and Jade Ansell. They are both well deserving winners who have set a great example for others to follow. We hope that we see all our great students win soon.

SPORTS UNIFORM FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION STUDENTS

Don’t forget that Tuesdays and Thursdays are days that the students in Special Education can wear their sports uniforms. This makes it easier for the students and makes their bags considerably lighter.

PAYMENTS AND NOTES FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION EASTER SHOW EXCURSION DUE SOON

The Easter Show excursion is fast approaching and we need all notes and money in by 21/03/14.
THANK YOU TO ALL WHO PARTICIPATED IN THE WOOLWORTHS EARN AND LEARN PROMOTION

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Woolworths Earn and Learn promotion in 2013. HKHS Special Education Centre was very happy to receive a large amount of lego from this promotion. Our students will have many hours of fun constructing and building.

What’s happening? ...........

YEAR 11 DESIGN & TECHNOLOGY STUDENTS LEARNING IN THE THIRD DIMENSION WITH OUR NEWLY PURCHASED 3D PRINTER AND 3D SCANNER

The TAS Faculty has purchased a MakerBot 3D printer and 3D scanner as shown in the photographs.

Staff from the TAS and 2 other faculties joined with TAS teachers from Gosford High School to gain experience about the capabilities of this modern technology during an after-school inservice course. Students from Year 11 Design & Technology class are using this technology to produce a computer cable organiser as part of the Design Brief for their first assessment task. The students are designing the device using Google SketchUp software and then importing the designs in MakerBot software for conversion to instructions that can be read by the 3D printer. We hope to show the finished results in an upcoming newsletter.

COME AND JOIN OUR DEBATING TEAM

We now have three teams registered for interschool debating: 7/8, 9/10 and 11/12. Debating meetings are usually held every Thursday, Break 2 in F2. Students who are interested in entering public speaking competitions should see Mrs Hogan in the English staffroom.

YEAR 12 ENGLISH STUDENTS ON TRACK FOR HALF YEARLY EXAMS

Year 12 English Standard and Advanced have completed their second assessment task and have begun their study of Module A. Students should now also be preparing for their mid-course exam, which is on Area of Study, Belonging, Sections 1 & 2 – Reading and Writing.

‘LIKE’ OUR CREATIVE AND PERFORMING ARTS PAGE ON FACEBOOK

We have a Henry Kendall CAPA Facebook page which contains all kinds of information, opportunities, events and other happenings going on in our wonderful faculty. If you would like to stay informed, make sure you head along to www.facebook.com/HKHSCAPA and ‘Like’ our page. We encourage both parents and students to ‘like’ our page and stay ‘up to date’.

YEAR 10 VISUAL ARTS BUSY WORKING ON THEIR SCULPTURES FOR THE SCULPTURE ON THE GREENS EXHIBITION

Year 10 visual arts students are currently in the process of creating sculptures for the Sculpture on the Greens at Kooinjah Waters Golf and Spa Resort. This exhibition is an annual event run by Sculptor Col Henry. Sculpture on the Greens is supporting many artists from over Australia and one international sculptor from Germany. Col Henry has kindly invited several schools over the Central Coast to participate in this successful exhibition this year.

Year 10 Visual Arts students have had a round of rewarding Skype meetings with Col Henry to discuss sculpture proposals and materials. The Sculpture on the Greens exhibition is open to the public from Saturday 5 April to Sunday 25 May 2014, with the Gala opening on the 4 April. Sculpture on the Greens Exhibition is a follow-on from Sculptures by the Bay which, sadly, will not take place this year.

FOUR STUDENTS EXHIBIT THEIR WORKS IN JAPANESE NAGOYA CITY ART EXHIBITION

Last year the following students Rebecca Jauhiainen, Andrew Cooney, Laura Kostalas, and John Han successfully exhibited their work in the Japanese Nagoya City Art Exhibition. After the exhibition, their works were sent to schools in Japan as art examples. In exchange Henry Kendall High School has received five artworks from Japanese students who exhibited in this exhibition. These artworks (two of which are seen to the left and right of this article) will be displayed in the library.
Congratulations ……..

HKHS REPRESENTED BY OSCAR, SENJAY AND JACKSON AT NSW ALL SCHOOLS TRIATHLON

On Friday 7 March, Oscar Tebbutt, Senjay Turner and Jackson Boyd represented Henry Kendall High School at the NSW All Schools Triathlon. The course was a 400m, followed by a 10km cycle and a 3km run. A great day for all triathletes.

CONGRATULATIONS EMILY

Emily Wardle (Year 12) has received the Steel Magnolia Young Achiever 2014 Award. The Steel Magnolia Award is a celebration of the strong and inspiring women in our local community. It honours courageous women and young achievers of the Central Coast region, who have succeeded in overcoming great personal challenges, creating hope and providing inspiration to the whole community. Well done, Emily!

LIONS YOUTH OF THE YEAR

Congratulations to Tahmyna Khoshnoud-Rad (pictured right) who moves through the Regional Final of the Lions Youth of the Year. We wish her well!!

YEAR 8 STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

Year 8 students have all been working very well this term. The following students have been awarded Academic Achievement awards and I would like to congratulate them on their outstanding efforts. Jarod Aldridge (2), Jessica Atkinson, Annisa Amini (2), Amy Bee, Laura Cooper, Monique Court, Tom Cuthbert, Jessica Datsyuk, Liatyn Davis, Anna de lange, Connor Dowe, Lydia Fan, Sinead Flaherty, Nikki Fraser, Tom Freestone, Brayden Gunn, Emily Hayhurst (2), Elizabeth Hegyessy, Cameron Henson, Blake Hoerl, Patrick Jankowski, McKayla Kop-Conrow, Madelyn Lane (2), Shariel Llige, Celeste McAndrew, Taryn Middleton, Joel Naylor, Tayla Nadilo, Jessica Nolan, Jazmin Norley, Eryn Norris, Gracie Oldfield (2), Jacob Parris, Luke Reeves, Horus Roque (2), Joel Ryan, Xavia Scott, Tyler Smith (2), Caitlyn Sullivan, Liat Trenbirth, Keely Vincent (2), Samantha Wardle, Rebecca Welsby, Gabe Williams (2).

CAREERS CORNER

DEFENCE FORCE RECRUITING UPCOMING INFORMATION SESSIONS

All sessions to be held at 528 Hunter St, Newcastle

Health Careers Information Session
Wednesday 19 March 2014 6pm
The ADF Healthcare, Science & Chaplaincy offers an impressive range of well-regarded medical and health positions with outstanding management and leadership opportunities. These challenging, highly rewarding roles allow you to make patient care your number one priority and to enjoy medical facilities which are second to none. For more information visit: http://www.defencejobs.gov.au

Communication Roles Information Session
Tuesday 25 March 6pm
When you’re trying to get any job done in a team it all comes down to good communication. Find out how radio and satellite communications in the Navy, Army and Air Force to provide vital communications for the ADF. For more information visit http://www.defencejobs.gov.au

Pilot Information Session
Wednesday 26 March 2014 6pm
Forget charter and commercial work, this pilot role could see you command the fastest and most exciting aircraft in the Australian skies. For more information visit: http://www.defencejobs.gov.au