SENIOR INDUCTION

Over three hundred and seventy proud Year 12 students were inducted as Senior Leaders at Kirwan High last Tuesday.

Kirwan places great emphasis on leadership of self and leadership of others.

Guest speaker Father Dave Lancini and Acting Executive Principal Meredith Wenta inspired students with their key message that they all had a vital leadership role to play within the community. The great reputation of Kirwan High rests on their shoulders.

School Captains awarded their badges of office were Holly White, Clive Aaron, Reanna Jones, Jackson Arthy, Hannah Royle, Nick Dean, Mikayla Newman, Bradley Cross, Richard Kawane and Caitlin Wall.

The forty-eight 2015 House Captains were also awarded their badges of office.

Acting Executive Principal Meredith Wenta said she was looking forward to a great year with strong leadership from the Year 12s.

Next Parents and Citizens’ Association meeting will be held on Tuesday 19th May at 7 p.m.

PARENTS AND CITIZENS’ ASSOCIATION MEETINGS

Tuesday 9th June 2015
Tuesday 14th July 2015
Tuesday 11th August 2015
Tuesday 8th September 2015
Tuesday 13th September 2015
Tuesday 10th November 2015

Meetings at 7pm in the school library
All Welcome
Expressions of interest are now invited from members of the community who are interested in being selected for the positions of Chief Community Representative and/or Community Representative for the 2015 Queensland Core Skills Test. The test is to be held on Tuesday 1 September and Wednesday 3 September, 2015. Persons nominated by this school will not necessarily be located at Kirwan High, but may be required to supervise the QCS test at another school in the Townsville area.

An information package regarding these paid positions is available for personal collection from the Administration Office, Hudson Street. The package contains details such as position descriptions, forms for completion and rate of pay. Details and forms are also available on the QCAA website at https://www.qcaa.qld.edu.au/2484.html.

All completed applications must be returned to the school office by close of business (4.00 p.m.) on Friday 22 May, 2015.

CONGRATULATIONS TO

Ten students from Kirwan High who participated in the Weet-Bix Kids TRYathlon at Riverway on 3rd May 2015. These TRYathletes are:

- Tyler Caris
- Tavana Flanagan
- Luke Henne
- Teresa McIntyre
- Adam McLaren
- Jed Pearce
- Macgregor Reid
- Christopher Reid
- Darcy Singleton
- Benjamin Turner

The Weet-Bix Kids TRYathlon will be returning once again in 2016 and we hope to see you then.

For more information on the Weet-Bix Kids TRYathlon visit try.weetbix.com.au

The Defence Work Experience Program and 27SQN RAAF Base Townsville will host the next one day Air Force Careers Visit on Wednesday 17th June. As part of the visit, students may participate in the following activities:

- Briefing on safety, security, expectations, RAAF Townsville units etc
- Visit a number of units on base, allowing students to see, handle and/or learn about a range of Air Force units, roles, equipment, vehicles, aircraft etc
- Units to be visited could include MEOMS workshop, Air Movements Section, 38 Squadron, 5th Aviation Regiment (Army), Air Traffic Control, Military Working Dogs, Combat Survival Training School - Units may vary slightly each visit.
- Focus on the range of career opportunities that are available in the RAAF
- Lunch at the Airmen's Mess
- Participation in an Air Force Physical Training Activity
- Discussions and Q&A with airmen and airwomen at the RAAF Base
- Information session by Defence Force Recruiting

The visits are aimed at (but not limited to) Year 10 students who may be considering an Air Force career but would like more information on the range of units residing at RAAF Base Townsville, the many careers available and the roles and responsibilities of personnel in those jobs.

Students must be 15 years of age already.

See Ms Jane in VET office to collect an agreement.
Kirwan State High School

John Livingston
Gala Dinner and Auction

Kirwan High staff and students proudly supporting 'The Cure Starts Now' which funds brain tumour research

Join us for a night of entertainment, raffles, lucky door prizes and an auction.

Saturday, 20th June 2015

Jupiters Townsville
The Grand Ballroom

6.30 for 7pm start

Tickets: $110 per person
Includes: one complimentary drink on arrival and buffet dinner
Band and feature entertainment
Dress: Elegant/cocktail
Bookings required. Limited spaces

For tickets and information, please email gala@kirwanshs.eq.edu.au
In the email include:
Number of tickets to be purchased
Name and telephone number
Payment method: Credit Card / Visa or EFT.
or call Kirwan State High School on 47738111

THE CURE STARTS NOW FOUNDATION
DEFENCE NEWS
Last Monday we farewelled our Executive Principal Mr John Livingston, with many Defence families attending his funeral. Over the years Mr Livingston had made a lasting impression on many peoples’ lives and this was evident at the number of Kirwan High staff and students, both past and present, who attended.

Education Allowance Scheme
Some of the students in our school have parents who are in the Australian Defence Force, namely members of the Australian Army, the Royal Australian Navy or the Royal Australian Air Force.

These Defence students will probably move around Australia, as their parents are posted from one military establishment to another, and they will also experience periods where their parent/s are absent for training, exercises or deployment. This may have a negative impact on their education. The Australian Department of Defence recognises this and provides assistance to families and schools when this happens. Education Assistance aims to minimise the impact of mobility on a child’s academic performance.

Although the introduction of the Australian National Curriculum has greatly assisted students who change schools, there are still times when these students may miss units of work, have to commence a subject that was not taught in the previous school or does not meet the academic standard of the new school.

Through Education Assistance a Defence child who has changed schools as the result of a posting is eligible for additional tutoring. The child can receive one hour of tutoring per subject per week for 14 weeks with an additional 14 weeks if required. The child’s teacher or school principal must certify that the child requires the tuition and the subjects in which the tuition is required.

When a school requires a student to commence a subject that has not been previously studied (e.g. a new language) then the period of tuition is 6 months.

If the student is in Year 10, 11 or 12 and is studying a subject essential to career aims but not provided at the new school then the tuition is for one school year.

Parents can access the services of a private tutor or a tutoring company and be reimbursed by the Department of Defence.

In some schools the tutoring is done during school time. In these cases the school agrees to provide a teacher aide who at the direction of the class teacher tutors the student during class time. This provides immediate assistance to the child when he or she needs it most and does not impose on the child after school or weekend tutoring.

All tutoring provided through Education Assistance must be completed within 18 months of the child starting at the new school.

Any Defence parent who thinks their child may qualify for this tutoring can obtain further details through the Defence Family Helpline on 1 800 624 608.

There are other printed resources available to parents, children, teachers and schools that address the social and emotional impact of mobility and parental absence and again these can be accessed by phoning the 1 800 number above and asking to be referred to the Regional Education Liaison Officer (REDLO)

Important Contacts
DEFENCE COMMUNITY ORGANISATION for all defence members and families.
Contact number: 1800 624 608

GECKOS for defence members and families
Contact number: 4411 7031

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Defence Transition Mentor
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PCYC TOWNSVILLE

IT ALL STARTS HERE.

YOUTH MANAGEMENT TEAM

GET INVOLVED

JOIN THE FUN

FEATURING

PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT
LEADERSHIP SKILLS - FUNDRAISING
COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERING - PEER SUPPORT

FUN, GAMES & INITIATIVES
FOR CHILDREN AGED BETWEEN 12 - 18 YEARS

CONTACT JADE ON 4781 9100 OR JADE.FENTON@PCYC.ORG.AU
NORTH QUEENSLAND SPORT REPRESENTATIVES 2015

Open Boys Basketball
Jariya Blackman-Bobbert

12 Years and Under Basketball
Kyle Whitton

Softball
Madelynn Lowe - Opens
Kaitlyn Tkacz - Opens

Open Girls Football
Madison Reid

Open Boys Football
Josua Beynon
Liam Bolton
Justen Lyons (Shadow)

Under 15 Boys Rugby League
Kallum Delacour
Lachlan Postle
Zack Baker
Jacson Lott
Evanda Hewson
Brayden Cullen
Martin O’Brien
Adam Partridge-Wregg

Open Boys Rugby League
Marshall Hudson
Enari Tuala
Richard Munchow
Kaleb Fuimaono
Calum Gahan
Brayden Dee
Sione Veukiso
Bradley Cross
Jayden Stephens
George Moananu
Duarne Dempsey

Netball
Chloe Niven - Under 15
Ashleigh Moser - Under 15
Holly White - Opens

Under 15 Squash
Bradley Martin

Open Boys Rugby Union
Marcus Ryan
Kailab Coventry
Richard Munchow
Joseph Munro
Jj Ah-Sam

Open Girls Hockey
Hayley Buchanan
Kyla Buchanan
Janaye Williams

Open Boys Hockey
Harrison Farrell
Nicolaas Smith

Under 15 Boys Touch
Khtrae Stone
Kallum Delacour
Dylan White

Under 15 Girls Touch
Brooke Valinoti
Molly Janke

Open Boys Touch
Aj Willis
Jamie Savage
Fred Lemson
Rhys Cussen
Jonti Villalba
Treiahl George (Shadow)
Nathan Searle (Shadow)

Open Girls Touch
Mikayla Newman
Lauren Wright
Georga Pierce
Tiffany Woodall
Chantyl Eltagonde
Mahalah Luta (Shadow)
Chanae Dawson (Shadow)

Swimming
Tayla Hiller - Opens
Annie Hiller - 12 Years

UMAT TEST
Are you wanting to study Undergraduate Medicine and Health at a southern university (not JCU)?
Then you must register for UMAT. Register at www.umat.acer.edu.au before 5 June 2015, 5.00 p.m.
Test will be held on Wednesday 29 July 2015. If you require any further information then please see
a Guidance Officer.
Term 2

20/05/15 Louisa Charity Breakfast BBQ
21-24/05/15 QSSRL 18 Years State Rugby League Championships West Arana
22/05/15 Earth Day
26/05/15 National Sorry Day
24-29/05/15 Reconciliation Week
29/05/15 Australia’s Biggest Morning Tea
29-31/05/15 Airlie Beach Camp for International Students
02/06/15 Open Bears Rugby League APC Round 5 Kirwan SHS V SPC
03/06/15 ICAS Test Science Years 7, 8 and 9
15/06/15 ICAS Test Writing Years 7, 8 and 9
15/06/15 Cut to Cut Cancer Extravaganza Day
06/06/15 Year 10 Celebration Parade—Period 1
09/06/15 Year 11 Celebration Parade—Period 1
08/06/15 Queen’s Birthday Public Holiday
11-13/06/15 School Holiday—Hairspray
15/06/15 ICAS Test Writing Years 7, 8 and 9
22/06/15 Year 12 QCS Practice Test
29/06-10/07/15 School Holidays

Term 3

13/07/15 Term 3 commences
14/07/15 Open Day
15/07/15 Open Bears Rugby League APC Round 7 Kirwan SHS V Abergowrie in Abergowrie
16-17/07/15 Interhouse Athletic Carnivals (16 July half day from 11.30am, 17 July all day)
20/07/15 Welcome Ceremony for International students
23-25/07/15 Townsville to Cairns Bike Ride—VET students catering
25/07/15 Open Bears Rugby League APC Final
27-31/07/15 Try visit
28/07/15 ICAS Test English Years 7, 8 and 9
29-30/07/15 Challenge Games—Special Education Program
29/07-12/08/15 Kokugakuin Study Tour
29/07/15 Dance Night Rehearsal—Performing Arts Centre—3.30pm—5.30pm
31/07/15 Year 12 Science 21 excusion
31/07/15 Dance Night—Performing Arts Centre—7.00pm
05/08/15 Open Bears Rugby League GIO Cup North Queensland V South Queensland Semi-finals
6-8/08/15 Year 11 Biology Camp (Mission Beach)
11/08/15 Open Bears Rugby League X Pools GIO Cup
11/08/15 ICAS Test Maths Years 7, 8 and 9
11/08/15 Year 6 into 7 Subject Information Night
12/08/15 Year 7 into 8 Subject Information Night
12/08/15 Year 8 into 9 Subject Information Night
12-13/08/15 Cultural Infusion
13-15/08/15 Year 11 Marine Science Camp (Magnetic Island)
18/08/15 Open Bears Rugby League GIO Cup National quarter finals (TBC)
18/08/15 Year 9 into 10 Subject Information Night
19/08/15 Year 10 into 11 Subject Information Night
23/08/15 Relay for Life
24-25/08/15 Year 10 SET Plan interviews
25/08/15 Open Bears Rugby League GIO Cup National Semi-finals (TBC)
01-02/09/15 Year 12 QCS Test

Term 4

06/10/15 Term 4 commences
07-11/10/15 Queensland All Schools Touch Event
19/10/15 Pupil Free Day
20/10/15 Sports Awards Night
21/10/15 Vocational Education Awards
26-30/10/15 Try visit
04/11/15 Year 10, 11 and 12 Graduation and Awards Night
06/11/15 Rugby League Presentation Night and Bears Reunion
11/11/15 Remembrance Day
11/11/15 Special Education Awards Night
13/11/15 Arts Expo
16-19/11/15 Year 12 Activities Week
20/11/15 Year 12 Rite of Passage
20/11/15 Final Day for Year 12 students
20/11/15 Year 12 Formal
23/11/15 Year 11 QCS Workshop
24/11/15 Year 10 Mini QCS Practice Test
24-25/11/15 Year 11 QCS Practice Test
23-25/11/15 International Student Cultural Program (Showcasing Australian culture)
23-27/11/15 Year 10 Work Experience
25/11/15 Year 11 Certificate III Business excursion to James Cook University as part of Year 11’s James Cook University Pathways Program
27/11/15 Final day for Year 10 and 11 students
30/11/15 Year 7, 8 and 9 Awards Night
11/12/15 Final Day for Year 7, 8 and 9 students

2016

25/01/16 Term 1 commences

YEAR 12 COMPLETION DATE
For 2015 - 20 November
YEARS 10/11 COMPLETION DATE
For 2015 - 27 November
YEARS 7, 8 and 9 COMPLETION DATE
For 2015 - 11 December