CONGRATULATIONS
to
Harrison Farrell, Year 8, who was selected in the U13 Queensland Hockey Team.

Congratulations also to Year 10 students Bradley Moore who was selected as Shadow in the U15 Queensland Hockey Team and to Jason Page and Mitchell Nicholson who made the Queensland Talent Identification Squad for Hockey.

Well done to those boys.

PARENTS AND CITIZEN’S ASSOCIATION
The Parents and Citizens’ Association meetings are held on the second Tuesday of every month commencing at 7.30pm in the school Library. Meetings for 2012 are:

Tuesday 14th August
Tuesday 11th September
Tuesday 9th October
Tuesday 13th November

For further information, please ring Geraldine Glazier on 4773 8123.
On the 7th June four Kirwan High students competed in the Regional Readers Cup competition. Year 9 students Reuben James-Green and Geli Evlogosis along with Year 8 students Claire Turner and Travis Denney answered 48 questions throughout the night about 6 books that they had read through Term 2. The books ranged from The Little Refugee by Anh Do, The Red Pyramid by Rick Riordan and Silvermay by James Maloney.

The competition was fierce with eleven high schools competing for the opportunity to represent their region in Brisbane later this year. Unfortunately we didn’t win but the students proudly represented our school. Claire and Travis are already looking forward to next year and the chance to improve upon our results.

ERGON ENERGY
Ergon Energy have a proven traineeship program which opens doors into not only opportunities at Ergon Energy but earns them a recognised qualification that can take them all over the world.

Specific technical trainee opportunities for 2013 include mechanical, electrical and civil engineering. This year, we are advertising twenty-seven vacancies across the state in six regional locations.

Further information on these opportunities including online testimonials are available on the Ergon website www.ergon.com.au.

Again, thank you for your assistance with our 2013 Technical Trainee Campaign, and we wish your students all the best with their applications.

Kind regards,

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FOR THE CHILDREN AND GRANDCHILDREN
OF EX-SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN

The Australian Veterans’ Children Assistance Trust is a not-for-profit organisation. AVCAT administer scholarships to help children and grandchildren of the Australian ex-service community with the costs of full-time tertiary education. The most deserving candidates are selected on merit and who, without our help, would be unable to start or complete studies without financial difficulty.

For more information or to apply, contact
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“THE LONG TAN SCHOLARSHIP WAS INVALUABLE HELP, IT ALLOWED ME TO CONCENTRATE FULLY ON BECOMING THE BEST DOCTOR I COULD BE”

APPLICATIONS OPEN AUGUST 18
I would like to inform you about the Australian Government Jobs and Skills Expo to be held at the Townsville PCYC on Wednesday 1st August between 10.00 am and 3.00 pm.

The federal Department of Human Services (Human Services) in partnership with the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations (DEEWR) is holding a series of Jobs and Skills Expos across Australia as part of the Australian Government’s Building Australia’s Future Workforce Initiative. The Expo is for potential job seekers. Exhibitors include employers, training organisations and other service providers.

There will be an opportunity to access real job vacancies as well as get information on job vacancies, preparing for employment, training opportunities, career pathways and career options. A ‘Skills Noticeboard’ and ‘Jobs Board’ will also be available on site with exhibitors using this to advertise their current vacancy and course information.

This is a fantastic opportunity for senior students and we encourage them to attend. The event will be particularly useful for those students in Year 10 onwards as they will have access to a range of career and employment information. Each person visiting the Expo will receive a complimentary show bag with notepad and pen on entry and there will be a free sausage sizzle throughout the day.

For more information about the Expos, visit humanservices.gov.au/expos or contact the Business Hotline on 13 1158. We look forward to your response.

Kind regards

Mark Trotman
Department of Human Services
07 47604013
Email: mark.trotman@humanservices.gov.au

YEAR 12 QTAC
QTAC applications open 1 August and close 28 September. All Year 12 students will have interviews with a Guidance Officer in the next few weeks to decide their options for Uni or for post school. Students will need a LUI number to apply through QTAC (to be given in the interview). Applications are to be done online at www.qtac.edu.au and cost $34. Some courses require applications, interviews, auditions and or portfolios. Students must refer to their QTAC book to find this information. Another website is www.MyUniversity.gov.au

FOGS EXPO
Years 10-12 Indigenous students are invited to attend the FOGS (former origin greats) careers expo on July 25. Please see Ms Thaiday for a permission slip.
Resume Writing
High School Students

Students will learn how to structure and develop a professionally presented, corporate resume. Guided by an industry expert, students have the opportunity to gain a competitive edge during the recruitment process for future career opportunities.

Courses are offered over two days at the Barrier Reef TAFE’s Pimlico campus

Dates: 27th and 28th August 2012
17th and 18th September 2012
Time: 9:00am – 3:00pm
Cost: $12.00 (Student concession price)

As an incentive for high school groups, this course can also be delivered on campus at your school. A minimum of 15 students is required for this type of delivery.

For more information on these upcoming courses, or to book a course at your school, please contact Mandy Elliott on 4750 5699
mandy.elliott@deta.qld.gov.au

Current as at 5th June 2012.
Sometimes families have big worries

An ACT FOR KIDS family counsellor is available to talk to children, young people and their families in the Townsville area for **FREE**!

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Give us a call today to make an appointment.

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SCHOOL CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Term 3
10/07/12 Parents and Citizens’ Association meeting
18/07/12 National Schoolboy Rugby League Cup NQ & SQ Semi-finals
18-20/07/12 Year 11 Girls Camp—Magnetic Island Recreation Centre
18-20/07/12 Year 11 Boys Camp—Gumburu Environmental Education Centre
23/07/12 Vicki Wilson Cup Northern Region Final
25/07/12 National Schoolboy Rugby League Cup X-Pools
27/07/12 School’s Tree Day
31/07/12 ICAS Competition—English
02/08/12 Australian Maths Competition
10/08/12 Secondary Japanese Speech Competition
13/08/12 Townsville Career Expo—RSL Stadium—10.00am—1.30pm & 4.00pm to 7.00pm
14/08/12 Parents and Citizens’ Association meeting
14/08/12 ICAS Competition—Mathematics
14/08/12 Interschool Athletics—Gold
15/08/12 Interschool Athletics—Blue
16/08/12 Interschool Athletics—Both
17/08/12 National Schoolboy Rugby League Cup Queensland Final
24/08/12 Kirwan High Fun Run and Cultural Evening
24-25/08/12 NQ All Schools Touch Football
04-05/09/12 QCS Test
11/09/12 Parents and Citizens’ Association meeting
17-21/09/12 Year 10 Work Experience
22/09-07/10 School Holidays
01/10/12 Queen’s Birthday Holiday

Term 4
09/10/12 Parents and Citizens’ Association meeting
11-14/10/12 Queensland All Schools Touch Football
22/10/12 Ministerial Pupil Free Day
22/10/12 Sports Awards Night
24/10/12 Vocational Education Awards Night
31/10/12 Graduation and Awards Night
02/11/12 Rugby League Awards and Reunion
13/11/12 Parents and Citizens’ Association meeting
15-16/11/12 Immunisations—Year 8 (HPV & HEP B)
17/11/12 Year 12 Formal
26-29/11/12 QCS workshops and practice for Year 11
13/12/12 Year 8 and 9 Awards morning

YEAR 12 COMPLETION DATE
For 2012 - 16 November

YEARS 10/11 COMPLETION DATE
For 2012 - 30 November

YEARS 8 and 9 COMPLETION DATE
For 2012 - 14 December

STUDENT EXCHANGE INFORMATION SESSION 2012
WEP (World Education Program Australia) will be holding an Information session at Kirwan State High School on Tuesday 14 August (7.00 -8.30pm) in the Library for students who are interested in travelling overseas through a student exchange program.

WEP Programs are designed to fit into the Australian academic schedule and enable students to complement their secondary education with an international experience. There are over twenty countries around the world to choose from. We have had students from Kirwan participate in the WEP program and it has been a fabulous experience for them.

FROM THE DESK OF THE DTM
Information for all school students, not limited to Australian Defence Students

Defence Recruitment Presentation – Last Term we had a terrific response and interest in learning about career life in the Defence Force. Students were very surprised at the many career choices available and the opportunities offered by the Australian Defence Force. We are holding another Presentation for Years 10 – 12 inclusive due to student requests. Please register with myself to attend. It will be held in PA02 on Friday 27th July 2012 during Periods 1 and 2.

Parent Information Evening – Defence Recruitment Presentation
This evening will be held at Defence Recruiting 143 Walker Street at 6pm on 23rd July 2012. This is a very informative session for parents to acquire information about their son or daughter joining the Defence Force.

Army Reserves – Presentation and Apprenticeship Scheme – Year 12 Students only. If you are interested in finding out about the Army Reserves and an Apprenticeship through the Defence Force, you need to attend this presentation. It will be held in PA02 on Wednesday 22nd August in Period 1. Please contact myself in the Student Support Centre if you are interested (limited numbers available).

Expression of Interest – Year 11 & 12 only. Lavarack Barracks and shoot out in the weapon simulator. Register with myself. Will be held on Tuesday evening, the date and time will be advised later (limited numbers apply).

It has been a great half year and I have enjoyed working with and assisting our Defence Students and Families. It has also been wonderful to meet our new ADF students and to watch them settle in.

If you need to have an appointment to see me or speak with me at any time, please call 4773 8143. Kind regards and enjoy the next six months.

Lisa Hill

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