Invitation

GRADUATION AND AWARDS NIGHT
2013

Our twenty-sixth annual Graduation and Awards Night will be held on Wednesday 30th October commencing at 7.30pm at Ignatius Park Hall.

It will be a great night where we honour prize winners and graduating Seniors. As well, we will announce and welcome our leaders for 2014.

We have had a long, terrific association with Ignatius Park who make their hall available to us. This will continue. However, due to Workplace Health and Safety regulations we are limited to 1300 seats.

The Parents and Citizens’ Association and the school Administration have introduced a ticketing process which involves a small administration fee.

The cost will be $2.00 per student or $5.00 per family i.e. mum, dad and school age or younger siblings. Older brothers and sisters, other relations or friends will be charged $5.00 per person.

There will be 1300 tickets available on a first in first served basis. They will be available from the beginning of next term.

Year 12s are encouraged to purchase tickets early as we do sell out.

John Livingston
Executive Principal
RAAF BASE TOWNSVILLE VISIT

The Defence Work Experience Program and 27SQN RAAF Base Townsville are hosting the next one day visit to the RAAF Base on Wednesday 18th September. As part of the visit, students may participate in the following activities:

The visits are aimed at (but not limited to) Year 10 students who may be considering a Defence career but who 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 who are interested in participating in the visit, please see Ms Jane for an agreement form. Please note that students must be 15 years or older to participate in the visit.

We can accommodate approximately 20 students on the tour and students will be given a place on a first in (Agreement returned), first served basis.

There is a cost of $6 for lunch, payable upon entry to the Airmen's Mess. Visits run from approximately 8.30am to 3.30pm.

INDIGENOUS LEADERSHIP

Yama Banu

Kirwan High is proud to announce that Yama Banu was selected from many applications across Australia to participate in the National Indigenous Youth Leadership Academy (NIYLA) “Many Voices, One Future” Gathering. This was a week-long event that was held in Sydney in early August.

NIYLA connects Indigenous young people from communities across Australia as the next generation of change makers. They meet other inspiring Indigenous young people, identify social issues that they are passionate about and help develop national campaigns to address national social issues.

Yama is a proud Torres Strait Island man. His family come from Boigu Island. Yama is keen to make a difference for young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

Executive Principal John Livingston said Yama is a great role model for all young people. Kirwan is truly a school for everyone.

APPRENTICESHIPS WITH ERGON FOR YEAR 12s

Applications are now open for our 2014 Apprentice Opportunities. Interested students are encouraged to visit the Ergon Energy website www.ergon.com.au. To apply they will need to complete an online application form on the Ergon Energy website.

Further information about apprenticeship trades that Ergon Energy offers and our recruitment program are also available on the Ergon Energy website under the Apprenticeship section. http://www.ergon.com.au/jobs--and--careers/apprenticeships

Specific apprentice opportunities for 2014 include Electrical Powerline Lineman (Distribution), Electrical Transmission Linemen, and Electrotechnology Electricians.

We had a great response in 2013 for the Apprenticeships with an AD, and we will be offering these positions again in 2014. They are a new generation of apprentices who have tertiary or university ambitions. They’ll learn a trade through hands-on practical training as well as completing an Associate Degree or Advanced Diploma.

We also encourage diversity at Ergon Energy, and have dedicated positions for females and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people for 2014. Further information on these opportunities including online testimonials are available on our website.

WORK EXPERIENCE

452 SQN TVL FLT-Air Traffic Control: September—November

No. 452 Squadron is a Royal Australian Air Force air traffic control unit. As part of this work experience placement, students gain insight into air traffic and control approach duties and technical and maintenance duties. Students will participate in a variety of activities designed to demonstrate the roles and responsibilities of a Joint Battlefield Airspace Controller (JBAC) in the RAAF.

10 Force Support Battalion (10FSB) - 16th - 20th September - 5 positions available

10FSB is an Australian Army Logistics Battalion that provides logistic support to a deployed force. Located at Ross Island and Lavarack Barracks, the battalion provides specialist transport (including amphibious) and supply support (ammunition, fuel, food etc).

10 FSB capabilities include petroleum operators, ammunition technicians, cooks, mechanics, crane and industrial forklift operators and watercraft operators. As part of this work experience placement, students will rotate through various sub-units to receive a thorough overview of the roles and responsibilities of the Battalion and the many career opportunities available.

3 Combat Engineer Regiment (3CER) Logistics (Store) - 16th - 20th September - 1 position available

3rd Combat Engineer Regiment (3CER) is an Australian Army Engineer Regiment trained for sapper/combat engineer operations. The unit is based at Lavarack Barracks and is part of the 3rd Brigade. As part of this work experience placement, students will have the opportunity to observe and experience a range of roles and responsibilities across the Regiment. Logisticians/Storemen will be placed with the Operational Support Squadron, working with logistics and supply.

If you are interested in finding out more about any these please see Sarah Jane as soon as possible in the VET office.
2013 SPORTS AWARDS EVENING

The Kirwan State High School Sports Awards Evening will be held at the Kirwan High Performing Arts Centre on Monday 21st October. The success of the evening depends greatly on the accuracy of information that we receive in regard to student sporting achievement/s throughout the year.

To continue with this process, Sporting Achievement forms (as below) have been distributed in Home Group Meetings. Students are free to collect forms from Mrs Jackson (MPS Staffroom) or they can complete the form below and return as soon as possible to the MPS Staffroom.

**SPORTING ACHIEVEMENTS FOR 2013**

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**YEAR 12 QTAC INFORMATION**

QTAC opens 1st August and closes 27th September. Cost is $34. Students need to complete applications online at www.qtac.edu.au.

All Year 12 students (wanting to go to tertiary) have received a QTAC book and been interviewed by a Guidance Officer in Week 4. Students have also had the opportunity to visit James Cook University.
EXPERIENCE LIFE AS AN OVERSEAS TEENAGER WITH WEP

From Sarah in the USA:
I am having the best time of my life!! The New York orientation was incredible! I am so happy that it is part of the program. It was a great way to see another part of America and experience new cultures by talking to the other exchanges students. I was not expecting there to be so many of us!! There was a total of 53 of us from Belgium, France, Italy, Germany and just 3 of us Aussies. My host family are so nice and caring and they have been great. I started volleyball with my host sister a few days before school which was good because then I knew people before school started. My first day of school was like walking into an alien spaceship! Everything was so different and it was weird not wearing a uniform. Everyone there was so nice and welcoming and it wasn't hard to make friends. Overall the first month has gone way too fast and I wish I was staying for a year!! I have already made unforgettable experiences and if the rest of my time is like this month I never want to leave!!

Find Out More!
WEP’s not-for-profit student exchange programs give secondary students the opportunity to choose from over 20 countries to live and study for a summer, semester or even a year. Our programs are designed to fit into the academic schedule to complement your secondary studies with an international exchange experience!

Request Information
We’re only a phone call away. If you would like to go overseas or invite an exchange student into your family, simply request a FREE information pack, including our brochure, fee sheet and FREE application form:
- visit www.wep.org.au
- email info@wep.org.au
- call 1300 884 733

NORTH QUEENSLAND INTERSCHOOLS EQUESTRIAN SPORTING COMPETITION

Alligator Creek Pony Club Inc. proudly hosts North Queensland Interschools’ Sporting competition. Nominations close Tuesday 1st October.

DATE: Saturday 12th October 2013
START: 11.00am Saturday
VENUE: Alligator Creek Pony Club Inc., 15 Parkland Drive, Alligator Creek

ENQUIRIES & NOMINATIONS: Christine Klaffer
0431 157 191
christine@in--step.com.au

ENTRY FEE:
$15.00 per rider Leds and Prep – Year 2
$30.00 per rider Year 3 to Year 12

KEEP A WATCH ON OUR SCHOOL THESE HOLIDAYS

With the holidays fast approaching, we need you to look out for after-hours crime in our school.

If you see anything suspicious, please remember to call the School Watch number – 13 17 88.

The School Watch Program is a partnership between Education Queensland, the Queensland Police Service and the State Government Protective Security Service. It aims to reduce vandalism, theft and arson in Queensland schools.

If you do see something suspicious, please don’t attempt to intervene. Call the School Watch number and let the local police or State Government Protective Security Service deal with the matter.

Keep the number handy – 13 17 88 – and let’s work together to help create a safer school community.

If you would like to know more about the School Watch Program, please call Education Queensland’s School Security Section on (07) 3237 0874.
CLASS OF 1993
20 YEAR REUNION

1993 School Vice-Captain Mark Brine will welcome you

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4
Drinks at Tonic on Palmer Street (next to Jam Corner) from 6.30pm. Partners invited.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5
Cocktails and canapés at A Touch of Salt, Ogden Street, city at 7.30pm. Partners invited. $50pp for canapés, entertainment and discounted drinks
Book: www.townsvilletickets.com.au

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6
Family Day at Dan Gleeson Gardens on Thuringowa Drive (at the playground) from 11.30am
BYO picnic, chairs/rug etc.

Connect at: www.facebook.com/groups/2013KSHSreunion1993/
Via email: simonehowe@hotmail.com
IMPORTANT DATES

Term 3
11-29/09/13 Townsville Eisteddfod
16-20/09/13 Industry Placement Year 11 and 12 Childcare
16-20/09/13 Year 10, 11 and 12 Work Experience
16-21/09/13 Year 11 Girls/Boys Camps
18-20/09/13 National Youth Championships Touch Football (Boys and Girls) Sunshine Coast
23/09-04/10/13 School Holidays
07/10/13 Labour Day Holiday
08/10/13 First day of Term 4

AIR FORCE FLIGHT CAMP FOR GIRLS
Air Force is excited to offer girls the opportunity to experience Air Force aviation careers.

Dates: 23rd—26th September 2013
Location: RAAF Base Amberley

What you will get to do:
• Enjoy some hands on flying experience;
• Have a look through Air Force aircraft;
• An opportunity to engage and ask questions of Air Force women pilots and aircrew;
• Experience Air Force life including living quarters, meals, training and some leadership activities;
• A chance to speak with Defence Force recruiting regarding all opportunities for Air Force employment;
• There may be an opportunity to fly in an Air Force aircraft.

What you need:
• Parental permission if you are under 18 years old;
• An interest in Maths and Science related subjects;
• A willingness to extend yourself and experience things some people will never get to do;
• An ability to commit to the full program.

How to apply:

Further contacts:
Defence Force Experience Coordinator
Mr Geoff Metcalfe
07 3233 4413 or
QLD.WorkExperienceProgram@defence.gov.au

UNIVERSITY EXPERIENCE 2013
We had another highly successful University Experience in July, with over 650 Year 12 students attending Cairns campus and over 1100 Year 12 students visiting Townsville campus. Students received in-depth course information and participated in activities in at least two study areas of their choice, as well as having the opportunity to chat with current students and lecturers, to help them make sound decisions about applying to university. A big thank you to all of the schools who participated, we truly value your support of this event.

IMPORTANT ADMISSION DATES
27th September
Due date for Medicine and Surgery, Dental Surgery, Veterinary Science and Physiotherapy online applications to QTAC. Applicants who do not apply by this date will not be considered for these competitive courses. This is also the on-line due date for all other courses. Students can still apply after this date for all courses except Medicine and Surgery, Dental Surgery, Veterinary Science and Physiotherapy, however higher fees will apply.

30th September
Due date for James Cook University written applications for Medicine and Surgery, Dental Surgery, Veterinary Science and Physiotherapy. Written applications must be received by 30th September for you to be considered for a place in this course. Applications postmarked after this date will not be accepted.

25th October 4 p.m.
Predication of Academic Achievement (Medicine and Surgery applicants only) must be received by fax by this date. Applicants will be selected for interview on the basis of their written application and the prediction of academic achievement.

SUPPORTING WOMEN SCHOLARSHIPS PROGRAM
This program is a Queensland Government initiative which provides real opportunities for Queensland women considering future study in agriculture and environmental studies, architecture and building, engineering, earth science, or information technology. In 2012–13 more than 120 women across the State commenced studying with the assistance of a Supporting Women Scholarship.

Now in its second round, this Department is once again pleased to offer scholarships to women who are interested in pursuing study and employment in traditionally male dominated fields and skill shortage areas. Scholarships of up to $20,000 are available for study from Certificate IV level through to postgraduate.

Applications for a Supporting Women Scholarship are now open for study commencing in 2014. Applications will close on 11 October 2013. Female students are asked to consider this opportunity, and to promote the scholarships to those involved in assisting students with their post-school study and career options.

Further information about the Supporting Women Scholarship program is available online at www.supportingwomen.qld.gov.au. Should you have any queries regarding the scholarships or wish to access promotional material, I invite you to email supportingwomen@dete.qld.gov.au or telephone 1800 177 577.

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