Dear Students, Parents, Teachers and Friends,

Congratulations to all students who attended our twenty-sixth annual Graduation and Awards Night. It was a great evening, showcasing and celebrating the tremendous talents and achievements of our school. It makes me very proud to belong to the Kirwan High family.

NEW SCHOOL CAPTAINS
It gives me great pleasure to announce the 2014 School Captains. They are:

2014 Captains
Bradley Moore
Nina Barnes

2014 Vice Captains
Jermaine Chong
Angela Elias

2014 Sports Captains
Joshua Foreman
Novenka Nawara

2014 Indigenous Captains
Yama Banu
Janaya Barry

2014 Music Captains
Zac Parkes
Rhiana Vaughan

I have every confidence they will do an excellent job.

Other important awards announced on the night were:
- Matthew Lee Student of the Year
- Senior Dux
- Junior Dux
- Year 12 Tropic T-Shirts Bursaries
- Best All Rounder
- Year 12 Spirit Award
- Most Improved Student
- Senior Citizenship Award
- Junior Citizenship Award

Invitation to Students, Parents and Friends
THURSDAY, 12th DECEMBER
COMMENCING AT 10.00 AM
IGNATIUS PARK ASSEMBLY HALL

John Livingston
Executive Principal
Release of Year 12 student results and OPs

Purpose
To advise schools about arrangements for the online release and hardcopy mail out of 2013 Year 12 student results, including Overall Positions (OPs) and Field Positions (FPs) for tertiary entrance.

Information

Online release
All results contributing to the Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE) and OPs and FPs will be available in students' learning accounts on the Student Connect website https://studentconnect.qsa.qld.edu.au from 9 am on Saturday 14 December 2013.

Students must know their Learner Unique Identifier (LUI) and password to log in and check their results. Students will be able to access their results more quickly if they have previously activated their learning account.

Schools are reminded that it is their responsibility to ensure students have been issued their LUI.

Mail out
Students will begin receiving their Senior Education Profile in the mail from Monday 16 December 2013. Depending on individual student's circumstances and results, each profile will comprise one or more of the following documents:

• QCE
• Tertiary Entrance Statement
• Senior Statement
• Queensland Certificate of Individual Achievement.

Promotional posters
The enclosed posters have been provided to help you communicate information to students about the online release of results.

What you need to do
• Display the enclosed posters prominently in your school.
• Reissue LUIs to all students in Year 12 and encourage them to activate their learning account before the end of the year so they can access their results as soon as they are available.
Traineeship Vacancies!!!
Are you looking to earn while you learn?
Check out our hospitality traineeship vacancies below:

- GJs Willows Kirwan
- Dominos Pizza Hermit Park Townsville
- Subway Sunland Plaza Townsville
- Dominos Pizza Kirwan Townsville
- Muffin Break Stockland Townsville
- Dominos Pizza North Ward Townsville
- Subway Mundingburra Townsville (Rising Sun)
- Jamaica Blue Stockland Townsville
- Dominos Pizza Aitkenvale Townsville
- Subway Flinders Townsville

How to Apply:
1. Email your resume to: resumes@redmako.com.au
2. Include the store name in the subject line
3. We'll be in touch, so stay tuned!!!

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### Universities Offering Scholarships

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<td>James Cook University (JCU)</td>
<td>JCU offers a range of scholarships to recognise academic excellence or to assist students to access university study, such as regional students. Indigenous students and students who have experienced financial or other disadvantage. Scholarships are also available to students in specific study areas. For more information and for application dates visit <a href="https://www.uq.edu.au/about-uq/services-and-facilities/student-life/student-finance/scholarships-and-bursaries">Scholarships, Bursaries and Grants</a> on the JCU website.</td>
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<td>CQ University (CQUni)</td>
<td>CQ University scholarships, awards and prizes and the financial assistance programs provide financial and non-financial assistance. CQ Uni recognises the need to support those who are disadvantaged, but also reward those who have excelled at their studies to date. CQUni understands that a potential roadblock to attending university is the cost associated with text books, and technology costs such as computers and course specific software, as well as financial assistance for accommodation and taking time off from employment. For a full list visit <a href="https://www.cq.edu.au/scholarships">CQUniversity Scholarships</a>.</td>
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<td>Griffith University (GU)</td>
<td>GU offers a range of scholarships aimed at assisting students with course fees, text books, accommodation costs and living expenses. In previous years over 500 scholarships were awarded to students in undergraduate programs. The Deans’ Sir Samuel Griffith and Sir Samuel Griffith scholarships are aimed at high achieving students to reward and acknowledge academic excellence. In addition, GU offers other academic scholarships as well as sporting, equity, accommodation and study specific scholarships. For more information visit <a href="https://www.gu.edu.au/study/apply/scholarships">Griffith University Scholarships</a>.</td>
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<td>Queensland Institute of Business and Technology (QIBT)</td>
<td>QIBT offers financial support through family bursaries where two or more students from the same family study with a Navitas member institution. To help students achieve their career goals, each semester QIBT also offers scholarships for up to two diploma or associate degree students who have achieved outstanding results over four or more subjects. Students are not required to apply for the scholarship as it is awarded at the discretion of the College based on academic performance. For further information on bursaries and scholarships available visit <a href="https://www.qibt.com.au/scholarships">QIBT Scholarships</a>.</td>
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<td>Queensland University of Technology (QUT)</td>
<td>QUT awards scholarships to commencing students covering a range of eligibility criteria from high achievers to elite athletes and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students, through to students from low-income backgrounds and regional areas. Scholarships are also available to students in specific study areas. For more information visit <a href="https://www.qut.edu.au/student-life/student-finance/scholarships">Undergraduate Scholarships</a> on the QUT website. If you are considering applying for QUT’s Equity Scholarships Scheme for students from low-income backgrounds, you should also apply under the Financial Hardship category of the Educational Access Scheme (EAS) when lodging your QTAC application. Refer to the <a href="http://www.centrelink.gov.au/internet/internet.nsf/payments/youth_allow.htm">EAS information on QTAC’s website</a> for more information.</td>
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<td>Southbank Institute of Technology (SBIT)</td>
<td>SBIT offers a selection of Institute-wide scholarships for both new and continuing domestic students. Scholarships are available to students with a high academic record and students who identify as low income or from a background of educational disadvantage. Applications open mid-October each year. For more information visit <a href="https://www.sbit.edu.au/scholarships">Scholarships and Bursaries</a> on the SBIT website.</td>
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<td>Southern Cross University (SCU)</td>
<td>SCU offers a range of scholarships designed to reward students for academic achievement, community involvement and leadership. Some of these scholarships recognise significant achievement by students under conditions of disadvantage. Applications are made online with most closing on 30 November each year. For more information visit <a href="https://www.southerncross.edu.au/scholarships">Southern Cross University Scholarships</a> and visit <a href="https://www.southerncross.edu.au/scholarships">Southcross Islander scholarships</a> for more information.</td>
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<td>TAFE Queensland (TAFE QLD)</td>
<td>TAFE Queensland participates in a range of competitions, scholarships and award programs across all of its campuses. For more information visit <a href="https://www.tafe.qld.edu.au/students/academics/competitions-and-scholarships">Competitions and Scholarships</a> on the TAFE QLD website. Also check other individual TAFE campus websites.</td>
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<td>The University of Queensland (UQ)</td>
<td>UQ offers a range of scholarships that reward academic excellence, support Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students, financially disadvantaged students, and assist elite athletes. Discipline-specific scholarships are also available to second and later year students, including summer research and overseas study scholarships. For more information, including how to apply, visit <a href="https://www.uq.edu.au/study/apply/scholarships">Scholarships</a> on The University of Queensland website. Note, QTAC applicants who have completed the Financial Hardship category of the Educational Access Scheme when lodging their QTAC application will automatically be considered for the UQ-Link Access Program and equity scholarships. Refer to the <a href="http://www.centrelink.gov.au/internet/internet.nsf/payments/youth_allow.htm">EAS information on QTAC’s website</a>.</td>
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### Centrelink Youth Allowance


### Centrelink Healthcare cards

Students at the end of year 12 begin to qualify for the above card independently of their parental income. This card may give some discounted rates at TAFE and also allow students to generally gain bulk billed doctors appointments and reduced cost medications. [http://www.centrelink.gov.au/](http://www.centrelink.gov.au/internet/internet.nsf/page/payments/conc_cards_hcc.htm)

If you need information about the early entry scheme and scholarships at other institutions search the institution’s web site to find further information or see the Guidance Officers at school for further information. Please see Centrelink at the end of the year to check on your students eligibility for Youth Allowance and Health Care Cards.
What can schools do to help low-income students?

Schools can help by:

- discussing the benefits of the **EAS Financial Hardship** scheme with your students
- advising students that EAS may have a positive impact on their application improving their chances of tertiary entry
- assisting students to provide the right supporting documents.

**EAS Financial Hardship**

Do you work with a student whose study has been impacted by low income? Perhaps their family struggles to afford textbooks and stationery? QTAC runs a special scheme, EAS Financial Hardship, to help students from low-income backgrounds get into university and TAFE.

**What is EAS Financial Hardship?**

Under EAS, applicants who demonstrate Financial Hardship receive bonus ranks to make them more competitive for their chosen course. Institutions may also offer assistance, including scholarships or bursaries.

**Who can apply?**

If a student or their parent/guardian is receiving the full rate of a means and asset tested Centrelink benefit, they will be eligible for a bonus in this category. If a student is not receiving Centrelink, or is receiving a partial Centrelink benefit, the student may still be eligible.

**How can a student apply for EAS Financial Hardship?**

One of two ways:

- A student needs to select the EAS Financial Hardship category when completing their QTAC application online. There, they will be asked to supply details of any Centrelink payments their family receives.
- OR
- If a student has already applied for a tertiary course through QTAC but has not applied for EAS, download the EAS Financial Hardship cover sheet and return this completed form to QTAC.

**What Centrelink information does a student need to supply?**

If a student receives the benefit in their own right they need to provide their own Centrelink Customer Reference Number (CRN). If their parent/guardian receives the benefit, the student has to provide their parent/guardian’s CRN, name, and date of birth. The student needs to seek their parent/guardian’s permission to supply this information. If no one in the family receives Centrelink benefits, a student can still apply. They will need to supply supporting documents. (Refer below for the documents needed.)

**What supporting documents are needed for a student supplying a CRN?**

If a student supplies a CRN, they usually do not need to provide any additional documents for this category.

**What supporting documents are needed if not supplying a CRN?**

A student or parent/guardian without a CRN is assessed for EAS Financial Hardship on the basis of gross household income. A student will need to supply a recent Centrelink Income Statement for their parent/guardian and their parent/guardian’s Tax Return for the previous financial year.

**What is a Tax Return?**

A Tax Return states taxable income on a yearly basis (beginning 1 July and ending 30 June of the following year), and is prepared by a student’s parent/guardian (or their accountant) for submission to the Australian Tax Office. It is usually 15 or 16 pages in length. This is needed as evidence of gross income from all sources.

**What documents cannot be used for EAS?**

QTAC cannot use Pay Summaries, Tax Estimates and Notices of Assessment as these documents show taxable income only.

**Why was QTAC unable to retrieve my student’s information electronically?**

If a student receives a letter from QTAC advising their Centrelink details cannot be accessed, they have usually made an error during the initial application. Please ask the student to download the EAS Financial Hardship cover sheet and return this completed form to QTAC.

Before sending the EAS Financial Hardship cover sheet to QTAC, check:

1. The CRN provided is entered correctly.
2. The CRN provided is clearly identified (their own? their parent/guardian’s?)
3. If the parent/guardian’s CRN is supplied, check the correct date of birth was provided.

If QTAC is still unable to match their record electronically with Centrelink, the student will need to supply supporting documentation.

**Where do students find more information?**

The details of the five EAS categories of EAS are on the QTAC website.
The Principal, Staff and Students of Kirwan State High School cordially invite family and friends of Year 8 to 12 music students to our

Musicians' Farewell 2013

Tuesday, 3rd December, 2013

Sir George Kneipp Auditorium, James Cook University

Sausage Sizzle from 5:00pm
Concert from 6:30pm

The Annual Musicians’ Farewell Concert showcases the efforts of the talented music students here at Kirwan High. All of Kirwan’s top music groups will feature on the evening, including our award-winning Wind Symphony, String Orchestras, Big Band, Concert Band, Choir, Pops Orchestra, Jazz Band, Guitar Ensemble and the Year 8 Music Excellence Orchestra.

It is also a great chance to say farewell and thank you to our departing year 12 students who have shown outstanding dedication to music activities over the last five years.

Tickets available at the door.

LIMITED SEATING!

$5.00 adult, $10 family

For further information, please contact Dale Hosking on 47738159.
PHARMACY TRAINEESHIP FOR INDIGENOUS STUDENT

IYCP program is seeking one Year 10 Indigenous student to do a pharmacy traineeship. You need to be highly motivated with great communication skills to work in a busy Pharmacy as the job involves talking to and assisting customers. You must be very well presented and have a keen interest in the industry. If you fit this description please let Ms Jane or Ms Tabo know and we will arrange an initial meeting time for you.

APPRENTICESHIPS AVAILABLE AT COUNCIL

Electrical apprenticeship application forms are available at the following website link:-

Other positions are currently being advertised and application details can also be found on the above link:
· Waste Water Ganger
· Libraries – Creative Tech Project Officer.

If you have any furtherqueries, the position descriptions for the positions will have the contact person that you will need to talk to regarding the vacancies.

A business / finance traineeship is available for one Indigenous student (preferably Year 10) who is interested in business/finance.

Please see Ms Jane in the VET office if you are interested in applying..

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STUDENTS NOT RETURNING TO SCHOOL IN 2014

If your student will not be returning to Kirwan State High School next year please contact the school by phone on 4773 8108 or email kconn59@eq.edu.au. It is important to know this information as soon as possible so that our records are accurate for next year.

We welcome your enquiry.
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