INVITATION

MEET AND GREET

Kirwan High Teachers would like to meet you.

Would you like to meet your child’s teachers?

A Meet and Greet will be held on Tuesday 24th February commencing at 7.00pm in the Performing Arts Centre.

Refreshments will be supplied.

ALL WELCOME

My teachers and I look forward to meeting you.

Meredith Wenta
Acting Executive Principal
CONGRATULATIONS TO

- Congratulations to Morgan Harris in Year 12 who has been selected to dance for the Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo in Edinburgh in August. Morgan was selected as part of an International Team from applicants throughout Australia. We wish Morgan all the best in August.

- Congratulations to the following students who have been selected in the Townsville teams for Netball:
  - U15
    - Rebecca Stephenson
    - Sian Fogarty
    - Ashleigh Moser
    - Chloe Niven
    - Shaelee Bouker

  OPENES
  - Holly White
  - Courtney Niven
  - Bridie Wilson

These girls will be attending the North Queensland trials this week and we wish them all the best.

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$1000 literary award now open

Senior secondary students have a chance to win a $1000 award for outstanding achievement in literary writing on a women’s health issue.

Presented by The Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists, the award provides an exciting opportunity for students interested in a career in medicine, science, health, sociology, politics or law.

Applications close 5pm Wednesday 29 April.

Further information and entry guidelines can be found at RANZCOG’s [Liam and Frankie Davison Award website](http://www.ranzcog.edu.au/womens-health/students-women-s-health-award.html).

Book Borrowers abound at Kirwan High – 700 books in less than 3 weeks!

The Library is a VERY popular place at lunchtimes, before and after school. There are over 100 computers for students to use for homework and assessments. The Library is open until 4.30pm every day to allow students to get their homework done.

During lunch times, students are also playing many board games that the Library has, including chess, checkers, scrabble, snakes and ladders etc. as well as lots of different card games.

Besides these, we have a fantastic fiction collection in our Library. In less than three weeks of school we have borrowed out over 700 books to students! The Manga books are very popular! We encourage readers to tell us of excellent books and authors that we can buy on their recommendation.

We are fortunate that all LPR (Literate Practices) classes spend part of their program engaged in reading. We can certainly provide them with an awesome collection to choose from!

We always welcome new students to the Library and look forward to having every student visit us at least once this year.

Isabella Collins Year 7 engrossed in reading during LPR
We would like to invite you, your students and their parents to the 2015 ANU Tuckwell Scholarship Roadshow in Queensland:

- 6.00pm – 7.30pm 24 February
  Museum of Tropical Queensland, 70-102 Flinders St, Townsville
- 4.30pm – 6.00pm 25 February
  Brisbane City Hall, 64 Adelaide St, Brisbane

Representatives will be on hand to present on the possibilities open to students at The Australian National University. Speakers include:

- Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic) Professor Marnie Hughes-Warrington
- Director of Student Recruitment and Admissions Ms Angela Watkins
- Current Tuckwell Scholars

This is no ordinary scholarship
Receiving a Tuckwell Scholarship is not just about your intellect. It is about your desire and determination to use your national abilities, if given the opportunity to realise your full potential so that you can make a difference in the world.

The Tuckwell Scholarship program has a focus on giving back to Australia. It is the only one of its kind that nurtures Scholars to fulfil their wider ambitions over and above the pursuit of an undergraduate degree.

Applications for study commencing in 2016 will open 2 March 2015
To RSVP for the Townsville event, please click here.

To RSVP for the Brisbane event, please click here.

If you’re unable to attend the Tuckwell Roadshow event in your state, be sure to catch any one of the information sessions happening around the country.

- Canberra 5.00pm-6.30pm 10 February
- Melbourne 6.00pm-7.30pm 18 February
- Geelong 11.00am-12.30pm 19 February
- Darwin 4.30pm-6.00pm 23 February
- Broome 4.30pm-6.00pm 24 February
- Perth 4.30pm-6.00pm 25 February
- Sydney 4.30pm–6.00pm 26 February
- Wollongong 11.00am-12.30pm 26 February
- Hobart 3.30pm-5.00pm 27 February
- Adelaide 4.00pm-5.30pm 6 March

For more information about the Tuckwell Scholarship, please visit tuckwell@anu.edu.au or visit www.tuckwell.anu.edu.au.
## School Calendar of Events

### Term 1
- **16 – 18, 20/02/15** School Photos
- **20/02/15** North Queensland Schools Constitutional Convention
- **20/02/15** Trade Training Industry Breakfast
- **23/02/15** School Photos—Catch Up Day
- **23-27/02/15** Try Time visit
- **24/02/15** Meet and Greet—7.00pm-Performing Arts Centre
- **25/02/15** Year 11 Science 21 excursion
- **27/02/15** School’s Clean Up Australia Day
- **05/03/15** Open Bears Rugby League APC Round 1 Kirwan SHS V Ignatius Park College
- **05/03/15** VSM111A—James Cook University visit
- **09-10/03/15** Leadership Camp for all Captains including House Captains in Years 9 to 12
- **10/03/15** Parents and Citizens’ Association meeting and Annual General Meeting—7.00pm-School Library
- **13/03/15** Great Leap into Senior—Year 10–Period 4
- **13-15/03/15** World’s Greatest Shave—Leukaemia Foundation
- **15-20/03/15** Youth Week
- **16/03/15** Year 12 Biology Biotechnology excursion to James Cook University
- **16-18/03/15** Year 8 and 10 Immunisations
- **17/03/15** Open Bears Rugby League APC Round 2 Kirwan SHS V TCC
- **17/03/15** St Patrick’s Day
- **18/03/15** Open Bears Rugby League APC Round 3 Kirwan SHS V Mackay SPC
- **19/03/15** VSM111A—Aquaculture farm visit excursion
- **20/03/15** International Day of Happiness
- **21/03/15** Harmony Day
- **21/03/15** International Day of Action Against Bullying and Violence
- **22/03/15** World Water Day and Melanoma March
- **28/03/15** Earth Hour
- **30-03/02/04/15** Year 11 Work Experience
- **30-03/02/04/15** Year 12 Leadership Camp
- **30-03/02/04/15** Childcare Industry Placement
- **03/04/15** Good Friday
- **06/04/15** Easter Monday
- **07-17/04/15** School Holidays

### Term 2
- **20/04/15** Term 2 commences
- **24/04/15** Anzac Day Parade (at school)
- **24/04/15** Pay It Forward Day
- **25/04/15** Anzac Day
- **01/05/2015** Year 12 Induction
- **05/05/2015** Open Bears Rugby League APC Round 4 Kirwan SHS V TCC
- **07-10/05/2015** GSSRL 15 Years State Rugby League Championships in Roma
- **11-15/05/2015** Try Time Visit
- **12-15/05/2015** NAPLAN testing
- **18-19/05/2015** Year 8 Immunisations
- **21-24/05/2015** GSSRL 18 Years State Rugby League Championships West Arana
- **22/05/2015** Earth Day
- **24-29/05/2015** Reconciliation Week
- **28/05/2015** Australia’s Biggest Morning Tea
- **28-30/05/2015** Year 12 Marine Science Camp (Orpheus)
- **02/06/2015** Open Bears Rugby League APC Round 5 Kirwan SHS V SPC
- **03/06/2015** Open Bears Rugby League APC Round 6 Kirwan SHS V VMSHS
- **03/06/2015** ICAS Test Science Years 7, 8 and 9
- **03/06/2015** Malbo Day
- **06/06/2015** Year 10 Celebration Parade—Period 1
- **06/06/2015** Year 11 Celebration Parade—Period 1
- **08/06/2015** Queen’s Birthday Public Holiday
- **11-13/06/2015** School Musical—Hairspray
- **15/06/2015** ICAS Test Writing Years 7, 8 and 9
- **22-25/06/2015** International Student Cultural Program (Showcasing Australian and International Cultures)
- **22-26/06/2015** Childcare Industry Placement
- **22-26/06/2015** Year 11 and 12 Work Experience
- **24/06/2015** Lindsay Williams Year 12 QCS Workshop with students
- **24-26/06/2015** Year 8 and 9 Junior Leadership Camp
- **25-26/06/2015** Year 12 QCS Practice Test
- **29-06-10/07/2015** School Holidays

### Term 3
- **13/07/2015** Term 3 commences
- **15/07/2015** Open Bears Rugby League APC Round 7 Kirwan SHS V Abergowrie in Abergowrie
- **20/07/2015** Welcome Ceremony for International students
- **23-25/07/2015** Townsville to Cairns Bike Ride—VET students catering
- **25/07/2015** Open Bears Rugby League APC Final
- **27-31/07/2015** Try Time visit
- **28/07/2015** ICAS Test English Years 7, 8 and 9
- **29-30/07/2015** Challenge Games—Special Education Program
- **29-07-12/08/2015** Kokukakuin Study Tour
- **31/07/2015** Year 12 Science 21 excursion
- **05/08/2015** Open Bears Rugby League GIO Cup North Queensland V South Queensland Semi-finals
- **6-8/08/2015** Year 11 Biology Camp (Mission Beach)
- **11/08/2015** Open Bears Rugby League X Pools GIO Cup
- **15/08/2015** ICAS Test Maths Years 7, 8 and 9
- **12-13/08/2015** Cultural Infusion
- **13-15/08/2015** Year 11 Marine Science Camp (Magnetic Island)
- **18/08/2015** Open Bears Rugby League GIO Cup National quarter finals (TBC)

### Term 4
- **06/10/2015** Term 4 commences
- **07-11/10/2015** Queensland All Schools Touch Event
- **10/11/2015** Pupil Free Day
- **20/10/2015** Sports Awards Night
- **21/10/2015** Vocational Education Awards
- **29-30/10/2015** Try Time visit
- **04/11/2015** Year 10, 11 and 12 Graduation and Awards Night
- **06/11/2015** Rugby League Presentation Night and Bears Reunion
- **11/11/2015** Remembrance Day
- **11/11/2015** Special Education Awards Night
- **13/11/2015** Arts Expo
- **18-19/11/2015** Year 12 Activities Week
- **20/11/2015** Year 12 Rite of Passage
- **20/11/2015** Final Day for Year 12 students
- **20/11/2015** Year 12 Formal
- **23/11/2015** Year 11 QCS Workshop
- **24/11/2015** Year 10 Mini QCS Practice Test
- **24-25/11/2015** Year 11 QCS Practice Test
- **25-23/11/2015** International Student Cultural Program (Showcasing Australian culture)
- **23-25/11/2015** International Student Cultural Program (Showcasing Australian culture)
- **27-31/11/2015** Final day for Year 10 and 11 students
- **30/11/2015** Year 7, 8 and 9 Awards Night
- **11/12/2015** Final Day for Year 7, 8 and 9 students

### 2016
- **25/01/2016** Term 1 commences

## School Contact Details:
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- **Absences:** absences@kirwanshs.eq.edu.au
- **Website:** www.kirwanshs.eq.edu.au
Dear Students and Parents/Caregivers,

Student photos will be taken on:

- **Monday** 16 February
- **Wednesday** 18 February
- **Friday** 20 February
- **Monday** 23 February

You will receive an envelope/flyer for each of your students explaining the products available.

*There are two (2) options to order photos and make payment.*

**OPTION 1:**

*Online Ordering—follow the steps below.*

*For online orders DO NOT USE* envelopes provided.

**Step 1:**
Go to www.advancedlife.com.au before photo day and enter your school code *KVP 4NE TDN*

**Step 2:**
Enter your student’s details.

**Step 3:**
Choose the package that best suits your needs (all orders will be returned to the school for collection).

**Step 4:**
Pay for the photos via the shopping cart (upper right corner of the page).

**OPTION 2:**

Return envelopes with cheque/cash on the day of your photo.

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**AUSTRALIAN ARMY CADETS**

**130 ARMY CADET UNIT**

Open to boys and girls who turn 13 years or older this year. Parades at Heatley Secondary College
One Sunday and one weekend a month 9.00am—3.30pm

To arrange enrolment or to get more information contact:

Major (AAC) Chris Cummings on 0428 276 294
Or email 130acu@cadetnet.gov.au
International Students and Homestay families ‘Welcome Breakfast BBQ’

Kirwan State High School International Student program is thriving.

The students Homestay with Australian families whilst they are in Townsville. These students are here for between three months and one year. The Homestay families provide a great Aussie experience for these students.

One of the opportunities that Kirwan State High School provided was a Welcome BBQ at our very own pool at Kirwan for all International students and their Homestay families. It was a relaxing time where families could get together. On Sunday over forty people enjoyed this experience. The students immersed themselves in their surroundings – enjoying the pool and basking in tropical weather and friendly company.

“The International program provides a wonderful and memorable experience for our International visitors. Homestay families are the essential element to the success of the program” said Lorraine Duve, the International Student Support Coordinator. “We want more families to be involved in this exciting and rewarding program” she said.

If you would like to find out more about homestaying International students, please contact Lorraine Duve on 47738165.

Ollie, Astrid, Mari, Giulia and Priscilla enjoying the Breakfast BBQ.
Celebration the Sea Festival

Celebrate Clean Up Australia Day and National Seaweek by helping to protect the Great Barrier Reef

Sunday March 1st 2015

Robertson Park Cape Pallarenda Road, Townsville
(where the kiteboarders are)

8.00am – 1.00pm

Clean up of the beach at 8am
Look out for the NQ Dry Tropics registration tent.

FUN FOR THE WHOLE COMMUNITY

- Come and hear marine scientists and environmental champions talk about protecting the reef.
- Take a bush tucker walk with a Traditional Owner.
- Enjoy free food, entertainment and children’s games.
- Interact with wildlife at Ranger Dan’s presentation.
- Go on a wetland tour of the Town Common.
- Meet community groups working to protect the reef - and find out how you can help.

FOR MORE INFORMATION:
Visit: nqdrytropics.com.au
Facebook: Volunteering Dry Tropics
Call: 4722 5715