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## Newsletter – Issue 1 Term 2

### Principal's Message



Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome back to second term and already into week four.

#### **Parent/Teacher Interviews – Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> May**

We are looking forward to meeting with parents/carers and students who are

taking the opportunity to discuss their student's progress with their current report from term 1. It is not too late to book for these interviews. Please phone the College to make your bookings or go to our website and click on the PTO link.

#### **Year 12 Interviews**

During the past couple of weeks I have had the opportunity to interview the Year 12 students raising issues, including academic performance, attendance, completion of work and their projected end of year credentials and future study, training and job prospective. Students who have not been interviewed need to make an appointment with me immediately for parent/teacher interview evening. This week the Year 12s who have taken part in the interviews must be congratulated on the exemplary manner in which they have participated in this exercise. However, there is still much work to do over the upcoming months if our students are to achieve their best results.

I would like to acknowledge the vigilant work of Judy Gallas who is the Head of Department Senior Schooling. Judy is meticulous in her monitoring of Year 12 student results and engagement. If parents/carers are concerned about subject results, please don't hesitate to contact the administration to make an interview with Mrs Gallas and Mrs Barker.

#### **Anzac Day**

With the rest of the nation, Kingston State College community proudly commemorated ANZAC day 2022. The College held our ceremony in the school hall on Thursday, 21 April. This proved to be a very moving ceremony with students, parents and special guests honouring those who fought for their country. Our Logan City Councillor, Teresa Lane commended members of our vocal group Decasonic for their performance of "Amazing Grace". The Honourable Cameron Dick, The Treasurer and State Member for Woodridge has invited our vocal group to perform at the upcoming Queensland Day Awards in June

On ANZAC morning, Caroline Hill and myself and a group of Leaders, Student Councillors, students and parents participated in the Logan City Council Ceremony marching along Wembley Road to the Art Gallery and the memorial shrine. Likewise, on Friday 22 April, our students proudly represented the College in the City at the Flame of Remembrance Ceremony with thousands of Queensland students accompanied by Ms Heather Ovens and Mr Jonathan Bragg. Special thanks must go to Ms Heather Ovens who organised these events.

#### **We have had a positive start to the term - WELL DONE**

Involvement and success in so many extra-curricular

activities include:

Congratulations to our four Debating Teams for end of Term 1 success.

Members of Decasonic – Anzac Day on their outstanding performance – and now asked to perform by the Minister the Honourable Cameron Dick at Queensland Day Awards. Also Decasonic will compete in the Queensland Youth Music Awards at St Peters College, Indooroopilly on Friday the 20<sup>th</sup> May. Best of luck !

Congratulations Performing Arts students preparing for Creative Generation at the beginning of term 3. These students are Theo Herbert; Elizabeth Kelly; Shaylene Lelliott; Savannah Tessmann.

Congratulations to Torren New-Malone who has been chosen to participate in Cross Country regionals on the 24th May. Also special mention to Abby Johnson who also finished 11th at the Cross Country District Carnival and is on the reserve list to compete.

### Homework Centre

A reminder that our Homework Centre is open from Monday to Thursday 3.00pm to 5.00pm with ongoing mentoring from our classroom teachers and teacher aides.

Finally best wishes to our Year 7 students and Mr Michael Goode as they head off to their first high school camp experience next week at Maroon Outdoor Education Centre.

While I am on leave for the next couple of weeks, Mr David Holgate will be in the position of Principal.

Best wishes

Francine Barker

Principal

## Badge Ceremony



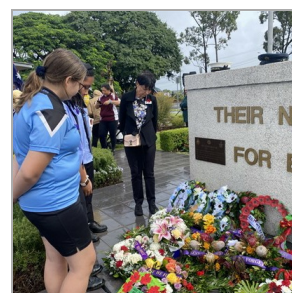
## Anzac Day ceremony at school



## Anzac Day ceremony in Brisbane

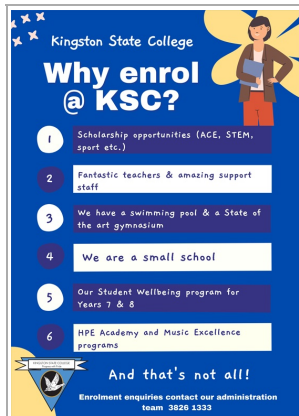


## Anzac Day Ceremony in Logan



On Monday 25 April 2022 Mrs Barker, Miss Hill and students: Skylah Wagensveld, Matthew Shay, Thoo Lwe Paw Kaw, Joanna Gamido and Jacanna Scriven-Hoskins braved the rain and proudly represented Kingston State College at the Logan City ANZAC March.

## Enrolment Evening



## Transition Program for SEP students commencing 2023

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## Debating Success

Kingston dominated once again at the first round of the ENABLE debating competition last night. Both Ms Johnson's senior teams came away with convincing wins - Alana Harwood, Bella Kelly and Anthony Coleman defeated Woodridge SHS and Danita Devi, Elise Bell, Ash Kelly and Htoo Lwe Paw Kaw beat Springwood SHS. The junior teams, led by Mr Richardson (comprised of Alicia Caldwell, Skylah Wagensveld and Joanna Gamido) and Mr Gaudie (Hayley Hiltunen, Jack Bukuru, Sienna Blackaby, Shaylene Lelliott and Tanja Nenadovic), both suffered narrow losses to Woodridge, but they didn't let it break their spirits - they're itching to win next round.

Excitingly, one of our seniors, Bella Kelly, was also nominated for the 'congeniality' award, which will be awarded at the grand final in Term 4. We're confident we'll secure the debating cup again in 2022 - if you'd like to come along and see our teams in action, the next debate will be held here at Kingston on Tuesday 17 May. See you there!

## Education Perfect



Using Education Perfect is a great way to improve learning AND earn house points. This, term, students in grades 7 – 10 will also have bonus lessons assigned to them each week from Ms. Hartzler, which they can complete for extra house points. If you have forgotten your Education Perfect login, or you need more information, send Ms. Kelly Hartzler an email at [khart188@eq.edu.au](mailto:khart188@eq.edu.au).”

## Cross Country 2022



The school cross country carnival was held on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> April. The rain held off long enough for a warm and dry carnival to be run. Students are to be commended on their outstanding efforts to achieve their goals - whether it was to finish first, place top 10 and be invited to the district carnival, or to finish the loooong course in one piece. Student house captains led several games and activities to keep race finishers entertained which ran incredibly well. Several students represented Kingston at the district carnival, and competed well at the new course at Redeemer Lutheran College. Year 11 student Torren New-Malone finished 2<sup>nd</sup> in his age category - a tremendous result within the Logan District. After not running the carnival in 2021 and a successful event in 2022, we look forward to successful future carnivals.

## House Cup

Kingston's highly-contested house cup returns in 2022, with an enormous range of activities to celebrate success and participation. Yarri started hot out of the gates after their 2021 win, although the other houses each held first place at some point during Term 1. It will

surely be a close contest this year!

The Year 12 house captains have begun to lead house parades and house games, displaying great energy and leadership skills. Among the highlights are multi-sport which attracted a huge crowd, musical chairs which was fiercely fought until the very end, and the return of Golden Chuck - Kingston's basketball competition.

With swimming carnival occurring later in the year and athletics carnival held on the last day of Term 2, there are still major points to be won. We wish all houses the best of luck in the house cup competition in 2022.

### **Parents and Citizens Meeting**

Kingston State College P&C meet at 3:30pm every 3rd Tuesday of the month in the Administration Staff room. All parents/carers are encouraged to come along and learn more about our school and our decision making processes and how we endeavour to improve student learning outcomes amongst other topics. It would be great to see you there.

### **Student Resource Scheme (SRS)**

The Student Resource Scheme fees are \$260. Whilst the cost of providing instruction, administration and facilities for the education of a student at a state school is met by the State, parents are directly responsible for providing their student with other resources for the student's use whilst attending school.

#### **What is a Student Resource Scheme (SRS)**

A SRS is a service provided by the school to assist parents with a cost effective alternative to purchasing textbooks, resources, consumables and/or materials from elsewhere, through reduced prices gained from the school's bulk purchasing processes. These resources enhance the student's engagement with the curriculum. A SRS provides a convenient option that offers good value to participants and ensures participating students have access to the same standard of resources. Parents will need to provide these resources themselves if they choose not to participate in the SRS.

Participation in the Scheme is voluntary and no obligation is placed on a parent/caregiver to participate. A parent/caregiver who does not wish to participate in the Scheme will be responsible for providing the items included on the resource list (available from the office) so their student can engage fully with the curriculum. If you decide not to participate please return the Participation

Agreement Form to the payment office and an appointment will be made with the principal or delegate to discuss provision of resources for your student.

Participation in the Student Resource Scheme will be assumed if written notice of non-participation is not received.

School Policy, endorsed by the P&C, is that prior to any non-compulsory school activity such as excursions, competitions, performances, camps, senior jerseys or formals that all fees be paid or an approved payment arrangement entered into.

If you will be participating in the Scheme payments are due as follows:

1st instalment: \$90 payment due by 03 February 2022

2nd instalment: \$90 payment due by 28th April 2022

3rd instalment: \$80 final payment due by 21st July 2022.

If you receive Centrepay then you may be able to have weekly/fortnightly deductions taken out of your benefit for your student's fees. Contact the office to ask how on 38261333.