

Principal's Message

Inquisitive Minds Workshops

This week Kadina High School hosted Inquisitive Minds. Inquisitive minds is a Sydney based company which specialises in hands on Mathematics programs to stimulate and enrich student's mathematical experiences. Throughout the 2 days of workshops junior Kadina High School students and local primary school students from Lismore Heights, Goonellabah and Clunes participated in a range of logical thinking and problem-solving activities.

Year 6 Orientation

Students entering Year 7 at Kadina High School in 2014 spent a two day orientation at the school this week. The students were able to experience what life is like at high school and were given an opportunity to study subjects not normally offered in primary school. Parents and teachers also met up with a BBQ being held on the Thursday afternoon.

Canteen Area

Ms Dess and a number of her students from her art classes have been spending time painting around the canteen to brighten it up. The new look has lifted the feel of the place. Thank you all for a great job!

Uniform

Kadina High School uniform is supplied through the school canteen. It has sufficient stock in preparation of the new school year. The current prices are:

Green tops	\$32
White tops	\$32
Green skirts	\$20— new reduced price.
Black shorts	\$20
Long pants	\$30
Woollen jumpers	\$58
Polar fleece jacket/ Ski jacket	\$35.

All money raised through the sales of school uniforms is used by the P&C to fund school initiatives. For example in 2013 through monies raised the school was able to purchase a new overlocker for TAS, AFL jerseys, Rugby League jerseys, a 24 channel sound mixing desk and speakers for CAPA, Technology for Visual Arts, and the Launch class, 80 electronic kits for Science, and 2014 School Captain blazers. The P&C also supported students financially for state sport representation and leadership programs. Other support programs include AIME, and the Chrysalis program. With funds raised through the sales of uniform the school canteen is also able to keep food costs to a minimum.

Financial assistance is available for those experiencing financial difficulties. Application forms are available by contacting the school office.

A reminder the school canteen does not have EFTPOS facilities and takes cash and cheques (payable to - Kadina High School Canteen) only.

Ian Davies
Principal

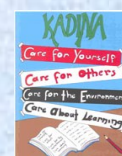
Diary Dates

28-29 Nov
Yr 7 2014 Transition Days
2 Dec
Yr 10 Excursion
3 Dec
Yr 8 Excursion
3-4 Dec
Yr 7 Excursion
9-12 Dec
Yr 9 Excursion
13 Dec
7 - 11 Presentation
18 Dec
Students Last Day for 2013
29 Jan 2014
First Day Yr 7, 11 & 12
30 Jan 2014
First Day Yr 8, 9 & 10



Being a Kadina student means that you:

CARE FOR YOURSELF
CARE FOR OTHERS
CARE FOR THE ENVIRONMENT
CARE ABOUT LEARNING



HOSPITABLE YEAR 11



Year 11 Hospitality class with their assessable practical task. They are required to meet industry standards and course requirements with this task.

Rhonda Shepherd, Teacher.

DRUMMING WORKSHOPS

Year 7 and 8 Kadina students have been participating in drumming workshops. Drumming is fantastic for anger management, teaching coordination and practising concentration. The students have thoroughly enjoyed this experience.

Lou Royal, Teacher



MIND MATTERS

MindMatters is a whole school approach to mental health and wellbeing. It's a national mental health initiative for secondary students funded by the Australian Government Department of Health and Ageing. MindMatters is a resource and professional development initiative promoting and protecting the mental health, and social and emotional wellbeing of all members of school communities.

A number of staff from Kadina High School recently attended two days of MindMatters professional development. As a follow on from this training we are conducting surveys across the school and will be collecting data from staff, students and parents. The information received from this data will be used in future planning.

This week we will be randomly selecting families to participate in a parent survey. The survey may be posted to you or you may receive a phone call requesting your participation in answering the survey. Could you please support us by completing the survey and sending it back to the school as soon as possible.

Dan Matthias, Head Teacher Welfare



IMPROVING LITERACY AND NUMERACY NATIONAL PARTNERSHIP (ILNNP)

Earlier this year Kadina High School received a considerable funding grant tied to improving Literacy and Numeracy. As a school we were required to decide upon a focus for this funding in either Literacy or Numeracy. It was decided to place our main focus on Numeracy in stage 4.

Mrs Lee Boyd was appointed to coordinate this program. Mrs Boyd has spent a considerable amount of time and effort collecting and analysing Numeracy data from a variety of sources. As a result Mrs Boyd has identified areas to focus upon in developing Numeracy skills in our students. Mrs Boyd has also been identifying, evaluating and purchasing relevant Numeracy resources across the curriculum to enrich our student's learning experiences.

Intensive Numeracy Workshops

Recently Mrs Boyd and Mr Peter Fletcher, (a retired teacher who many of you would know,) have been conducting intensive numeracy workshops for our Year 7 and 8 students. Mrs Boyd prepared these workshops to respond to the needs of our students she identified in her analysis of data. In these workshops the students have worked on developing numeracy skills in place value, patterns and number structure, and basic operations. All students will receive the benefit of these workshops.

MANSW Numeracy

This month (27th and 28th November) we were visited by Debbie Smith from "Inquisitive Minds" who delivered further workshops based on problem solving. All students from Years 7 & 8 had the opportunity to participate in these workshops along with some Year 5 and 6 students from Goonellabah, Lismore Heights and Clunes Primary Schools. Mathematics teachers and teachers from our local Primary School benefited from the professional experience of assisting with the presentation of these workshops.

Teacher Professional Development

Mrs Boyd is also organising to provide staff from across all Key Learning Area's the opportunity to examine their Syllabi and Programs to develop a greater understanding of the way the Numeracy Continuum is relevant to their subject and how the inclusion of Numeracy outcomes can be achieved.

Greg Wade, Head Teacher Mathematics



ALICE SPRINGS AND ULURU TRIP

On the 28th of November seven Year 6 students from Goonellabah Public School and four students from Kadina High School, met at the Goonellabah YWCA at 5:45 am to set off for Alice Springs & Uluru. The students from Kadina who went were Greg Williams (Year 11), Jake Collins (Year 9), Hannah Oliver (Year 8) and Tywana Caldwell (Year 8).

We were all brought together by the YWCA and our schools to make a drama performance called "My Choices, My Life". Our message was to be yourself and be true to who you are.

When all the bags were packed and everyone said their final goodbyes, we all boarded the bus and got on our way to the Gold Coast Airport for a stopover at Sydney, before heading on our way to Alice Springs. After a three and a half hour plane flight we finally touched down and made ourselves at home at Yipirinya Primary School.

After we finished all of our performances at some amazing schools (Yipirinya Primary, Ross Park Public, School of The Air, Charles Darwin University and a few others) we all got the chance to see and go to some amazing places. We went to Simpson's Gap, King's Canyon, we all got to see the sunset behind Uluru, and then the next day we went back to walk all the way around the huge monolith (which took three and a half hours altogether). One of the final things we did was see the sunset and walk around the Olga's.

This trip was a once in a life time experience for everyone that went. We all bonded as a group and came out of this trip like brothers and sisters. This is something that none of us will ever forget, and will be something we will take with us for the rest of our lives.

Thanks for all the fun and good memories Kristy, Emilia, Mr Matthias, Mr Spencer, and Simon.

Hannah Oliver, Student



YEAR 10 AT WORK EXPERIENCE



This week Year 10 have been on work experience. This is an opportunity for the students to experience what it is like to work in the area that they believe their career will take. We would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the businesses that have been able to accommodate them for the week.

Sally Champion, Careers Adviser



SICKNESS PROCEDURE

If a student becomes sick at school they should:

1. First inform their teacher or any teacher if in the playground.
2. The student should then report to the main office with a note and
3. If necessary parents may be contacted. It is policy that parents are contacted, and asked, where possible, to pick up their child.

Updated information

Do we have your current contact numbers?

Please ensure we have your current details so we can contact you in cases your child becomes ill or injured.

Uniform Pool

If you have outgrown school uniform tops and jumpers, the school can take them off your hands to place in the school uniform pool.

Just drop them off at the school canteen.

Your support is appreciated!

SOME 2013 KADINA HIGHLIGHTS

What a year 2013 turned out to be. The Kadina High students were hard at work all over the Far North Coast representing their school with pride and generally doing great things for the community.

As I looked back over the year that was 2013, I was blown away by how much our students have achieved as well as how talented they are.

What follows is a summary of some of the opportunities that our students receive at Kadina High School. It is by no means a complete summary but it is a start and I am sure others will share their memories too.

During the year we were called upon to assist our feeder schools with their various athletics carnivals. Many thanks to the PE staff for preparing the students to be such fantastic helpers. All the schools we attended were very appreciative.



There was also rugby league. 2013 was no different as we again took the game into our feeder schools with the help of the NRL Game Development Officers - Mike Donnelly and Kel Menchin and a Gold Coast Titan or two.



Then there were the rugby league games themselves, including a girls and boys competition at Dubbo for the PCYC Nations of Origin in July.



Our thanks to the PCYC for their ongoing support of our rugby league program.

The girl's rugby league was held in Terms 2, 3 and 4.



SOME 2013 KADINA HIGHLIGHTS continued

Some touch football too



Students painted a community mural at the opening of the Goonellabah SuperClinic a few months ago. Our boys and girls provided fantastic entertainment on the day.



I was delighted to have the opportunity to present a workshop at the 2013 NSW English Teachers Association Annual Conference last Friday at the University of NSW. Co-presenting the workshop with me was former Goonellabah Public School student Josh Creighton who has developed an amazing technology platform called "FNGRPNT" that steers senior students in the right direction with their English studies. Josh has been supported by the Kadina High P&C this year. Many of you may remember Josh's Mum, Mrs Jenny Creighton, who was a teacher at Goonellabah Public School for many years.



Josh and I are pictured with NSW English Teachers Association President, Karen Yager, who has been so impressed with Josh's "FNGRPNT" learning platform that she found the time during the conference to personally attend the workshop. It was a very successful day.

We had some rugby league visitors to the school during the year, Mario Fenech and Nathan Hindmarsh.



We also had an occasional game of boy's rugby league this year too.

Kadina High School also participated in many public speaking and debating events during 2013.



What a year 2013 was.....phew.....now bring on 2014!

Mr Ippolito, Head Teacher English

CANTEEN AND UNIFORM UPDATE

KADINA CANTEEN PRICE LIST – 2013 (Prices Subject to Change)			
ITEM	COST	ITEM	COST
SANDWICHES / ROLLS		HOT FOOD	
White / Wholemeal		Cheese & Spinach Rolls	\$2.80
Chicken Salad Roll	\$2.80	Spinach & Ricotta Rolls	\$2.30
Ham Salad Roll	\$2.80	Pizza Round	\$2.00
Salad Roll	\$2.00	Chicken Nuggets (5)	\$2.00
Satay Chicken Lavash 1/2	\$2.00	Chilli Tender Chicken	\$1.20
Egg & Lettuce Sandwich	\$2.00	Chicken Pattie	\$1.20
Sushi Rolls (assorted)	\$3.20	Vege Pattie	\$1.20
Cheese & Bacon Rolls	\$1.60	2 Chilli Tenders on Roll	\$2.80
Assorted Muffins	\$2.30	Chicken Pattie on Roll	\$2.00
Assorted Slices	\$2.30	Vege Pattie on Roll	\$2.00
Finger Bun	\$2.00	Beef Lasagne (winter)	\$3.00
Choc Chip Cookie	\$2.00	Chicken Crackles (5)	\$2.00
SAUCES		DRINKS	
Tomato	20c	Large Flavoured Milk	\$2.80
BBQ	20c	Small Flavoured Milk	\$2.00
Mayonnaise	20c	Large Pure Juice	\$2.50
PIES		Small Pure Juice	\$1.50
Curry Beef	All \$3.30	Large Fruit Drink	\$2.00
Meat		Small Fruit Drink	\$1.50
Cheese & Bacon		Water 600 ml	\$1.00
Cottage		Pump Water 1 L	\$2.00
Sausage Roll	\$2.30	Gatorade	\$3.00
YOGHURTS		Poppers	\$1.30
Fresh Norco Yoghurt 200g	\$2.50	Vita-soy	\$1.80
		Iced Tea (all flavours)	\$3.00

Kadina Uniform Prices

Available from the Canteen

Item	Years	Cost
Senior White Polo	Yrs 11, 12	\$32
Junior Green Polo	Yrs 7 - 10	\$32
Green Skirt - Girls	Yrs 7 - 12	\$28
Black Shorts - Boys and Girls	Yrs 7 - 12	\$20
Black Track Pants - Boys and Girls	Yrs 7 - 12	\$30
Jacket - Boys and Girls	Yrs 7 - 12	\$35
Polar Fleece Jacket - Boys and Girls	Yrs 7 - 12	\$35
Woolen Jumper - Boys and Girls	Yrs 7 - 12	\$58

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Skirt
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COMMUNITY NOTICES

Open Talent Workshop: 20-24/1/14 Sydney Entertainment Centre. \$600 Ages 14-23. www.tdp.org.au/call Robyn Philpot 93204221

Audition Bootcamp: Bringing Australia's most respected music theatre professionals and Australia's favourite TV talent stars to teach you the secrets to success in your auditions. Week one TV Talent Competitions 13 - 17 January 2014, Musical Theatre 20 - 24 January Register at www.queenievandezandt.org

Camp Quality Golf Day: Sunday 1st December at Ballina Golf Course Limited teams – book early to reserve your place! Phone - Bill Keenan on 0402 098 553

Trivia Night: to help the Mahera Academy in Kenya buy a school bus, so it can support more disadvantaged children with an education and two meals a day **at the Bangalow Bowlo 7pm Friday 6 December** Phone: 0478 813 185

Griffith University: Researchers at Griffith University want to learn about children's experiences of living and learning as a person identified as having a disability and as being gifted - twice-exceptional children. This research study is for children/teen aged 9 - 17 years and their parents. To express interest in taking part in this research study or for more information please contact Michelle Ronksley-Pavia via email m.ronskey-pavia@griffith.edu.au

Lismore Workers Netball Club Early Bird Sign On: Tues 10th & 17th Dec 4 - 6pm, Sat 21st Dec 10 - 12noon at Lismore Workers Club. A \$50 Commitment Deposit is payable on the day balance due 8th February. Contact Heidi on 0434 204 664 or Trish on 0439 432 158

Southern Cross University Rugby Union Club: Be part of an exciting new team at SCU and get a head start in University life by becoming part of the first Under 18's team. For more info contact : Bevan McBeth 0431 054 335 Or Rhys McNaughton 0488 285 564



Have you thought about your work or study options for 2014?

TAFE courses for 2014 are available now at Ballina, Wollongbar, Lismore, Casino and Kingscliff Campuses

Courses are available in the following industries:

Community Services - Children's Services, Mental Health, Fitness & Nursing

Construction - Carpentry & Plumbing

Creative Industries - Performance Costumes, Fashion Design & Technology

Hair & Beauty - Massage, Nail Technology & Hairdressing

Primary Industries & Natural Resources - Agriculture & Horticulture

Maritime -

Tourism, Hospitality & Events - Events Management, Aviation, Cookery

Please note: these are only a few of the courses on offer and the full list can be found on our website

If you would like to discover your pathway to your studies with TAFE, you can 1) book in a free session with our careers advisor on (02) 6681 8900 2) Search www.northcoast.tafensw.edu.au or 3) call Ballina TAFE on (02) 6681 8900 to hear about the courses TAFE offers and those that are on offer in your area.



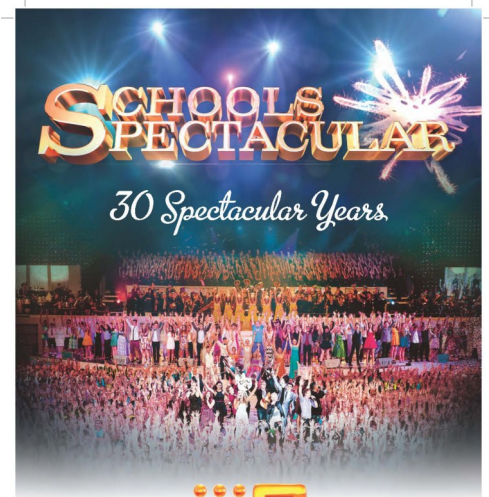
HERE'S YOUR FIRST BRIEFING.

From logistics, administration, trades and management to engineering, medicine and health, there is an abundance of roles for women in the Australian Defence Force. Hear from women already in the Australian Defence Force about what life is really like in the Navy, Army & Air Force. Discover the benefits of a Defence career, including information on education, training, leave and travel.

Attend the upcoming Women in Defence information session to see where career in the Australian Defence Force can take you. **Monday 25th of November at 6pm (AEST), Defence Force Recruiting, Coolangatta Corporate Centre, Cnr Griffith & Warner Streets, Coolangatta.**

To book your seat email nwenberg@dfc.com.au or call us at 07 5569 3900.

DEFENCE FORCE RECRUITING



PROUD BROADCAST PARTNER

Saturday 30 November

Replay Sunday 1 December Catch Up jump-in.com.au
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