

# The Marella Muse

Kellyville High School Learning | Excellence | Integrity We are a vibrant and innovative learning community that is committed to delivering excellence within a rich and diverse learning environment. Every student has the opportunity to achieve their personal best through engaged, active learning in a safe, respectful and supportive school.



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## **CALENDAR**

# 2021 | Term 1

W6B	Mon 1 Mar	Macquarie Cup Soccer	
	Tue 2 Mar	P & C Meeting 7pm	
	Thu 4 Mar	Macquarie Cup Netball	
	Fri 5 Mar	Macquarie Zone Swimming	
W7A	Mon 8 Mar	International Women's Day	
	Tue 9 Mar	Macquarie Cup Basketball	
	Thu 11 Mar	Selective Schools Test	
W8B	Tue 16 Mar	Macquarie Cup Touch	
		CAPA AutumnFest	
	Fri 19 Mar	Harmony Day	
W9A	Tue 23 Mar	Sydney West Swimming	
	Fri 26 Mar	Year 7&8 Vaccinations	
		Year 12 Reports Published	
<b>W10B</b> Tue 30 Mar		Year 7, 11 & 12 Parent Teacher Night	
		3.30pm – 7.30pm	
	Wed 31 Mar	School Cross Country	

#### Term 2

W1A	Mon 19 April	Student Development Day
	Tue 20 April	All Students Return
	Fri 23 April	Anzac Ceremony
W2B	•	P&C Meeting 7.00pm School Photos – All Year Groups

\*Please be aware that these dates may be subject to change. You will be notified if any changes occur.



# **PRINCIPAL'S ADDRESS**

#### **HIGH ACHIEVERS ASSEMBLY**

Last Tuesday we held a High Achievers Assembly to



acknowledge and celebrate the outstanding HSC results of our top performers in 2020. It was great to see the students and their parents at this event. Our current Years 12's attended and were addressed by some of the high achievers on their approach to the HSC. All had different stories and provided excellent advice to our current cohort, who are looking great in their new jerseys that have just arrived.

Already the end of Week 4. Students and staff have hit the ground running, excursions, swimming carnival, grade and recreational sport, Duke of Ed walk, rehearsals for the musical,

band practice and many more activities.

Students are all familiar with their timetable and are expected to be engaged in their learning. Engaged includes being in full



uniform, at school and class on time with the required equipment and ready to learn.

### **END OF SCHOOL DAY**

A reminder to all parents/carers collecting your sons and

daughters at the end of the day to follow the road rules. It is a very busy time so please be aware of your responsibility when driving.

#### **P&C MEETING**

The AGM of the P&C will be held on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> March in the library at 7pm.

Mr T O'Brien

**Principal** 





# **SWIMMING CARNIVAL**

Sport is back for 2021 and what a start to the calendar year with the annual swimming carnival. A glorious blue sky and shining sun had our carnival off to the perfect start. It was so good to see so many students at the carnival – swimming, cheering, singing and dancing. The House spirit was above and beyond. The competitive swimming was good to watch,

especially the duals between Cameron L. and ZhiYong P. and Maddison L. and Loryn G. A novelty swim for each year group was introduced this year and what a spectacle it



was. Jumping in that pool was the best thing many did that day. Year 12 had a massive turn out and put on a good show – the dress ups and games they will provide memories for years to come. To see almost one hundred Year 12 students in the pool at once for their novelty swim was a highlight. All staff had a wonderful day and thank the enthusiasm and positive behaviour of the students on the day.

Congratulations to the following students who have become age champions at our school swimming carnival:



#### Girls

12 Years	Charlotte D
13 Years	Ayda M
14 Years	Jaih A
15 Years	Tahlaiah H
16 Years	Makayla L
17 Years	Maddison L
18 years	Loryn G



	Boys	
12 Years	Max B	
13 Years	Zhi Hao P	
14 Years	Dylan C	

15 Years Cameron L and Zhi Yong P

16 Years Kye W 17 Years Aaron J

Age champions will be formally presented with their awards at the end of year sports presentations.

Good luck to all students competing in the Macquarie Zone Swimming Carnival - Blacktown Aquatic Centre Friday 5<sup>th</sup> March.

Coming in

Fourth place - Evans on 216 points. Third place - Manning on 302 points. Second place - Pryce on 372 points,

Which makes Clarke our champion house with 471 points.

M. Jaaniste
Sports Organiser



## 2021 P&C SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

This year's P&C Scholarship recipients for Year 7 are:

#### Creative and Performing Arts Scholarship - Sofia D

Drama is a passion of Sofia. She has performed in several performances, called Dough and No Place Like Home.

#### Leadership Scholarship - Carmen Z

Carmen was part of several initiatives at primary school as a member of the Student Representative Council. She was also active in the Debating Team and the Year 6 School Leadership team.

#### Sports Scholarship - Siuli S

Siuli has played sports since he was 4 years old. He plays representative Rugby Union and Rugby League whilst also enjoying Touch Football and Little Athletics.

## FROM THE DEPUTY DESK

What a great week we have had this week with two very successful events – High Achiever's Assembly and our annual swimming carnival.

This year saw the reintroduction of our High Achiever's assembly and it was a wonderful opportunity to acknowledge the outstanding results of the 2020 cohort, particularly our High Achievers.

Here are a few interesting facts of the 2020 graduating class we are proud to recognise:

 2020's cohort was made up of 128 students. Collectively, they have achieved the second best set of results in the school's short history.



- Of these, almost 20% gained early entry to university that's before they had even put pen to paper for a HSC exam.
- Almost 80% of students were accepted to their chosen university degree.
- 11 students scored an ATAR of 90 or above, with our highest being ATAR 99.6.
- We had 2 students recognised as All Rounders from NESA, meaning they scored the highest band possible in EVERY ONE of their subjects – well done Suhaasini and Khushi.
   Suhaasini was also recognised as a premier Top Achiever, ranking 13<sup>th</sup> in the state in Biology. 21 students achieved at least one Band 6 in a course.

To the incoming class of 2021, the baton has now been passed to you. It is the real business end now. Who will be our high achievers for next year?

It was wonderful to see the large number of students and staff enjoying the atmosphere of the swimming carnival. Well done to Clarke house, ably led by Miss Georgey as house patron. **Evans**, you have some catching up to do.

Every year group has now received their hardcopies of their assessment booklets which outline key information about when tasks are due for the whole year, the processes for illness/misadventure and related NESA and school based assessment policies. Parents are encouraged to read these in conjunction with their children. Softcopies are also on the school website.

During Monday Period 6 there are no scheduled classes for students. At this time, staff are involved in a variety of weekly professional learning activities. Students are able to leave school after the 2.03pm bell and make their own way home or to public bus routes. **Students are not expected to walk to alternative venues and return back to school**. Alternatively, students who remain at school are supervised in the quad area and are required to engage in quiet activities whilst they wait for regular school buses or parent transport.

Students who drive to school are required to complete a Student Driver form and return to the office. They are also expected to be mindful of passenger and pedestrian safety and their conduct whilst parking and driving near the school on their arrival and departure each day and show due consideration to the neighbouring community.

Year 12 are proudly wearing their new school jerseys. Students are reminded, those are **in addition** to their regular school uniform.

Mrs J Roberti / Mrs D Maloney

## **Deputy Principals**

## LIBRARY NEWS

It has been great to see our students back in 2021 ready for a year full of learning, fun and reading!

I would like to remind our returning students, and inform new students and their parents/caregivers, of our on-line platforms available for use 24/7.

#### Wheeler's eplatform



This is our platform for ebooks and audiobooks. The platform has a selection of books suitable for high school students that can be read or listened to, on your device.

#### To access:

Login to your Department of Education portal

- 1. Google eplatform
- 2. Select eplatform login
- 3. Choose Find libraries
- 4. Type in Kellyville High School
- 5. Choose KHS Visit library

From here you can download the app for your device, set up how you want your book to look and/or choose books.

You are allowed 2 items at a time with a borrowing period of 2 weeks (items are automatically returned).



This is an educational streaming service available for all students and staff at KHS.

#### To access:

- 1. Google Clickview login
- 2. Select Sign in
- 3. Enter your school email address
- 4. On the page select Libraries

Select one of the boxes at the top or search for a particular program or subject in the search box at the top right hand side.

WORLD BOOK

This is an online encyclopedia, which has lots of curated information and is great starting point for many assignments. It has film clips and ideas for organising your research and assignment writing.

### To access:

- 1. Google World Book Online
- 2. Go to login with ID/ password

The ID is kellyvillehs and the PW is kellyvillehs



If you would like to find out more about these services or if you would like help accessing them please drop into the Library and ask us for help.

Ms Michelle Brush
Teacher/Librarian

## **DRAMA – WE WILL ROCK YOU**

The students that will be taking part in our school musical production of We Will Rock You at Kellyville High School had



the wonderful opportunity of watching the live musical We Will Rock You at Riverside Theatre, produced by Packemin Productions.

The excursion was an incredibly constructed masterpiece of a



performance and it was beyond an incredible opportunity and event to take part in. The entire bus ride to Riverside Theatre was spent conversing in excitement for the production, and the same excitement remained on the ride back. We were fortunate enough to have a Q&A session with the cast, and their responses and attitude towards us was welcoming and inviting.

For numerous students, drama and performing arts is something we truly use in a form of self expression. The whole production and the responses from the Q&A with the cast were so helpful and inspiring. The overall participation of the students alongside the warmth of the teachers Mrs Swain and

Ms Smith made the experience so memorable and is something that we'll all hold so close to our hearts. We were inspired by the amazing acting,



singing and dancing, and can't wait to bring the show alive on our KHS stage later in 2021.

Lily N and Genevieve M Year 10



# KHS P&C

Annual General Meeting (AGM) for the P&C will be held **2 March 2021** in the Library from 7pm, within current COVID regulations. Looking forward to seeing you there.

The P&C also run a second hand uniform shop each 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>

Thursday of each month, from 8.15am to 9am. Prices are published in the second hand shop. There are no refunds or

exchanges on goods purchased here.

**P&C Committee** 



## **BUS SAFETY WEEK**

Bus Safety Week reminds all road users to 'Be Bus Aware'. Our school bus operator Busways is reminding all road users, parents, and students to 'be bus aware' as part of Transport for NSW's Bus Safety Week campaign, running Feb 22 - 28. Bus Safety Week, part of the 'Be Bus Aware' campaign, sees Governments, bus operators, and emergency services raise awareness about the importance of being safe in and around buses and spread the message to 'Be Bus Aware'.

The initiative provides a timely reminder to parents to have a talk with their children about bus safety; to motorists when giving way to buses; to pedestrians to make sure they are alert of their surroundings; and to cyclists to ensure they can see where buses are. We all have a part to play in bus safety.

## **COMMUNITY NEWS**

... ... ActiveKids \$100 rebate https://bit.ly/2DsJByW

... ... CreativeKids \$100 rebate https://bit.ly/2SyJcjJ

... ... Parenting Ideas: Preventing Childhood Bullying

## STUDENT NEWS

Jasmine M shaved to help beat blood cancer.



I have raised over \$2340 in taking part in the World's Greatest Shave for the Leukaemia Foundation. Thank you for everyone support.





# **EDROLO FOR STAGE 6**

The school has purchased Edrolo as a learning resource for Preliminary and HSC students in the following courses:

Year 11		Year 12	
Biology	Mathematics Extension 1	Biology	Geography
Chemistry	Business Studies	Chemistry	Legal Studies
Physics	Economics	Physics	Ancient History
Mathematics Standard	Legal Studies	Mathematics Standard	Modern History
Mathematics Advanced	Community and Family Studies	Mathematics Advanced	Community and Family Studies
	PDHPE	Mathematics Extension 1	PDHPE
		Business Studies	English Studies
		Economics	English Standard
			English Advanced

All students will need to activate their accounts following instructions contained in the student portal.

Training sessions for students have been scheduled during connect lessons on Tuesday 9th March for Year 12 and Tuesday 16th March for Year 11.





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