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NEWSLETTER

Thursday 17 December 2020 Term 4 Week 10

Principal's Word of the Week

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Principal's Report



Hello for the last time in 2020. What a challenging year it has been for us all and these last two weeks have been a reflection of all the work our staff, students and parents have been involved in over 2020. So much to celebrate and recognise so here goes for the last time:

Two Fridays nights ago our Year 10 students had their Formal at the school. It was a great night with our students looking amazing and the gym and surrounds set up for a fun and festive night. I want to say a huge thank you to Kristen Kauhanen and the organising committee for making the night such a success.

On Tuesday last week our Year 10 students held their Graduation and awarding of the year 10 certificates ceremony for parents. It was a great night and a lovely way to finish off the year. Thanks to all who supported this event. I want to thank Taylor Britton for his organisation and running of the Year 9 leadership days last week. The student gained great leadership experience and had some fun too.

Also last Thursday was our Moving on Up Day which was an opportunity for all students to get ready for 2021. Another



great day and I thank the executive staff for their organisation of classes and our staff for developing engaging activities for new and returning students. The last big event on Friday last week was our PBL Launch and House Day. Our students loved the activities together

including treasure hunts and temporary tattoos.

Again another successful day to recognise the progress we have made in our PBL journey and a lot of cross school fun , particularly during “Little Splash” in the afternoon.



Congratulations to Mikayla for winning to name the PBL mascot award. Thanks again to the house day team led by Kate Langenhorst.



Our bike track has been a great source of fun, challenge and learning for students in 2020. A number of students consistently ride the track and these are the bike track award recipients for 2020. Coby Fitzgerald (Year 4) received Most Improved for his dedication to improving his skills every week. Zohair Janjua (Year 5) received the Most Consistent for being consistently fast and always ready to ride. Taylah Schumacher (year 4) received the Heart of a Lion Award for resilience and determination to learn new skills.



One of our talented Year 9 students, Tarelle Davies-Andy has had two separate auditions for the Capital Dance Studios dance troupe for 2021 and he was subsequently offered a place in the troupe. Even more pleasing at the end of year concert he received several awards as well as a dancing scholarship for the troupe in 2021. Congratulations Tarelle.

Lastly congratulations to Chloe Taylor for being selected in the Junior Concert Band for 2021.

I hope you all have a restful and well deserved break and I look forward to seeing you all again in 2021.

Paul

Year 2

This term our year two students participated in an Aquasafe program. Students learned about different water safety procedures. They enjoyed being in the water and practiced safe water entries and exits. Students also got a chance to get on a raft with their life jackets on. They practiced falling out and climbing into the raft. Students did rope rescues and measured different water depths.



During the Fresh Tastes program, our students learned about healthy food messages and created one of their own health messages. We looked at different types of foods such as grains, vegetables, fruit etc and their nutritional values. Students discussed healthy food choices at school and what a healthy lunch box looks like.

Year 2 students made a yoghurt crunch using vanilla yogurt, fruit salad and bran cereal.



KSS P&C AGM

Tuesday 16 February 2021 at 7:00pm
Raiders Club, Hardwick Crescent, Holt

The 2021 Annual General Meeting of the Kingsford Smith School P&C will be held on Tuesday 16 February 2021 at 7:00pm

Following the tabling of the Audit Report for the year ended 31 December 2020, all current office bearer roles will be declared vacant and nominations called for the following Executive positions:

- President
- Vice President
- Secretary
- Treasurer

Nominations will also be sought for a range of other Committee positions including, but not limited to, P&C Council Delegate, Social Media Coordinator, Google Administrator, Fundraising Coordinator and Delegates.

All current P&C members are encouraged to attend the AGM to vote and/or nominate for vacant positions.

Details of roles and responsibilities along with an online nomination form will be made available on the [KSS P&C Website](#) in January and advertised via the [KSS P&C Facebook page](#).

For more information concerning any aspects of the P&C including the conduct of the AGM, and the roles of executives and committee positions, please contact the Secretary at contact@ksspandc.org.

The AGM is open to all parents, carers and interested citizens who wish to attend. At the completion of the AGM, a general meeting will be held.

School board vacancies

School Board Vacancies for 2021 These positions are an important facet of the school structure. Being a part of the School Board is an exciting and formative role. Please take time and consider nominating. Nominations for these positions are open 11am Monday 1 February 2021 and close 11am Monday 15 February 2021. Positions vacant: 1 staff member, 2 Parent /Citizen member and 1 Student member. Nomination forms will be available from the front office during the nomination period.

Mandarin Lunch Excursion

Year 9 and 10 Mandarin students put theory into practice in Week 5 with lunch at the Scholar in Dickson. After studying Chinese food culture and dining etiquette our students impressed staff with their use of chopsticks while tucking into a traditional meal of Yum Cha and bubble tea followed up by a visit to the statue of Confucious.

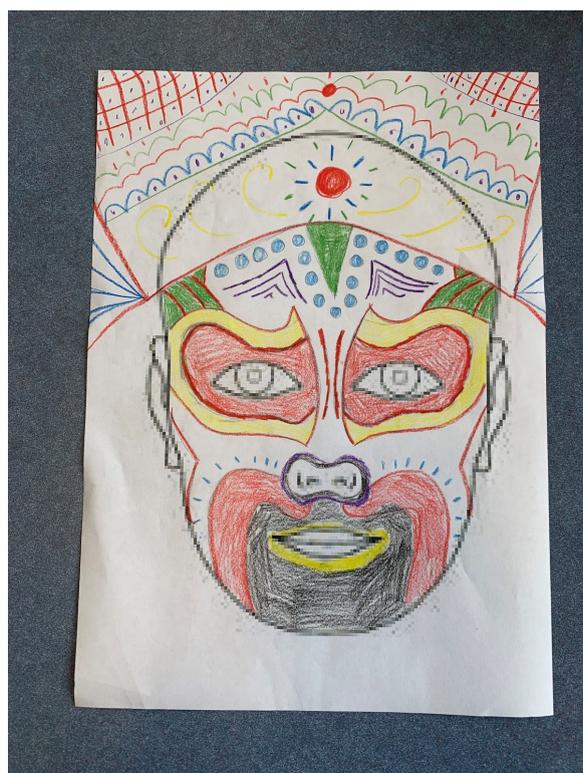
This is the first year Mandarin has been run as an elective subject at KSS. Thanks all the students who chose Mandarin as their electives and we had a wonderful class throughout the year.



Mandarin Learning - Peking Opera

In Term 4, students were learning Chinese culture and one of the topics was Peking opera. After watching video clips and learning the history of Peking opera, students created their Chinese masks and stories in groups.

The colours used in Peking opera masks represent different aspects of a character's personality. The following masks are created by Lucy Milner and Chandah Ngep in Year 8. They portray a story involving a brave (blue) and positive (red) woman and an intelligent (red) man who is also violent (green) and cruel (yellow).



Mandarin Cooking lessons

High School students were having a cooking lesson in week 9 and 10. Students from Year 6 and 7 learned dumplings making and Year 8 and Year 9 students cooked a hot dish named 'three cup chicken' which was a traditional food from China. Students really enjoyed it and did a fantastic job in their teams.

