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# **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY**

The Department of Education and Training acknowledges the Traditional Owners of the lands from across Queensland. We pay our respects to the Elders past, present and emerging, for they hold the memories, the traditions, the culture and hopes of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples across the state.

# **COMING EVENTS**

Date	Event
2022 Term 3	
22nd – 26th August	Book Week - Dreaming with eyes open
24th – 25th August	Year 11 and 12 Chillagoe Excursion
25th August	Year 11 and 12 Tourism Excursion
29th August – 1st September	Bookfair
1st – 4th September	Indigenous Leaders Camp
2nd September	Student Free Day
6th – 8th September	Year 10 Sport and Rec Camp
12th – 14th September	Year 5 Camp
16th September	Last day of Term 3
4th October	Fist day of Term 4

# PRINCIPAL'S REPORT



Desley Kirby Principal

At the halfway point of the term, there are always a number of important events and activities in a school calendar, as students prepare for the next steps in their education journey.

**SET Planning:** Year 10s are this term in the exciting phase of considering pathways through Senior Education and beyond. The parent evening provided critical information to parents about the importance of careful

consideration of subjects, and the rules associated with the successful completion of the Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE). It is important that students and families understand fully the importance of completing and submitting assessments, good attendance and course completion, and the implications for the QCE if these conditions aren't met. Our year 10 students will engage in work experience opportunities in the coming weeks to expose them to the range of options in the workforce and help them with their learning pathway choices.

Year 12 Students are starting to count down the weeks until they step out of school and into work or further study. This can be both an exciting and daunting phase for our young people, and there is a range of school support to help them navigate their way through. This support includes our Secondary Head of Department Ray Donahue, Guidance Officer Mr Brad Modini and Transition Pathways Officer Vicky Wilson. Students are encouraged to make the most of this support in the coming weeks.

In the meantime, our students are focussed on completing their assessments to the best of their ability and I am proud to share some of the wonderful results received so far. Currently we had



5 students awarded full marks for an assessment piece - that's 50% of students completing General subjects. Congratulations also to our school captains Jim Maclean and Isabella Martin. Jim received full marks for all Chemistry assessment and Isabella full marks for all Chemistry and Mathematical Methods assessment. An outstanding achievement from these students.

Year 6 to 7 Transition activities will commence in Term 4. Again, this is an exciting time for our graduating primary students and it is important they are ready for learning in the secondary setting.

Refurbishment of Playing surfaces: As promised, this year we are seeing the refurbishment of a number of our outdoor learning and play spaces. The Senior Multi-Purpose Courts have been resurfaced and re-marked for basketball, netball, tennis and handball. This area is close to completion and should be ready for use within the next fortnight. The next phase of the work will see the half-court resurfaced and fitted with new shade cover, and a fixed cover over the primary playground, which will finally provide sun protection to this play area.

Attendance: This semester we have been focusing on our attendance strategy, and communicating directly with parents and students who require support. There have been a number of positive outcomes from these efforts so far including the re-engagement at school and in learning for a large number of students. If you are concerned about your child's attendance, please do not hesitate to contact the school to arrange support.

# **PRIMARY NEWS**



Rebecca Forgie Deputy Principal Primary

## **Prep enrolments**

Do you have child born between 1st July 2017 and 30 June 2018? Good news! Your child can join the KDSC team in prep for 2023. The Deputy Principal – Rebecca Forgie will be visiting Kindy on the following dates and is available for enrolment interviews: 11, 13, 18, 20, 25, 27th October and 8 & 10th November between the times of 8.30am – 10.00am. Enrolment interviews are also available at the College.

Please contact Mandy on 4085 5333 to enrol your child early to guarantee your spot.

#### **Kookaburra Orchard News**

We have had a bounty in the last couple of weeks in our garden. Mr C's group of gardeners' constant love and attention is paying off with huge amounts of produce. We have been able to supply some of our classes with produce to use with their Kitchen Chemistry units in Science this term as well as donate produce to Ms Lucy in our tuckshop. We look forward to many more harvests.





#### **Uniforms**

We thank those families who are sending their children to school in full and correct uniform. Just a reminder: Shorts must be black and only the school bucket hat is permitted.

We are very thankful to *Sky Park - AJ Hackett Smithfield*, for their sponsorship of our Year 6 shirts this year. They are being modelled here beautifully by Anise and Vernora. We will be recipients of this sponsorship for the next couple of years. As such the year 5-6 teachers will begin work on designing the 2023 shirts in the coming weeks. This way students will have them available to wear from the earliest possible weeks of 2023. Thank You Sky Park.



#### **Under 8's Day**

Under 8's day was held on Thursday 28th July. It was another extraordinary event organised by the early years' teachers. Many hours of work went in to the planning and setting up by Ms Timmins, Ms Cooper, Ms Mel and Ms Kiera. Many thanks to many other school staff who assisted with setting up or donating their time and resources. We are very fortunate to have the ongoing support of some outstanding community members and organisations. Bugsy and Fairy Jenny both donated their time and resources to provide fun-filled activities with bubbles and fairy wands. Bunnings Smithfield also proves to be an ongoing supporter of our school and helped create alfalfa sprout beds with students. Without this support Under 8's day would not have been as memorable. Thank you to everyone who helped celebrate our very youngest of children.









Book Week

Book week activities will be held during week 7, 22-26<sup>th</sup>. August. There will be a whole campus dress up day on Friday 26<sup>th</sup>. Get those costumes ready!

## **Good Standing**

There are a number of events occurring within the campus in the next few weeks and months. For any student to be eligible they must adhere to the College's Good Standing policy. This applies to *ALL* students between Years 3-12. Maintaining Good Standing has many benefits:

- 1. End of term PBL celebration days.
- 2. Eligible students may attend extra curricula events such as regional sporting carnivals and school camps
- 3. Students are eligible to nominate as Campus captains and sporting captains.
- 4. Attend excursions outside of school grounds.

To maintain Good Standing at the Primary campus students must have:

- 85% attendance (which equals 7 days unexplained per term)
- No more than 5 Minor behaviour reports
- No Major behaviour reports



## **SECONDARY NEWS**



Michelle Howe Deputy Principal Secondary

As we continue through the year, it has been an absolute pleasure reconnecting with families and meeting new families. I value the opportunity to connect, so that I can best support your child with their journey at Kuranda District State College.

Term 3, started off with our annual Performance night. Congratulations to our talented students for putting on a very entertaining show. This term, we are encouraging our music students to

perform at our parades. I congratulate these students for having the courage to perform in front of their peers. I am continually blown away by their talent.

Can I thank all the parents, who recently attended our Senior Secondary Information Evening. The event was extremely well attended and I trust that our parents found the session, that was led by our Head of Senior Secondary, very informative. As communicated at the information session, this is an exciting milestone for our students as they are able to make decisions about their future pathway, but it can also be an overwhelming time. The staff and I are committed to supporting our students during the final two years of their journey.

A key focus of my work this term, has been engaging with families to support their child in attending school. I have appreciated, how our families have engaged with these conversations and through working together, we are starting to see some positive outcomes and improvement with our attendance at the College. Please do not hesitate to contact me, if you have concerns about your child's attendance.

Throughout the term, we are offering students the opportunity to be involved in various projects at the College. An exciting project that is occurring is the beautification of our female toilets, to make them feel more welcoming and nurturing. A group of our female students are involved in this project working with Miss Jane, our Wellbeing Officer and Miss Lynda Barrett, our artist in residence. The girls are gaining incredible insights into how they can best self-soothe and are learning more about design and how the environment effects their moods. Can I thank the P&C, who are one of the main sponsors of this project. We look forward to sharing photos, when the project is completed.

Please also feel free, to contact me at the College if you have any questions or concerns. I am always happy to come to your home for a visit, if transport is not available for your family.

#### Kind Regards, Michelle Howe



# News from Junior Secondary Department

It has been a busy term for the junior secondary students who have been engaging in learning activities and completing exams and assignments Mathew Williamson Head of Department Junior Secondary for term 3. I am looking forward to seeing all of their results and sharing in their success.

#### Information Evening

Year 6 to year 7 and year 8 to year 9 Information Evening will be held on Wednesday 31st August (Week 8). This is aimed at our current year 6 and 8 students to gain valuable information pertaining to their journeys in 2023 at Kuranda District State College.

This year we are sending out a letter with an expression of interest to gain the best possible time to run this event for parents. Please keep an eye out for this by the end of this week.

## Mathew Williamson Head of Department – Junior Secondary



Raymond Donohue Head of Department Senior Secondary

## **Senior Secondary**

Term 3 started with the return of students after completing their first semester of Year 10, Year 11, or Year 12. Each of these periods in either year levels are extremely important in determining what the rest of the year will look like for our students. In Year 10, students are beginning to experience the rigour of senior schooling and the preparation that is

required prior to formally beginning their QCE pathway. For Year 11 students, this is a time of reflection where students are reviewing how their successes or challenges have impacted on their QCE or ATAR aspirations and whether there is a need to change their SET Plan. Finally, in Year 12, we count the weeks now until graduation, external exams, completion of certificate courses, and where to after Year 12.

It is now an extremely busy time of year for all of our senior students. Thank you for your support of them through their upcoming commitments. It's an exciting time to be at Kuranda District State College and we look forward to working with members of our community on delivering new opportunities for all of our local young people.

#### Senior Education & Training Plan

Year 10 is a critical time for students to make informed decisions about the next phase of their learning. The senior phase will present many opportunities in the form of academic study, school-based apprenticeships and traineeships, vocational education and training courses and work experience, just to name a few. Shortly this term, students will prepare their SET Plan. This plan is registered with the state government to track students' pathway through the post-compulsory stage of schooling. It will include their selection of subjects and their consideration of the wide range of options available to them in senior schooling. Parents and carers will be a key part of the process, and if you have a student in year 10, you will soon receive an invitation to a SET Plan interview, at which we will finalise the plan with your student. Attendance at these SET Plan interviews is essential to validate your student's subjects for 2023.

# School-Based Apprenticeships & Traineeships (SAT)

Congratulations to two Year 11 students, Rosetta Bulow and Jo-se Pivac, who have secured school-based traineeships with Ngoonbi Community Services Indigenous Corporation. School-based apprentices and trainees are trained in the workplace while they complete an accompanying VET qualification. Rosetta will complete a Certificate III in Business, while Jo-se will complete a Certificate II in Hospitality. Thank you to Ngoonbi for their continued support of our local young people.

## **Work Experience**

In the final week of this term, all our Year 10s will complete work experience at local businesses. We are grateful to all in our local community who are offering opportunities for our young people. We look forward to hearing their stories about what they learnt out in the workforce and how their new understandings will shape their future plans.

## Road Attitudes and Action Planning (RAAP)

The Queensland Fire and Emergency Services' Road Attitudes and Action Planning (RAAP) program is an initiative of operational firefighters. It is designed as a preventative strategy to provide information to young people about road safety so that they can make an informed decision to mitigate risks and consequences by planning ahead. RAAP will be presented to our Year 11 cohort next week by operational firefighters who have experience with trauma involved with vehicle crashes. Thank you in advance to the Fire and Emergency Services for bringing this very valuable program to KDSC and presenting to our students.

## QCAA Portal (Years 11 & 12)

Students in Years 11 and 12 should have registered their account with the QCAA to access their personal learning records. The portal is a space where students can track their progress towards achieving their QCE. It is available from the myQCE page on the QCAA website below and provides an up-to-date record of their banked results from internal assessments.

https://mygce.gcaa.gld.edu.au/

Any student who has not yet registered their account, or who may have forgotten their password, should see Mr Donohue for assistance.

## Year 12 Mock Exams (Weeks 9 & 10 Term 3)

Integral to student success in the External Examinations is our school's exposure through the Mock External Exam process in Weeks 9 and 10 of Term 3. Most General subjects will have one assessment paper, however Mathematics and Sciences subjects will have two assessment papers. Mock exams build familiarity with exam formats and expectations, and include multiple choice questions, short response questions, or an extended response task. Students should also be familiar with the External assessment equipment list. More information, including Mock and External Exam schedules, will be provided to parents/carers and Year 12 students in the coming weeks.

As always, I am more than happy to assist students where possible to help them through their senior years. If you have any questions or concerns, please email me rdono37@eq.edu.au or phone 4085 5333.

Mr Raymond Donohue HOD Senior Schooling

## **INCLUSIVE EDUCATION**



Congratulations to Lorelai Love for receiving recognitions and a small cash prize in the Mareeba Rodeo Art display.

Nicola Clode Head of Inclusion





As part of the Diverse Learners Team (DLT) work and support of students engage in learning in the classroom, our team works collaboratively in the classroom side by side with teachers in the co-teaching model.

- Co-teaching allows for more intense and individualised instruction in the general education setting increasing access to the general education curriculum while decreasing stigma for students with disability and learning difficulties. Co-teaching occurs when a team of teachers co-plan, co-teach, co-debrief, and co-reflect, to achieve student outcomes (Sharrott and Fullan, 2012). It supports continuity of instruction.
- Co-teaching is a teaching arrangement where a generalist and a specialist employ their expertise jointly to maximise learning for all student, including those with identified disabilities, language deficits and special needs (Angelia Peery, 2020)

Working across the college, the team engage in a variety of learning areas and year levels. This term there has been some fantastic work done in the primary inquiry science blocks. Students are engaging in the scientific knowledge and skills of chemistry through cooking. Incorporating the use of produce from the Kookaburra Orchid has enabled the program to expand this year to include a farm to the plate approach as well. The DLT are able to provide specific support for student/s working at different curriculum levels as well as with a diverse range of needs to access the learning.







## ART

Semester 2 has also started with a "Roar" and senior filmmakers and visual artists have been extremely focused on completing their IA2 and IA3 in Year 12 with very pleasing results. Artists from year 9 to year 12 had an excellent opportunity to view the artwork of a range of superb talents in Australia, Africa and the Torres Straits at Cairns Art Gallery, KITE Gallery and Bulmba-Ja (Northsite).

#### VISUAL ART Year 8

Junior artists are learning to understand the 'Elements and Principles of Design' and creating artworks that show their knowledge and understanding of these underpinning tenets of art. All artists have begun with 'Praxis' (theory into practice) and written notes on the Elements and Principles of Design as well as a definition of clay, how it is constituted, and the Four Hand-building Techniques of clay work. Artists began with a two-dimensional exploration of a cardboard mixed media work then moved into three dimensions by using a coil technique to create a 'Python Pail' and a Pinch Pot technique to create a human face with a defined facial expression.





## VISUAL ART & MEDIA Year 9 and 10 [VME]

VME artists have been prolific by completing exceptional mixed media artworks using a still life composition, and paintings on the theme of 'Emanations' in Term 2. This term they're busily animating across various Apps, stop motion, Photoshop and Adobe Premier on their own selected themes. Artists will create their own poster using digital illustration tools to promote their own animation which will be shown in the Secondary Hall during a lunchtime in Week 9. Filmmakers and animators have submitted work to STUFF iT Film Festival and will also submit work to Understory and Port Shorts as the quality of the work is wonderful.







## **VISUAL ART General Course**

Year 11 artists have now completed their FIA2 Inquiry based project [ART as LENS] and are finalising their FIA3s [ART as CODE]. Creating high quality artwork is a time-consuming labour of love and this requires artists to be highly organised, motivated and continually focused. Four students will be submitted into the Creative Generation for Visual Art and seven artists have been submitted to the ENERGY Exhibition at TANKS. Year 12 have completed all assessment artwork and are now deciding on display options and preparing for their final exam.

## **VISUAL ARTS IN PRACTICE [VAP]**

VAP year 12 senior artists are on the home stretch, completing oral presentations around their Pottery Body of Work (Vesselations) and fine tuning final assessment artworks. A number of these students worked hard to prepare the steps near the Tuckshop for an Indigenous Leader mural amongst their coursework. Year 11 artists are highly focused and keeping up with their year 12 counterparts working on the unit Digitazia which is highly process based.





#### **FTV NM**

Year 12 filmmakers have recently completed their own stylised 'Identity' film showcasing their many creative and technical skills and are to be commended on their passion for this subject.

## **ENERGY**

The annual regional ENERGY Exhibition at TANKS Art Centre in Edgehill opens at 6 pm on Friday 9th September and is generally up for two to three weeks. Please come along and support our tremendous KDSC artists.

## **PERFORMANCE NIGHT 2022**

A STRANGE MIXED BAG in Week 3 of this Term was an absolute delight with much mirth, magic and dramatic mayhem. THANKYOU to everyone that came along and supported the incredible work of our Drama, Music and Media students. THANKYOU also to the support from staff and P & C.

#### **NEW CHAIRS**

We are very grateful and still quite excited to have received our new chairs in the art room and the media lab. The student feedback is extremely positive and we're making every effort to look after our new furniture.

## **SCIENCE**

## Year 11 and 12 Chemistry

Year 12 students have been studying organic chemistry during term 2 and 3 and some of the practical activities included conducting chemical reactions to produce nylon. Year 11 students have been studying multiple topics including acid and bases, solubility, and molarity.





# Year 10, 11 and 12 JCU Winter Camp Townville

Year 11 Fran Oui and Dash Brim had a fantastic time at the JCU Winter School from the 26th June – 1st July 2022. The JCU Winter School for Australian Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Students offers students in Year 10, 11 and 12 the chance to experience university life during the school holidays. Over five days, students live on campus and take part in academic lectures and team-building activities in an interactive program that provides opportunities to meet University staff and students and form bonds with other students in the program. On-campus accommodation allows for a complete university experience. Accommodation is in the residential colleges on campus and catering is provided for all participants while students are on campus. JCU covers the cost of return travel, including flights, bus or train, for students outside of the Townsville region, within Australia.





# **STUDENT COUNCIL**

The 2022 Kuranda District State College Student Council held their first meeting for term 3 on Thursday of week 1. It was great to see 33 enthusiastic class representatives, sports captains and many additional students from all year levels of the secondary campus in attendance. The key agenda item was the College "Good Standing" policy, in particular the College Winter Uniform policy. The meeting proved to be very lively with very constructive contributions from all the students.



## **Primary Student Council**

The Kuranda District State College Primary Student Council have had a fantastic start to the school year. During semester 1 the student council have had a number of fundraising events for the school and outside organisations.

During term 1 we started the year off with a fundraiser for Epilepsy awareness Australia. Students donated a gold coin and dressed in purple, had their hair coloured with purple hair chalk and during the week purchased purple icy cups. We raised a substantial amount for this organisation. We also had a guess how many Easter eggs are in the jar competition, money raised from this fundraiser went towards new equipment for our primary school garden, the Kookaburra Orchard.

The primary student council had many events during term 2. For a gold coin donation, we dressed as pirates and had a guess how much treasure is in the pirate treasure chest competition. Money from this event went to support the Kid's cancer council. Students dressed up as something from the rainforest and again donated a gold coin. Money raised from this event will be going to support the Malanda Tree Kangaroo Rescue and Conservation Centre.

But our biggest fundraiser for the semester was Duct Tape Mrs Forgie to the wall. Throughout the term students were able to purchase strips of duct tape for \$1. The primary students were given the challenge to raise \$300 and if we reached that target they would have the opportunity to duct tape Mrs Forgie to a wall on the last day of term 2. Students took on this challenge and raised over \$300. We had so much fun duct taping Mrs Forgie to a wall and she was such a good sport and even managed to smile when one of our old students came and dressed her up in Broncos gear. All money from this fundraiser will be going to the Kuranda Youth Link.

The Primary Student Council are looking forward to having more successful fundraisers during semester 2.







# High Ropes Leadership Excursion

The secondary school leaders from Year 7 through to Year 12 attended a leadership day at Holloways Beach Environmental Education Centre Thursday the 4th of August. It was an amazing day on the high ropes and everyone involved had a fabulous time. The goal of the ropes challenge was to work in groups and develop teamwork skills such as trust and communication, as well as personal commitment. Students were encouraged to set goals and many of them attempted and completed all the rope challenges; without a doubt they stepped outside of their comfort zones. A huge amount of fun was had by all and the day finished with a visit to centres aquarium where students fed Barry the barramundi and Snappy Tom a freshwater crocodile.







# **SPORTS UPDATE**

# TCN – OVERALL KURANDA DISTRICT STATE COLLEGE RESULTS

#### 12 years

• 4th - High jump - Scarlett Martin

#### 14 years

• 3rd - Discus - Robert Ratcliffe

## 16 years

- 1st Long Jump Amelia Martin
- 1st Triple Jump Amelia Martin
- 4th Shot Put Amelia Martin
- 2nd Long Jump Sam Saleh Martin
- 3rd Shot Put Sam Saleh Martin
- 3rd Triple Jump Sam Saleh Martin
- 4th Discus Sam Saleh Martin

## 17 years

- 2nd Shot Put Ronald Gilkerson
- 4th Discus Ronald Gilkerson
- 1st 800m Jordan Maclean
- 1st 1500m Jordan Maclean
- 4th 400m Jordan Maclean

#### 18 years

- 2nd 800m Preston Hudson
- 2nd Discus Preston Hudson
- 2nd 200m Preston Hudson
- 4th 100m Preston Hudson

Overall: 3rd place Age Champion: Sam Saleh Martin

Overall: 3rd place Age Champion: Preston Hudson

#### Overall

Kuranda District State College Placed 4th on Overall points

## TCN Athletics trails - 10-12yo Report

On Wednesday the 20th and Thursday the 21st of June, Kuranda District State College sent their largest team ever to compete in the TCN Athletics trails at Barlow Park. The purpose of the trials is so the Trinity Coast North (TCN) coaches can select athletes in preparation for Peninsula. With beautiful

weather, strong performances and wonderfully behaved students, it was a highlight of the sporting calendar.

Leaving early each morning the bus ride down the hill was full of excitement, nerves and cheerful banter about the day to come. Many students had never experienced a TCN trial and many questions flowed my way. We were greeted each day by the ever-excited Mrs Gough, who organised the students with professional fluency.

From there, students spread throughout the venue with shot put and the 800m events kicking things off. Each student eagerly went off to their events and honestly gave it everything they had. When not competing, students such as Shaun, Esk and Kai made friends quickly and I was proud of how they represented our school's community. It's also amazing how an NRL ball brings so many kids together.

Amelia Martin and Jordan Maclean gained selection from the senior school while Esk just missed out on selection in the long jump, finishing as a shadow. Another positive was the willingness for our athletes to 'fill in' when there was a chance to do so and it showed a great attitude and a more determined resilience. The highlight of most students, and probably mine, was the final event, team 400m relay. To my surprise, not one team dropped the baton and the racing was fast and exciting with all of our teams showing grit and a fighting spirit.

Special thanks to our two helpers, Daniel and Teagan, who worked non stop and provided brilliant support to the students and myself. The biggest congratulations is for the heart of Kuranda Sport, Linda Gough, who worked tirelessly for the pass few weeks in preparation for the carnival.

## Thomas Dunsmuir KDSC JS HPE Teacher





#### Camps:

## Year 10 Leadership Camp

This camp will occur in the Year 10's last week of school.

Date: Week 8: Monday 21st November - Wednesday 23rd

November

Where: Mungalli Falls Environmental Camp

Cost: Approx \$320 (includes bus fare, all meals, all bedding, all

activities)

All Camp forms and costs will be due in September

## Other:

#### **Sporting Opportunities**

Throughout the year – there are interschool sporting opportunities for our students to participate and represent the college.

Once again, students must have good standing to represent the school.

AFL competitions for Primary students and Senior students -

**TBC** 

Rugby League competitions for Primary and Senior students –

Cricket - TBC

Thank you for your time – I look forward for an amazing year of sport

## **WELLBEING NEWS**

## P & C

https://www.facebook.com/kdscpandc/

## **Uniform Shop**

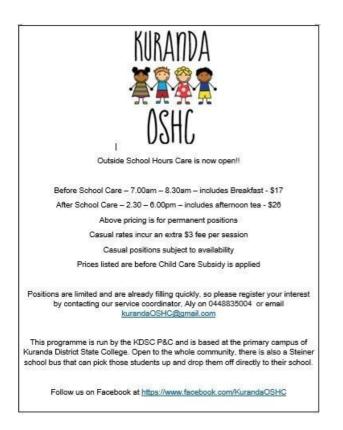
The uniform shop, located on the Primary Campus, is open every Friday between 8.30 – 9.00am, so please make sure you come and see us to ensure the kids are all in their correct uniforms. Email us at PandC@kurandadistrictsc.eq.edu.au if you are unable to make it, and we will do our best to come up with a solution.

## Volunteers and Fundraising

Volunteers are needed to help run the uniform shop on Fridays. As always, we are in need of helpers with 2022 fundraising plans. Please consider getting involved and helping the KDSC community. Many hands make light work, and every dollar raised benefits all our kids! We desperately need shade cloths over the primary playgrounds, and the secondary could do with some more computers, so reach out and lend a hand.

## **Outstanding Debts**

We currently have a few outstanding Centrepay debts for the uniform shop. People with outstanding debts will not be allowed to purchase new uniforms until the current debt is cleared. If you think you may have an outstanding debt, please email us at PandC@kurandadistrictsc.eq.edu.au to check.



# **OFFICE NEWS**

#### Administration of Medications

The following information is regarding the administration of medications in Queensland state schools.

## **Accounts**

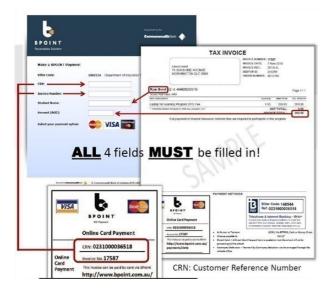
A special thank you to those families who have either paid their school fees or have a payment plan in place.

School fees contribute to your child's education, it relates to teaching services provided and learning materials supplied.

Debtor Statements are now being emailed to assist with easy payment via **BPOINT**. Simply click on this link on your Statement –

http://www.bpoint.com.au/

It will auto populate your CRN number. Please insert the invoice number you wish to pay, student name and amount.





Sports Facility Upgrades - Junior and Secondary Multi-Purpose Shelter Upgrades:

Exciting news this term is upgrades to our Junior and Secondary Multi-Purpose areas. After two-year planning and grant process, the upgrades finally commenced in Week 2, on Friday 22nd of July 2022. The School Subsidy Scheme and KDSC have provided funds for the following Sports Facility upgrades which will occur progressively over the remainder of 2022.

Over the next few weeks and by the end of the year, students, teachers, parents, caregivers and visitors will see our lovely Kuranda District State College have the Multi-Purpose areas on both campuses transformed into something spectacular where our students, will have access to wider variety of activities to play and burn energy throughout the day.

# The new upgrades to Junior Campus Multi-Purpose Shelter:

- Resurfacing/line marking of Primary Canteen open area
- Supply and installation of solid shade structure over Primary playground adjacent to Administration building
- JMPS with new Basketball/ Netball backboard & hoop structure, with synpave resurfacing.
- Year 3 to 6 Playground new solid shade structure.

#### Secondary upgrades to Multi-Purpose Shelter:

- Resurfacing/line marking of the Secondary Multi-Purpose Shelter (MPS) with Synpave court surfacing with line-marking for Volleyball, Netball, Tennis, and Handball.
- New Basketball / Netball backboard and hoop structures
- Supply and installation of solid shade structure over the Secondary half basketball court plus resurfacing/ line marking
- Outdoor fitness equipment and waterproof shade sail

#### Extras:

 Installation of a whole college public address system to reach all outdoor spaces, which will also incorporate school bells and emergency lockdown/ evacuation alert functions

Now stay tuned and watch KDSC's Multi-Purpose Areas get a revamp! All students are going to love participating and contribute their skills to the new exciting fundamentals areas.

Let's now have a look at the images of what used to be, and the progress of the construction side of things.

Keep an eye out for our next Newsletter, to when we will celebrate with an opening of the "NEW' Multi-Purpose Areas, as the new images will be shown.

All students are going to love participating and contributing their skills to this exciting project.

We all must have to say many thanks to all the support the initiative, staff, students, QLD Department of Education grant board, Kuranda District State College are tireless trying to improve our school for our students and prospects of new students that become a part of our school and make this place a fantastic environment for teachers and learning environment for our students. We are looking forward to see how this looks over the next coming weeks.

## Before Images of Secondary Multi-Purpose Area:



Resurfacing/line marking of the Secondary Multi-Purpose Shelter (MPS) with Synpave court surfacing



Supply and installation of solid shade structure over the Secondary half basketball court plus resurfacing/line marking



New Volleyball, Netball, Tennis, and Handball together with new structures



New Basketball / Netball backboard and hoop on new post



Outdoor fitness equipment and waterproof shade sail



Construction of the whole area



Construction of the Volleyball, Netball, Tennis, and Handball together with new structures.

# **COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS**



#### Part-time employment opportunity

Rainforestation are currently looking for Food and Beverage Attendants to join their team. Hours would suit a parent of school children (9 – 3pm approx.) For further information please contact Cristy Pointing (Recruitment and Development Officer) on (07) 4041 9455 or hradmin@capta.com.au

#### **SES** volunteers

WE NEED YOU!

My name is Caitlin and I am proud to say I am a part of the Kuranda community and a former student of the Kuranda District College. I believe being part of a community also means giving back to it. That's why I joined our local SES when I was 17. The State Emergency Service (SES) is a volunteer-based organisation empowering people to help themselves and others in times of emergency and disaster. Volunteering with the SES is a challenging and rewarding way to give back to your community.

During my time at the SES I have learnt many skills including First aid, map reading and navigation, how to operate a two-way radio, basic rescue, storm damage response, land search techniques, leadership and team-building, chainsaw use and many more. At no cost to yourself, you are provided with equipment and training. We encourage people to undertake any training that interests them.

We train every 2nd Tuesday night, and it's a great way to get to know people in your community. We know people live busy lives and can't always be available. I myself am a university student and I am often away for university or placement, but the flexibility allows me to still be a member.

After such a busy season already, we need people to join our local SES. Anyone from 16 years of age and over is welcome.

We are located on Fallon Road next door to the Ambulance Station.

Or call John at 40937246 or 0407 144 213 for more information.