Congratulations to...

- Student Leaders, 518 Army Cadets Unit and the whole school community for presenting a very respectful ANZAC Service.
- Bendigo Bank Netball Teams for a successful carnival.
- HPE teacher Jacinta Wright who has qualified for selection at the World Ironman Championship.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR PARENTS AND THE COMMUNITY

You have an opportunity to support your local high school by joining the P&C. Next meeting is Wednesday 13 May at 5:30pm in the Conference Room at Katanning Senior High School.

Notice is also given of the School Board Annual Public Meeting on Tuesday 26 May at 6:00pm in the Conference Room. Parents and community members are invited to attend.

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Account Name: Katanning Senior High School
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The school also has EFTPOS/Credit Card payment facilities.

Katanning Senior High School Vision—Excellence in Teaching, Learning and Leadership
From the Principal

This week I would like to talk about our efforts as a school to improve the performance of our students from Year 7 to Year 12.

The Expert Review Group identified improvements that could be made to improve teaching and learning as well as the leadership across the school. Teachers and non teaching staff are currently working together to develop improvement plans to address the Prescribed Improvement Strategies. I have been very impressed by the way our staff have embraced this process and their preparedness to critically analyse what we are currently doing as a school and identify comprehensive whole school approaches for improvement. There is a lot of work to do and we are appreciative of the support of our School Board and community members as we embark on this journey.

As an Independent Public School it is ideal that parents and the local community work with us to improve the educational opportunities for our young people so they can become well rounded positive members of our community.

If you would like to support your local school as it moves forward you may like to consider joining the P&c, nominating for parent representative on the School Board or joining the Wanslea facilitated Grand Carers group. Please contact our friendly office staff to express your interest.

Our Students show Respect

On Friday 24 April Katanning Senior High School held the ANZAC Service assembly. Once again the 518 Army Cadet Corp, led by Lieutenant Ruben Toms from Arthur River, organised the Catafalque Party which enables our service to be representative of the formal ANZAC services held around the country on ANZAC Day. I was very impressed by the discipline, perseverance and respect shown by our Army Cadets as they held their positions and completed the formal requirements of the catafalque party. Our Student Leaders also displayed their developing leadership skills as they conducted the service.

The Hon Terry (Tuck) Waldron MLA, Member for Wagin, as guest speaker, contributed a personal ANZAC perspective as he spoke of visiting the grave in Germany of his Great Uncle Terry Waldron. He was a member of Bomber Command in WWII and his plane was shot down over Dusseldorf.

High School Students attend Dawn Service

At 5:30am Student Leaders Rebecca Drake-Brockman (Head Girl) Cooper Morrow, Zak Antonio, Adhila Abdullah and Georgia Keast accompanied me to the ANZAC Dawn Service to represent their fellow students. On behalf of the school they laid a wreath at the memorial. Breanna Green, Mitchell Baxter, Thomas Tussler, Jaycob Miller and Curtis Miller attended as members of the 518 Army Cadet Corp while Brandon Ford, Dontay Bolton and Matthew Price represented our Clontarf Academy. There were also other students who attended with their parents and families.

It was great to see such a good turnout at this very special event marking the 100 year centenary of the ANZAC involvement. (Photos on this page were kindly provided by Shirley Brokenshire.)

So why did we only send six teams to Bendigo Bank Competition?

On Thursday 30 April this year, six teams represented Katanning Senior High School at the Bendigo Bank Netball Carnival in Albany. All teams had a very successful carnival with the Senior Boys team winning their division for the fifth time in the last eight years. The Junior Girls team played in their division final and were ultimately Runners Up to Albany Senior High School.
A number of parents have contacted the school in regards to the smaller number of teams from the school competing in the carnival this year. It would be fantastic if we could send more students, however the costs become prohibitive. A relief teacher costs the school $520 a day and bus travel to Albany is $825.60. The more students who attend, the more teachers must also attend to cover the required duty of care. Our teacher relief budget is limited and predominantly covers costs of activities that support the curriculum.

**Potential World Champ teaches at Katanning Senior High School!**

Health and Physical Education teacher Jacinta Wright was recently selected for the World Ironman Championships to be held in Austria in August this year. Jacinta has completed 5 Ironman events this year and has been very successful in her age category. In the Busselton Half Ironman she was placed fifth and in the Taiwan Ironman event, Jacinta finished second. It is terrific to have an elite athlete on our staff as Jacinta is an outstanding role model for our students. Perseverance, hard work and commitment enable goals to be achieved throughout life.

**Rotary Supports Parliamentary Experience**

Year 11 student Sheridan Kowald applied for and was selected to attend the Rotary Adventure in Citizenship held in Canberra this week. This is an exciting opportunity for Sheridan to represent her school and attend Parliament as the next Budget is presented. The Rotary Adventure in Citizenship is a joint project of the Rotary Clubs of Canberra and Woden in conjunction with the Parliamentary Education Office. The Parliamentary Education Office is based at Parliament House in Canberra and provides parliamentary education services to schools, teachers and students.

Delegates are selected from different regions and backgrounds around Australia. It is anticipated that all selected delegates have an interest in the Australian Federal Parliament. Many will also have shown leadership in their local schools or communities and displayed the qualities of Australian citizenship.

Whilst in Canberra delegates are hosted in Rotary families or families with a Rotary connection, normally along with another delegate from a different state. Delegates will investigate the work of the Federal Parliament; meeting Senators, Members and Parliamentary Officers; observe Question Time and receive inside analysis from a member of the Press Gallery; participate in role-plays of parliamentary processes; a wreath laying ceremony at the Australian War Memorial; explore Questacon (the National Science and Technology Centre); visit the Royal Military College, Duntroon; and attend a function in the athletes' dining room at the Australian Institute of Sport.

**Ms Nicki Polding**

Principal

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As you can see from this article, it has been a busy start to the term in Science. All our young scientists have been occupied conducting hands on experiments and completing the related assessments.

The Year 7 students have been learning about Chemical and Physical changes and mixtures in Chemical Science. They have conducted a great deal of experiments using a number of different materials that you can find around the house. Ask your child about these and they may be able to set up their own Chemistry lab at home.

The Year 7 Extension program started this week. A selected group of students will work in the Extension Class once a week, where they are working on a science project based around their own personal interests. The students first determined a question that they would like to find the answer to and will use that as a basis for producing a final product to show parents and teachers. Some of the questions included;

- “How does the digestive system work?”
- “How do you make an animation?”
- “How do the different parts of a camera affect the photo you take?”

In Year 8, the students have just completed Physical Science, where they learnt about energy types and transformations. The Year 8s will now move onto Biological Science for the rest of the term. They will learn about plant and animal cells, organs and human body systems and will have the opportunity to conduct a number of experiments including dissections and the disgusting but very informative Gum to Bum experiment.

Students in Year 9 have been working hard in Biological Science to understand the inner workings of the human body and how all of the body’s systems work together to keep you alive. They have also studied ecosystems and how the organisms within these systems interact.

The Year 10.2 and 10.3 classes have moved into Chemical Science and have been running some experiments involving plastics and polymers. The 10.1 class has been working on factors that affect the rate of a reaction and have now progressed onto the introductory calculations needed in Year 11 Chemistry.

The Year 11 and 12 ATAR students are also working hard and there have been some excellent results coming out of all ATAR Science classes. In Chemistry the students are concentrating on calculations and experiments involving limiting reagents. In Human Biological Science the Year 11s have been learning about the intricacies of the human body systems and the Year 12s are off to the Zoo to view the primate exhibitions. In Physics, the Year 12 students have been experimenting with sound production and the Year 11s have been learning about nuclear reactions, including nuclear power stations and the nuclear bomb.

Mr Steven Ralph
Head of Learning Area—Science
YouthCARE Chaplains provide pastoral care in public schools in WA. We are here to support the whole school community, particularly in times of need.

Individual appointments with a chaplain can be requested by parents, teachers or students themselves to talk through issues. These could include friendships, bullying, home and family life, study, grief and loss and self-esteem.

In Term 2 Chaplaincy will operate at KSHS every Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. Jono will be here on Tuesdays and Thursdays and Vicki is here on Fridays. Part of a YouthCARE Chaplain’s role is to help students build resilience and life skills to work through issues and make the most of their education.

Sometimes they just need someone independent and confidential to chat with while they regroup. Chaplains are also a confidential listening ear for staff and parents and when necessary, we can direct you to the most appropriate person to talk to.

If you would like a chat with either chaplain, please contact us at school by phone on 9821 9800, email jonathanp@youthcare.org.au or vickiw@youthcare.org.au or fill in an appointment request at the front office.

Jono and Vicki—YouthCare Chaplains

For those who I have not been able to meet to date, my name is Neil Broad and I am the Deputy Principal for Term 2 while Mr Carruthers is on Long Service Leave.

I have taken a term from my permanent role as Deputy Principal at Carnarvon Community College to broaden my range of professional experiences and explore life as a Deputy Principal in a different region. I have worked in a number of locations throughout my teaching career including Laverton, Margaret River, Port Hedland, Narrogin, Merredin and Donnybrook.

It has been a pleasure to meet the students, staff and parents with whom I have already interacted and the only negative to date is that Carnarvon’s minimum has frequently been greater than Katanning’s maximum temperature!!

Mr Neil Broad
Deputy Principal

There are a number of items of jewellery that have been handed in at Front Office. If your child is missing any jewellery, please encourage them to go to Front Office. They will need to be able to describe the item in order to collect it.

As the colder weather is approaching, it is timely to remind students and parents about the Dress Code for Katanning Senior High School. Long pants and tracksuits must be Navy Blue. Black items should not be worn.

Similarly, denim and “jeggings” are not part of the uniform. Navy blue tights or stockings may be worn under a skirt but not on their own with a polo shirt and/or school jacket. The wearing of ‘hoodies’ is also not permitted. Students will be asked to remove hoodies which will be held at Front Office to be collected by the student at the end of the day.

Katanning Sportspower stocks all our uniform items and Bakehouse Jeanery, Katanning Mensworld and the BKW Co-op also stock some navy items. Please support your school by making every effort to encourage your student to wear the correct Katanning SHS uniform with pride.
The staff have begun work on the next phase of the Improvement Strategies process. At the School Development Day held at the beginning of this term, all staff worked in their committees to begin the process of developing solutions and plans for whole school improvement. This collaborative process will continue throughout the term. All solutions and plans will be developed with whole school improvement in mind, particularly student achievement and all staff will have input into these plans.

The individual plans from each committee will be shared among all staff and it is aimed that these plans will come together to form an overall Improvement Strategy Plan by the end of this term.

School Board members have also been briefed as plans develop.

Mr Stephen Ralph—Project Manager  
Prescribed Improvement Strategies

All Year 7 and 9 students will be involved in the National Assessment Program Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) testing on Tues May 12, Wednesday May 13 and Thursday May 14.

Students will be assessed in reading, writing, language conventions and numeracy using common national tests. The results of these tests provide valuable information for governments and schools in planning to address strengths and weaknesses in students’ education.

We ask that you ensure your child is present at school during these three days to ensure they are able to sit the tests. An information pamphlet and letter was recently sent to parents and guardians of all Year 7 and 9 students.

If you have any questions regarding NAPLAN testing, please phone the school on 9821 9800.

Mr Neil Broad  
Acting Deputy Principal

In Term 2 two new programs are being offered for our Aboriginal girls through the ATAS (Aboriginal Tutoring Assistance Scheme). These programs are being run in conjunction with Katanning Aboriginal Heath.

The Mooditj Program is designed specifically for indigenous youth aged between 11 – 14 year olds, in remote or rural communities. Mooditj is an interactive program that uses art, role plays and informal discussion to explore a range of sensitive subjects such as relationships and sexual health issues.

The second program on offer is a Noongar Girls Program which focuses on social and emotional well-being. Examples of topics for discussion are anger management, resiliency and self-esteem. The program is interactive and fun but also provides skills to enable the girls to cope with the stresses of the teenage years.

Mrs Andrea Atkinson  
ATAS Teacher
Ironman Taiwan was quite the experience and a very challenging Ironman event.

This was my second full Ironman event and was made up of a 3.8 km swim, 180 km bike ride and a 42.2 km run.

I had a great swim over the beautiful coral waters to begin the day. The bike ride however was very tough as we were competing against the local traffic, strong winds, stray dogs on the course, potholes in the roads and riding uphill on mountains overlooking drop cliffs.

Ensuring athlete safety didn’t seem to be of a high priority for the Taiwanese. If you took the downhills too fast then you ran the risk of flying over the railway barriers and over the cliff face edges and who knows if or when help would arrive!

The marathon run was equally as tiring with a hilly course in the Asian heat and after 7 hours on my bike and a long ocean swim I was feeling pretty shattered in my legs but as always I persevered.

So it turned out to be a very tough and long day out in Taiwan but I was extremely grateful to cross the finish line and come home with a 2nd place overall in my age category.

The finish line is always an amazing feeling of achievement for me and I was happy to get myself there in one piece!

Times:
Swim—1 hr 12 mins
Bike—7 hrs 13 mins
Run—5 hrs 29 mins

Finish time was 14 hours and 08 minutes (including transitions)

Ms Jacinta Wright
Health and Physical Education Teacher
HOME ECONOMICS RECIPE OF THE WEEK

**Mushroom Risotto Balls**

**INGREDIENTS:**
- 150g mushrooms finely chopped
- 1 small onion finely chopped
- 1 Tbsp parsley finely chopped
- ½ tsp minced garlic
- 1 large chicken stock cube
- 60g butter
- ¾ cup Arborio rice
- ½ cup shredded parmesan
- 1 cup package dried breadcrumbs
- 2 Tbsp Vegetable oil to shallow fry
- Chilli sauce to serve

**METHOD:**
1. Line a slice pan with baking paper.
2. Place chicken stock in a jug with 3 cups of boiling water.
3. Melt butter in a large saucepan over a medium heat, add mushrooms, onion and garlic. Cook and stir for 5 min or until soft.
4. Add rice, stir until grains are well coated, 1 min. Add one cup of stock and stir until absorbed. Continue adding stock, 1 cup at a time. Takes 20 min. Rice should be tender. Mix in parsley and parmesan cheese. Spread in prepared pan. Cool.
5. Cut cooled risotto in even size squares. Using damp hands and shape into balls.

Made by Mrs Malik’s Year 11/12 Children
Family and Community
Living Independently Class as an Entrée dish.

INCLUSIVE LEARNING

A familiar face around school this year has been that of former student, William Gonzales. He has a work placement at Katanning Senior High School on Wednesdays. He’s pictured here with gardener Syd helping to clear out the bus shed ready for demolition to make way for the Trade Skills Centre.

Lulu also had a lovely surprise last term – a visit from Mrs Allen’s “Lulu”!

Lulu had heard all about Mrs Allen’s Weimeraner puppy and had been hoping to meet her for a long time. She said it was the best surprise ever!

Ms Sarah Taylor
Education Assistant
Work Exposure with Government (WEX)

If you were looking for Boyd Woods in Week 8 of last term you might have thought he was chilling out at home on the couch because you wouldn’t have found him at school! But Boyd was actually off doing us all proud in Canberra.

Boyd was one of 100 Indigenous students from around Australia to be selected for the WEX (Work Exposure with Government) program in Canberra. The students who attended participated in a significant experience which will have a lasting effect on their future career pathways.

The program aims to provide high performing Indigenous students in Year 11 or 12 with hands-on experience and information about job opportunities and career pathways in the Australian Government. Selected students participated in a four-day residential WEX programme in Canberra from 23-26 March 2015.

During their stay, students undertook placements with the offices of Parliamentarians and an Australian Government department, agency or public sector organisation, as well as participating in cultural activities including visits to the Australian War Memorial, Questacon and the Australian Defence Force. Students accessed information on pathways into Australian Government employment and were able to explore the different career options available across the Australian Public Service.

Boyd thoroughly enjoyed his trip and said he shared a moving experience with his peers at the Australian War Memorial, which he was glad to have had, given the significance of the upcoming ANZAC Day commemorations. Boyd’s favourite experience was by far the over water obstacle course at the Australian Defence Force. The course was incredibly challenging but lots of fun and something that he had never tried before.

Banking tips from the Pros

Former Katanning Senior High School student, Shelley Obst (nee Wreford) recently made a special visit to school to give our students a quick lesson on banking. Although Banking might not be interesting to everyone, it is something that we should do our best to know about. Shelley shared advice about accounts, interest rates and repayments with the students. The students did an activity focuses on creating their own signatures. Shelley shared with us the importance of having a unique signature which is not easy for someone else to replicate.

Apart from sharing her knowledge and wisdom with the students, Shelley also gave out some prizes including sheep shaped money boxes.

Shelley’s visit was tied in with our new banking system which we are running at Follow the Dream, which encourages students to actively manage their funds to earn rewards. Students are responsible for spending their money or saving it to earn more interest at the end of the term. The system is working well and helping the students to set goals and work towards them.

Caitlyn Fitzgerald—Coordinator
Follow the Dream: Partnership for Success
At the end of Term One, the Clontarf boys went on a camp at the Wardan Aboriginal Culture Centre, Margaret River. Ten boys from Years Seven to Nine attended where we all swagged it under the stars on the corroboree grounds of the Culture Centre for the three days.

The boys learnt about Aboriginal culture, bush food, spear and boomerang throwing and the history of the local indigenous people of the area.

We took the boys to Smith’s Beach which they loved even though it was freezing. We brought our fishing gear and fished off the famous Busselton Jetty. The boys caught lots of fish and a couple of squid which we cooked over the fire that night.

On the last day, the boys visited Mammoth Cave where they learnt the history of the cave and how it was formed. On the way home we dropped into the Chocolate Factory where the boys indulged in a lot of sample chocolate which made for a very fun trip back to Katanning!

On the night of the last day of term, about 10 Clontarf boys were taken to Hung Wins Chinese Restaurant for dinner. This was a reward to the students as they had over 90% attendance for the whole of Term One. The meal was fantastic and was a great way to celebrate a very positive term with these boys.

During Term 2, we will be participating in a range of activities. Our boys will be off to Esperance to participate in a football and basketball carnival; to Bunbury for an indoor cricket tournament; helping out in the local community with Meals on Wheels; attending workplace visits; guest speakers on employment and health; health checks will be completed; after school activities every Monday and the boys will be running football clinics at the Primary Schools and playing AFL 9s.

We are starting a program named ‘Clontarf Club’ which will be run every Friday after school. This is a time for the boys to catch up on school work or do a little extra study and will be followed up by some pool and table tennis.

Feel free to come up to the Clontarf Rooms at any time to see some of the work we are doing. We look forward to seeing you.

Brad Tomlinson and Willy Roe
Clontarf Katanning Academy
The 2015 Katanning Senior High School Netball Squad travelled to the Albany Leisure Centre on Thursday 30 April to compete in the annual Bendigo Bank Netball Competition. This year Katanning fielded six representative teams, one in each division.

The Senior Boys Team (Years 11 and 12) played a fast and furious style of netball under the expert coaching of Mr David Gardiner. They gave a fantastic display of athleticism which resulted in overall victory, claiming the title for the fifth time in the last eight years.

The Junior Girls Team (Years 7 and 8), coached by Mrs Richelle Warren played well all day, winning their way through to the division final. Ultimately the girls came away runner up champions being defeated in the final by Albany Senior High School.

The Senior Girls Team (Years 11 and 12) was coached by Mrs Shelley Norrish and dominated their opponents throughout the early rounds of the competition. They missed playing in the final by one point.

All representative teams played well, displaying excellent skills and the sportsmanship we have come to expect from our students.

A special thank you to our volunteer umpires Putri, Brittany, Krystal, Rohanie, Kiara and Olivia who controlled their games exceptionally well, often in trying circumstances.

The Health and Physical Education Department would also like to make special mention of the parent volunteers, Mrs Richelle Warren and Mrs Gail Butterworth who gave up their time to support what is a very important Physical Education excursion.

The Health and Physical Education Team
2015 $50 CANTEEN VOUCHER WINNERS

As part of the school’s payment of charges and contributions program, KSHS provided the incentive draw again during Term 1. Parents who supported the school and paid students’ charges and contributions in full by the end of Term 1 were placed in the draw to win one of three $50 canteen vouchers.

The draw was held on 30 April and the “LUCKY” student winners are;

HAYDEN GUERINI
HSA PLAH SHAE
ASHLYN CLARK

Thank you to all who participated.
Patrick Kennedy – Business Manager

Thank you to parents who have paid student Contributions and Charges to date. Subject charges and contributions are used by the school to provide items and resources consumed by students in subject areas. An up to date student statement will be posted this term to parent mailing addresses detailing subject choices, charges and contributions and the balance owing.

Payments can be made, via
- Cheque, Cash or EFTPOS during office hours 8:30am—3:45pm
- EFTPOS—by telephone (savings, cheque and credit card)
- EFT—Bankwest Katanning BSB 306-014 Account 4967409

Please don’t hesitate to email or contact the Business Manager if you have any enquiries regarding your student’s school statement, at katanning.shs@education.wa.edu.au or telephone 9821 9800.
UNIVERSITY EVENTS

The University Of Notre Dame is holding two Course Information Evenings for students and parents which will provide an ideal opportunity to speak with academic staff and access the most up-to-date information on your chosen course.

**Wed 20 May:** Course Information Evening & Expo 5.30pm EXPO / 6.00pm presentation in the Drill Hall (cnr Mouat and Croke Streets). RSVP to: nd.edu.au/mayinfo

**Tue 9 June:** Course Information Evening & Expo 5.30pm EXPO / 6.00pm presentation in Tannock Hall (cnr Cliff and Croke Streets). RSVP to: nd.edu.au/juneinfo

We invite Year 10, 11 and 12 students to consider career options and sample opportunities available at Notre Dame University at this free event on the last day of the mid-year holidays:

**Fri 17 July:** A Day in the Life of a University Student 9:30am to 2:00pm at Prindeville Hall (cnr Mouat and Croke Streets). RSVP to: nd.edu.au/dayinthelife

GET READY FOR A LEEUWIN ADVENTURE THIS YEAR!

The Leeuwin Ocean Adventure Foundation has some exciting news which we would like to share with your school community. We have just released our full voyage program for 2015; another season packed with ocean adventures for 14-25 year olds, aboard the STS Leeuwin II. This is a unique experiential learning program which is endorsed by the School Curriculum and Standards Authority.

We have two remaining voyages coming up before our annual winter maintenance period and then we recommence in September with a couple of voyages to Bunbury, several school holiday voyages, our second Uni Challenge, a few 6 day voyages to accommodate those students who have weekend sporting commitments and our annual Ultimate Challenge voyage for those with a physical, sensory or intellectual disability.

Learning to sail a traditional tall ship is a unique and life-changing experience which will challenge participants to step outside their comfort zones and discover their true potential, equipping them with key life skills such as leadership, communication, teamwork and self-confidence. A Leeuwin voyage is not only the ultimate ocean adventure, it also counts as 5 WACE points for students in years 10 to 12 and can now also count as a component of the Duke of Edinburgh Award and the Queen’s Scout Award.

We have a range of scholarships available to cover part of the voyage fare for anyone in need of financial assistance. To find out more about our voyages and scholarship program or to download an application form please visit our website [www.sailleeuwin.com](http://www.sailleeuwin.com). Alternatively you can contact our office on 9340 4105 or email [office@sailleeuwin.com](mailto:office@sailleeuwin.com) for more information.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

KATANNING JUNIOR SQUASH
Will run for all of Term 2 at the Katanning Country Club every Monday afternoon from 3:00pm to 4:30pm commencing on Monday 18 May to 29 June 2015.
Cost is $50.00 (this includes insurance to Squash WA and KCC affiliation) and is for students in Year 4 to Year 7. Racquets and protective glasses supplied. For further information contact Ashley Clarke on 0421 974 350.

HOSTING FRENCH STUDENTS
Are you willing to host students from France for four weeks while they attend your local school? This is an opportunity for French students to be fully immersed in Australian culture, language, family life and education. For further information, please contact Martine Floyd by email: aupairoz@iinet.net.au or Mobile 0403 019 609

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