Congratulations to:

- Athletics Carnival Champions Strathglen House
- All Athletics Carnival Year Group Champion Athletes
- All students who participated in the 2015 Athletics Carnival
- Former student Kade Stewart who has been selected by Hawthorn Football Club in the AFL Rookie Draft.

**Important Information for Parents and the Community**

- **Wednesday 2 December**
  - Clontarf Awards Night—5.30pm Leisure Centre Sprigg Bar

- **Thursday 3 December**
  - School Board Meeting—6.00pm Conference Room KSHS

- **Wednesday 9 December**
  - Year 7 Orientation Day—Parent Information meeting and morning tea from 9.15am—11.30am

- **Thursday 10 December**
  - Final Assembly at 12.00pm

- **Thursday 10 December**
  - Opening of Katanning SHS Art Exhibition—Katanning Art Gallery at 6.00pm

- **Thursday 17 December**
  - LAST DAY OF TERM 4

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**BANK DETAILS TO PAY FEES**

You may prefer to pay school accounts through Direct Deposit. The school bank account details are as follows:

**Bankwest Katanning**
- Account Name: Katanning Senior High School
- BSB Number: 306-014
- Account Number: 496740-9

Please ensure you add the student name to the payment details. The school also has EFTPOS/Credit Card payment facilities.

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**KATANNING SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL**
Golf Links Road Katanning WA 6317

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

Respect—What does this mean to you? Although there are different cultural views the meaning of respect is very much the same across different cultures and ethnic groups. In English the word means to hold in high regard, show honour or courtesy or to show consideration towards others.

Respect is one of our four school values observed across the school.

Last Friday, 23 of our students represented Katanning Senior High School at the White Ribbon March in Katanning. Student Leaders, their classmates, Follow the Dream and Clontarf students showed respect to the women and children who have lost their lives as a result of family violence with some of our boys stepping up to take the White Ribbon Oath – “I swear never to commit, excuse or remain silent about violence against women. This is my oath.” Several community members in attendance at the march made a point of letting me know how impressed they were by all of our students.

The White Ribbon – Breaking the Silence in schools program focuses on teaching students how to have respectful relationships and will be incorporated into our Resiliency Day held in February each year. In our region the following schools are involved: Katanning Senior High School, Katanning Primary School, Braeside Primary School, Woodanilling Primary School, Kojonup District High School, Wagin District High School and Darkan Primary School. Staff representatives from each school have now completed the e-learning module followed by the face to face workshop. Presentations have also been made at the Katanning Wanderers Football Club, Rotary Club and discussed at the Ministers Fraternity meeting.

This is a small but important start to addressing family domestic violence within our community which has one of the highest rates in the South West. It is important to recognise that family domestic violence occurs across the community regardless of culture, wealth and social standing. Family domestic violence may involve financial, psychological, emotional or physical violence and impacts on all members of the family. The White Ribbon program is a male led campaign and was developed by men who say no to violence towards women.

Did you know that Tolerance is also one of our school values?

Last term Year 8 and 9 students participated in the Yirra Yaakin cultural awareness program which focuses on Australian Aboriginal culture and aims to improve the understanding of the beliefs, arts and social structure of the original custodians of our country. It is through greater understanding that we can become more tolerant of the differences in others.

To this end our local Imam Alep Mydie spoke to our students from Years 7 to 10 about the beliefs of Islam and how Muslims throughout the world live their lives. He also spoke about his experiences as a Malay Muslim boy growing up in Katanning. He stressed that some of the most important concepts of Islam are centered on respect and kindness and these are also qualities commonly found across many religions.

Perseverance pays off for our Athletes!

Once again we had another terrific Athletics Carnival where students could show off their athletic skills and abilities. It was great to see our students across all year levels persevering in all the events especially those in the 1500m which was held at school prior to the actual carnival. There was a lot of friendly competiveness as students battled for Champion Boy and Champion Girl. Well done to all participating students!
**Improvement Planning Progresses!**

Our improvement plans are now well developed with specific targets to monitor progress. Staff have worked together throughout the year to develop plans that address key areas of performance within the school. The plans work towards improving the learning outcomes of all students and aim to improve overall school performance. These plans were signed off by the Expert Review Group team and a follow up review of progress will be held in twelve months time. The plans will form our Business Plan for the next three years.

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**Our educational program continues to the end of the year!**

As we work towards the end of the school year it is important for parents to be aware that teaching and learning continues in preparation for 2016. Year 10 students have already commenced preparatory work for senior school courses or additional work on their literacy skills to ensure that they meet graduation requirements by the end of Year 12. Year 7, 8 and 9 students are also completing concentrated literacy work and preparation for the following year. This approach gives our students a head start for next year and ensures that they continue to be engaged in meaningful learning.

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**Secondary Schools Scholarships for 2016**

The Department of Education coordinates a range of scholarships that provide financial support to secondary students. The scholarships and criteria to be met by applicants can be found online. Go to [www.education.wa.edu.au](http://www.education.wa.edu.au) and enter Secondary Scholarships in the Search box.

Applications close at 5.30pm on Monday 14 December. This year’s process is, for the first time, fully electronic so no emailed, faxed or hard copy applications will be accepted. Please note that for most scholarship applications, a supporting report from the Principal is required.

**Nicki Polding**  
Principal
2015/2016 DATES TO REMEMBER

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MONDAY 1 FEBRUARY—DAY 1 FOR STUDENTS

YEARS 12 LEAVERS BOARD

As part of the Year 11 Certificate I Arts/Graphics course, students created the first of what could be a new tradition for the Year 12 Leavers, a board for the leaving students of that year. The idea this year was that the Year 11s gifted a Leavers Board as a farewell tribute to the Year 12s.

Money for the board was raised by Year 10 student Shakira Fraser and a Free Dress Up Day organised by the Student Leadership Group which was held earlier this year.

Students from Photography photographed the Year 12 class of 2015 and the Year 12 Art class designed the board in their art classes.

The 2015 Leavers Board will be installed outside the library. The theme for this years' board was “Blooming”, an unusual place to read a book, showing the students of the class of 2015 photographed reading a book in a place that reflected their personality or interests.

Thank you to all those people who supported this project.

Ms LeGuin and Ms Witham—Visual Art and Photography Teachers

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The 2015 Athletics Carnival focused on participation and encouraging the students to enter in as many events as they could in order to earn their house valuable points. This message was heard loud and clear by the students and most of the events were full all day with a lot of the track events needing multiple heats. The carnival was organised so that the field events ran first followed by the track events which meant that students wanting to participate in all of the events had the opportunity to do so. This year saw the introduction of Javelin for the Year 9, 10 and 11 students and turbo javelin for the Year 7s and 8s. While the field events were running we also had a variety of novelty events being conducted which although didn’t contribute to the students’ championship points, were awarded house points.

This year’s carnival saw multiple records broken.

- Year 9 student Der Po broke the previous 100m record of 11.80 seconds in a time of 11.635 seconds
- Condeena Junior Boys broke the previous 4x100 relay time of 1.03.66 and ran it in 53 seconds
- Strathglen Senior Girls broke the previous 4x100 relay time of 1.05.38 with a time of 58.70 seconds
- Condeena Senior Boys broke the previous 4x100 relay time of 52.15 running it in 50.77 seconds.

A big thanks goes out to our parents who attended, the volunteers who came and helped out with events, all the staff who helped with both the behind the scenes organisation and the running of the carnival and all the students who participated to the best of their ability and in good spirit.

At the end of the day when all the points were tallied, Glenroy finished in fourth place with 478 points, Condeena were third with 571 points, Barloo came second with 572 points and Strathglen finished the carnival in first place with 840 points!! A big congratulations to all the students in Strathglen for bringing their house home to victory.

**Boys Champions**

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Yr 7 Boys
James and Caleb

Yr 10 Boys
Zar Lwin and Thein

Yr 9 Boys
Der Po and Sonny

Yr 8 Boys
Hamirul and Devan
Congratulations to all participating students and to the Champion Athletes who demonstrated their excellent athletic skills on the day. Photos taken on the day are on the following page.

Team HPE

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ATHLETICS CHAMPIONS

Girls Champions

Open 1500m Champion Boy: Egide Ngendakumana

Open 1500m Champion Girl: Millie Jones

We would like to acknowledge the parents and guardians of our students who came along to support their children at the Athletics Carnival. Your support was really appreciated and added to the great feeling of the event. Pictured here are some of our parents enjoying the day.

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ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

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**YEAR 7 TRANSITION**

In weeks 7 and 8, Year 6 students from surrounding primary schools have been coming to Katanning Senior High School to get their first taste of high school life and what it will be like when they come here in 2016. The students were given a short introduction from Mrs Brown and then went off to their classroom accompanied by their primary school teacher.

During the day, the students moved around the school going to their various options classes where they were taught by high school teachers and generally got a feel for their surroundings.

The Year 6 students transition process will culminate with Orientation Day on Wednesday 9 December. On this day, parents of incoming Year 6 students will have the opportunity to meet Administration staff, members of the Student Services Team and interact with all staff at morning tea. For catering purposes, you can RSVP to the school by Thursday 3 December by phoning 9821 9800.

By the time these students start their first day on Monday 1 February 2016, they will have a much better understanding of what to expect at high school and should feel quite comfortable in their new but familiar surroundings.

*Mrs Julie Brown—Middle School Program Coordinator*

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**NEW FACE IN HASS**

Katanning Senior High School is fortunate to have undergraduate teacher Mr Zach Maxwell complete his final practicum within the Humanities and Social Sciences Learning Area until the end of the year. Zach is completing his Diploma of Education through the Queensland University of Technology. Head of Learning Area (HASS), Mr Robin Dark will be supervising Zach’s lessons.

Born and raised in Katanning, Zach has travelled extensively overseas where among other adventures, he taught English in Beijing for four years.

Zach has enjoyed the opportunity to live and work in his former home town and gain experiences that are unique to teaching in a rural environment. Zach has been enjoying the many positive interactions with students in his classes.

With this new experience, Zach is looking forward to furthering his International School teaching. We wish him well for the future and thank him for his contribution.

*Mr Robin Dark*
Head of Learning Area—Humanities and Social Sciences

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**CORE OF LIFE**

During Term 4, Year 10 students have taken part in the ‘Core of Life’ pregnancy and birth education program. The program consisted of two 50 minute sessions in which health care professionals discussed the physical, mental and social issues surrounding pregnancy and childbirth. In-class activities included watching a video of a water birth as well as role playing several stages of pregnancy and child birth.

Here, School Nurse Ms Sharon Muir, Community Health Nurse Mrs Deb Billing and a very happy birth support team of Year 10 students, assist in the safe delivery of “a baby”.

*Team HPE*
Visiting Artist in Residence Lewis Horne returned to Katanning Senior High School to work with students to produce a short film in conjunction with Katanning Landcare.

Firstly, the students were accompanied by Katanning Landcare Officer Ella Maesop and Teacher-In-Charge (Visual Art) Ms Melanie LeGuin to visit bushland sites in the district where they gained a greater understanding of the importance of native habitats and their conservation. Students filmed various safe havens such as hollow logs where a variety of animals made their home.

Katanning Landcare supplied examples of taxidermy in the form of Carnaby’s Black Cockatoo, endangered marsupials such as the Quoll and other animals native to the Katanning area.

Students posed the stuffed native animals in their specific habitats which helped them to gain background information about the habitats. They used the ‘animals’ as props and then with Lewis’ support the students constructed puppets depicting their journey amongst the “Hides ‘n’ Hollows”. The students also created a soundtrack about their experiences for the film.

The surprise of the morning was seeing a very large python which crossed their paths and showed them its home in a hollow log!!

Please join us at the world premiere of Hides ‘n’ Hollows on Thursday 3 December at the Town Hall commencing at 6.00pm. The film will also be shown at the Perth Cultural Centre throughout the January school holidays.

Ms Melanie LeGuin
Teacher In Charge Visual Arts
At the conclusion of Term 3 Katanning Senior High School hosted speakers from the RAC (Natalie Wong) Paraplegic Benefit Fund (Keith Condon) and SDERA (Ann Rintoul) discussing road safety.

Students in Years 9-12 participated in workshops which focussed on road safety and the issues faced by young drivers on country roads including distraction, drug and alcohol use, peer pressure and driving tired.

The combination of statistical evidence and real life stories ensured a valuable message was taken away by all participants.

Team HPE

Last week, the Year 10 Home Economics classes cooked dishes from around the world which celebrated special Festival Days in those countries. The students had to research facts about their chosen country, the festival and the recipes for the special food. Staff were invited to sample the students’ dishes with recipes coming from Mexico, France, Singapore, Malaysia, Thailand, India, Japan, the United States and Spain. The dishes were really delicious and there wasn’t much to take home!!

Mrs Louise van Niekerk and Mrs Sushila Malik
Teachers of Home Economics

With the hot weather approaching, it is important to talk to your children about sun safety and teach them good sun protection habits.

- **Slip** on some sun-protective clothing that covers as much skin as possible
- **Slop** on broad spectrum, water resistant SPF30+ sunscreen. Put it on 20 minutes before you go outdoors and every two hours afterwards. Sunscreen should never be used to extend the time you spend in the sun.
- **Slap** on a hat that protects your face, head, neck and ears
- **Seek** shade
- **Slide** on some sunglasses - make sure they meet Australian Standards.

Extra care should be taken between 10am and 3pm when UV levels reach their peak.

For more information see the Cancer Council website: [www.cancer.org.au](http://www.cancer.org.au).

Ms Sharon Muir—School Nurse
Your P&C is working hard to support Katanning Senior High School and over the September holidays, extensive refurbishment of the school canteen was completed. New stainless steel benches were installed, the floor coverings were replaced and the canteen received a fresh coat of paint. This was a huge task and thanks must go to Scott Keast and his dedicated band of volunteers including Paula Baker, Kim and Georgia Keast, Mark Steere, Billie-Jo and Adrian Morrow, Kylie Aggis and Chrissie Coldwell. Thank you also to Patrick Kennedy and Syd Hiddlestone for doing the heavy lifting of getting the old benches and cabinetry out and completing the painting.

The School Ball Committee has been having regular meetings with fundraising and planning for this important event being well underway. The date of the School Ball is **Saturday 12 March 2016**. The theme is yet to be decided but everyone is turning on their imaginations to come up with something special.

Last Saturday, a very successful raffle was run outside Woolworths Katanning. The Ball Committee would like to thank the many businesses and organisations for their kind donations of items to be raffled. Your generosity was very much appreciated. The winner of the raffle was Diana Paini with S Rooney, A Pollard and T Punch winning 2nd, 3rd and 4th prizes respectively.

At the AGM of the P&C held recently, Office Bearers were elected as follows:

- **President** Scott Keast
- **Vice-President** Cheryl Chambers
- **Secretary** Jane Bliss
- **Treasurer** Kim Keast

Many thanks to these parents who were prepared to fill these important positions. An active P&C is vital to support the school. There are many ways you can become involved in your children’s education e.g. helping out at busy bees, assisting at the School Ball, volunteering in the Canteen. Your help will be greatly appreciated.

Thank you to all who supported the P&C Fundraising by buying tickets in the weekly AFL Footy Margin Competition. Round Winners are listed below:

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It’s magpie and snake season once again. Parks and Wildlife receive numerous calls from the community about swooping magpies and the movement of snakes especially at this time of year.

Magpies are widespread, conspicuous birds commonly seen around. Their breeding season is generally between August and December, lasting up to six to eight weeks and they are protective of their nest within a 100m radius. During this time the magpies may swoop what appears to them as intruders.

The following steps can be taken to avoid or reduce the impact of swooping magpies:
- Wear a wide rim hat and eye protection
- Don’t look up
- Take an alternative route to your destination
- Wear a helmet if riding a bike or travel in a car during the season
- Never deliberately provoke or harass a magpie as they become more defensive and have long memories.

Snakes are another common fear of people and are found everywhere, generally showing up in backyards, homes and yards.

Now that the warm weather is upon us this brings the snakes and other reptiles out and about, foraging for food. Generally the snakes are just as scared of us as we are to them. Snakes are very mobile at the moment and generally will not stay in one location for too long.

The following steps can be taken to avoid and reduce the impact of snakes around where we live and work:
- Ensure that your bird and chicken enclosures are regularly cleaned
- Control any mice or rat problems
- Be aware and take care in bush land and grassy areas
- Walk and/or cycle on cleared areas only
- When out bushwalking, wear long trousers and boots or other enclosed footwear that preferably covers the ankles to reduce the risk of being bitten
- Keep a watchful eye on the ground about a metre ahead of where you are walking and avoid entering areas of long grass, rushes and undergrowth
- Spring clean around the house, property and or work place by keeping your yard clean of long grass (lawns mowed low) and items that provide cover such as stacks of timber, rocks, corrugated iron, compost heaps or discarded household items
- Dog owners are urged to take extra care when walking their beloved pets, as dogs rarely survive a venomous snake bite unless veterinary treatment is given as soon as possible
- Ensure that there is little opportunity for snakes to enter your home by keeping doors shut, fitting weather seals to doors and blocking any gaps or cracks.

Please contact Wildlife Officer Melanie Rowley for further details on 9881 9200 or contact the 24 hour Wildcare HELPLINE on (08) 9474 9055.
The biennial Art Exhibition of artwork created by students at Katanning Senior High School will run from Thursday 10 December until the end of January 2016. The theme of this year’s exhibition is Art ‘n’ Mix and reflects that “Art is like a box of chocolates, you never know what you’re going to discover…”

Please join us at the official opening of the exhibition which will be held in the Katanning Art Gallery on Thursday 10 December commencing at 6.00pm.

Melanie LeGuin
Teacher-In-Charge—Visual Arts

The School Dental Therapy Centre hours are 8:15am—4:30pm Monday to Friday. The Centre is based at Katanning Primary School.

Our Christmas shutdown for the clinic is from Monday 21 December 2015 to 27 January 2016. Parents can contact the Katanning Dental Centre or the Kojonup Dental Clinic if problems arise during this period.

Children aged 2-17 years old are eligible for the Child Dental Benefits Schedule (Medicare voucher) if parents qualify for Family Tax Benefit A. They can take this voucher to the Katanning Dental Centre.

In regards to seeing children for their recall/examination appointments, these will start around late January/early February. We will also be visiting primary schools for Orthodontic Screening in February/March (dates to be confirmed).

Students aged between 5-17 years old up to Year 11 are eligible to access the School Dental Therapy Program.

The School Dental Clinic staff are:
  Dental Therapist- Louise Abbott
  Dental Clinical Assistant- Christine Aitken.

Telephone contact is 9821 1734 or mobile 0400 612 364.
With the New Year fast approaching, don’t miss out on your last chance to jump on board the Leeuwin’s annual voyage from Busselton to Fremantle. We are excited to kick off 2016 with one of our favourite voyages along the stunning West Australian coastline, followed by two of our popular Fremantle voyages.

1602 │ 12 Jan – 17 Jan │ Busselton to Fremantle
1603 │ 22 Jan – 28 Jan │ Fremantle to Fremantle
1604 │ 2 Mar – 8 Mar │ Fremantle to Fremantle

We have two school holiday voyages scheduled for anyone who is not able to participate during term time. Endorsed by the School Curriculum and Standards Authority, our program is a great way for students in Years 10, 11 and 12 to earn 5 WACE points towards their senior graduation before the school year has even begun. A Leeuwin voyage can also count towards the Duke of Edinburgh or Queen’s Scout Award.

Book before the end of 2015 and you can save $120 by securing a place at this year’s price of $1,980, before the marginal price increase in 2016. For anyone in need of financial assistance, we do still have a few scholarships available. However, these scholarships are limited so we strongly advise anyone interested to apply as soon possible to give them the best chance of receiving some financial support. We are also fortunate to have the support of many local service clubs, businesses and local governments who are willing to sponsor young people who wish to take part in a voyage, making our program accessible to anyone.

The Leeuwin’s Youth Explorer Voyage program is both exciting and rewarding, teaching participants all aspects of living and working aboard a traditional tall ship from steering, navigating and setting the sails to standing watch through the night and climbing to the top of the 33m main mast. The program aims to increase self-confidence and self-awareness as well as developing communication, teamwork and leadership skills, which future employers and tertiary education providers will be looking for in their applicants.

For more information and to see our voyage program for 2016, please visit our website www.sailleeuwin.com. Alternatively you can contact our team on (08) 9430 4105 or by email at office@sailleeuwin.com.

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COMMUNITY NOTICES

DRAMA PERFORMANCE—“THE LIST”
On Friday 4 December former Katanning Senior High School student Gemma Cavoli will star in the play “The List”. This play is written by Jennifer Tremblay, directed by Suzanne Ingelbrecht and this performance is supported by Katanning Rotary. Gemma has had extensive experience in the performing arts field having spent many years studying and performing in Melbourne. This is a great opportunity to see Gemma acting in her home town.
“The List” will be performed in the Katanning Town Hall for one night only, commencing at 8.00pm.
Tickets available from http://www.trybooking.com/ISXL

COMMUNITY HARVEST
Community Harvest is a Foodbank Agency situated at 17 Albion Street (across the road from the Katanning Community Resource Centre). This “not for profit” agency is now open to support people on low incomes to access reduced priced grocery items. If you have a Health Care card, Pensioner Concession card or a Seniors card, you can drop in and get what you need.
Opening hours are currently Monday to Wednesday from 9.00am—11.00am, Thursday 9.00am—3.00pm and Friday 9.00am—12.00pm.

KATANNING EARLY CHILDHOOD HUB—NAMING AND LOGO COMPETITION
The Shire of Katanning and the Katanning Early Childhood Hub Committee would like to thank all those people who took the time to enter its logo and naming competition. The Katanning Early Childhood Hub Committee has chosen to award the competition prizes to the entries that most inspired the committee members, and to those that it felt best embodied the philosophies of the project. The winning name and logo will be used as inspiration and will be taken into consideration as the ECH project team further develops the branding for the project.
Congratulations to Zita Boyle who won the Naming competition and to Katanning Senior High School student Kwi Kwi Lah for his winning Logo entry.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

Wishing all the community and families in Katanning a very happy and Holy Christmas. We look forward to an exciting year in 2016 and our continued collaboration with Katanning Senior High school. From the staff, students and parents at St Patrick’s Catholic Primary School.

The Partners and Staff at Kojonup Ag Supplies would like to wish you a safe and happy festive season and look forward to seeing you in 2016.

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Wishing you peace, joy and happiness in the New Year

Katanning Community Resource Centre wishes all the staff and students a safe and happy Christmas. Enjoy a well-earned break and we look forward to working with you again next year.

If you would like your Christmas greeting to appear in the Newsletter, please email the school at Katanning.SHS@education.wa.edu.au