Congratulations to:

- All participants who attended the Interschool Swimming Carnival.
- Senior Boys Team—Bendigo Bank Netball Grand Final win against North Albany Senior High School.
- Senior Girls Team—Bendigo Bank Netball Runners Up.
- Junior Boys Team—Bendigo Bank Netball Runners Up.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR PARENTS AND THE COMMUNITY

Monday 16 May—SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT DAY—Students do not attend.
Thursday 26 May—SCHOOL BOARD—ANNUAL PUBLIC MEETING. 7.00pm in the School’s Library. All are welcome.
Wednesday 1 June—SENIOR SCHOOL EXAMS commence. Students will be given Exam timetables and information about the exams will also be on the school’s calendar which is accessible through the website. www.katanningshs.wa.edu.au

PLEASE NOTE: NO EXAMS ON MONDAY 6 JUNE (Public Holiday).
Saturday 28 May—Year 12 ATAR Revision Day.
Wednesday 15 June—P&C MEETING at 6.00pm in Admin Conference Room.

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.

KATANNING SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL
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Katanning Senior High School Vision—Excellence in Teaching, Learning and Leadership
Dear Parents and Guardians

Welcome to another busy term!

At 5.30am on ANZAC Day I was accompanied by ten of our Student Leadership Group who laid a wreath on behalf of students and staff at Katanning Senior High School. They all looked fantastic in their formal school blazers and were a credit to themselves, their families and their school. Head Boy Cooper Morrow also wore his great grandfather’s medals and along with Head Girl Sheridan Kowald, led fellow students with maturity and pride. Cooper’s Great Grandfather Private John Macrae Scanes enlisted into the Army on 14 May 1941 in Bega NSW, where he served as a mechanic in Papua New Guinea. He was discharged on 20 November 1944. Well done to Cooper, Sheridan, Nick Lay, Stephen Paini, Makaela Knapp, Ratu Taylor, Kiara Taylor, Janey Beeck, Gabby Millan and Arafie Taylor. Many thanks to our parents who supported getting their children to the service.

P&C Supports Payment of Contributions and Charges

All parents and Guardians who paid their Contributions and Charges in full by the end of Term 1 were eligible for the Incentive Draw supported by the P&C. Each family was allocated with a number which was put into an online random integer generator. This generator then randomly identifies the winners in order. Many thanks to all of our parents and guardians who completed their payments for this year. If you are yet to complete these payments please speak to our Business Manager as to how you can do this on a payment plan if necessary.

Welcome to new Art teacher

This term Miss Neda Loh joins Katanning Senior High School while Ms Le Guin is enjoying long service leave. Miss Loh brings a range of expertise, predominantly in the area of Visual Arts and has experience working with community groups in Perth. Neda graduated from Curtin University, with a degree in Secondary Art Teaching in her area of speciality, watercolour painting and sketching. Previous to teaching Neda was a visual merchandiser at Louis Vuitton for a few years, and she enjoys working creatively. Neda has a personal interest in community development, and has spent much of her time working with youth groups completing community service and community building projects in Perth. We Welcome Neda to our school and community.

Clontarf boys working with community!

Throughout last year and into 2016 a group of our Clontarf boys worked with Ella Maesepp from Landcare and a visiting artist Voytek Kozlowski to design and create a sculpture representing family and connection to land at Lake Ewlyamartup. The unveiling of the sculpture took place on Thursday 7 May commencing with Welcome to Country by Gabrielle Hansen and a short speech by Graham Eades about the importance of the lake being brought back to life. Clontarf student Nui Andrews spoke about the project work on behalf of the Clontarf boys followed by artist Voytek. Nui was a very engaging speaker who connected well with the audience of community members. If you have some spare time, Lake Ewlyamartup is well worth a visit and is suitable for a variety of water sports. Ella enthused about the boys being the most amazing group of young people that she had worked with on such a project. Our boys were a credit to the school and the Clontarf Academy.
NAPLAN happens in May!
Year 7 and Year 9 students completed the NAPLAN tests this week alongside all students across Australia. Our students have worked on similar tasks in class and were encouraged to attempt all questions. Students completed the test in their usual classrooms in an attempt to make them feel more relaxed and less stressed by the testing requirement. The Principal, Deputy Principal, Program Coordinators and Heads of Learning Areas patrolled outside classes to ensure all students were free from distractions or unnecessary noise. NAPLAN results are usually sent to school around August, each year.

What do Teachers actually do on School Development Days?
At the beginning of Term 2 the majority of staff travelled to Albany to complete professional learning with their peers teaching or leading the same courses. As a small regional high school it is critical that our teachers have opportunities to work with teachers in other high schools teaching the same courses, to enable our teachers to improve teaching and learning. The Student Services Team, Education Assistants and Leadership team members also participated in professional learning with their peers. All up it was a very successful day with teachers bringing back new ideas to use in their teaching of students at Katanning Senior High School.

Thank you to parents and community members who nominated for the 2016/2017 School Board.
There were two nominations for the two positions of parent representatives so there is no need to run an election process. The Board welcomes Mrs Siobhan Reeves, mother of Ryan, Bowen and Samantha and Mr Robbie Miniter, father of Nakeesha and Kei-Leigh. Appointed Community representatives will be determined by the 2016/17 Board based on the needs of the School Board going forward. It is important that the Board is a representative of our community.

Suit Up for Science
Last Monday 2 May staff “Suited up for Science” which is an event raising awareness of medical research for the Centenary Institute Medical Research Foundation. Many thanks to Mr Hogan for the loan of his frog tie. Also on 4 May staff appeared around the school in Star Wars outfits to celebrate ‘Star Wars Day’. Thankyou to those participating in these light hearted activities.

Nicki Polding
Principal
A main focus in English in the first three weeks of Term 2 was the preparation for the NAPLAN tests in Week 3. Not only did teachers prepare students with an academic focus, they also tried to prepare students to deal with the stress that can be associated with taking the tests.

Some helpful strategies that we have been reminding students of are as follows:

1. Relax: as while this test is important, it is realistically one set of tests, not your entire future.
2. Eat healthy: Every day, but especially on the days of the tests, eat a big and healthy breakfast.
3. Sleep: Make sure that you are getting enough sleep every night. Put down the iPad and turn the TV off at a reasonable hour and let your body get some rest.
4. Read the questions: We often see students make mistakes when they answer questions that they haven’t read properly. Our advice: Read and read again.
5. Attempt all questions: Even if you are not sure you should have a go.
6. Do your best: Show integrity by giving it your best shot.

The amount of time students spend watching television, playing games, using computers and using apps on their phones/devices has grown enormously with technological advances. According to research some of our students spend up to 9 hours a day in front of screens! As English teachers we would love it if parents encouraged their children to turn off their devices and read more books.

(Also as a matter of interest, the writing prompt was a narrative – lucky we prepared students for both text types!)

Mrs Carmen Anderson, Ms Habibah Sarip and Mr Jasper Garde
English Learning Area
This term in Science the Year 7 students are exploring forces and simple machines. The Year 8s are learning about cells, microscopes and body systems and Year 9 students are experimenting with electrical circuits, heat, light and sound. The Year 10.1s are currently finishing their Chemical Sciences program and will be moving into a Physics unit later in the term, while the 10.2 and 10.3 classes are learning to relate the structure of elements and compounds to their reactivity and properties. Senior School classes are preparing for exams in Weeks 6 and 7 and teachers are available at after school in homework/study sessions to help them prepare. The Integrated Science class has recently been on an excursion to Police Pools; look out for the article and photos.

Pictured here are Year 10 students growing metal crystals in agar jelly and observing them under a microscope as well as Year 12 Human Biology students preparing to grow bacteria cultures to compare the efficiency of different cleaning agents. The Science Learning Area is looking forward to another interesting and productive term and if you would like to find out more please contact the school.

Miss Sarah Watson
Acting HOLA—Science

Our garden bed is thriving. Colt looks after it as a part of his Work Place Learning. He weeds and waters as well as keeps the area tidy. The peas and silver beet are doing particularly well. Our class visits the garden bed regularly to observe how the plants growing and take photos. The students are continuing to work on their ASDAN modules. They are nearing completion of a module ready for submission with a portfolio of work.

Miss Butler celebrated her birthday last week. We made chocolate cupcakes for morning tea and scones for afternoon tea.

Ms Sarah Taylor
Education Assistant—Inclusive Learning
FACTION SWIMMING CARNIVAL

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The 2016 Bendigo Bank Netball Carnival was held at the Katanning Leisure Centre on Wednesday 5 May. Katanning Senior High School entered six teams (one in each division) after conducting try out sessions with students during lunch times.

Competition was strong at the carnival which hosted schools from all over the Great Southern including larger Albany based schools Great Southern Grammar and Albany Senior High School. All students played to the best of their ability and represented Katanning Senior High School with superb behaviour throughout the day.

Highlights of the day included the Senior Girls Team’s narrow one point loss to eventual champions Albany Senior High School and the Junior Boys Team who made it all the way to the Grand Final.

Congratulation to the Senior Boys Team for their win in the Grand Final against North Albany Senior High School, securing back to back wins at the event in 2015 & 2016.

A massive thankyou to Richelle Warren and Gail Butterworth for volunteering their time to coach the Intermediate and Junior Girls teams as well as Indie James and Putri Taylor who umpired throughout the day.

Team HPE

Girls Junior Team coached by Mr David Gardiner

Girls Intermediate Team coached by Mrs Gail Butterworth

Boys Intermediate Team coached by Miss Jillian D’Souza

Girls Senior Team coached by Ms Amelia Wilson

Boys Senior Team coached by Mrs Caitlyn Fitzgerald
WINNERS of the 2016 Payment Incentive Draw

As part of the school’s payment of charges and contributions program, Katanning Senior High School supported by the P&C, provided the incentive draw again during Term 1.

The names of parents or guardians who supported the school and paid student charges and contributions, in full, by the end of Term 1 were placed in the draw to win one of seven prizes.

The draw was held on 27 April and the winners were:

Olivia D’Aprile - 1st prize  
Malcolm Guy - 2nd prize  
Robert Pepall - 3rd prize  
Zachary Anderson - 3rd prize  
Corey Sellars - 4th prize  
Lah Lu Hsa - 4th prize  
Zachary Bouquet - 4th prize

Thank you to all who participated.

Patrick Kennedy – Manager Corporate Services

Thank you to the families who have paid their 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, 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)
- Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) – Bankwest Katanning BSB 306-014 - Account 4967409

Please don’t hesitate to email or contact the school if you have any enquiries regarding the account statement, at katanning.shs@education.wa.edu.au or telephone 9821 9800.

Thinking about university?

UWA Albany information evening

Are you a student or a parent of a student in year 10, 11 or 12? Thinking of taking a gap year now, or thinking of taking a gap year next year? Want access to university but not sure if you meet the entrance criteria? Just want to discuss your options? Find out more at the UWA Albany Information evening.

Date: Wednesday 25 May  
Time: 5.30pm  
Venue: UWA Albany  
35 Stirling Terrace, Albany Function Room  
RSVP: albany.infocentre@uw.edu.au or 9842 8888

The University of Western Australia

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Dynamic Learning
Sometimes when we are trying to learn it feels like we only learn the same way. Read some information in a book and write the answers down. There are different ways that students learn and that’s something that we try to cater for in Follow the Dream. Even on the days when motivation is lacking and students just want to go have a nap we still manage to get the brain juices flowing and learning to happen. It’s just that sometimes we have to flip it around. What better way to do that then to test out or newest tutors on their capital city knowledge?

With his arm in a cast, Cooper’s motivation was already lacking. He was tired from all the extra concentration it takes to write with your non-dominant hand all day. It was unusually quiet at Follow the Dream and only Cooper remained in the main room. But instead of skipping out on tutoring tasks the student became the teacher. Cooper grabbed the Capital City flash cards and quizzed Ms Wilson and Mr Calkin on their geographical knowledge. After a rather unsuccessful start Cooper felt some pity for the teachers and allowed them to use the globe to locate the countries and look up the capitals. Whilst it might look silly to someone who walked in, Cooper was reaffirming his knowledge and imparting it to the teachers. Sometimes that’s the beauty of tutoring; learning can happen in more dynamic and unconventional ways.

What motivates you?
Why? What do I get out of it? I hear questions like this a lot. Have you thought about the flip side? Why? Well why not? Why not try hard? Why not apply yourself to school and be all that you can be? Follow the Dream students have been having conversations around this topic for a few weeks now. Students understand that to achieve in life they are always going to work hard. Rarely in life do successful people have their success handed to them. They had to work hard and apply themselves. Not everything you do will get you something that you can physically hold. Follow the Dream students are placing their focus on the internal value that effort can give you. No, you might not get a canteen voucher for putting your rubbish in the bin, but you can have the satisfaction of enjoying a clean school yard. No, you might not get $100 for completing your NAPLAN test but you can have the satisfaction that you gave something your all. Sometimes we do give our all but we don’t do well. That doesn’t mean that we give up. It means next time we just try again and we try equally as hard if not harder. As it says on the wall in the house- “Don’t fear failure… Learn from it”

Mrs Caitlyn Fitzgerald
Program Coordinator Follow the Dream: Partnerships for Success

COMMUNICATION TO PARENTS AND GUARDIANS

Do we have your email address?
In this technological age, the use of email and SMS is becoming more widely used to communicate with parents, guardians and the wider community. The rising costs to schools of postage also makes electronic communication more financially efficient.

You may notice that information from the school is being sent by email more frequently. If you have recently begun using an email address or think that you haven’t provided one to the school on your enrolment form, please don’t hesitate to notify the school of your email so we can continue to keep you informed of important events and information.

Students on school grounds
Parents and guardians are advised that students should not be on school grounds before 8.30am. If students are on school grounds prior to this time they will be directed to sit in a designated area.
On Friday 8 April, Katanning’s “Super Six” headed over to Bunbury for a reward trip for their outstanding attendance and behaviour for Term 1.

The day started with a two and a half hour drive from Katanning towards Bunbury for the big day. Once we arrived at the South West Leisure Centre, the boys changed into their basketball uniforms and were ready to take on the South West Academy.

The game was played in fantastic spirit and there was heaps of laughter throughout the game, mainly due to the “famous Willy Roe” style of umpiring. It came down to the last shot of the day for the win, which was taken by the South West team, which they got in to get the first win of many games to come!

After the game, both academies headed to the movies to watch “Kung-Fu Panda 3” which was another laugh for the day. After the movie we went down to the local skate park for a bite to eat.

After we had finished lunch the boys played in the park for a bit to stretch the legs before the two and a half hour trip back to Katanning. The overall trip was a great success and the boys had a fantastic time. One boy even said, “it was the best day he has ever had”.

The boys can’t wait for the Reward Day next term. They have already started talking about how they are not going to miss any school, so they can get on the trip again.

At the start of Term 2, Errol Riley was presented with his Clontarf shirt for earning his 100 points. To get points in Clontarf you have to attend school, training, and afternoon activities. You get 1 point for every day at school and 2 points for morning training and after school activities. Errol is the first of the boys to receive their shirt this year and in the up and coming weeks there will be a few more.

Some events that are happening this term for the boys are:

- Year 10 – 12 vs Bunbury in a football game
- Unveiling of the sculpture at Lake Ewlyamartup
- Woodside Cup in Perth (Year 12 students)
- Football and Basketball carnivals in Esperance (Years 7 to 9)
- Coral Coast Football Carnival (Years 10 to 12)
- Year 7 to 9 students vs Bunbury in a football game
- Top 10 Attenders Day in Albany.

All of these activities help to build team spirit, develop leadership skills, public speaking and encourage attendance at school.

Michael Harris
Director, Katanning Academy
Clontarf Foundation
Influenza

Influenza or the ‘flu’ is caused by an influenza virus. It is spread through the air when someone coughs, sneezes or talks. It is also spread by touching something that has the virus on it and then touching your nose, eyes or mouth. Common symptoms include sore throat, cough, fever, headache, chills, tiredness and muscle aches.

People with the flu should rest and drink plenty of fluid. Use paracetamol in recommended doses if necessary but do not give children any medication containing aspirin.

Be sure to keep your child home from school while he or she is sick. If they are sick for an extended period please contact the school and arrangements may be made for continuation of the learning process, depending on the circumstances.

The best way to prevent flu from spreading is by washing your hands regularly.

Flu vaccines are available prior to winter starting. For more information, contact your GP or local Immunisation Clinic.

**Why should I consider having my child vaccinated against the flu?**

The National Health and Medical Research Council, Australia’s peak body for health advice, recommends annual vaccination for anyone six months of age or older who wants to reduce their chances of becoming ill with the flu.

Annual flu vaccination is strongly recommended for anyone six months of age or older with a medical condition that places them at higher risk of severe illness from flu. Children and adults with heart, lung or kidney disease or a weakened immune system, are eligible for free flu vaccine through the National Immunisation Program.

Children without underlying medical conditions who become infected with flu can also develop serious illnesses. Flu can cause high fever and pneumonia, and make existing medical conditions worse. Flu can also cause convulsions and diarrhoea in children.

Influenza viruses are always changing. Each year scientists try to match the strains of influenza viruses in the vaccine to those most likely to cause flu illnesses that year. It takes up to two weeks for protection to develop after vaccination against flu and protection lasts about a year.

The seasonal flu vaccine is available on prescription or via GP and immunisation clinics and is provided free for certain groups. Flu vaccines are available prior to winter starting. For more information, [www.health.wa.gov.au](http://www.health.wa.gov.au) or contact your GP or Immunisation Clinic.

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The One Million Stars to End Violence Project is a worldwide campaign that aims to bring people together to weave stars as an expression of support for ending all forms of violence.

The woven stars are a symbol of light and courage. Each star represents a commitment to resist violence, honoring peoples’ right to safety and respect.

You are invited to be a part of this project and weave stars which will be displayed in your community. The stars will then become part of a giant installation on display at the Gold Coast Commonwealth Games in 2018.

Check out [www.onemillionstars.net/](http://www.onemillionstars.net/)

The project offers a hopeful and uplifting way to stimulate community solidarity. If you would like to support this project you can purchase ribbons from [www.flowerpack.com.au/](http://www.flowerpack.com.au/)

You are welcome to join your local campaigners in weaving stars...for more information phone Gail 98216500
Department of Fire Emergency Services (DFES) and volunteer fire fighters are urging you to “Change your smoke alarm battery” on the 1st April as only working smoke alarms save lives.

Research shows that WA is below average when it comes to home fire safety compliance rates with only two per cent of people testing their smoke alarms often enough.

As we move into the winter months, the increased use of heaters and other electrical equipment means house fires are far more likely. Smoke alarms provide an essential early warning, giving you time to evacuate safely – but only if they work. We recommend using long-lasting 9V alkaline batteries and regularly testing that your alarms are working to ensure year-round protection.

**DFES RECOMMENDS YOU:**

- Test your smoke alarm (by pressing the ‘test’ button) once per month to ensure the battery and the alarm sounder are operating and clean with a vacuum cleaner annually to remove particles that will affect smoke alarm performance
- Replace the battery annually with a long-lasting 9V alkaline battery
- Install smoke alarms in positions that will wake all occupants in the home and give them time to evacuate. For example, installing the alarms outside each sleeping area, with additional smoke alarms installed inside bedrooms where doors are closed at night and along evacuation routes if bedrooms are located upstairs.
- Mains powered (hard wired) smoke alarms that may require replacing need to be done by a licensed electrician. The Department of Fire and Emergency Services recommends replacing your smoke alarm with a photoelectric smoke alarm, designed with superior technology in providing early warning in a residential house fire.
- Have a practiced home escape plan.

For more information on Smoke Alarms, Batteries and Home Escape Plans, visit the DFES website at [www.dfes.wa.gov.au](http://www.dfes.wa.gov.au)

For other inquiries call the Katanning Shire’s Community Emergency Services Manager Cindy Pearce on 0417 071 567.

*The CESM position is proudly supported and is jointly sponsored by the Shires of Katanning, Broomehill Tambellup and DFES.*
Our upcoming UWA 'Information Evenings' will provide high school students with course and prerequisite advice, information on career paths and guidance on the different areas of study within Engineering, Computing and Mathematics.

Our Information Evenings will run on the following dates in 2016:

**Engineering Information Evenings:**
- Monday 16 May, Time: 6.30pm-7.30pm, Venue: Engineering Lecture Theatre 2
- Tuesday 28 June, Time: 6.30pm-7.30pm, Venue: Engineering Lecture Theatre 1
- Thursday 28 July, Time: 6.30pm-7.30pm, Venue: Engineering Lecture Theatre 1
- Sunday 14 August – as part of Open Day
- Wednesday 7 September, Time: 6.30pm-7.30pm, Venue: Engineering Lecture Theatre 1


**Computing Information Evenings:**
- Tuesday 31 May, Time: 6.30pm-7.30pm, Venue: Engineering Lecture Theatre 2
- Sunday 14 August – as part of Open Day
- Wednesday 21 September, Time: 6.30pm-7.30pm, Venue: Engineering Lecture Theatre 1


**Mathematics Information Evenings:**
- Thursday 2 June, Time: 6.30pm-7.30pm, Venue: Engineering Lecture Theatre 1
- Sunday 14 August – as part of Open Day
- Wednesday 14 September, Time: 6.30pm-7.30pm, Venue: Engineering Lecture Theatre 2


Contact Rose Nightingale—Marketing and Events Officer
Tel: 6488 7886 or Email rose.nightingale@uwa.edu.au
KATANNING HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Celebrating 100 Years of the
F.H.Piesse Memorial Statue

May 2016

Austral Terrace

Schools are invited to participate and assist in celebrating this event by:

1) Laying of floral tributes. Sunday 29th May 12:00 am.


   *Must be Handwritten
   Categories Yrs P – 3
   Yrs 4 – 7
   Yrs 8 – 12

   Prize - $50 voucher for each section winner.

Closing date Friday 20th May 2016.
Entries to be dropped off at Katanning Community Resource Centre.
Further enquiries to Gerry Watson, 9821 1648

Entries will also be collected from Schools - Friday 20th May
COMMUNITY NOTICES

KATANNING NETBALL ASSOCIATION

Net Set Go

WHO: Net Set Go is offered for children in years Kindy, Pre-Primary, Year 1 and Year 2.
WHAT: Net Set Go is lots of fun! It involves fun games that aim to introduce our youngest players to
the rules and skills involved in netball.
WHEN: Net Set Go will commence on **Saturday 14th May at 10.30am** on court 2.

Starters

WHO: Starters is offered to children who are in Year 3 and Year 4.
WHAT: Starters comprises of 20 minutes of skills and drills and 30 minutes of game time.
WHEN: Starters will begin on **Saturday 14th May at 9.00am** on court 2.

Net Set Go & Starters will run for 11 weeks - 5 weeks in Term 2 and 6 weeks in Term 3

If you missed Starters and Net Set Go Registrations, late Registrations for Starters and Net Set
Go only will be taken on Saturday 14 May when these programs commence.

BLUE LIGHT DISCO

**When:** Friday 20 May 2016  **Where:** Katanning Town Hall
**Time:** 6.30pm—8.30pm  **Cost:** 0– 4 Years Free, 5—17 Years $3.00
Parents of children under 10 must stay & supervise their children. Special dietary requirements are not the
responsibility of the organisers.

KATANNING AMATEUR SWIMMING CLUB INC.

Interested in Swimming Club?
Then this meeting is for you
Wednesday 1st June 2016 at 6.30pm
Katanning Leisure Centre upstairs meeting room
RSVP Tania Wolfe 0419932605 or email cdoc@katanning.wa.gov.au
Hosting French Students in July (17 July-16 August)

For the last 8 years a programme has been in place offering the opportunity to young French students aged 14-17 years to discover Australia and its education system.

We are looking for families willing to host students for the four weeks of their visit. They will travel to and from School with your children.

The purpose of the programme is for these French students to experience living with an Australian family, to see how an Australian school operates, to improve their English language skills through this full immersion and to create a strong friendship with their Anglophone peers. The programme is highly successful and both Australians and French students greatly enjoy the exchange. Many families still keep in touch with each other.

The students are fully briefed about the school rules, are not to leave the school premises and will attend classes daily. They will be fully covered by appropriate insurance.

Host families will be visited prior to the arrival by the organiser to explain the programme. We believe such an exchange is also highly beneficial for our Modern Languages students, opening their eyes (and ears!) to similarly minded students for an extended period.

Please contact Martine Floyd, email: martine.floyd@iinet.net.au , mob: 0403 019 609 if you are interested in hosting.