Principal’s Message

Last Friday I was fortunate to accompany a group of our students to Southern Cross University to inform and instruct other students in ‘sustainability, recycling and upcycling’. We were treated by a 12 year old Keynote speaker, Holley Sommerville, who was not only a passionate crusader for the environment, but an incredible singer.

Special thanks to Wendy Jansen for leading our Garden Club students teaching other students how to make Hairy heads and Jamie for leading a drumming workshop. Our students provided the lunchtime entertainment on bucket drums and marimbas. Our workshops were very popular. Well done to all.

This Wednesday Claragh and Alako will represent the COLOURSS school at the Speaking Finals in Lismore at City Hall. Other students are welcome to attend, but need to provide their own transport. (They will not be marked as absent if they attend this educational event). I will be attending and can supervise. We wish them both well.
**Principal’s Message** (cont)
I mentioned in last week’s newsletter I would continue to share my learning from the recent State Principal’s Conference........

**Ted McCain** spoke of teaching with the future in mind and identified 9 essential skills our students will need for the future:-
1. Intra personal skills - within a persons mind, patience, perseverance and resilience
2. Interpersonal skills - ability to communicate
3. Independent problem solving skills
4. Interdependent collaborations skills, being able to work together with others, negotiating, problem solving, taking responsibility
5. Information investigation skills - finding the information and process and comprehend, understand apply what they’ve learned
6. Information presentation skills - using texts, graphics, video colour and different media - matching a message to the audience
7. Imagination - to create new ways to communicate ideas, design, creative beauty
8. Innovation and creativity skills - to ‘make thing better’ we need people who are able generate ideas without the fear of failure
9. Internet citizenship skills - teach how to use the skills safely, protecting and respecting others.

**Matt McClure** posed the question—“What are the critical skills students need to be successful beyond school”
- Problem Solving
- Work Ethic
- Think Analytically
- Collaborate
- Communicate.

Both perspectives are quite similar and have strong implications for the way we teach.

On Thursday our Year 6 students participated in an online trial of a Science Literacy task. It challenged their scientific knowledge, problem solving and data interpretation skills.

Kath Johnston
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**Recycling Roster Term 4**

Thank you to all Recycling volunteers for this term, especially those who offered again. Here is the roster so far:

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As we have been doing in Term 3, the children will collect the paper and plastic and leave it on the cupboards near the Library each Thursday afternoon. Thanks again.

Regards, Julie McT and the SRC

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**Canteen**

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Attention Year 6 students BULLYING NO WAY

Kyogle High School is holding a 'Bullying No Way' day aimed at building resilience and acceptance of diversity. Great way to meet the class mates of 2016!

**WHEN:** Thursday, Nov. 12th, 9:30am  
**WHERE:** Kyogle High School, Summerland Way Kyogle, NSW

MORE INFORMATION  
The KHS *Bully No Way Day* aims to educate primary aged students about the causes, effects and management of bullying to facilitate a smooth transition into high school. The day will also focus on celebrating diversity to encourage students to be tolerant and accepting of others and their differences. Year 10 mentors will deliver and guide students through a range of anti-bullying activities whilst providing social and emotional assistance to create a safe and trusting environment.

Agenda  
9.30am - students meet the Year 10 Mentors  
Sign up for free  
Connect with Gae Masters  
11am - morning tea (canteen is available or bring your own food)  
1pm – lunch  
2.45pm - students collected or supervised for the bus

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