

Kearnan Chronicle

"Never see a need without doing something about it"
- Mary MacKillop's motto for life

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"I am special, I am the only one in all creation who has my set of abilities. My unique combination of gifts, talents and abilities are an original symphony."

Important Dates:

Tues 18 May Year 7 Retreat Mon 24 May Year 12 ViSN & Kearnan Exams Commence

Wed 19 May Seed Boyup Brook Wed 26 May Year 7 Camp departs

Year 10 – 12 Uni Visit 9.30 – 11.00am Fri 28 May Year 7 Camp returns

Thurs 20 May Year 1 – 10 House Cross Country Year 12 ViSN & Kearnan Exams Conclude

GRIT Day (Mental Health Day)

Sat 29 May

Year 3 Reconciliation

Fri 21 May

NAPLAN Concludes

Sun 30 May

First Holy Communion

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Too often we downplay the talents of students who demonstrate their giftedness in singing ability, dance and drama skills, which thrust them into the spotlight of the Performing Arts World. We often give attention to those who excel in Sports and Academia and unfortunately pay little attention to students who shine in the Arts Learning area of our curriculum.

The Arts industry complements the provision of the Arts curriculum in schools through programs and partnerships, such as those of our local Manjimup Repertory Club. This local service can support our talented students as it provides many opportunities throughout a season to show off their unique artistic flair in a live performance.

We have many talented Kearnan students who are involved in Performing Arts at our Repertory Club in Manjimup. These students are taking part and playing pivotal roles in the 'Hook and Peter Pan' local production for two weekends. If you are lucky enough to still get tickets for their final weekend of performances, you will be thoroughly entertained and delighted by their interpretation. I can't wait for tonight's production to see our talented students in action on stage.

Good luck to all our music and dance students who will perform in May and June at the Performing Arts Eisteddfod in Bunbury. This year the Eisteddfod is introducing some exciting new changes to their scholarships. Dance, contemporary dance, instrumentals, vocals and piano will be included in the criteria for winners and recipients of these scholarships in place of the usual trophies. Every best wish for success.

In future, Primary students who excel in music and art subjects will also receive recognition at upcoming Junior school merit award assemblies to acknowledge their talent and skill. Mrs Sarre and Mrs Tasker are delighted at the prospect of rewarding hard working students who show their creative abilities in their lessons.

The Catholic Preforming Arts Festival will be into its 32nd year in 2021, which has been an integral component of Catholic Education in Western Australia, providing an avenue for a multitude of students to showcase their artistic and performance talents for such a long time. Kearnan College students will be given opportunities once again to showcase their talents very soon via video or face to face performances during the upcoming festival. The Year 5 and 6 students will participate in the choral section. Amazingly sweet voices and melodic tones.

Thank you for your continued support to the learning needs of your child. We are here to assist you in their progress and achievement of skills. Do not hesitate to contact the teachers or myself if you have a concern. May hard work be rewarded with excellent results from dedicated and disciplined study habits too. We are partners in your child's learning.

God Bless,

Carol Geurts
Principal

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SECONDARY SCHOOL NEWS

Week Four has come and gone in a blink of an eye and before we know it there will be exams, a long weekend and a Ningaloo trip. Buckle yourselves in as this term continues along at its bullet pace.

Externally Set Tasks

Year 12 students completing General courses have been sitting the SCSA Externally Set Tasks last week and this week. We thank them and their teachers for the preparation that has gone into getting ready for these assessments. Marks are recorded and sent to SCSA for moderating.

NAPLAN

Year 9 and 7 students have amazed us with their 'can do' attitude and resilience with technical issues as they complete their NAPLAN. Thursday saw the cancellation of language conventions due to nationwide connectivity issues — which I must admit the students were a little relieved about! We are unsure as to when this will be rescheduled, and we will keep you informed as soon as we find out more information.

Year 9 and 10 Week Eight

Students who will not be attending Ningaloo should have received a letter yesterday providing information on Week Eight and work experience. Please do not hesitate to contact me at school if you have any queries about this information.

McCormack House Day

Next Friday, 21 May, we will celebrate McCormack House day, recalling the wonderful attributes that Sr Irene McCormack possessed, such as Honour and Fortitude and how we can try and emulate this is our everyday lives. McCormack House Captains will lead us in Mass and set activities. A reminder that McCormack students are to wear House shirts for the day.

Year 7 Camp

Mr Pedlar is just putting the finishing touches on the Year 7 Camp plans. Our Year 7's will be away for three days and two nights. This camp was originally planned for early in Term One but due to COVID, was delayed until now. If you have any queries about the camp, please do not hesitate to contact Mr Pedlar.

Year 11 and 12 Exams

Student completing WACE subjects should have received their exam timetables. All exams will be sat in the Parish Centre and students are expected to adhere to WACE exam guidelines. A separate letter will be sent home next week with further details for all students.

Year 11 and 12 General

Students not completing WACE exams will be asked to complete work experience or continue their hours with Workplace Learning. A letter will be sent home next week outlining these details.

South West Interschool Athletics Carnival – Mr Pedlar

Last Wednesday 50 eager athletes travelled to Hay Park Athletics Track to test themselves against 15 other schools. With the early departure of 6.00am the Kearnan Team were very quiet on the bus (perhaps they were still sleeping!) but by 9.00am they were carnival ready! A big day of event hopping saw the Kearnan Team finish in an admirable 5th position out of 8 schools in our division (only 23 points from finishing 3rd!). Sport coaching students came along to run the Javelin arena – with School Sport WA and event organisers praising their professionalism and competency in their sports administration. Well done to Olivia Hide, Jada Sousa, Ebony Buegge, Lily-Rose Gracie, Christopher Ipsen, Lachlan Fontanini and Mr Ure for showcasing your exceptional skillset in a much bigger stage.

Some amazing individual performances were also coming from the Kearnan tent. Ella Mitchell (Open) and Jordan Della Franca (Year 10) won Champion Girl for their division, whilst Year 7 Reid Marshall received the Runner up Champion Boy. Niamh Moloney (Year 8) and Charlotte McGuire (Year 7) also finished 3rd in their respective divisions.

After tallying the final points, it was found that Kearnan had won the Meritorious Shield! A fine effort from the team, which were led brilliantly by Athletics Captains Rory Hanratty and Ella McGuire.

All students are to be commended for their effort, sportsmanship and behaviour on the day. They were fantastic representatives for the College. I would also like to thank the staff who worked the long 13-hour day to give our students this opportunity to compete – Ms Laura Pintaudi, Mrs Megan Burvill and Mr Julian Ure.

Our Lady of Mercy	1322
Cape Naturalist College	1106
Collie SHS	783
Busselton SHS	762
KEARNAN COLLEGE	760
Eaton Community College	754
Hope Christian College	604
Donnybrook DHS	246



"You don't inspire your teammates by showing them how amazing you are. You inspire them by showing them how amazing they are".

Mrs Heidi Tempra
Head of Secondary
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JUNIOR SCHOOL NEWS

Mother's Day Celebrations

There were hugs, laughter and tears of joy, as the students from our Kindy, Pre-primary and Year 1 treated their special mums to pampering, cups of tea, delicious food and treats for Mothers' Day. Thank you to all the mums and grandmothers who were able to join the celebrations.





















Year 1 and Year 2 Maths Activities

Our Years 1 and 2 classes combine for a shared Maths activities session where students' understandings are extended through carefully planned play and games. Mrs Omodei and Miss Farquhar have enjoyed watching their students' Maths understanding grow.

NAPLAN

Well done to our Year 3 and 5 students who completed all of their NAPLAN assessments this week. It is always a bit daunting to know that you have to complete four assessments in one week, but you all showed what stars you are by completing them to the best of your ability.

First Communion

Our students and their parents have attended their first workshop in preparation for the Sacrament of the Eucharist on the 30 May. We keep in our prayers Laura Bachos, Tessa Van der Spil, Isla Bentley, Jael Daniels, Arielle Dimasi, Jaala Fitzgerald, Xavier Jacob, Ty Kammann, Noah Lapinski, Joseph Lawson, Flynn Markotis, Benjamin Matenaar, Orlando Renzullo, Lachlan Scherini, Chace Watson, Layne Waugh.

Year 2 Assembly

Please note that our Year 2 assembly has been changed from Friday 28 May to Thursday 27 May, due to having a few students out with music performance commitments. We apologise for any inconvenience.

Walk Safely to School Day

Thank you to all the students and their families for who joined us to Walk Safely to School today. Apart from being a lovely way to start the day, learning to cross the road carefully and holding an older person's hand if you are little, are important rules to practice. We always have a lot of fun on this small walk and wish we could do it more often!

Thought for the week

"Success is the sum of small efforts, repeated day in and day out. "~ Robert Collier

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Peta Barton Head of Junior School

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STRENGTHS & WELLNESS SPOTLIGHT

A day of GRIT

(**G** – Guts, **R** - Resilience, **I** – Initiative, **T**-Tenacity)

This term's strengths come together next week when the College hosts its first Day of GRIT.

This will incorporate the Junior and Secondary Cross-Country event as well as providing an avenue for Mental Health topics to be discussed. The event will take place with a true Cross-Country track designed to test our student's courage, tenacity, resilience and fortitude.

The event is a House event so we encourage all students to show their colours in clothes they are happy to get dirty and bring a towel, new socks, shoes and warm PE uniform, to wear after their run. Years 3 – 8 students will celebrate their efforts with a morning tea sausage sizzle before they return to school for the afternoon.

Years 9 and 10 students will remain and spend the afternoon attending mental health workshops, as per the timetable attached.

Our Years 1 and 2 students will also have an opportunity to show their GRIT, participating in their Cross-Country event at 1.30pm over at Imperials Oval.

We would LOVE parents support on the day cheering, assisting with supervision on the track, even running, so please come along and support our College community in encouraging all our students to "have a go" and further develop GRIT.

PARISH NEWS

PARISH MASS TIMES				
DATE	St Joseph's		Sacred Heart	
	Manjimup		Pemberton	
14.5.21		4.00 pm		
15.5.21	8.30 am	6.00 pm		
16.5.21	10.30 am		8.30 am	
21.5.21		4.00 pm		
22.5.21	8.30 am	6.00 pm		
23.5.21	8.30 am		10.30 am	



