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UPCOMING EVENTS

TERM 3 - 2017

**TUESDAY 8
AUGUST**

Year 8 - Lightning
Carnival

**MONDAY 21 -
FRIDAY 25 AUGUST**

Canberra Tour

**FRIDAY 15
SEPTEMBER**

Kiaralympics

**TUESDAY 19
SEPTEMBER**

Art Soiree

**FRIDAY 22
SEPTEMBER**
LAST DAY OF TERM

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Welcome to Term 3

It is exciting to begin term 3 with NAIDOC celebrations. We at Kiara College celebrate the diversity and harmony of our school community and this is another way we can express the warm and inclusive learning environment we have.

As we begin term 3 I'd like to highlight a few important processes and themes for this term.

Year 12 students face their last full term of secondary schooling. It is critical they maintain high attendance and pay particular attention to due dates regarding assessments as the school is constrained by system reporting deadlines which must be kept. It is worth noting that at this time of year it is appropriate to acknowledge Year 12 students for their efforts over 12 years of schooling and provide encouragement to "keep plugging away" as the end is near.

Year 10 students choose their 2018 Year 11 enrolments this term. Subject selection needs to be a family decision and all are encouraged to ask questions and seek clarification regarding anything about future career pathways and interests.

I'd like to formally ask that families complete the National School Opinion Survey 2017 as the input of our parents and guardians is vital to ensuring ongoing responsiveness to our community's needs.

I remind all that by completing this families go into the draw to win one of 3 Visa Gift Cards, valued at \$100, \$50 and \$25.

Just click on the link below and use the code **eeNZbpLV**

STUDENTS ABSENT FROM SCHOOL

Reminder to parents/guardians/carers : When a student is absent from school it is expected that notification is provided explaining the reason for the absence – within 3 days of the return to school of the student.

This notification can be a note to the student's Form Teacher or to Front Office. Other ways of notifying the school are by ringing 9378 0200 or emailing Mrs McNaught on :-

Maureen.McNaught@education.wa.edu.au

YOU MAY BE INTERESTED TO KNOW:-

If you child *misses 3 days per week that equals 120 days per year OR 6 months per year.*

From Kindy to Year 12 that adds up to *nearly 8 years.*

Which is the *equivalent of attending until the end of Year 4.* Attendance rate = 40%

NETFLIX FILM 'TO THE BONE'

You may be aware that Netflix is currently promoting across social media the imminent release of 'To the Bone', a film following the journey of a 20 year old woman living with and recovering from anorexia nervosa. This film is due to be released on **Friday 14th July**, during the school holidays.

Butterfly wants to ensure the safety of young people and is significantly concerned about how parents and those working with young people best address any issues that may arise for those who watch 'To the Bone'.

Eating disorders (anorexia nervosa, bulimia nervosa, binge eating disorder) are complex neuropsychiatric disorders that manifest in disordered eating and exercise behaviours. Although serious mental illnesses, they result in physical impairment and they have a high mortality rate, including very elevated levels of suicide

risk.

The graphic content of 'To the Bone' – both visual and audio – **may be triggering** for someone with or at risk of an eating disorder. For those who are not so vulnerable, it may still be disturbing, and possibly distressing. In this context we suggest that parents and others make every attempt to view the film with their children or other young people.

Butterfly is also encouraging parents and those who work with young people to engage in conversation with them around the film. The positive aspect of 'To the Bone' is that it will raise awareness of the complexities, challenges and fears for someone living with an eating disorder, including their families. To that end, we hope it will help to reduce stigma and promote an attitude of seeking help. **We have provided information and guidance on our website which can be accessed at:** <https://thebutterflyfoundation.org.au/about-us/media-centre/media-releases/netflix-to-the-bone/>

However, as there are risks for vulnerable people who see the film, we urge them to contact **Butterfly's National Helpline ED HOPE**. The line is staffed by counsellors who are experts in eating disorders and body image concerns and is open from 8am – 9pm Monday to Friday. Anyone who is concerned about or triggered by 'To the Bone' should make contact either on **1800 33 4673** or support@thebutterflyfoundation.org.au

If your school, youth or community setting requires support and/or guidance on how to implement safe and evidence based prevention education with young people, we encourage you to contact Butterfly Education who are here to support you - education@thebutterflyfoundation.org.au

Our contact details are:

Danni Rowlands, National Manager Prevention

03 9040 1594 or 0409 968 856

danni@thebutterflyfoundation.org.au

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02 8456 3911 or 0401 822 052

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Christine Morgan, CEO

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SCIENCE - SOLAR CAR CHALLENGE

The Kiara College Science Learning Area recently put in a successful application through STELR and API (Australian Power Institute) for a class set of solar cars valued at \$1000. This is part of the 2017 API Solar Car Challenge. The set of 14 solar cars will be constructed by one of our year 8 classes with the assistance of two API tertiary power engineering student bursary holders.

The cars are able to store charge after being exposed to sunlight or bright artificial light. Once constructed, the cars will be put to the test in the solar car challenge.

This activity is planned to coincide with National Science Week in late August.

SCIENCE CAFE

Kiara College has been invited to attend the Scitech Science Café. This is to be held at Winthrop Hall at the University of Western Australia. Eight of our Year 10 students along with their Science Teacher will attend the café on Thursday morning 24th August. Students will have the opportunity to talk with Scientists and Engineers about their research and careers in science, technology, engineering and maths. After the café, our students will participate in a UWA ASPIRE programme with Engineers Without Borders in a bridge building activity followed by a buffet lunch at Uni Hall.

This is a great opportunity for some of our students to experience a day at university and to meet with top WA scientists and engineers.

Lindsay Schupp
HOLA Science & Maths

CANBERRA TRIP

The students travelling to Sydney/Canberra from Saturday 21 August - Friday 26 August are beginning to get excited about the trip.

The students will get the opportunity to visit/view Sydney Harbour, the Opera House, National War Memorial, the National Museum of Australia, Australian Institute of Sports, Questacon, Indonesian Embassy, Cockington Green, the Mint, Government House along with a number of other exhibitions and, of course, the snowfields for a days skiing.

Ray Barrett
HOLA HASS, Business & Enterprise, Agriculture

2018 Course Selection Interviews – Year 11

Year 10 students were issued with their Course Selection materials for Year 11 in 2018 before the July school holidays so as to give them the opportunity to discuss with you the courses they would like to undertake in 2018.

Students were issued with a Subject Selection Sheet listing available courses. They are required to select one course from each of the six lines listed on this sheet. Their subject teacher and the HoLA of the subject area need to sign this sheet which indicates that they consider that your child has the ability to achieve at a satisfactory level in the course.

Given the importance of Year 11 and 12 studies it is **compulsory** that parents/ guardians accompany their child to an interview to discuss their options for 2018/2019.

Interviews will be conducted on the 25th and 26th of July and the 1st of August. Interviews are available between 8.30am and 5.30pm. You may book a time suitable to you via our online booking system available at www.kiaracollege.wa.edu.au alternatively, please phone the college to book a time.

We look forward to meeting you to discuss your child's future studies. Please come to the front office at the time of your appointment.

OFFERINGS AND APPLICATION FORMS ARE NOW AVAILABLE

The VETiS Pre Apprenticeship is a fantastic opportunity for students in Years 11 and 12 and enrolled in the Western Australian Certificate of Education (WACE), to be one step ahead of other young people who want to undertake an apprenticeship. All TAFE offerings & application forms are now available via the Kiara College Website or through the VET Coordinator, Mr Robert Liebeck.

The VETiS program is a school-based training program and is intended as a transition from school to an apprenticeship. It provides an introduction into the apprenticeship opportunities within various trades. The VETiS program has two key phases. Students will study at school for three days per week and attend a TAFE College and the workplace for two days per week. Studies in a Certificate course will, on completion, contribute towards the WACE.

Please note –

- All applications must be submitted to the Kiara College VET Coordinator, Mr Robert Liebeck by **1st August 2017**

For further information please contact

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