



# KDHS NEWSLETTER

## From The Principal's Desk

By Mr Walker

Term 1 is done. How time flies! Lots of work, lots of fun, lots of excitement and lots of success is how I would sum up Term 1. A term where everyone at Kulin has been determined to:

**STRIVE** with confidence,  
**STRIVE** with respect and;  
**STRIVE** for success.

The last few weeks has been extremely busy. Our Year 3, 5, 7 and 9 students all did their best with NAPLAN testing. Not only did they try their hardest they also allowed others to do their best through their respect and exemplary behaviour during the testing.

Our student councillors headed to Perth last week to help build their team, their culture and develop their leadership and independence. Mrs Browning and Mrs Syred were very proud of the way they challenged themselves and looked out for each other. We are developing wonderful leaders.

Joffa from Toonschool was also in our school last week holding workshops with all classes. He was super complimentary of all our students and how they engaged and behaved during his sessions. Some great cartoons were drawn as well!

Also in the last couple of weeks we have had Olympians talk to our senior students, enjoyed hockey clinics, held Super 6's, come runners-up in Interschool Swimming and had Aaron working with a group of students in our blue shed.

### Happy Easter and have a great break

I want to wish all students, staff and Kulin families the very best for Easter. A great time for families to spend time together. Have a great break everyone and come back ready to do your very best next term commencing for all on Monday 20 April.

## ISSUE HIGHLIGHTS

TEDDY BEAR HOSPITAL

INTERSCHOOL SWIMMING

SUPER 6S

## INTERS MEDAL WINNERS





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### Thank you for a wonderful six years

As I write this (my final newsletter words) it is with very mixed emotions. I am very excited about what is ahead for Carol and myself as retirement quickly approaches, but it is also with a heavy heart I say goodbye to our students, staff, school families and the wider school community.

Kulin has a great school. We have great students, we have great staff and such a supportive community. All of this means we have been able to build a strong culture and provide fabulous conditions, opportunities and resources for our students and staff. I feel privileged to have played a small part in this.

Individually thanking everyone would take so long, there are so many I could mention. There are a few though that I need to single out:

- All the students who have been at Kulin in my time. You have made me smile (most of the time), scowl (only sometimes) and all emotions in between. You are what gets me to school every day. You are all great and I wish you all nothing but success going forward. You are all very special.
- We have great staff at Kulin and our staff team has made my job an enjoyable one every day for the past six years. So very lucky to have worked with you all.
- Our amazing community who supports our students, staff and school. Our facilities and the opportunities our students receive stem from the fantastic support we get. We are the envy of all who visit our school. To our parents, families, businesses, P&C, wider community I thank you all.
- I have worked with fantastic school boards over the past six years. All school board members give up their time willingly to make our school the best possible place it can be. A special mention to Yvonne Bowey, Clinton Mullan and Fiona Murphy who have been the school board chairs during my time. You have all lead with passion and clarity in setting and supporting school vision. Thank you for your unwavering support and vision.
- To our front office team Tessa, Melissa, Rynelle and Megan, I cannot thank you enough. You have made my time here at Kulin very special. So many laughs, so much encouragement and so much focus on making our school the best place it can be. I will miss you all very much.

I have had a wonderful six years in Kulin and at our school. I don't believe I could have found a better place to finish my career. I leave feeling extremely hopeful and proud of our students, staff and community. I have always felt welcomed, supported and respected within the school and community and I thank you all. I know I don't need to ask, because I'm sure you will continue to support our students, staff and school going forward. Our focus is always on continual improvement. Give Megan and our team your support and our school will continue to be one to be proud of.

Thanks everyone, believe in yourselves, dream big, get up when you fall down and all the very best for the future.

At 3:10pm this afternoon I will ring the bell to finish my nearly 60 years of going to school.  
Garry Walker | We STRIVE





On Thursday, March 12th, we welcomed a group of medical students from Curtin University, who presented the Teddy Bear Hospital Visit Program to our Pre-Primary through Year 2 class.

The Teddy Bear Hospital Visit Program is for children to help develop positive health care experiences, ease fears of anxiety associated with doctor visits, promote health and wellbeing, and increase health awareness.

We would like to thank all the amazing first and second year Curtin medical students for travelling to Kulin as a part of their Rural Immersion Week. Who knows! There could be a future Kulin doctor in the group.





## INTERSCHOOL SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March, saw our Interschool Swimming team head to Narembeen to compete in the Interschool Carnival. It was an extremely warm day, but being near the water cheering on our school was the best place to be! All our students put in a fantastic effort and did an amazing job representing Kulin District High School and should be very proud of themselves. We came second overall.

A big thank you to all the parent volunteers on the day, who stood out in the scorching sun timing the swimmers. Congratulations to Jacob, Ronan, Freyja, Kahlan, Erik, Mikayla and Georgie who came home with medals from the day.



**SUPER  
6**



**DRAMA**



**NEW FRIENDS**



**PERFORMING FUN**



**CHOP DICE SLICE**



**SIZZLE**

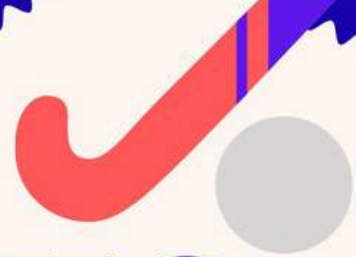


**BURGER DELIGHT**

**SUPER 6s!**

Kulin District High School recently welcomed students from Hyden and Kondinin for our Super 6s program, giving prospective secondary students a first hand experience of our school community and facilities. Students connected with peers, explored the school, and took part in hands-on activities including cooking and performing arts. It was fantastic to see their enthusiasm and creativity. Thank you to everyone who helped make the day a success—we look forward to welcoming more students in the future!

# PRIMARY



# HOCKEY CLINIC

THANKS TO HOCKEY WA FOR THIS FREE HOCKEY CLINIC PROGRAM



Week 9, Term 1

# STUDENT COUNCIL CATCH UP

## WEEK 9

**THIS TERM HAS BEEN A QUICK ONE! WE HAVE HAD LOTS OF FUN GETTING TO KNOW OUR NEW STUDENT COUNCIL TEAM, LEARNING HOW MEETINGS WORK AND GETTING TO KNOW EACH OTHER.**

**FROSTY FRIDAYS HAVE BEEN A HIT BUT WE WILL PUT A PAUSE ON THIS UNTIL THE WEATHER HEATS UP IN TERM 4!**

**LAST WEEK WE HAD THE OPPORTUNITY OF ATTENDING A LEADERSHIP CAMP IN PERTH AS A GROUP. WE DID LOTS OF ACTIVITIES INCLUDING CHALLENGE ROOMS, TREE TOP ADVENTURES AND AN AMAZING RACE AROUND PERTH. ALL OF THESE ACTIVITIES IMPROVED OUR LEADERSHIP SKILLS AND TAUGHT US THE IMPORTANCE OF WORKING AS A TEAM.**

**OUR AIM NEXT TERM IS TO RUN MORE ACTIVITIES AROUND THE SCHOOL AT RECESS AND LUNCH TIMES -KEEP AN EYE OUT FOR POSTERS ADVERTISING THESE!**



## STRIVE VALUES

**Our next value is: INSPIRE**

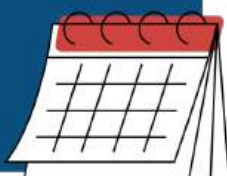
**AT KULIN DHS INSPIRE MEANS:**

- WE ARE EXCITED ABOUT ALL WE DO AT SCHOOL**
- WE BELIEVE IN OURSELVES**
- WE ENCOURAGE AND MOTIVATE OURSELVES AND OTHERS TO ENGAGE IN EVERY OPPURTUNITY**

## UP COMING EVENTS

**Week 9 – End of Term 1, Easter and School Holidays**

**Term 2 Week 1- ANZAC Assembly 24<sup>th</sup> April**



## Student Council Joke

**WHY DON'T YOU GIVE ELSA A BALLOON?**



**...BECAUSE SHE WILL LET IT GO!**



# Kulin P&C



President: Steph Bradford  
 Vice President: Alison Luchessi  
 Secretary: Carly Williams  
 Treasurer: Taryn Day  
 Executive Committee Members:  
 Ash West & Mel Miller

P&C Class Reps  
 K/PP: Taryn Day  
 Yr 1/2: Ash West  
 Yr 3/4: Cindy Mullan  
 Yr 5/6: Gen Whisson  
 Highschool: Mel Miller

## P&C Blazing Swan Rubbish Fundraiser

We are still looking for helpers for Easter Monday & Tuesday. If you can spare a few hours on either day, please contact Fi Murphy 0402901442.

If high school students are available to help we can organise transport. Not suitable for children under 10.



## Farewell Mr Walker

Thank you, Garry, for the time and dedication you have given to our school and students. The relationships you have built with our kids has not gone unnoticed. From the warm and welcome greeting we receive in the mornings at school drop off, to driving past school and seeing you out on the oval at recess and lunch, often refereeing games of football, soccer and cricket. You have been an amazing mentor and leader and your presence around the school and community will be missed.

The Kulin P&C would like to wish you, Garry & Carol, all the best for your next chapter.



## Football Club Jumper Washing

The P&C have once again taken on the football club jumper washing roster for 2026. If you can help out with washing jumpers this season please get in contact with Ashlee West 0438938192.



# NEWS

## CONGRATS TO YEAR 7 STUDENT MASON



Mason competed in the finals of the Boxing WA State Summer Novice Titles. Mason's dedication to his training, hard work, and commitment to the sport, enabled him to perform exceptionally well.

We are very pleased to share that Mason won his weight division, earning the title of State Champion. This achievement reflects not only his determination and discipline but also the effort he has put into developing his skills and sportsmanship. Congratulations Mason!



## KEEPING KULIN CLEAN

Well done to our PP - Year 2 classes who rolled up their sleeves, pulled on their gloves, and took to the streets of Kulin in search of every piece of rubbish they could find. Keeping our town tidy and environment rubbish free is so important, and our students were fully engaged and on task throughout. A big thank you to the Shire of Kulin for organising this fantastic initiative.



## UPCOMING EVENTS



School Holidays  
April 3<sup>rd</sup> - April 19<sup>th</sup>

Term 2 begins  
Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April

# THANK YOU

Thanks to the Kulin Foodworks for recently donating BREAD ROLLS for our Super 6s day.

Thanks to the Kulin Lions Club for their donation of Easter bunnies for our K-Year 2 classes.



# HAPPY EASTER TO EVERYBUNNY!



**TERM PLANNERS ON WEBSITE**

[WWW.KULINDHS.WA.EDU.AU](http://WWW.KULINDHS.WA.EDU.AU)

