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From the Executive School Director

Term 3 is flying by at record speed, mainly due to the number of exciting programs we now offer from 1:15pm until 2:30pm. Along with this, students have been extremely busy, working on the class tasks of the key learning areas, short courses and VET courses.

It has been business as usual, welcoming students into our family and enrolling them in a range of 'life skills' programs, short courses, additional learning areas that will compliment the key learning areas and provide a continuum of intensive support towards students.

I have been busy these past weeks supporting the students in class and establishing working relationships that instill confidence and accountability for learning. It has been an exciting time for our young people as they realise what a privilege it can be to have a KMG enrolment. Many efforts are made to provide students with authentic and innovative curriculum that will benefit students post school. Some of the additional programs we have offered this term are boxing, knots, revision, strength,

fishing, football, landscape project, cultural, sewing, creative arts and boys gym and girls gym.

Many students have taken advantage of the extra programs we have brought in from other organisations, such as the KMG Grannies program. The KMG Grannies Program is offered by Soroptomist International Mackay. This program sees a group of students gaining the skills of sewing. Wendy, commented that they enjoyed their first session and can't wait for our next session. '

School Staffing

It is with great pleasure that we officially announce the new members of our KMG family and also the movements of other staff members within the school.

- Selwyn B—Year Level Coordinator (10)
- Aisha C—Year Level Coordinator (11/12)
- Kristi G—Year Level Coordinator (9)
- Frances R—Year Level Coordinator (7/8)
- Lisa J—Executive Administration Officer
- Amy O—Learning Support
- Katrina K—Learning Support

Areas for improvement

Attendance and breaks is a key contributor to achieving success. It is important everyone attends KMG when required and return to class on time for the designated lesson. We have and will continue to reinforce the process around attendance and being on time for class with students this term and for the remainder of the year.

Breakfast Club

The students and staff appear to be enjoying the breakfast club. To date, the bacon and egg muffin seems to be everyone's favourite. It is amazing to see the majority of the students sit around the tables with staff and interact in a way that is carried on into the classrooms. The relationships that are built when food is around are second to

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none. I encourage everyone to attend the Breakfast Club which kicks off from 7:30am daily.

I would like to thank all students that participate in the breakfast club for cleaning up after yourselves. I must admit—I did have ‘snarl’ at the whole school and remind everyone that staff and few students should not be left with cleaning up after everyone shares a breakfast.



We are about to face the 2nd half of term 2. I admit, I with the possibility of most of our KMG family members, am emotionally drained. We are still faced with the uncertainty of COVID19. However, at KMG we will soldier on together and continue to adapt to the ever changing world we live in.

In closing, I want to encourage everyone to:

- Complete your class tasks entirely
- Ask for help, instead of getting angry at yourself.

Remember, we are school where no one gets left behind.

From the administration team...

This week we lost Kristi Giblett from our team as she joined the operations team as a YLC, and even though we were sad to see her go, we are super excited to welcome Lisa Johnston over to our admin team. Thankfully, Lisa already knows the #KMGway, so she has fit straight into the team. Please be sure to say hi, next time you see her. Can I please remind our families that the school phone number is 4829 4302. If you need to contact your students during school time please call the school phone, not your child’s mobile.

KMG Box FITT

Wow... On Monday afternoon’s during the Lifeskills portion of the timetable, KMG students now have the opportunity to participate in the BoxFiTT class with a qualified trainer from Esafe health and fitness. The trainer comes with vast experience in the fitness industry and has conducted many boxing sessions with various age groups.

Erin took the students through their paces, challenging them not only cognitively with all the different boxing combinations, but was also enhancing their cardio system by ensuring they has some fast drills to participate in.

These sessions will be conducted for the remainder of Term 3, 2020 and as long as the interest from the students remains high, it is anticipated this program will be conducted until the end of the year. The students in attendance thoroughly enjoyed this experience.

Senior Maths News

Senior students both Year 11 and 12 are in the middle of researching and putting together their final Essential Mathematics Problem Solving and Modelling Task (PSMT) for the year.

Year 11 students are investigating the costs of living independently having selected a job to support themselves. Students have to take into account the amount of tax they will pay to adjust from Gross earnings to Net Pay. They also have to do up a budget for a regular fortnight of expenses. So if you think of it maybe have a conversation with your child about the household costs you face at home, if they haven't already brought it up.

We have two more weeks before the task needs to be completed so any encouragement would be greatly appreciated. On the whole the students have been very proactive towards completion.

Year 12 students have a task which required them to research and analyse the improvements in Men’s and Women’s times in the 100 metre Olympic sprint. This has always been seen as a blue ribbon event and as a Sport’s Journalist, report needs to be written discussing findings and the viewpoint on whether men or women have improved their times at the faster rate. Of course it requires

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validation and justification using graphs, data analysis and relevant values.

This term is moving very quickly and with the next assessment item for Year 12 being the **Common EXAM** scheduled for the last week of October being sat by all students in Queensland, attendance and consistent work output are essential for the best possible outcome.

Year 9 News

Firstly , I would like to introduce myself as the new Year Level Coordinator for grade 9. My name is Kristi and I have been the administration officer for the last 12 months, so you would have seen me around the school. Now instead of making sure that you are signing in and out, I'll be making sure that you are following what the teacher asks and getting your school work done. I have been working in the classroom for the past few weeks and have now been given the opportunity remain in the classroom working as the year 9 level coordinator. With only 5 weeks left of Term 3, there is so much going on before we can all take a break and relax on the school holidays. We have assessments that need to be finished and lots of achievements to be received. I am excited to be working with the year 9 students and helping them get the best result they can within all of their subjects at KMG.

Fishing Rods

Peter is running a life skills program on fixing broken fishing rods. If you have any fishing rods laying around at home that need some repairs, please send them into school to be fixed for free by the students.

Year 11 and 12 in

2021

All of our senior students are given the opportunity to undertake extra studies outside of school through one of partner training organisation. Many of students in 2020, have undertaken these qualifications including the Certificate II in Hospitality and the Certificate II in Engineering Pathways. We recently had a visit from Taylor and Laurie from CQU to discuss options for 2021. The choice of qualifications are listed below, and current year 10 and 11 students need to think about what they would like to do for next year. If you would like to discuss these options more, please see Teanna in the office and she can give you some more information.

Certificate II in Animal Studies

Certificate II in Horticulture

Certificate II in Automotive Vocational Preparation

Certificate II in Community Services

Certificate I in Construction

Certificate II in Health Support Services

Certificate II in Engineering Pathways

Certificate II in Sampling and Measurement

Certificate II in Salon Assistant

Certificate II in Tourism

Certificate II in Hospitality

Certificate II in Kitchen Operations

Certificate II in Electrotechnology

Certificate II in Sport and Recreation

All of the courses listed above are free for students in 2021 as long as they are eligible for the government subsidy. To see if you are eligible please see Teanna in the administration office.

