



## SCHOOL NEWSLETTER EDITION 1

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### EXECUTIVE SCHOOL DIRECTOR

Welcome to the first Newsletter of 2022!

It is fair to say, the beginning of 2022 has already been a little frantic.

It has been fantastic to welcome both new and returning students. We hope every family had an enjoyable time through the holidays and that you feel ready for a productive year.

We extend a warm welcome to the new KMG family members who have joined KMG, and we look forward to working with all of you over the coming year.

We have more students this year, with an increasing number of students in our junior school. Please know that every student is important to us.

Lesson times for our students can be found on a school website and in each student's handbook.

Over the coming weeks, each parent will receive our Parent Information Handbook. It contains information about the organisation of our school. Please take the time to read it and keep it for your reference.

For families who are new to our school, if you would like to receive our newsletter directly to your inbox, please subscribe to our newsletter by sending an email to [office@kmg.qld.edu.au](mailto:office@kmg.qld.edu.au) with your name and email address.

School communication to parents and carers is sent via email or SMS. It is therefore important to keep the school informed of any changes to your contact details. You can advise of changes to your contact details by emailing [office@kmg.qld.edu.au](mailto:office@kmg.qld.edu.au).

We have several teaching and non-teaching staff members joining us this year. We welcome new and returning staff. Below are the staff of KMG for 2022.

- **Executive School Director:**
  - Justin Giblet
- **Executive Administration Officer:**
  - Lisa Johnston
- **Curriculum Manager:**
  - Teresa Hackney
- **Junior Year Level Coordinator:**
  - Helen Ses
- **Senior Year Level Coordinator:**
  - Dayna Linsley
- **Youth Support Coordinator:**
  - Andrew Malayta
- **Teacher**
  - Bianca Fewquandie
  - Melinda Wright
  - Peter Hungerford
  - Aunty Marg Dorante
  - Amy Jones
  - Eleanor Woodman
  - Tiffany Woods
  - Kerry Esmond
- **Learning Support Officers**
  - Liesa Tipler
  - Hannah Geesu
  - Selwyn Burkhardt
  - Cassy Cherry
  - Simone Mooney
  - Dalassa Hankin
- **Administration Officers :**
  - Tyshaya Bickey
  - Tavis Momberger
  - Katrina Kulpinski

School Levy invoices will be sent out by week 3 of term 1, 2022. Please note that invoices will be for a whole school year rather than on a term-by-term basis.

All parents and carers will hear from Katrina just as an introduction and a discussion around school levies.

## CURRICULUM NEWS

We are pleased for our graduating students of 2021. There were some extremely excited students as they walked through the KMG guard of honor on the final day at KMG. Our students had a good year. I would like to congratulate them on their challenging work over an extended period.

In our first week of teaching and learning, all students will come together and be engaged in building school culture. Students will also learn the KMGWay by way of school routines and of course Justin's ever evolving expectations 😊.

## YEAR 7/8 CLASSROOM NEWS

All parents and carers will hear from Liesa in the coming week. These phone calls will just be an introduction. We know 'wonderful things *happen when great relationships are formed.*'

## YEAR 9 CLASSROOM NEWS

All parents and carers will hear from Hannah in the coming week. These phone calls will just be an introduction. We know 'wonderful things *happen when great relationships are formed.*'

## YEAR 10 CLASSROOM NEWS

All parents and carers will hear from Selwyn in the coming week. These phone calls will just be an introduction. We know 'wonderful things *happen when great relationships are formed.*'

## YEAR 11 CLASSROOM NEWS

Year 11 students will be required to come into school on 27 January 2022 to collect their laptop and materials in preparation for week 1.

All parents and carers will hear from Cassy in the coming week. These phone calls will just be an introduction. We know 'wonderful things *happen when great relationships are formed.*'

## YEAR 12 CLASSROOM NEWS

Year 12 students will be required to come into school on 27 January 2022 to collect their laptop and materials in preparation for week 1.

All parents and carers will hear from Simone in the coming week. These phone calls will just be an introduction. We know 'wonderful things *happen when great relationships are formed.*'

## R SPACE NEWS

Our Breakfast, Morning Tea and Lunch program will continue in 2022. There will be some changes to the program though. 2 representatives from a class each week, will report to the year level coordinator and/or youth support coordinator 15 minutes prior to each break and be given instructions on what needs to be organised for the break times. At assembly each week, the specific class will be updated. Students will be directed to undergo these duties during their respective check-in session.

All parents and carers will hear from Andrew, Dayna, and Helen in the coming weeks. These phone calls will just be an introduction. *Wonderful things happen when great relationships are formed.*

## ALTERNATIVE LEARNING CENTRE

The Department of National Indigenous Australians Agency have again agreed to fund another 12 months for the Alternative Learning Centre.

The Alternative Learning Centre is the space where intensive wrap around supports occur for students who require it.

Kutta Mulla Gorinna School thanks the NIAA for their continued support and hope to carry on a partnership into the future. WATCH THIS SPACE 😊.

## STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

We have so many students at KMG achieving remarkable things and we want to highlight them all. We share student achievements on our social media platforms and our school newsletter.

We want to celebrate our students' achievements, so if you are aware of any that we should celebrate (big or small), please advise us all via email – [office@kmg.qld.edu.au](mailto:office@kmg.qld.edu.au).

## COMMUNITY NEWS

1. YIRS One Stop Youth Shop are hosting the Learner License Program on February 17<sup>th</sup>, March 17<sup>th</sup>, and April 28<sup>th</sup>. If you would like you to participate in the program and are between 16 – 18 years of age, please see Helen. **You must supply your Birth Certificate, Student ID (Signed), Bank Statement, Current Health Care Card and Medicare Card.**

## KMG STUDENT NOTICES

1. School Uniforms are available to purchase. KMG now has school shorts which form part of the uniform. As part of your school levy, you do get a school shirt and a pair of shorts. Parent/Carer just need to pay the first term at the minimum to receive the uniform pack. Uniform days are still Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. **If you have financial difficulty, please see Helen or Dayna.**
2. The student transport assistance program will commence when safe to do so. Please be advised, that you will need to complete an application and have it returned. The ESD will process the applications asap to ensure that all students requiring transport assistance are catered to. **Please see Helen or Dayna for an application.**
3. Student School Photos will happen on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> February. Please ensure you are in your school uniform. School ID cards will then be distributed on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> February. *If you are not present on the 7th of February, you will not get the opportunity to have a school ID.* **Please see Helen or Dayna if you know you will be absent.**

## COVID19 NEWS

The Premier has announced several changes that will affect the 2022 school year. These are:

- Delaying the commencement of the school year by two weeks for most students. Onsite learning for the school year will now commence on 7 February. All year levels will return on this date.
- For Year 11 and 12 students, remote learning, will commence from Monday the 31<sup>st</sup> of January. During this period, all other students will still be on holiday and not provided remote learning.

At KMG all students, staff, parents, carers, and visitors will be collecting specific information to ensure fast and efficient contact tracing in the event of a COVID19 positive case at KMG. This will be

done via KMG's Check in QLD app. A manual sign-in sheet will be made available for you if you do not have access to a mobile phone or electronic device.

## Be COVID safe



Wear a mask when you're required to



Maintain physical distancing (1.5m)



Maintain good hygiene



Get tested and stay at home when sick



Get vaccinated



Use the Check in Qld app for effective contact tracing



Rapidly responding to outbreaks



Travel restrictions from hotspots

# SCHOOL PHOTO BOARD

