

COMING UP

- **Wed 29 - Fri 31 Mar** - Outdoor Education Wild Dogs Hike
- **Thu 30 Mar** - Year 10 Drama Riverside Theatre Excursion
- **Fri 31 Mar** - Circus Performance Riverside Excursion
- **Fri 31 Mar** - White Card Training
- **Fri 31 Mar** - Collision Excursion
- **Mon 3 - Tue 4 Apr** - Futsal Comp
- **Mon 3 - Thu 6 Apr** - Dental Van
- **Thu 6 Apr** - Easter Show Trip
- **Thu 6 Apr** - Last Day of Term 1
- **Wed 26 Apr** - First Day Back for Students in Term 2

It has been a very busy Term 1 at Katoomba High. We hope all of our students and families finish the term well and have a happy and restful Easter holiday break. Drive safely. 😊

International Women's Day Celebrations

The celebrations of International Women's Day at Katoomba High School this year were fantastic.

Towards the end of the week, KHS teachers Ms Loomes, Ms Gulabovski and Ms Ladd led the female school Prefects and a wonderful group of young women who had been nominated to represent their year group, to a schools and community event at the Springwood Community Hub.

Mr Kevin Joseph from Winmalee High School said our KHS students were "invaluable contributors in

workshops and ensured that the event was a success".

It was a particularly exciting event as this is only the second time young women from the four Blue Mountains public high schools have met in this way to participate in discussions on student identified themes.

This year SNCC, Zonta International (Blue Mountains) and local science initiative 'Science at the Local' supported this year's Community Morning Tea & Young Women's Forum.

Two Winmalee students, Nea Mulligan and Zoe Leach, took the lead and organised a Young Women's Forum as a part of the 2023 IWD celebrations.

Guest speakers were Trish Doyle M.P and Andrea Turner Boys. Students worked in groups in workshops and participated in panel discussions.

We are looking at hosting a follow-up event here at Katoomba High School in Term 2, so please see Ms Ladd if you are interested.





The student International Women's Day Forum was celebrated in the Gazette...

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NEWS

Students tackle the big issues for IWD

PASSIONATE students from across the Mountains have gathered to listen and learn about the challenges women face, in celebration of International Women's Day.

Girls from Springwood, Wimalae, Blackland and Katoomba High Schools sat together on March 10 at the Springwood Hub, and heard speeches from local women.

Member for Blue Mountains Trish Doyle talked about the challenges and sexism she faced as she moved into politics.

"I was sitting in a room with three men in suits ... and they said 'listen love, you come from the wrong side of the tracks. You grew up in a home of poverty and domestic violence, your hair's too messy, you don't look like a politician,'" Ms Doyle said.

"And I was like 'actually, that's who we do need in parliament. People who look like me, with my hair.'"

She also spoke about the importance of engaging with men, particularly in stopping sexual violence.



Abbie-Rose Whale (left) and Tully McGruther. Picture by Tom Walker

"We have to raise good young men, we have to encourage young guys to think reporting it would change anything," she said.

Wimalae High School students Abbie-Rose Whale and Tully McGruther also made speeches on challenges faced by women.

Ms Whale discussed the overturning of Roe vs Wade, saying "it's so twisted" and "I remember thinking it could not possibly be overturned".

"I believe we can find hope in solidarity with other women and people who look to a brighter future," she said.

Ms McGruther spoke about harassment, citing that 45 per cent of women who were harassed didn't think reporting it would change anything.

"We need to be strong and stand up, speak up, and tell men that we expect and deserve respect," she said.

Speaker Andrea Turner-Boys, Founder of Women with Attitude, said she was "blown away" by the students' speeches.

The day was hosted by Springwood Neighbourhood Centre. Students also participated in workshops, and catering was handled by hospitality students from Springwood High School.

- TOM WALKER

Principal Boyall announced as Blue Mountains Local Woman of the Year

As part of International Women's Day celebrations, our very own Principal, Jenny Boyall was the recipient of the Blue Mountains Local Woman of the Year award.

What a wonderful tribute to all of the hard work, dedication, wisdom and passion our fearless leader brings to our school and community every day.

This award is also recognition for the amazing support Mrs Boyall receives from the KHS Exec Team, teachers, staff, P&C, students, families and community of Katoomba High.

We feel very proud and grateful to be part of such a wonderful community!

The article in the Gazette read...

NSW Minister for Women, Bronnie Taylor, announced the statewide winners at a breakfast at the International Convention Centre today as part of NSW Women's Week celebrations.

The nomination for Ms Boyall stated: "Katoomba High School principal, Jenny Boyall, is an inspiring, professional and empathetic leader in education who has helped her school community thrive through challenging circumstances."

"She energetically leads a community of staff, students and their families, who are proud to be involved in the Katoomba High School community."

"Jenny became principal at Katoomba High in 2013, and with the same leadership team, has turned around community perception of the school."

When she arrived, there were 520 students enrolled at Katoomba High, this has almost doubled to around 1000 students today.

"Jenny's ability as a school leader and her capacity to mentor others is demonstrated by a cohesive team, an adoring student cohort and families who feel proud of and are involved in their school community."

"Her positive character, work ethic and commitment to the values of public education make her an incredibly valuable asset to the Blue Mountains community."

In calling for award nominations last September, Ms Taylor said the awards are a "wonderful opportunity to honour the women and girls who are making a real difference to our communities".

"When we recognise the outstanding contributions women and girls make to society, we empower and inspire them to continue creating positive and lasting changes," she said.

"We all have a responsibility to be loud and proud of women's achievements and to celebrate their determination, bravery, skill and passion."

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NEWS



NSW Minister for Women, Bronnie Taylor, Katoomba High School principal Jenny Boyall and Blue Mountains MP Trish Doyle.

Local Woman of the Year

KATOOMBA High School principal, Jenny Boyall, has been named Blue Mountains Local Woman of the Year at a ceremony in Sydney.

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Young Leaders Conference

KHS Year 12 Prefects and school leaders attended the National Young Leaders conference in Sydney on 6th March at the International Convention Centre.

Students had the opportunity to hear real-life stories from guest speakers who are leaders in their field and gain some perspective on how leadership can differ for people.

The speakers pictured are netball Caitlin Bassatt, former Australian Diamonds Captain and gold medallist, and biomedical engineer Dr Jordan Nguyen.



Work Studies studied via Distance Education

Year 12 student Seth Richards-Kane is currently studying Work Studies through Distance Education.

Seth has started this course with determination and is excelling in this course. Seth recently received an award for his positive engagement in his learning.

Mrs Tully



Virtual Reality Mining Industry Information Session

On Monday 13th March a number of our students attended an incursion giving information about different opportunities and jobs available in the mining industry. Jobs include engineer, lawyer, nurse, paramedic, finance officer, geologist, boilermaker, electrician, forklift operator, plumber, truck driver, warehouse officer, plus many more. The students used virtual reality headsets to navigate their way through the operation of a mine and spent an enjoyable one hour exploring this environment.



Year 12 Business Studies at IKEA with International Supply Chain managers!

Our two Year 12 Business Studies classes spent a day at IKEA recently and were very lucky to spend time with Ms Georgie Attwater, former Katoomba High School Captain and sportswoman, from the graduating class of 1993.

Georgina is now an IKEA Australia executive, managing the fulfilment and replenishment of stock through all supply chains.

Georgina and In-Store Logistics manager, Rhaleigh gave Katoomba students an extremely informative session on IKEA Operations and all aspects of supply and demand, online and offline worlds of commerce which students will now integrate into their assessment task.

Lucky students then had a bit of time to chat with Georgie and of course for meatballs and scavenger hunts!



Impressive Team Effort

A group of Year 9 students made their teacher's day one ordinary Tuesday when they decided to stay in all recess to help each other with their Maths assignment... by choice! Well done to Mikayla, Kayla, Ruby, Jasmine, Emma and Grace. Ms Daley was very proud! 🥰 Remember KHS teachers are always happy to help as needed at recess & lunch times.



Year 9 Drama Excursion to Australian Theatre for Young People

On Tuesday 7th March, as part of our environmental and political theatre unit Year 9 Drama visited the Australian Theatre for Young People to view and participate in the production of "The Resistance".

The production was set in the arena of the climate justice movement and social media. The Resistance is a giant protest rally exploring the power of friendship, the pain of ambition and the deliciousness of potato chips.

Interactive theatre-maker Kip Chapman had our students become part of the performance and in the end the entire audience were in the action of the climate rally. Our students are now devising work using techniques from the production and protest theatre to create original performances. Well done Year 9 Drama.

Ms Colebrook



and seeing this style of artwork within our community was inspirational for the students when they create their own artworks. Andrew was very informative, giving the students the background information of the artists as well as the process involved in creating the artworks. We had a lovely day out in our beautiful local area! Mrs Holz



Urban Art Excursion

On Friday 17th March, students from the Year 10 support visual arts class participated in a guided tour of the Katoomba Urban Art Walk.

Our guide was Blue Mountains Cultural Centre volunteer Andrew Foy. Students viewed artworks created by local artists and artists from abroad.

The class have been looking at Street Art this term in visual arts



Singing Talent Recognised

Laura Golian of Year 10 has recently been selected for the highly competitive 'Aboriginal Vocal Identification Program'.

The program is a collaboration between the NSW Department of Education Arts Unity and KARI. It seeks to enhance the vocal talents of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander public school students in Year 7 to Year 12.

This is a wonderful achievement and a unique opportunity for Laura to develop her talent further.

Congratulations Laura! We look forward to hearing more and sharing more about your experience with the program.



Estelle creating a fantastic dragon.



By Clementine Horne



Year 7 Portrait Studies

Here is a small selection of Year 7s wonderful portrait studies...



By Eleonora Rubbo



By Elodie Shaw

Muditations Creations

Tuesday lunchtimes have been busy at the 'Muditations' clay club. Students have been having lots of fun learning to create things with clay.



Collage Portraits: Top right, Eleonora Rubbo, Scarlett Andersen Rhodes, Benny Goulding and Rosalie James →

Lost City discovered by Katoomba High Students!

Already in 2023 there have been many new archaeological discoveries around the world. These include the discovery of what may be the mummy of Nefertiti, the mother or stepmother of Tutankhamun. We know what she looked like from an amazing portrait of her now in the Berlin Museum.

Other recent discoveries include 2550 religious objects under the Temple Major in Tenochtitlan and ritual objects from a pagan burial in England found while constructing a high speed railway line.

However, these are nothing in comparison to what was found recently at Katoomba High School.

While conducting an emergency archaeological dig near the oval, Year 7 students in 7C and D, discovered a lost city complete with their artefacts.

A thorough top-down excavation of the stratigraphic layers revealed newspapers, wheels, tiny people and evidence of cassette tapes (a mysterious form of musical recording). It is hoped that our students will be able to piece all of the sources together to rewrite the history of the time.

Anyway, regardless of the type of history written, it looked like they had fun!

Mr Long



Deadly Science Donation

Science is deadly! It is how we make sense of the world. As a nation, and at DeadlyScience we have a cultural responsibility to our first & future scientists.

DeadlyScience Ltd, aims to provide science books and STEM resources and tools to schools across Australia. Deadly Science has very kindly donated 10 Technic Lego sets and 5 evolution board games to the school's science department. Thank you Deadly Science! Find out more at <https://deadlyscience.org.au/>



Tennis Knockout Win

On a blistering hot Friday, four Katoomba High students embarked on a journey of epic proportions. They played in the first KO Tennis game KHS has had in over 8 years. Stepping on to the hallowed ground at Katoomba Tennis Courts our boys took on the might of Blaxland High School.

Game 1 - Max Campbell played the Blaxland number 1 seed, put in a commendable display, but the extra bounce of the hardcourt favoured the opponent. 6-4 loss.

1-nil Blaxland.

Game 2 - Tobey Shyne played seed number 4 and, once he mastered his serve, dished up a great display of ferocious forehands to take the victory 6-3.

1-all.

Game 3 - Oliver Cullen, who took up tennis in the summer holidays, had his hands full against a strong number 2 seed. Never in front but also never giving up Ollie narrowly lost 6-4.

2-1 Blaxland.

Game 4 - Our team captain, Ruben Saunders, dominated the number 3 seed from the start and had a comfortable 6-3 win.

2-all going into the doubles.

Game 5 - Max Campbell and Tobey Shyne partnered up and had us all very nervous going 4-0 down in quick time with Blaxland serving. Max played a stupendous volley after a long rally, turned to Tobey and said, "This is the turning point." Our boys went on to break the Blaxland serve and Max then held his serve to love. From this point on

the result never looked in doubt as Max and Tobey lifted their game to another level to take the match 6-4.

3-2 Katoomba.

Game 6 - A win for Oliver Cullen and Ruben Saunders in this contest would see Katoomba progress to the Sydney West Quarterfinals. A loss would mean a tiebreaker. From the grandstand (balcony of clubhouse) it was clear from the start that the boys wanted that quarterfinal challenge and dominated from the first point. An epic 6-2 win in this game resulted in a 4-2 win overall, which means that the KHS Tennis team has now progressed to the next round of competition.

Congratulations to all players from both schools. It was a tight contest played in the right spirit. Both teams were literally cheering when any player did a great shot.

Mr Daniels 🎾



Picture (L-R): Tobey Shyne, Max Campbell, Oliver Cullen, Ruben Saunders (c)

Girls Open Basketball Win

The KHS Open Girls Basketball team defeated Riverstone high school on Monday 13th of March with a score of 50-27.

The team members are Isabella Geddes, Kaela Sayers, Alanah Crowe, Ariana Havenga, Edie Leach, Caitlyn Martin, Lauren Lambert, Taylah Hughan, Lauren Martin, and Ainsley Pollard. Congratulations on the win girls!

And a big thank you to Cooper Hancott for refereeing the game. Their next game will be against Cumberland High School.



Joe Williams makes Sports Page in the Gazette

From the front page of our last KHS newsletter to the main sports story on the back page of the Gazette! Great recognition for your amazing achievements Joe! Well done.



KHS Basketball star Caitlyn continues to conquer!

Senior student and school leader Caitlyn Martin competed in the Australian Junior U/20s Championship in Geelong on the 14th-19th of February. Her team played 7 games over the 6 days and won 4/5 of their pool games.

Caitlyn's team was victorious over ACT, South Australia, Tasmania and only narrowly lost to Victoria by only 5 points. These results put her team into the quarter finals where they beat South Australia by 22 points.

The semifinal was played against Queensland resulting in a 10-point victory for NSW. The Gold Medal game was against the only rival to beat them in a pool game, Victoria. The tables turned in the final however and NSW were the 10-point victors, earning the girls a gold medal.

This is a fantastic achievement for our local hero which has been rewarded with a signing to the North Bears NBL1 team.

KHS is very proud of Caitlyn and we wish her all the best in her future basketball endeavors.

Mr. Boothroyd



Touch Footy Highlights

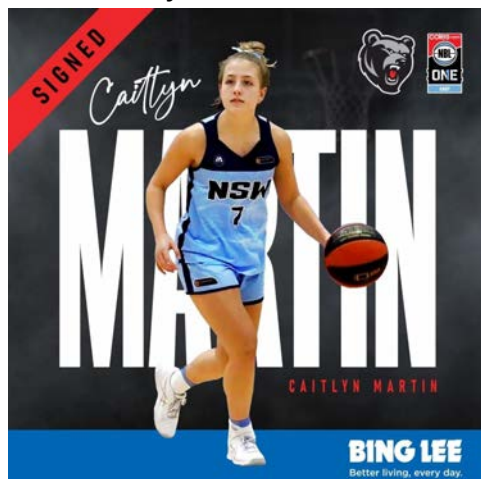
The Katoomba High School's Open Touch Football team travelled down to Windsor High School to play in a knockout game of touch footy.

After having an early lead and locked scores of 3-3 at half time, our boys were unfortunately defeated 6-3 at full time. Windsor were gracious in victory and praised the fair play and sportsmanship of our boys.

Tenzin Gyalpo rushing to help an injured opponent was a beautiful moment that was both respected and appreciated by the spectators and staff of Windsor High.

Jalen Sialava'a had a great game and required the assistance of the Windsor High School Principal to avoid the swarming fans trying to get his "snap". Well done boys.

Mr McDonell



Harmony Day

This week was Harmony Week celebrating multiculturalism in Australia, and today, Tuesday, 21 March 2023, is the United Nations International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination, also known here as Harmony Day. To recognise this day, students at Katoomba High participated in some lessons on cultural awareness and anti-racism and were treated to a fun and interactive performance by 'Lion Dance Kids'.

Lion Dance Kids uses storytelling to introduce concepts of strength, wisdom, and bravery, narrating a story explaining the origins of Chinese celebrations & cultural diversity. They aim to give insight into Chinese culture and concepts of resilience, grit, and responsibility.

This is an important day for the whole school as it shows our students and community that we care for everyone and support multiculturalism, freedom of ideas and respect. It also provides a platform for discussing important issues such as equity, justice, and racism.

Learn more about Anti-Racism Education here:

<https://racismnoway.com.au/>



Spotlight on Outdoor Education

Meet our outstanding Outdoor Ed team... Mr Huxley & Mr Everson

Katoomba High offers a fantastic Outdoor Education program delivered by passionate teachers that allows students to experience learning in a variety of ways.



Matt Everson pictured second from left. Morgan Huxley pictured second from right.

This year at Katoomba High School we have three Year 9 Outdoor Education classes. Mr Everson has come on board to take one of the Year 9 classes. He is very excited at the opportunity to lead students outdoors and share his knowledge.

The Year 9's have started with a unit "Experiencing the Outdoors" where we have looked at a variety of outdoor pursuits and how to travel safely in the outdoors. All three classes completed a day walk loop from KHS either down Leura Cascades, around the bottom of the cliff line then up the Furber Stairs or in the opposite direction. They practiced their navigation and bushcraft skills then reflected on what can be learnt before our overnight bushwalks next term.

Year 10 Outdoor Education students have been studying the "Leadership and The Outdoors" unit. Where they have completed a study of an Outdoor Business as well as attending talks from some of our local guiding companies.

They are now working towards our 3 day Wild Dog Mountains expedition later this term.

Year 11 and 12 Outdoor Recreation students have been focusing on Workplace Health and Safety and the links to outdoor activities. They will be participating in a day walk in week 9 in preparation for our 4 day bushwalking expedition to the 6ft track in term 2.

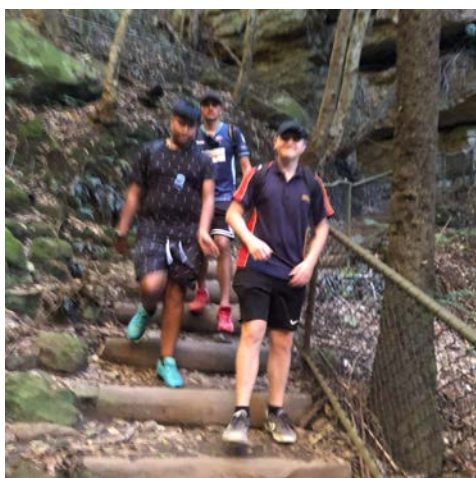
Mr Huxley.

*Outdoor Education Teacher
Duke of Edinburgh Coordinator*

Year 9 Outdoor Ed Day Walk in Leura

Last week, Year 9 Outdoor Education students walked over 15km down Furber Stairs and explored the boardwalks in the rainforest at scenic world. Students then navigated themselves around to Leura Forest for lunch then up the many steps of Leura Cascades back to school. This was a great introduction to group work and navigation in the bush. Students are looking forward to their overnight hike mid next term.





Cox's River Expedition

In September last year over 50 year 9 outdoor education students completed their overnight expedition this term. All worked together well to complete the journey. The swing bridge over the Cox's river was a highlight.

(This missed the school newsletter then so we were keen to share it now..)



Kosciuszko Expedition

A highlight of the Outdoor Education experience at Katoomba High has been the Kosci Expedition. In November Outdoor Education students from years 10 and 11 ventured to the Australian alpine region to conquer the Kosciuszko, Rams Heads, Mount Townsend and Carruthers Peak summits during an exciting few days in the alps.

(This story was featured in a previous newsletter but without these amazing photos)





Newsletter

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Education Insights

Enrichment Programs: Encouraging Excellence through Hope and Opportunity.

"Hope is that thing inside us that insists, despite all evidence to the contrary, that something better awaits us if we have the courage to reach for it, and to work for it, and to fight for it. Hope is the belief that destiny will not be written for us, but by us, by the men and women who are not content to settle for the world as it is, who have the courage to remake the world as it should be."
Barack Obama.

We hope you have had a great term.

1. The Enrichment and Opportunity Team at Katoomba High School aims to encourage all students to be their best. Our actions are informed by 8 WAYS First Nations learning and the Harvard Cultures of Learning Project and underpinned by the High Potential and Gifted Education policy.

Aspiring to be the best plays a crucial role in achieving excellence. Being the best in our modern society is unfortunately often underrated or down played, but this is one of core attributes that we can develop in our students. Best or 'betst' in old English meant 'of the highest quality or standing, first, in the best manner'. Over time the meaning changed to reflect an emphasis on remedy, advantage, help and profit. So being the best meant you had the capacity, talent or advantage to be the greatest help to others in society.

We have three core tools to help students achieve their best, recognise their talents and plan for the future. The Student Personal Development form provides a structure to encourage goal setting, Academic assistants or Year Advisors identify talent and support student academic achievement while the Acceleration guide provides a transparent framework for accelerating students.

On the Katoomba High website, you will find more information on our enrichment program at <https://katoomba-h.schools.nsw.gov.au/learning-at-our-school/enrichment.html> and click on Learning at our school and then also click on the Enrichment Guidebook enrichment produced by the team.

One of the teams' key focus areas this year is to support teachers in the use of new and innovative strategies to extend student learning in class. A continuing emphasis of the team ensures the school offers a wide range of enrichment opportunities. If there is an area where we can offer students more challenge and opportunity, please contact a member of the team.

Best wishes from the team

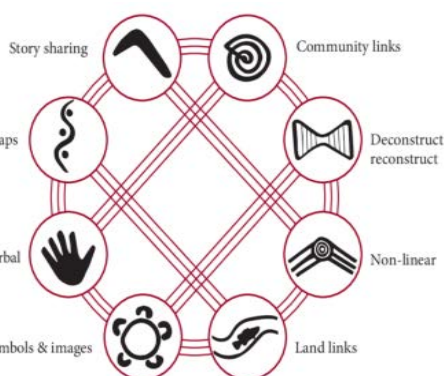
Brigid Gibson, Ruby Ladd, Nick Long, Nikolai Liu, Amber Mah, Jarrod Regan.

Upcoming Enrichment Events:

Year 7 Virtual History Excursion

Junior Stretch & Challenge (2 places left)

The Mountains of Success Expo of exemplar student work



OUR VISION
'Opportunity for all to make a better world.'

We believe it is an admirable vision, that is possible based on teaching and learning excellence, and equitable access to opportunities. We want our students to go out into the world, inspiring others through their thoughtful actions.

WHAT'S ON AT SCHOOL

The MenKind Breakfast

The 'MenKind' Breakfast is an opportunity for men and young men in our community to get together, share a BBQ brekkie, and have a conversation about some of the challenges facing young men today.

Former Penrith Panthers Captain Kevin Kingston and Brogan Mulhall from Panthers on the Prowl will be joining us to share stories and insights from their careers and life experiences.

We will also have a Q&A discussion with a guest panel on the challenges facing young men today and the role the community plays in supporting young men to navigate these challenges and become respectful, responsible, and resilient young men.

Students are asked to come along with one or more of the men in their lives. Parents, carers, family, friends and members of the community are also welcome to join. The MenKind Breakfast event will be held from 7:45am to 8:45am Wednesday 29 March at the school.

To ensure we have enough food for everyone, please RSVP at <https://bit.ly/menkind1> or contact the school on 4782 2622 or email katoomba-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au

Men and Young Men
of the Katoomba High School
community are invited to



THE MENKIND BREAKFAST



WITH GUEST SPEAKER

KEVIN KINGSTON

FORMER PENRITH PANTHERS CAPTAIN



+ PANEL Q&A:

CHALLENGES FACING YOUNG MEN TODAY
BUILDING RESPECT, RESPONSIBILITY & RESILIENCE



+ FREE BBQ BREKKIE



WEDNESDAY 29 MARCH

7:45 - 8:45 AM

KATOOMBA HIGH SCHOOL



RSVP FOR FOOD: via QR code or <https://bit.ly/menkind1>
BY FRIDAY 24 MARCH

Free Dental Service

In the last week of this term, the Teeth 'n' Smiles mobile dentists will be visiting Katoomba High offering free in-school dental care for all students. There are only a **limited number of appointments** left so if you would like your child to see the

dentist, please submit a consent form as soon as possible at www.teethnsmiles.com.au/consent-form or contact the school office if you need a hard copy form.

For more info contact contact Teeth 'n' Smiles on 1800 266 003 or email info@teethnsmiles.com.au

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COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD



YOUTH WEEK FESTIVAL 2023
This event will be held on the lands of the Darug and Gundungurra people

April 21
2pm - 5:30pm

Alcohol & Drug **FREE**

BATTLE OF THE BANDS & SOLO ARTIST'S
With special guest performance by **PAINT JOB 5-5:30pm**
ART COMPETITION IRON MAN SCREENING

Mid Mountains Neighbourhood Centre

Free Event
12 - 24yrs

NEED TRANSPORT?
'Near or Far' transport have you covered providing **free** transport to the event!

Lower Mountains

12:30pm - Glenbrook, Tourist Information Centre Parking Bay
12:35pm - Blaxland Bus Stop, Great Western Highway (near pedestrian bridge)
12:55pm - Winmalee Shopping Centre (opposite centre in White Cross Road)
13:10hrs - Springwood Railway Station (Macquarie Street side)
13:20hrs - Faulconbridge Railway Station - Great Western Highway
13:40hrs - Arrive Bus Bay - Lawson Public School

Returning
buses
leave at
5:45pm

Upper Mountains

13:00hrs - Blackheath Bus Stop, outside of The Ivanhoe Hotel, Great Western Highway
13:05hrs - Medlow Bath Bus Stop, Outside Railway Station
13:15hrs - Katoomba Bus Stop, Great Western Highway Side of Katoomba Station (Gear Inn Hotel)
13:25hrs - Wentworth Falls, Bus Stop on corner of Great Western Highway and Station Street.
13:30hrs - Bullaburra Station, Great Western Highway
13:40hrs - Arrive Bus Bay Lawson Public School



Still Want to Enter the Battle? Enter Here
There is still time to Enter the Art Comp here!

More info:
Paige Thurlow-Want
Phone: 0490 347 778
Email: paige@myst.com.au



POOL Competition

13th APRIL
11am-2pm
12-17 yrs

FREE BBQ **FREE SNACKS**

Join MYST at Katoomba for a pool and basketball competition against orange youth centre.

MEET NEW FRIENDS AND BATTLE IT OUT.

Next tournament MYST is taking a trip to Orange youth center to compete in the regional youth centre pool comp. Details to come

Sign up NOW

31 WARATAH STREET KATOOMBA

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ST IVES HOLIDAY SKATE & WORKSHOP COMP

Event kindly facilitated by:

FREE EVENT

AGES 12-17

MYST IS TAKING YOU ON AN ADVENTURE TO ST IVES SKATEPARK FOR OUR 2ND SKATE WORKSHOP AND COMPETITION WITH CONCRETE SKATE SUPPLIES

A holiday event trip with MYST staff to the newly renovated St Ives Skate Park. This program, facilitated by Concrete Skate Supplies, will provide a day of engagement with skateboard workshops for beginner, intermediate and advanced skaters followed by a competition for participants to show off their new skills. No experience is necessary and all equipment will be supplied (you can bring own equipment too). MYST will provide transport from our Springwood Youth Centre, with lunch provided.

When: April 14th
Time: Leaving Springwood Youth Centre at 9:30am and returning at 4pm in MYST vehicles
Bookings: <https://forms.office.com/r/1TgQnVbip>
Bookings close: 5pm March 31st unless booked out prior
What to bring: Water bottle, Hat and Enclosed shoes

Enquiries:
Contact Paige
Phone: 0490 347 778
Email: paige@myst.com.au

This Children and Young People Wellbeing Initiative project is jointly funded by the Commonwealth and New South Wales Government under the Disaster Recovery Funding Agreement.

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LOOKING FOR A SPORT TO PLAY THIS WINTER?



HAVE YOU TRIED HOCKEY?

Hockey is an awesome game that develops essential social skills like teamwork, communication and individual persistence, but also proves an enjoyable activity that builds up speed, hand-eye coordination and cardiovascular performance.

When you play Hockey you become a part of a family. At Nepean we welcome a diverse community, regardless of their gender, age, race, culture, religion, sexual orientation or ability and provide a range of options to participate. Many people grow up with hockey at school and it can offer a lifetime of both social and sporting opportunities for players, administrators and officials alike. Clubs welcome new and inexperienced players who are willing to give hockey a go. Plus we make lifelong friends. Once you start, you'll never want to stop!!

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

- Nepean Hockey Association
- <https://www.nepeanhockey.com.au>
- secretary@nepeanhockey.com

DURING WINTER:
JUNIORES PLAY ON THURSDAY AND FRIDAY NIGHTS
WOMENS COMP SATURDAY
MENS COMP SUNDAY

DURING SUMMER:
WE HAVE A RANGE OF RECREATION AND SOCIAL HOCKEY OPTIONS TO ENJOY DURING THE DAY SEASON!

ALL AGES!
BRING THE WHOLE FAMILY ALONG, START BY OUR PARTICIPANTS AND PLAYERS WHO HAVE CHILDREN IN THE SCHOOL COMP WHILE THEIR PARENTS ENJOY PLAYING IN OUR SOCIAL COMPETITIONS!




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GIANTS
IN THE MAKING
Junior and Teen Clinic

\$99

WED 12TH APRIL 2023
9AM - 4PM | HAWKESBURY PCYC

GIANTS Netball has an exciting opportunity for participants of all ages and abilities in the upcoming School Holidays.

GIANTS In The Making is a great opportunity for participants to learn new skills, meet new friends and also spend some time with our Suncorp Super Netball players.

All participants receive a participant pack, as well as tickets to a GIANTS match at Ken Rosewall Arena.

Date: Wednesday 12th April

Time: 9am-4pm

Location: Hawkesbury PCYC

Registration link:

<https://www.stickytickets.com.au/IUHGX>

For more information, please reach out to
giantsmembership@netballnsw.com

Newsletter

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COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD



Penrith Relay For Life 2023
Celebrate, Remember, Fight Back!
REGISTER TODAY
Saturday 27th May 2023
9am - 9pm

Help us achieve a cancer free future by starting or joining a team, and celebrate cancer survivorship, remember loved ones lost and fight back against cancer. Every dollar raised will go towards funding world-class research, prevention and support services, as well as helping patients both today and in the future.

GREAT FOOD LIVE MUSIC ACTIVITIES

www.relayforlife.org.au/event/penrith-2023

Contact Yvette Haines by email or phone -
yvette.haines@nswcc.org.au (02) 9354 2007



Penrith Relay For Life 2023
9am - 9pm
Saturday 27th May
Penrith Paceway

Join us on the track for the Box Car Lap at 3:10pm

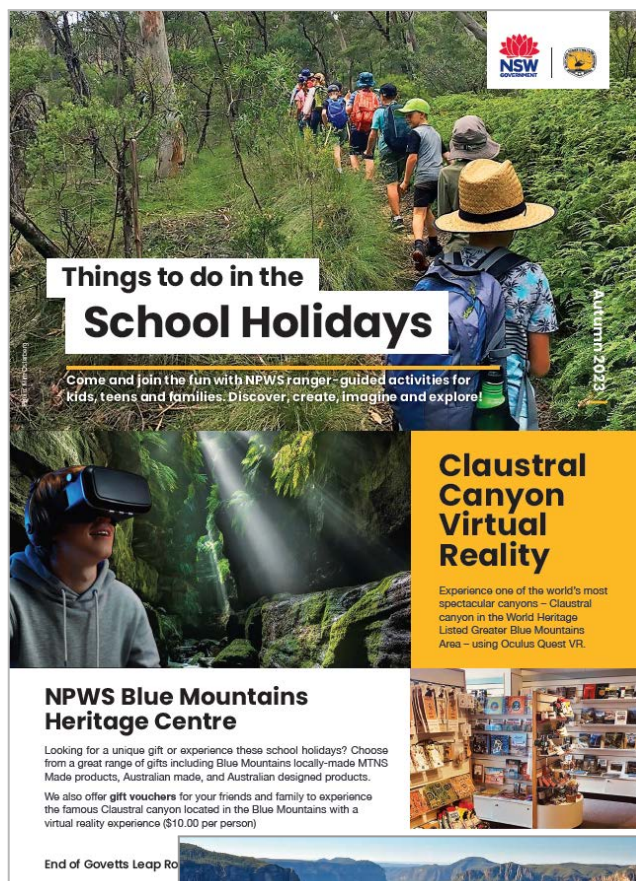
Make/decorate your Box Car and bring along for the Box Car lap at 3.10pm!
Boxes kindly donated by Kennards Self Storage and can be picked up for free on SATURDAY 6 MAY from Penrith Store (max 1 box per child): 2215-2227 Castlereagh Road, Penrith

Kennards Self Storage

Loads of Family Fun with Prizes given away and mascots to lead the lap.

Celebrate Remember Fight back!

Register a team today!



Things to do in the School Holidays

Come and join the fun with NPWS ranger- guided activities for kids, teens and families. Discover, create, imagine and explore!

Claustral Canyon Virtual Reality

Experience one of the world's most spectacular canyons - Claustral canyon in the World Heritage Listed Greater Blue Mountains Area - using Oculus Quest VR.

NPWS Blue Mountains Heritage Centre

Looking for a unique gift or experience these school holidays? Choose from a great range of gifts including Blue Mountains locally-made MTNS Made products, Australian made, and Australian designed products. We also offer gift vouchers for your friends and family to experience the famous Claustal canyon located in the Blue Mountains with a virtual reality experience (\$10.00 per person)

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Join our team this April for some exciting school holiday activities.

S For the Small and Curious **L** Living Country **B** Bush Alive **J** Junior Rangers

B 8-12yrs Spotlight Tuesday 11 April • 6pm-8pm	B 3-11yrs The Buzz on Bees Wednesday 12 April • 10am-12pm	J 10-14yrs Navigation, Mapping and Orienteering Thursday 13 April • 10am-12pm
L 7-11yrs Aboriginal Games for Kids Friday 14 April • 10am-12pm	J 10-14yrs Navigation, Mapping and Orienteering Monday 17 April • 10am-12pm	B 7-11yrs The Buzz on Bees Tuesday 18 April • 10am-12pm
B 8-12yrs Spotlight Wednesday 19 April • 6pm-8pm	L 7-11yrs Aboriginal Games for Kids Thursday 20 April • 10am-12pm	B 8-10yrs Leaping Lizards Friday 21 April • 10am-12pm

Claustral Canyon Virtual Reality
All holidays \$10pp

School Holiday Program T 02 4784 7301 E BlueMtns.Education@environment.nsw.gov.au
Holiday activities \$20 per person. All activities are onsite at Blackheath, except for Spotlight which is held in Katoomba. Meet 15 mins before activity start time. For more information and bookings visit www.nationalparks.nsw.gov.au/kids-and-family-activities