Year 12s, Billy Christie, Mark Little and Andrew Stewart with proud Doorways 2 Construction teacher, Rob Stansborough. Andrew is the winner of the Rotary Club of Barossa District VET Student of the Year Award, while Billy and Mark both received Outstanding Merit Awards. Article pg 6.

FROM OUR PRINCIPAL

Virtual desktop and ‘bring your own device’ coming to Kapunda High in 2014

Early in 2014, we will be ‘rolling out’ a new digital technology approach at Kapunda High School which has the opportunity to make the goal of ‘anytime, anywhere’ become a reality.

Already we have a number of students who regularly bring their own tablet or notebook computer to school. Currently, though they can’t gain access to the school network and find themselves transferring files via usb.

A number of students also use quite expensive applications as part of their studies here at school but don’t have access to the same at home.

At school we find that when large numbers of students are logging on at the same time, there is often quite a lag - wasting valuable learning time.

We also have a number of aging computers that are increasingly struggling with the processing demands.

The virtual desktop approach will address all these issues:

- Students will be able to connect to the school network (via the internet) from any device - be it at school or home - and access all the applications they need.
• They will get the same ‘experience’ – regardless of the age or quality of the device they are using.
• Because the servers at school are doing all the work (not the actual machine), the processing speed is much faster.

Over the next few weeks we will be putting out more information re this new initiative. However, here are a few Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) to start things:

**Will it be compulsory for students to bring a device (tablet, notebook) to school?**

No, but they have the opportunity to do so. There will be a staged ‘roll-out’ programme, starting firstly with Year 12s. Full details of this will be announced in the coming weeks.

**If my child wants to bring a device to school, will it need to be of a certain quality?**

Because we will be using a virtual desktop, the processing power of the device being used is of no consequence. We will, however, be making recommendations regarding the screen size and battery life.

**What if I don’t have internet access at home?**

Our ICT Network Manager, Jack Mickan, will be able to work with individual families on an alternative solution that enables some access to school applications.

So that we can answer your questions re this new initiative, we invite you to send them to:

kristen.masters775@schools.sa.edu.au.

Apart from directly responding to individuals, we will also use some as a basis for developing FAQs for the whole school community. Look out also for opportunities to ask questions through our school Facebook page.

**Thank you, ‘Copper$ Cha$e’**.

During 2013, our Old Scholar’s Pedal Prix initiative, ‘Copper$ Cha$e’ raised a total of $2225 for two important wellbeing programmes: Youth Opportunities ($1100) and CPSW ($1125).

Led by our Governing Council, Chairperson, Neil Weichert, ‘Copper$ Cha$e’ has been a huge success and we are very appreciative of the funds that have been generated through the programme.

Over the past two years we have run a total of four Youth Opportunities personal leadership programmes; this year the total cost to KHS was almost $20,000. The contribution of ‘Copper$ Cha$e’ will make a difference – thank you!

**And briefly ...**

• Congratulations to all our VET Awards winners: Andrew Stewart, Mark Little, Billy Christie, Mel Kruse and Jack Dempsey - full article on page 6.

• It was fantastic to see so many family and friends in last week for our special Year 12 assembly.

• Year 9 NAPLAN results have been posted home. We were particularly pleased to note the overall growth in literacy since Year 7 – especially in writing. As you know, literacy has been on our school improvement plan agenda for a number of years – it’s great to be seeing the results!

Kristen Masters  
Principal

Patrick Sparrow, Ethan Mills, Jake Appleton, Darian Heaver-Wiltshire, Breck Curtis, Beth Martin and Zech McLean with their goodie bags following the Year 12 Assembly.

Our CPSW, Mine’ and home class teachers prepared the goodie bags and gifts for our Year 12 students.
On Wednesday, 23 October, at 7pm in the Drama room, the Stage 1 Drama class performed their collage drama piece, *Greener on the Other Side*.

The play was written by the class through a series of performance workshops and utilised the performance techniques and theories of famous dramatists such as Bertolt Brecht, Augusto Boal and Antonin Artaud. The result was an alternative and powerful piece of theatre that addressed the idea of equality.

Despite disaster striking in the eleventh hour, with the dimmer breaking down and leaving us with minimal lights, the students gave a thought provoking performance which received much praise from the audience. Well done to Carly Otterspoor, Tiffany O’Brien, Jasmine Cahill, Gemma Robertson, Kameron Mcleod, Taylor Barry and Talia Strawbridge on a great performance.

Erin Carpenter
Yr 11 Drama Teacher

In recognition of volunteer work with Netball SA, Lee-Anne Cummins has been invited to a Reception at Government House on 13 November. Lee-Anne is involved in coach education and has been a bench official for the organisation.

KHS congratulates Lee-Anne on this wonderful celebration of her efforts.

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YEAR 12 INFORMATION

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PRESENTATION EVENING

YEAR 12 MAJOR PRIZES
Applications from Year 12 students, for all awards, are due Friday, 15 November.

Replacement application forms can be obtained from the Front Office. Return applications to the Front Office.

Year 12, Shanna Ransley, sings to an appreciative audience at the Year 12 assembly last week. We will miss her impressive vocal performances.
What a great couple of weeks to celebrate the achievements of our students! Last week I thoroughly enjoyed the Year 12 final assembly and the Year 11 Drama performance; both great show cases of our talented students.

Late in week one of the term we were notified that Kristel Rentz had won a ‘Highly Commended’ certificate in the Student Citizenship Awards from the SA Branch of the Order of Australia Association. Having heard of her achievements through her community learning interviews last year, when she was granted Stage 2 credits (30) for Recreational Skills and Management and Self Development I was delighted to learn of her award. More details of her award and impressive resume of activities are in this newsletter.

This week has begun with the announcement of the Rotary Club of Barossa District VET Student of the Year Awards. What a lovely finale to an evening out with parents and friends of KHS, including our Deputy Principal, Ms Kathy Champion, to hear we had five winners from KHS. There is an article on this topic in this newsletter.

On Tuesday, along with two other SACE moderators, Peter Norde and I were privileged to hear about the community learning journeys of some of our senior students in 45 minute personal interviews. These will be resulted into the SACE as Community Learning, mostly at Stage 2. Thank you to Melissa Mengerson, Carly Ottespoor, Hayden Martin, Bethany Martin, Rachael Clifton, Joey Brown, Melanie Kruse, Tiffany Buckby and Nick Modra for sharing your stories. Pick a word or more that describes you: dedicated, talented, sharing, caring, team player, great communicator, problem solver, reflective, complex, responsible, collaborative, mentor.

Meanwhile, our Community Studies students have been meeting SACE deadlines with their reflections ...Yay! I am very proud of our students and their achievements!

On the horizon in the next few weeks are: Mock Accident Tuesday, 5 November for all Year 11s - consent forms now overdue; Form A paperwork for Training Guarantee for SACE (TGSS) students who plan to undertake VET courses in 2014 (particularly Cert 2 Automotive and Cert 1 Engineering); Week six is the last few days of lessons for Year 11s (except those who need to continue on with English, Maths and PLP due to pending grades) and Year 11 exams are on November 20 (all students have an English exam at 9:00), November 21 and 22 (timetable will go home soon).

Kristin Hodge
Flexible Pathways Coordinator

Kapunda Combined Schools Art Exhibition

Kapunda Community Gallery Inc.
(above the public library,
cnr Main & Hill Streets, Kapunda)

Thursday November 7
to Sunday December 8

Open daily 10 am to 4 pm

A Wonderful Art Exhibition Of Our Young Artist’s Work

Exhibition will be opened
by Mrs Trish Sweet
Thursday 7 November 2013
6:30pm - 8:00pm
All Welcome
Free Admission
(Access for disabled)
DAY FOR DANIEL

Daniel Morcombe was just 13 years old when he vanished from a bus stop on the Sunshine Coast in Queensland in December 2003. He was on his way to a local shopping centre to get a haircut and to buy Christmas presents for his family, but he never returned.

Daniel was abducted by a man that had full intention of harming him. Daniel was murdered almost immediately after he was abducted, choked to death as he struggled to get away from his killer.

It was nearly nine years before the remains of the teenager were found and the murderer put behind bars. On 21 August 2011, two shoes and three human bones were found at a search site at Glass House Mountains. Forensic testing confirmed that the bones were Daniel’s and the shoes were similar to the ones that he was wearing when he disappeared. Underpants and a belt were also found.

Daniel was wearing a red T-shirt the day he disappeared, this is the reason for the choice of colour on Day for Daniel! His parents have set up a new curriculum, now being taught in schools all around Queensland about Child Safety Education and Awareness.

The three rules they go by are:

Recognise
React
Report

Daniel was like any other teenager, so his family are just trying to make kids aware that this could happen to anyone and to be more aware of what is going on around them to ensure they and their friends are kept safe.

Cody Dew

Year 8 student, Cody Dew, approached the SRC to help support the Daniel Morcombe Foundation this year. The SRC raised funds by having a gold coin donation Red Casual Day as well as selling red lollies and cupcakes that were made by the Year 11 Food and Hospitality class.

Kapunda High raised $500 for The Daniel Morcombe Foundation. The SRC would like to thank everyone for helping raise money for the foundation as well as the Year 11 Food and Hospitality class and of course, Cody, who bought forth the idea and supplied red t-shirts for the day.

CONTRIBUTION TO SAVE GORILLA HABITAT

In Term 3 the SRC supported the Humane Society International by collecting old mobile phones for recycling.

Students advertised with posters, the school’s Facebook page, morning bulletin and in home group and assembly whilst having a collection box in the main office.

The SRC were able to send over 30 old mobile phones for recycling and hopefully save the habitats of many gorillas.

Thank you to everybody who supported the cause.

Madeleine Rugari
SRC Co-ordinator


Left: Jake Townsend, Phillip Parks, Matthew McAvoy, Daniel Wilsdon, Joshua Leis and Aidan Fox
... and the winner is Andrew Stewart from Kapunda High School!

We were very thrilled to hear of Andrew’s win at the Awards Presentation at the Vine Inn Hotel, Nuriootpa, on Monday evening. These awards are offered to the four state and private schools across our region with an overall winner chosen from the all applications.

Three of our other VET students and one of our school based apprentices also received certificates of outstanding merit along with three Nuriootpa High Students. Our other winners were Billy Christie, Mark Little, Melanie Kruse and Jack Dempsey.

Thanks to Barossa District Rotary Club, Barossa Lower North Futures and to Jo Stolz, Industry Skills manager for running and sponsoring these awards. Thanks, also, to the people behind the scenes including parents, employers, trainers from FCTA and TAFESA, photographer/VET administration officer, Ann Richardson, community mentor, Ches Geue, Apprentice Broker, Nicholas Mathew, Rob Stansborough, Nathan Brady and other KHS staff for helping our students on their VET journey.

A deserving win by Andrew who has combined studying for his SACE with VET studies including his Cert 1 Automotive, Cert 1 Construction, modules from Cert 2/3 Construction (brick and block laying) and modules from Cert 3 Public Safety (Firefighting).

Well done Andrew, Billy, Mark, Melanie and Jack.

Kristin Hodge
Flexible Pathways Co-ordinator

Jo Stolz, Industry Skills Manager, Andrew and Kristin Hodge.

KHS recognises the significant contribution Kristin Hodge has made in supporting our VET and ASbA students this year. Thank you, Kristin.
Kapunda High School has again had a most successful and eventful year and it is now the time when we are looking to acknowledge the success of our students and their efforts throughout the past twelve months. To do this we rely very much on the generosity of local businesses, community members, organisations, parents and staff of Kapunda High School, to support us. In the past we have been very pleased with the response to our invitations calling for donations to enable the whole community to be part of our school’s success. We again thank you for your continuing support over past years.

We now have pleasure inviting you to contribute towards our awards list this year with a donation of $30 which will go toward a prize for a selected student.

The prize will be awarded at our annual Presentation Evening on Monday, 9 December 2013. We will invite you to attend the evening at 7:00 pm for a 7:30 pm start. Your generosity will be acknowledged on the night and also in subsequent press releases, magazine and newsletter articles. A label with your name on will be placed in the student’s chosen book.

So that we can finalise our prize list in good time, we would very much appreciate if you could reply by Friday 22 November 2013.

Anne Hornsey
Presentation Evening Co-ordinator

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Highly Commended Certificate in the Student Citizenship awards (2013) from The Order of Australia Association, SA Branch.

We are proud to announce that our Year 12 student Kristel Rentz will receive a ‘Highly Commended’ Certificate signed by His Excellency, Rear Admiral Kevin Scarce, AC, CSC, RANR, the Governor of South Australia and the Chairman of the SA Branch of the Order of Australia Association, Professor John McKellar, AM, ED.

Across South Australia, ten students received a student citizenship award medallion and although Kristel was not chosen to receive a medallion the Adjudicators have recommended that she be presented with the Highly Commended certificate. The established criteria included contribution to school and the community; leadership and management skills; support for the disadvantaged and the wellbeing of others along with a demonstrated Pride in Australia.

In a brief summary this awards recognises Kristel as an active, energetic young person with a positive commitment to her studies, extra curriculum activities and community life. Her resume is impressive: a Defence Technical Scholarship (2012) by the ADF recognising technically savvy students; the Adelaide Soaring Club/Light Regional Council Scholarship for 2012, through this award she has worked towards gaining her light recreational aircraft license; membership of the Scout/Venturers Movement, through this movement she has proved her outstanding citizenship over a significant period of time; also sporting teams at a school level and also at interschool level (athletics: 2011-shot put); member of our Pedal Prix team in 2012 and our school musical (2013; props and 2011; actress); training as part of the Mind Matters program and applying this in her role as a peer support leader.

Congratulations Kristel, we look forward to the presentation of your certificate at our KHS Presentation Evening, 9 December by Mr David Lillecrapp, OAM

Kristin Hodge
Flexible Pathways Co-ordinator
COMMUNITY NOTICES

KAPUNDA SWIMMING POOL
2013/14
SWIMMING SEASON
OPENING
Saturday 2 November  Weather Permitting
FREE ENTRY OPENING DAY!
HOURS OF OPERATION: Mon-Fri 3:45pm - 5:45pm
School Holidays and Weekends 3:00pm – 8:00pm
Pool will open when temperatures are
25°C or above
Pool 85662430
Josie 0457 658 766
Melissa 0437819136
Visit our face book page.
Membership forms can be collected from the Pool, Council, Primary School or High School
Early bird fee applies to memberships paid before 13 December.

LEARN ABOUT YOURSELF!

As Marcel Proust, a late 19th century
novelist wrote: “the real voyage of discovery
consists not in seeking new landscapes but
in having new eyes”. Volunteer to host an
international high school student in February
2014 through Southern Cross Cultural Exchange
and prepare to be amazed at the way this
unique and rewarding opportunity helps your
family to become closer, to understand
themselves better and to see the world in a
new light.

Carefully selected students will arrive in
July for one term, one or two semesters from
France, Italy, Germany, Sweden, Norway,
Denmark, Finland, and Spain. They will
attend a local secondary school, arrive with
their own spending money and comprehensive
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Barossa United Junior Soccer Club
DEVELOPMENT SESSIONS
NEW AND CURRENT FAMILIES WELCOME
Starting October 30
WEDNESDAYS 4:30pm – 5:15pm AGES 4-6
BAROSSA UNITED SOCCER GROUNDS
(Enter at gate behind Nuriootpa High School,
off Penrice Rd)
Info: Vicky Ireland 0422 048546

KAPUNDA MUSICAL SOCIETY
Invites you to a
Garden Party
Saturday, November 2
from 11:00am - 4:00pm
At
‘Kiandra’
(597 Tarlee Road, Kapunda)
Featuring Guest Presenter
Sophie Thomson
ABC Gardening Australia - Writer for the
Sunday Mail
Entertainment by members of the KMS &
featuring the Young People’s Drama Workshop,
Plant and craft stalls, Devonshire tea & more
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