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Diary Dates

Friday 17th November

- Years 2/3/4 Small Schools Floorball at Peninsula Leisure Centre
- Assembly at 2:30pm. All welcome!

Friday 1st December

- Year 5 Leadership speeches

Monday 4th December to Friday 8th December

- Whole school Swim Scheme

Tuesday 5th December

- Year 6 at KMHS Year 7 2018 Orientation

Thursday 7th December

- K-6 'Hour of Code'

Friday 8th December

- Years 2-6 Rewards Day

Tuesday 12th December

- P&C Meeting

Wednesday 13th December

- Year 6 Farewell Dinner

Thursday 14th December

- KMHS Showcase 12-1pm
- KPS Presentation Day

Friday 15th December

- **Pink Day** Test Cricket – Staff vs Year 6

Principal's Message

PLATINUM & GOLD AWARDS

It was my great pleasure to announce the recipients of **Platinum and Gold Awards for our students** at last week's assembly. These awards represent the dedication of students to achieving their best, both academically and in social pursuits at school. Students that receive these awards have maintained exemplary behaviour and have gone above and beyond in their capacity at school to contribute to the well-being of others. They have demonstrated commitment to their learning and other initiatives around the school and always presented themselves in a respectful and responsible manner. I would like to extend my congratulations again to the students that have received this honour.

BEHAVIOURAL READING

In 2018 our school is trialling a new reading program titled **Behavioural Reading**. Behavioural Reading™ (BR™) techniques are innovative and have been developed by supporting students through neurodevelopmental and individual learning strategies. They have been designed to specifically support students struggling with reading and/or spelling.

To run this program we will require an **assessment period** of ten days to test the students and place them on a scaled program at their appropriate level of learning. We will run the assessment in Term 1 and need the assistance of parents, family members and community members over the 10 day period. If you are able to assist with the program

NOTES DUE BACK TO SCHOOL

SMALL SCHOOLS FLOORBALL YRS 2/3/4

NOW OVERDUE Permission notes and money must be returned by tomorrow morning.

SCHOOL SWIM SCHEME – Permission notes & money due back Wednesday 29th November.

please contact the school office with times available. We are not expecting people to do 10 days but hopefully fill a ten day period with all helpers. The proposed dates are Week 2 & 3 of Term 1 in 2018.

NATIONAL RECYCLING WEEK



In November 1996, Planet Ark founded **National Recycling Week** to bring a national focus to the environmental benefits of recycling. Now in its 22nd year, this established and highly regarded annual campaign continues to educate and stimulate behaviour change by promoting kerbside, industrial and community recycling initiatives and giving people the tools to minimise waste and manage material resources responsibly at home, work and school. The Wise About Waste workshops held today were a part of the national campaign and also give our school leaders opportunities to demonstrate their leadership capabilities and further develop these skills in years to come. The recycling craft shows how we can make a difference to less landfill and cleaner oceans.

FLOORBALL

This Friday our Years 2, 3 & 4 will have an opportunity to learn skills & drills and play **Floorball** against Peats Ridge Public School and Central Mangrove Public School at the Peninsula Leisure Centre. The bus will depart from Kulnura PS and pick up students from Peats Ridge and Central Mangrove and arrive back at school by end of school day. Interested parents and community members are invited to attend.



Applications for 2018 SSTS and TBP travel entitlements are now open. Students who are applying for a bus pass for the first time can do so online at:

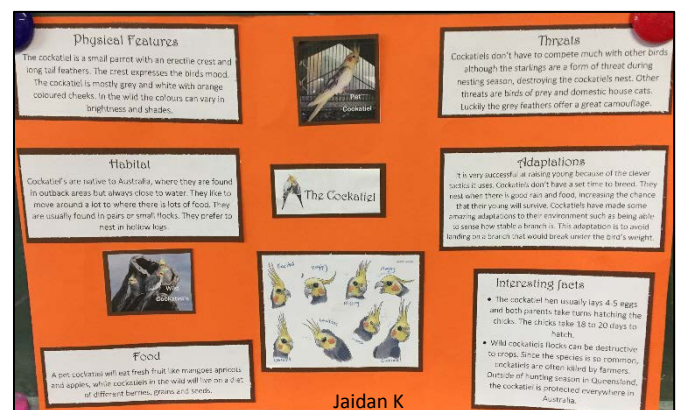
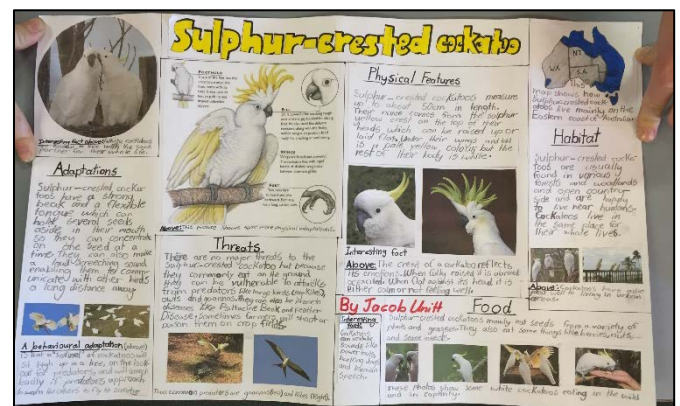
<http://apps.transport.nsw.gov.au/ssts/#applyNow> or to update your details if you are changing schools or moving onto senior school:

<http://apps.transport.nsw.gov.au/ssts/updateDetails>

Students who are remaining at the same school and moving from Year 2 to 3 no longer need to reapply as this is automatically verified by the school. Thank you.

Steve Collins
PRINCIPAL

4/5/6 STUDENT WORK



WEEKLY AWARDS

MERIT AWARDS

K/1

- ▶ Parker H
- ▶ Ava R

2/3

- ▶ Amber C
- ▶ Amaya J

4/5/6

- ▶ Blayde J
- ▶ Caleb S

LIRBARY

- ▶ Emma W
- ▶ Lilly H



KOOKA AWARDS

BRONZE AWARD

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| ★ Phoenix B | K/1 |
| ★ Jacob E | K/1 |
| ★ Noah E | 4/5/6 |
| ★ Blayde J | 4/5/6 |

SILVER AWARD

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| ★ Benji S | K/1 |
| ★ Daniel B | 4/5/6 |

GOLD AWARD

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| ★ Hollie I | 2/3 |
| ★ Oliver G | 4/5/6 |
| ★ Charlee S | 4/5/6 |

PLATINUM AWARD

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| ★ Molly M | 2/3 |
| ★ Kailee C | 4/5/6 |



WEEK 5 GOLD & PLATINUM KOOKA AWARDS



REMEMBRANCE DAY PHOTOS & INTERVIEWS



Danny Willmott interview

By Lily Hammond

On the 6th of November 2017 Kulnura public school celebrated the 100th anniversary of Howard Edwin Williams's death in the First World War on the 5th of November 1917. Many adults attended the ceremony and one of those adults was Danny Willmott retired member of the navy and army, soldier of the Vietnam War and local of Kulnura. I got the honour of interviewing him about his time in the war and in general his life.

Danny never thought he would work in the military; he just grew into it, "To serve our country and the queen!". When he did join the navy, he was committed and stayed there for **TEN YEARS!** He then moved to the army maritime service in which he stayed for seven more years. From this, I think we have learned that he is a very committed man.

Danny has lived in Kulnura for 36 years with his wife Mrs Willmott, who has lived here all her life and even went to Kulnura Public School.

Danny also went to the Vietnam War from 1970-1972. He would have to operate the ships guns and watch out for enemy divers. While at the war, Danny had to sleep in a tiny room (about the size of our school library) that held 143 people! When at the war Danny said, he relied on his friends for everything.

He owns five medals, 1 FESR medal (Far East Strategic Reserve), one active service Vietnam, one normal service Vietnam, one long service and one defence medal! Danny said "you only get medals so you can remember your name" because on the back of every medal you get it says your name!

I very much enjoyed interviewing Danny Willmott. It was a real pleasure.



Ces Small

WWII Veteran

Ces Small was a very special guest at our 2017 Remembrance Day Ceremony. I was lucky enough to interview him at morning tea about his time fighting in the Second World War. He is one of very few soldiers still alive from that time.

Ces was only 19 when he joined the Army. He enlisted as a medical stretcher-bearer. He worked on the front line, risking his life to save wounded soldiers, working with a mate to carry men back to the hospital to be cared for. He was sent to war on the 1st of May 1944 to fight the Japanese. He landed on the beach to find that the Japanese had blown up the hospital a few days before.

He spent what felt like eternity on the front line with shrapnel flying, ear-shattering explosions and bad food. Finally, he was given a choice: Go to Japan to help occupy it, or go home. He chose to go home because he had had enough of the war.

He went by ship back to camp and then home with POWs. He then worked at the 113th AGH hospital, Concord. They had no use for stretcher bearers at the hospital so he worked as a Cook! He worked there till he was discharged in January 1947.

By Oliver Gibbs



Ross Hitchcock's interview

Ross's family has been at Ferndale since 1978. They had no horses to push the plough. Some of the oranges that Ross's grandfather had planted when he first bought the farm are now about fifty years old.

The William's family owned the property before Ross's family. Mr Williams had planted lots of peach trees before he went to the war. All of the pine trees that Mr Williams planted to block the wind draft are now nearly 100 years old. Ross's family picked oranges and put them in crates to make orange juice and they would take it to the market in chaff bags. Ross's job was to take tea to his dad and grandfather and build the wooden crates. Ross now grow mandarins, oranges, lemons and limes. They used to grow passion fruit, tomato, peaches, and pumpkins. Ross does not use insecticide and helps the University of Western Sydney to research biological control of insects and fungus. Ross's father got the farm's first tractor in 1936. Now all of Ross's produce goes to be juiced.

by Caleb Smith



PINK DAY



FAIRHAVEN SERVICES
discover | belong | celebrate

Twilight CHRISTMAS FAIR

Saturday 2nd December
3pm to 8pm

MARKET STALLS. FINE FOOD. MUSIC. RAFFLES. PRIZES.
CHRISTMAS CAROLS. POOCH PARADE (BRING YOUR HOUND).
VINTAGE FAIRGROUND ALLEY. FAMILY FUN.

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