



KENT STREET NEWS

From the Principal's Desk

Students at Kent Street have certainly hit the boards running with the start of a new school year. As I write this, students and staff who winged their way east for the Avalon Air Show are thoroughly enjoying this fabulous opportunity to gain such a great insight to Aviation. We have also hosted a range of cricket matches and held both the Year 11 and Year 12 Parent Information nights. On Friday of week four we had excellent weather for the annual Swimming Carnival and I extend my thanks to all staff, especially the Health & Physical Education staff, for ensuring that this was such a successful day.

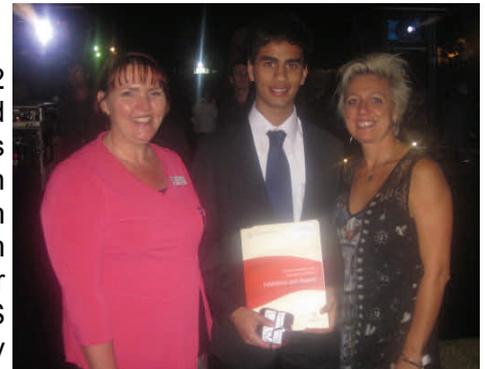
In week four we had our first P&C meeting of the year and re-elected Michelle Webster as President. John Nicol will continue in his role as Treasurer and we welcomed Raelene Perselo as our new Secretary. Thanks were extended to office bearers from 2012, our President, Michelle Webster, Treasurer, John Nicol and to Mary Cotterel and Rochelle Krieg who job shared the Secretarial role. P&C meets from 6pm to 7pm on Tuesday nights in weeks four and eight of each term. I encourage you to attend as it is a great chance for you to know more about your child's school and what we have to offer.

Remembering that regular attendance at school is the first key to success for your child, please encourage your child to attend school every day. If your child is unable to attend owing to illness, please call the Absentee Hotline on 92620546. We encourage students to treat school like their unpaid workplace and to notify in advance their intention to be absent. We value you as parents in partnership with us to provide a quality education to your child.

Kath Ward

Aniket Top EES Student in the State!!

With a standardized ATAR Score of 99, Aniket Desai, Kent Street 2012 ATAR Dux also achieved the honour of being the Top Earth and Environmental Science Student in the state. On Monday 18 February his success was celebrated at the SCASA 2012 Top Students of Western Australia Ceremony. He was presented with a certificate and medal from the Education Minister, The Honorable Peter Collier MLC. To help him celebrate this success and to look on him proudly were his parents Kishor and Pallavi Desai, Mrs Kath Ward (Principal, Kent Street) and his EES teacher Suzy Urbaniak. Aniket has enrolled at Curtin University to study Applied Geology.



To further elaborate the success of this EES class in 2012, it is worth mentioning that of the top 5 in the state, 3 of the students were from Kent Street. Aniket - 1st, Amy Carlino - 4th and Elissa Edward - 5th. Overall the class did exceptionally well with a standardized mean of 74% and 63% of the students are enrolled at Curtin University to study Applied Geology. Well done to Aniket and all the class of 2012 EES students!



Minister's Aviation Scholarship Winner

Each year the Minister for Education offers a scholarship valued at \$3000 to a Year 11 Aviation student who displays academic ability, confidence, motivation and commitment towards becoming a pilot. In late 2012, Troy Burgess was selected as the most worthy applicant. Congratulations Troy! Troy will be formally recognized at the Specialist assembly and later at a more private affair with the Regional Executive Director and his peers.

Troy Burgess (above, front left) together with other applicants and members of the interview panel for the Minister's Aviation Scholarship

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Japan Tour

In January 2013 sixteen students from Kent Street visited Japan. This was a very special trip indeed, the first visit to our sister school in Tokyo. The students enjoyed staying with their host families as well as observing a Japanese school. One of the students stated: "For me Japan was fun and exciting, I met the Japanese students at the sister school and they were very welcoming. My host family treated me like I was a very important person and they welcomed me to the family." Patrick Schlaepfer, Year 9.

The students spent the last week travelling to Hakuba and then to Kyoto, visiting temples and other historical areas.

Ruth Tateishi—Japanese Teacher



Japanese Visitors

I would like to acknowledge the wonderful kindness and hospitality of the Kent Street students that was shown to the Japanese visitors we had last year. I would also like to thank the parents who opened their homes to the visitors and hosted them for a week. The programme has really enriched the students with knowledge from different **cultures, language** and **values**. Some students have decided that they are now even more committed to pursue their education by witnessing the enthusiasm of our visitors. All the teachers at Kent Street have contributed to the success in this programme, by giving their time and skills.

Thank you for your ongoing support,
Ruth Tateishi—Japanese Teacher



Chaplain's Column

The photo (below) depicts Chaplain Terry Dwyer presenting certificates and holding the plaque from World Challenge to year 11 students Chloe Wilson, Dominic Schlaepfer, Talyssa Lockyer and Alexi Currie who last December spent four weeks in Borneo doing jungle trekking, community village work and a short holiday. Later in the year planning will commence with the year 10 group for a similar adventure at the end of 2014.

I have attempted to meet every new student in the school to introduce myself and to make them feel welcome to Kent Street, and was able to address the year 11 and 12 parents at the parents night. By now all the year 8's have had some contact with me and at least know who I am. One of my roles in the school is being part of the pastoral care team in the school, so if you have any concerns about your child's welfare or progress, please feel free to contact me.

Terry Dwyer - Chaplain



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end of Term One 2013 or please contact the school
to negotiate a payment plan.
Please refer to the Information for Contributions and
Charges Booklet 2013 or check out our website
under Quick Links, Contributions and Charges.