Important Dates

Mon 15th August
Show Day Public Holiday

Wed 17th August
Student Free Day

Thurs 18th & Fri 19th August
District Athletics Trials, Gold Coast

Friday 19th August from 6pm
PALS Trivia Night
Kooralbyn Community Hall

Wed 24 August
Interschool Sports Comp. Hills College

Sat 27th August 8 to 10 am
Term 3 Working Bee

Tues & Wed 30-31 August
Year 12 Core Skills Test

Friday 2nd September 6 to 8pm
DISC0 60’s theme Prep to Year 8

Fri 9th September
Beaudesert Show Excursion
(Primary School)

6th to 12th September
Scholastic Book Fair
TKIS Library

Wed 14 September
Interschool Sports Competition
Tamborine College

Fri 16 September
Last Day Term 3

Tues 4th October
Term 4 Commences

Drama Mastery Performance a Great Success

On the 22nd and 23rd of July, the TKIS Drama Mastery students presented their first performance for 2011. The performance entitled ‘Potion of Love’, was loosely based on William Shakespeare’s classic play ‘A Mid Summer Night’s Dream’. Many of the students had been working on the performance since September last year, turning the Shakespearean comedy into a tragic story of lost love. The students received some fantastic feedback from the show, not only on their acting talent, but also how well they managed to memorise 60+ pages of dialogue!

Thank you to all the families and friends who showed their support by attending the performances. And a very humble thank you to Mrs Anita Smith, Mrs Helen Ross and for volunteering their time creating the costumes and helping with hair and make up.

Drama Mastery students will now be working with Mr Lynham, while Ms Henry is on maternity leave, in the hope of staging a very modern and creative production due to be performed before the end of the school year.

Ms. Tenille Henry
Drama Teacher
J ROCK TEAM

On Thursday 4th August the TKIS J Rock team travelled to the Entertainment Centre at Boondall to compete at the 2011 J Rock Challenge. The team was made up of 24 students from Primary grades 4 to 7 and they have been rehearsing for this event for several months. To their credit they achieved not only experience but also 3 awards:

Excellence in Set Design
Excellence in Stage Use
Excellence in Sound Track

The TKIS team performance was entitled “A — The Story of King Arthur” and followed the story of the crusades led by King Arthur. Mr Mills received the following letter from parents who attended the evening:

“I wish to extend my heartiest congratulations to the J-Rock team who recently competed in the Rock Challenge in Brisbane. What a great group of children and what a great performance they gave. They had a very long day and conducted themselves very well throughout the day and into what was a long and exhausting night.

More importantly, Mrs Mellissa Fanning and Mr Brayton Lynham gave so much of themselves to make it happen. The design, choreography and ongoing practice sessions were a credit to their talent and dedication. I must surely congratulate and give enormous accolades to Mellissa and her family, this would never have been the success it was without their time and dedication. Their only thanks was to see the happiness and overwhelming excitement in the children at the experience they were a part of. They put so much of their own time and effort into the costumes and props and gave of their time willingly on the day to make this a sensational time for all.

The help of the other parents and teachers who also gave of their time to make this a success for Mellissa and the children who also gave of their time to make the performance. Not forgetting the parents who helped to sew the costumes and to Anita Smith for braiding the girls’ hair (I think there were about 18), and for Miss Conaughton and another parent for applying the make up to all students. What a wonderful job by everyone involved.

I was very proud to see how well the TKIS team performed both on and off the stage. As the school team with the fewest members they held their own among the larger schools, some whose teams on stage were bigger than our whole primary school. The comments and accolades from the judges were testament to this and to the wonderful work Mellissa and Brayton put in to the props and preparing the students for their performance — and, of course, to the students for their wonderful performance.”

By Helen and Glen Ross

We would like to thank Helen and Glen for their feedback and also for their tireless support — they are always on hand to assist with anything the school needs help with, no matter the inconvenience to themselves.

Senior Science Dept.

Grade 11/12 Multistrand/Science 21 is currently undertaking water testing. This will result in an excursion to different sites along Cannon Creek to collect water samples and evaluate their quality as living space and as drinking water.

Grade 11/12 Biology is working their way through the homeostatic processes in the body.

Grade 11/12 Chemistry is finishing up water testing and are offering proposals on alternative fuels and comparing them to conventional fuels. For both fuel types the chemistry is carefully analysed and evaluated.

Year 10 science went on an excursion to University of Queensland on 19th July. Sam Sydenham (Year 10 student) wrote the following recollection.

“We started our day with an orientation which led to a very interesting presentation about astronomy. We learnt about the galaxy, hydrant super collider and supernovas. Our first workshop was a theoretical Maths subject called ‘Probably Knot’ where we learnt all about statistics, possibilities and odds. Like the chances of winning Gold Lotto, which is no chance, so don’t bother with Lotto! We also did a fascinating knot trick where Jess Black was technically untied but yet she wasn’t. She looked tied up but when she stepped out of the knot, it just fell undone.

The second workshop was held in the ultra modern genetics lab. We actually experienced hands-on participation in isolating a particular fish gene. All up, it was a fun and eventful day that everyone enjoyed.”

Dr Gudrun Colbow
Mr Gary Moloney
Senior Science Dept.
Another success story from Golf Mastery

Hyun Jae Jung (Year 11) played some fantastic golf on 24 July and shot a 68 (-4) net score at Mt Coolum Golf Club Junior Classic. His score was good enough to win the Boys Division 2 group, and he also placed 2nd overall out of 127 players which is a fantastic achievement for Hyun Jae. He has been working extremely hard of late with his coach on the range to fix a few flaws in his golf swing and it is really starting to pay off. He also shot a net 66 (-4) at Beaudesert on 23 July. So things are coming along nicely for Hyun Jae.

Max Kim (Year 10) also won a Nearest The Pin and had the longest drive of the day measuring 280m at Mt Coolum. Both boys won golf shop vouchers for their achievements.

Michael Schneider
Head Golf Professional

Music Dept

Well it’s been another busy term for our music students who have been working very hard. Primary have been continuing with their music theory and learning to play the recorder and the Year 8’s and 9’s have begun their first music lessons for the year. Preps and Grade 1 / 2 have been exploring the human body through song and movement. As well as recorder, Grade 2 / 3 have been learning about fairy tales and so our song for this term is Peter Pan. The 4 / 5 class have been learning about Ancient Egypt so we have been singing a traditional cannon and are accompanying ourselves with percussion instruments.

The Year 6 class is writing their own song based on their cartoon superhero selves and the Year 7 class have been enjoying lots of theory and recorder practice. Songs in rehearsal are ‘The Climb’ and ‘The Coconut’.

The Year 8 class are looking at western music throughout the ages and the Year 9’s are learning to play the guitar culminating in an end of term performance of ‘I’m a Believer’.

Our school choir has recently increased in numbers and the students are busy learning new repertoire for up and coming events. Our recent performance of ‘Flanders Fields’ was received very well during assembly in recent weeks.

Ms. Kerrianne Sheridan
Music Teacher

School parades changed from Mondays to Tuesdays this term. Thanks to Mr Skelton we now have a very structured format designed to be informative, entertaining and to bring the whole school together once a week to learn from and about each other.

We would like to welcome all parents and carers to our parades. They commence at 9:00am and usually finish by 9:30.

Demonstration by Year 1 & 2 class about the human body at a recent Parade.

Ms. Kristy Millwood
Senior Visual Art Teacher

Additionally students listened to a curatorial talk that provided the art students with valuable insight into the influence of World War One on the formation of the Surrealist manifesto and the role of the written word in a fine art movement. Students enjoyed appreciating the art and could have spent another hour perusing the exhibition and engaging with the interactive activities. Students are now armed with the knowledge and understanding of surrealist techniques including automatic drawing, frottage, morphing, juxtaposition and exploring the subconscious mind. It is hoped that the art students will now better incorporate these techniques into their future works.

Year 11 Visual Art students were fortunate to view the ‘Surrealism: Poetry of Dreams’ exhibition at the Gallery of Modern Art, Southbank on Tuesday the 9th of August. This impressive exhibition features many internationally renowned artists from the major 20th century art movement. Students enjoyed appraising the art and could have spent another hour perusing the exhibition and engaging with the interactive activities. Students are now armed with the knowledge and understanding of surrealist techniques including automatic drawing, frottage, morphing, juxtaposition and exploring the subconscious mind. It is hoped that the art students will now better incorporate these techniques into their future works.

Ms. Kristy Millwood
Senior Visual Art Teacher
Mental Stillness Program

TKIS will be participating in the ‘Mental Stillness Learning Project for Primary School and High School led by Dr. Ramesh Manocha of Sydney University.

According to the information provided by the project team, studies have demonstrated specific effects of the mental stillness experience and its benefits for physical and psychological health. Field studies in schools have further demonstrated that the techniques are suitable to the school and classroom environment and that children enjoy the experience and leads to significant reduction in mental health risk and improvement in social academic skills.

The instructor will be visiting TKIS on Friday 26th August and Friday 2nd September to introduce the Mental Stillness program. A consent form will be sent home soon and if you would like your child/ren to participate in this program, please return the consent form to school.

PALS TRIVIA NIGHT
IN HONOUR OF BRYN EPIHA

In honour of Bryn Epiha PALS (Parents, Alumni and Local Supporters) of The Kooralbyn International School are planning to create a memorial garden on the school grounds. We want to make it not only a memorial for Bryn but also a garden for his siblings and for all children of TKIS to feel happy and play in. We are holding a Trivia Night on 19th August at the Kooralbyn Community Hall in honour of Bryn and all money raised on the night will be used to buy the plants and equipment required to make the Memorial Garden truly special.

Venue: Kooralbyn Community Hall
Sausage Sizzle from 6:00pm
Trivia starts at 7:00pm
$10.00 per person
Maximum 8 per table
Raffles & Prizes
Baby sitting available ($5.00 per child, or $10.00 per family
Bookings by 12th August. Phone Kerry R 0428 834640 or 55445500 or Kerry A 5544 6685
Come along and show your support as we remember a caring, loving, amazing little boy. Bryn Epiha, a friend, a student, a brother, a son.

WORKING BEE
SATURDAY 27th August

Where: TKIS UPPER Campus
Time: 8.00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
Morning tea provided thereafter
Jobs: Cleaning of paths, gardens, outer areas of buildings and windows
What to bring: Shovels, wheel barrows, hoses, general garden tools, pressure cleaners, hedge trimmers, electric extension leads, buckets, rags and window cleaning products or cob webbing brooms
WE WOULD APPRECIATE HELP IF YOU CAN MAKE IT!

Thank You

We would like to express our appreciation to Mr & Mrs Nazarenko. On several occasions now the Nazarenkos have provided framing at no cost to TKIS. Mr Nazarenko is a professional framer and generously framed all of the photos of the Prep students taken on a school excursion as a keep sake for them to take home.

REMINDER

Monday 15th August is a public holiday. School is closed.

Wednesday 17th August is a Student Free Day. Teachers are working on Professional Development. There are no classes for students—school is closed but the admin office is open.

Coles & Woolworths

This year both supermarkets are running programs for schools. Please get behind us and bring in Woolworths receipts (just the code at the bottom) and or Coles vouchers.

Weekend Homestay Accommodation Required:

♦ Do you have space at home to accommodate one, two or three high school boarding students on a regular basis at weekends?
♦ Can you provide a happy, healthy home environment with good supervision on weekends for students?
♦ Are you interested in Tax –Free income by providing homestay accommodation?

If so please contact the school on 5544 5500 during office hours for more information.