



Kearnan Chronicle

"Never see a need without doing something about it"

- Mary MacKillop's motto for life

12 August 2022

Vision Statement

Our Vision: Kearnan College is a nurturing, Co-educational PK - 12 Catholic community, dedicated to recognizing the gifts and talents of every individual inspiring them to reach their full potential.

Important Dates:

Monday 15 August	Science Week
Wed 17 August	Year 10 Immunisations
Thurs 18 August	Tree Talks @ Kearnan
Friday 19 August	Year 2 Assembly
	Year 7/9 Champion Schools Basketball

Monday 22 August	Catholic Day – School Closed
Tuesday 23 August	In Your Head
Thurs 25 August	Book Week Parade 8.45 am
Friday 26 August	JS Merit Certificate Assembly
	JS Newsletters
	Sports Coaching students @ Pemberton Carnival

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Enrolments for our Year 7 classes look very promising for 2023. Students from Kearnan and the feeder schools enjoyed their second day together, focusing on building our Catholic community by recognising and celebrating their strengths as individuals and as a group. Gifts and talents for all participants were identified and shared during a day of fun with clear direction and purpose under the leadership of Mrs Burvill, Mrs Barton, Mr Pedlar and Ms Ardagh.

Students were introduced to our School Motto - Seek Truth during the prayer session. All were asked to reflect on how they can use the motto to show they can allow their gifts to be shared, being open to give and receive from others, have courage to be outstanding, allow others to excel and do their best in all things. All students were encouraged to allow themselves to make their impact on others through their actions, acts of kindness, collaboration, reconciliation, words of consideration and acceptance in their care and service to others. We look forward to building the qualities of this group to become amazing role models for peers and Middle school students.

Congratulations to all students who will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, to be conferred by Bishop Holohan during the Saturday evening Mass this weekend. Please remember the candidates, their sponsors, and their families in your prayers. Special thanks to Bishop Holohan and Fr Edwin who spent time with the Staff and students on Wednesday.

The P&F committee are particularly keen to run a quiz night this term, so I would encourage you to think about participating in a fun filled evening with fellow parents to build upon and enrich our current relationships with each other. The evening will be held in the Parish Centre. Friday 16 September has been ear marked for this fun night of entertainment. Please keep a look out for the flyers. Get your brains trust together to make tables of 8.

You will be pleased to know CEWA have endorsed our application for Stage 7, in our 2021 CDP application. We are excited at the prospect of building a brand-new Kindy and Pre-Primary learning environment which meets the National Quality Standards in an Early Childhood Education setting. Storerooms, toilet, and wet areas as well as the outdoor play environment are all key features of the new build.

However, we must curb our enthusiasm a little, as we have one more hurdle to jump before this endorsement is fully ratified and approved by the Minister for Education. CEWA will now write an application to the Minister for Education to seek funding approval to enable our build to proceed in 2023.

This decision will be made in December 2022. We can be very grateful for this recent news as Kearnan College is only, one of 10 other schools out of 14 who were successful in their CDP application to CECWA. We are extremely fortunate.

The uniform committee did meet to discuss the style, colour, and fabric to replace the depleted sports uniform stocks of our current one. I am advising parents and caregivers that we will transition to one sport uniform for Year 1 students through to Year 12 as the future preferred uniform for all students.

The new uniform is now available on a story board and available for your feedback, with a choice of four options. This has been sent in an email through SEQTA. We value your feedback. If you have a particular view regarding colour choice, style and design, please send back your choice on the link on the Forms document. Staff, students, parents, and caregivers are invited to comment so that a final decision can be made before proceeding to the next step in the production of the new uniform.

The new black jacket we are promoting for extra warmth during winter will arrive approximately in 4 weeks' time. If you are still interested in ordering one of these, it will be important to come in and size up your child with our current sizing samples in the boardroom and not rely on what you think is the correct size.

RATs kits have arrived and will be distributed to all students during the course of next week. Each student will receive a total of 20 tests each. Teachers will inform Junior school parents and caregivers of an appropriate and available time to collect these during the week. All Secondary students will receive their kits during the week at the end of the day.

All parents and caregivers of Year 6 students are invited to make appointments with the principal to discuss continued enrolment and transition to Year 7 for 2023. This is a wonderful opportunity to speak with your child to discuss aspirations, hopes and dreams in a Secondary setting. I look forward to seeing you all in the principals office with your child at interview.

Thank you all for your continued support to the Kearnan College community. You are very much appreciated and valued members of our school.

God Bless

Carol Geurts
Principal
carol.geurts@cewa.edu.au

SECONDARY SCHOOL NEWS

****Year 7/8 Lightning Carnival has been moved to Term 4****

We are well in the mix of a busy term with plenty of learning activities underway across the secondary classes, despite students navigating atrocious weather conditions. This week I visited the Science department to find the senior Biological Science classes have trekked to the Perth Zoo to delve deeper into the understanding of primates and the genetics behind their species. Thank you to Mr Blincow and Mrs Lockwood for giving their time to take the students on this valuable practical learning experience. I then ventured across to Mr Ure's Year 10 Science class where I found students trying to make fireworks! Fortunately, Josie, Rosie and Billie assured me there was an educational purpose about determining the chemical properties of different elements with varying energy levels due to electron excitability when exposed to the flame test.



Champion Schools Junior Basketball Tournament

Next Thursday 18 eager students from Years 7 to 9 will travel to Rockingham to compete in the Champion Schools Basketball competition. This competition is an extension of Kearnan Sports Academy where students have been training for the past year in after school sessions, lunchtime trainings and Academy electives. Mrs Edwards and I will have the pleasure of coaching these students while Tyson Jacob and Jessica Reeve have volunteered to referee for the school. Well done to all students who have been selected.

Females	Males
Katie Crosby	Jett Lyster
Ashleigh Terrigno	Hudson Lyster
Charlotte McGuire	Liam Adams
Caprice Fontanini	Harry Cybula
Angela Fontanini	Reef Watson
Charli Omodei	Jed Roberts
Orla Olsen	Corey Giancola
Lara Edwards	James Rutten
Niamh Moloney	

Cross Country Success

Well done to all students who travelled and competed in the SSWA Southwest Cross Country event where 16 schools battled it out over the 2.5km and 5km tracks. Kearnan finished a respectable 10th with 3 podium places. Isabel Reed (2nd - Year 10 Girls) edged out Daisy McGuire (3rd - Year 10 Girls) by three thousandths of a second! In the senior division, Ella McGuire placed 2nd. Well done girls!

These events give valuable opportunity to students to test themselves on a bigger stage. Below is an indication of how well students have done and how Kearnan consistently 'punches above their weight' in many areas.

Pos.	School	Population
1 st	Bunbury SHS	998
2 nd	Bunbury Catholic College	830
3 rd	Bunbury Grammar	750
....		
8 th	Collie SHS	486
9 th	Newton Moore SHS	800
10 th	Kearnan College	188
11 th	Manjimup SHS	586
12 th	Bunbury Baptist College	350
13 th	Dalyellup College	800

Eagles visit to Year 10's

On Wednesday representatives from the West Coast Eagles visited the College to run a male and female workshop as part of their community engagement program. The girls learned of the importance of nutrition for both a healthy lifestyle and performance in sporting activities. The boys looked at leadership styles, culture and how they help

shape our community through a sporting focus. Both sessions were practical and theory based, testing and developing our next group of senior students.

OLNA testing Round 2

Mrs Nock is facilitating the second round of OLNA testing for students in Year 10, 11 or 12 who are yet to reach competency in the areas of numeracy, reading and writing. All relevant families should have received correspondence regarding the testing to occur in Week 8 this term.

Year 7 2023 Building Communities Day – a strengths focus

Yesterday all the future Year 7 students conglomerated to Kearnan College to participate in the next phase of orientation – identifying and celebrating individual strengths. This theme ties in and supports students through their confirmation. The College loves seeing the enthusiasm of students as they embark on commencing secondary school. I also congratulate and commend Kearnan's middle school students who helped facilitate and coordinate activities, strengthening and consolidating their own learning through the positive education program. I wish to thank Mrs Schutz and Mrs Burvill who have given numerous hours to prepping and planning the day to ensure its success.



Peer Mentoring Program

Ms Ardagh is busy rallying Year 10 students to take the opportunity to be a peer mentor for current Year 7's. This program allows for older students to pass on their wisdom about how to navigate secondary school, along with being a valuable part of the College's wellbeing program. The relationships that are forged in these short sessions in homeroom can last for the next three years as the Year 7's progress through the lower years.

Reminders

Homework club runs each Tuesday (excl. Week 1 and 10) of each term. All secondary students are welcome to attend (3:30pm to 4:30 pm) to complete their homework and receive some teacher support.

Year 11 2023 student subject selection forms are now overdue.

The time for parent interviews is now! Teaching staff requesting interviews have emailed home this term to arrange a time to meet. If any parent wishes to check in on their child's progress, please contact the teacher directly via college phone or email (all staff contact details are on the College's website)

All students should be wearing full winter uniform except Thursday's and special events where permission is given to be in sports uniform. Please also ensure the correct school style shoes are worn.

Thank you for your ongoing support in your child's

education, we value this partnership to enable all students to grow and develop while at Kearnan College.

Mr Aaron Pedlar
Head of Secondary
aaron.pedlar@cewa.edu.au

JUNIOR SCHOOL NEWS

What a great couple of weeks it has been in our classrooms. There has been plenty of learning as we get into the routine of the term. Although the icy cold weather has brought its challenges, students have been keeping warm skipping and playing games during the breaks.

MacKillop House Day

On Monday, students from MacKillop House joined together in the Church to remember and honor Australia's first saint. We reflected on her legacy that lives on in the many schools started by the Josephite Sisters around Australia. Our students were reminded of St Mary MacKillop's saying of 'never see a need without doing something about it,' which all students were encouraged to act upon. Boiled sweets were a big hit at the conclusion of the liturgy. Thanks to Mrs Lapinski for all her work to ensure this was a special celebration for our students.



Year 2 Assembly

Next Friday 19th August, we will be entertained by our talented Year 2 class as they host our next assembly. They have been working very hard learning their song getting ready. We are looking forward to seeing what they have been doing this term.

Eagles Rock My School

Thanks to Rick "The Rock" Eagle who came and rocked our Junior School on Thursday, sharing great ideas on how to achieve goals and be the best that we can be. There was plenty of fun and laughter during the session, which was enjoyed by our students from Kindy to Year 5.



Year 4 Mass

Our Year 4 students celebrated a Mass with their class today. Students were involved in all aspects of the liturgy, which was themed "All Powerful God." Thank you to Father Edwin who celebrated the Mass and Mrs Kammann for her preparation.

Confirmation

Congratulations to Jaydn Dovaston, Peri Dronow, Kelcey Kariuki, Ainsley O'Donnell, Isla Pardini, Torre Renzullo and Ayden Terrigno as they prepare to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation this Saturday evening. Last Wednesday they

enjoyed the day out of the classroom at the Confirmation Retreat and then parents joined Ms Thomas for a workshop later in the afternoon. Special thanks to Ms Thomas for the work leading into this special celebration, Mrs Cully for sharing her creative gifts and our Parish for their continued support.



TREE Talks

Our Years 4-6 students have been busy presenting their talks within their classes. From all accounts, there has been an outstanding range and quality of presentations. Well done to all students for the work preparing then presenting their talks, and to our parents who often assist their children with finding props or giving feedback for improved results. Our Inter-school competitors will present their talks next Thursday.

Sport Talk- Mrs Harris Running Club

Kearnan 100s Club now has 96 members. This is a fantastic achievement. It is great to see children running with their friends even in the cooler months. Congratulations to Bentley Fontanini and Leo O'Donnell who have recently ran 100 laps with the club. Well done, boys.

100 Lap Champions	
Xavier Jacob	Quinlan Dronow
Flynn Markotis	Thomas O'Donnell
Oliver Markotis	Devin Vieira Gouveia

Jump Rope 4 Heart

Jump Rope for Heart is the Heart Foundation's school skipping challenge that helps children move more, have fun and raise funds for lifesaving research and programs.

This year is the 40th year of Jump Rope for Heart! To celebrate this milestone, we've got an audacious goal to see our student Heart Heroes at Kearnan log 40 hours of skipping throughout the program!

If you would like to [register your child online](#) (optional), they can receive the full benefits of the program and participate in online fundraising, simply follow the link below to get started. www.jumprope.org.au/parents
Students will be skipping throughout the term in Physical

Education lessons and during lunch breaks. We will hold our school Jump Off Day on 23rd September, this will mark the end of the program and is a chance for everyone to come together to skip and show off their newly learned skills. Thank you for supporting the Jump Rope for Heart.

Beep Test

Students from Year 3 – Year 6 undertook the Beep test at the beginning of Term 3. This is a great way for the students to improve their fitness and strive to beat their personal best. Well done to the following students who achieved a personal best;

Year 3	Miles Durbin, Milla Fitzgerald, Jarrah Kitchen, Oliver Markotis, Braxton Proudfoot, Jude Winfield.
Year 4	Saskia Dronow, Jace Falcinella, Edwin Hollis da Cruz, Keegan Karuki, Charlotte Raper
Year 5	Laura Bachos, Tessa Bendotti – Van der Spil, Layne Waugh, Eli Winfield
Year 6	Jaydn Dovaston

Congratulations to Saskia Dronow who achieved level 9.5 this term. She holds the highest score across the Junior School. Amazing effort, Saskia!

Thought of the Week

"Do not bury your gifts and talents, the gifts God has given you! Do not be afraid to dream of great things." ~ Pope Francis

Have a great weekend,

Mrs Peta Barton
Head of Junior School
peta.barton1@cewa.edu.au

PARISH NEWS

Confirmation will be at 6.00 pm on Saturday 13 August in Manjimup, and in Pemberton on Sunday 14 August 10.30am.

PARISH MASS TIMES			
DATE	St Joseph's Manjimup	Sacred Heart Pemberton	
13.8.22	6.00 pm		
14.8.22	8.30 am		10.30 am
20.8.22	6.00 pm		
21.8.22	10.30 am		8.30 am

P & F NEWS

Donations wanted

Unfortunately, we were unable to hold the Truffle Kerfuffle or the Winter Craft Fair this year so we have decided to hold a Quiz Night on Friday 16th September. We are asking for donations of cash or items for prizes and the silent auction. These can be dropped into the office by Friday 2nd September. Table tickets are on sale now via kearnanquiz.eventbrite.com.au

ticket sales



KEARNAN COLLEGE P&F

QUIZ NIGHT

Friday
16th Sept.

\$80
per table
(tables of 8)

St Joseph's Parish Centre, Manjimup.
Doors open 6:30pm for 7:00pm start.
BYO supper

Silent Auction - Chocolate Wheel- Prizes
BAR AVAILABLE