



Principal's Message

As part of a broad strategy to improve communication with our community, we have re-introduced our newsletter, which will be emailed to families at the start of each term. This is the first one.

Our term started well on Thursday last week, with a moving ANZAC assembly led by our student leaders. Since then, it has been extremely busy with lots of sport and of course our Year 7 camp at Yarramundi, which started today.

At the start of term 1 we sent home invoices for subject contributions and fees. Thanks to everyone who has made these payments, the monies are used to purchase consumable materials and allow us to pay for extra items that are not allocated to us through the department. We have a few projects in the pipeline this term, including

- A Wellbeing Hub
- A 3D printer that is used in the STEM area which we purchased in term 1
- 30 more laptops for TAS and 90 IPADS to support our maths pathways program in years 7 and 8.
- 12 Mountain bikes for a new sport and wellbeing program that will be running from term 3.
- A large shed for our ever-growing automotive program
- An automated pedestrian gate at the bus bay and security cameras
- The beautification of our school grounds with a new handball court, shade sails and artificial turf in the support areas, to add to the new gardens that were finished last term
- Over the holidays interactive screens were installed in all of our classrooms. These were items that the Department has implemented in all public schools, We look forward to being able to use them to their full capabilities in your child's learning space.

Mick Sloan

Wellbeing Hub

We have just been given final approval for the installation of a \$700,000 modular building at the top of the roundabout near our Support/Art /Industrial art area. This important building will house learning areas and spaces for visiting consultants to enhance students' learning and wellbeing needs. Over the course of this year, you may notice a few structural changes happening.

Canteen

Our new canteen online ordering system (Quick Click) started on Monday 2 May 2022. The main reason for introducing this system is to cut down on waiting time. Please consider using the online system if ordering from the canteen.

Register today to discover the benefits of cashless school payments

For lunches, uniforms & events, it's quicker to click.

QuickClick is a convenient online ordering system used by over 300 schools and thousands of parents across Australia. Use QuickClick to purchase school uniforms, manage your children's canteen orders, uniforms and events from the comfort of your home, office or on the go.



Contact the team: Monday to Friday, 9.00am - 4.00pm on 1800 91 88 37 | support@quickclick.com.au

COVID update

Isolation Requirements: Last week NSW Health announced changes to **close contact isolation** requirements which mean that students and staff who are identified as close contacts may return to school provided they take daily RATs, and wear masks. People who have had COVID-19 in the last 12 weeks do not have to comply with this guidance if they become a close contact.

Confirmed covid cases There are no changes to the isolation requirements for confirmed cases of COVID-19, who must isolate at home for 7 days. Anyone **showing symptoms** should get tested and isolate until they receive a negative test and symptoms subside.

More **RAT kits** will arrive in the coming weeks. These will be distributed to use as needed for symptomatic testing.

Visitors on school grounds: Schools and early childhood education can invite visitors – including parents, carers and families – to their sites regardless of their vaccination status, in line with settings in the broader community. Workers and volunteers must meet mandatory vaccination requirements.

What's on

Information about what our students are up to is available on our Facebook page and on our website Homepage. On our web page you can access all the information from our Facebook feed without having to be connected to Facebook.

The screenshot shows the Denison College - Kelso High Campus website. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links: MAKE A PAYMENT, ENROLLMENT, NEWS, NEWSLETTER, EVENTS, GALLERY. Below this is the school logo and name: Denison College - Kelso High Campus. The main content area is divided into two columns. The left column is titled 'Social media' and features a Facebook post from Kelso High Campus - Denison College. The post is about the 'Open Western Touch Carnival' and includes a photo of a sports team. The right column is titled '2022 Student Attendance Dates' and lists four terms with their respective dates. Below this is a 'Wellbeing Hub' section with a 'Term 2 Week 1' heading and a list of events for Friday 29 April, including 'Buckley Shield and Tom Kemp Rugby League v Bathurst High', 'Yes Program', 'FACTS Day', and '12:30 Wreath-Laying Ceremony'. There is also a 'Term 2 Week 2' heading with a 'Monday 2 May' date.

Parent Focus Group

We have a Parent Focus Group (rather than a P&C), which meets twice per term, Thursday week 5 and Thursday week 9 5:30-6:30 to talk about, our school priorities, staffing and any issues. Parents can join from home via Microsoft Teams or in person. Let us know if you are interested.

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Pedestrian Crossing

We are forming a focus group in consultation with the Department of Roads, Council, and community members for a pedestrian crossing to be placed outside the Boyd Street gates. This will hopefully slow traffic and ensure the continued safety of our students. Please contact the front office of you would like to be involved.

Assessment Calendar

All our assessment tasks for all year groups are published on our website when students receive their tasks from the teachers. At least 2 weeks' notice is provided.

You can access the website at <https://kelso-h.schools.nsw.gov.au/>

- Click on student assessment from the headings on the first page
- Then select the year group.
- A calendar will appear. If there is a task due, the name of the subject will appear in the calendar, on the day the task is due. Click on the subject.
- Click on the "more details" link to bring up a copy of the task.

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Year 7 Assessment Calendar

The screenshot shows the Year 7 Assessment Calendar for May 2022. The calendar is displayed in a grid format with columns for Sun, Mon, Tue, and Wed. The date May 1 is shown, and the date May 2 is highlighted in blue. A task titled 'PDHPE' is listed for Monday, May 2, 2022. A pop-up window is open over the task, showing the subject name 'PDHPE', the date 'Monday, May 2, 2022', and two links: 'more details»' and 'copy to my calendar»'.

Term 1 Highlights

