

# KARHCEE

transforming young lives through Christ



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# SRE at Kellyville High School

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## Year 7

### - Seven Classes

This year has seen a good start, meeting the year 7's and building a good rapport with them. They are a keen bunch, and many have changed from Non-SRE into SRE – praise God! We have been looking at "What is the Bible?" seeing how to use the Bible, is it reliable and the historical evidence for the life of Jesus.

"Hundreds of students get to hear the gospel each week. That is through the amazing opportunity our heavenly Father gives us to preach the gospel in schools and through the generosity and prayerful faithfulness of you, my brothers and sisters in Christ. Thank you for partnering with us in this ministry."

At KHS we have been blessed with the help and gifts of many people. Melissa (above),

Geoff (above) and Cameron have each taken a year 9 class to enable all classes to be taught. Such an answer to prayer! They also lead at the lunchtime group, as well as being involved in youth ministry at their churches.

**Year 8 - Six Classes** Continuing relationships with year 8 has been a real blessing. The discussions in class have really reached a new level with so many of the students. This year we have been looking at "Famous People in the Old Testament". Connecting these people to the big story of the Bible has seen a lot of students understanding God's plan better

**Year 9 - Seven Classes** A trade mark for year 9 this year has been questions, questions, questions. They are asking lots of questions in class and they've been some good ones too! This term has been all about "Big Questions Jesus Answered" which has hopefully answered some big questions the students have had as well.

**Prayer Points:** Pray for us as teachers of God's Word to be faithful and wise in our classes. Pray for Christian students, that they will shine as lights in the school and support the Christian activities that go on. Praise God for a wonderful start to the year, keen students and supportive staff. Pray that God will change the hearts of students to follow him.

**3:16** Our lunchtime group, 3:16, is going solidly. We have a core group of students

keen to see their school turn to Christ. Quite a few of our seniors (and some juniors) are stepping up into roles for the group. Pray that senior students like Akshaya, Cynthia, Celine, Daniel will use their gifts to glorify God and be good, Godly leaders.

*"It's awesome having scripture at school. I learn about new things I haven't learnt before. There is evidence behind the life of Jesus. I was actually falling away from God. Scripture and lunch time group had me regain my relationship with God."*

**Anna year 7**

*"If scripture wasn't available at KHS I would think it would be harder to be open about being a christian. I like coming together with other Christian friends at lunch time group. I am encouraged and have fun."*

**Kyle year 10**

**Ronan year 9**



## SRE at Rouse Hill High School

### Steve Deuble

To the wonderful supporters of KARHCEE, I want to thank you for all your wonderful support! Every Thursday is a highlight in my life. There is no greater privilege than to share with young people the incredible good news about Jesus!

There isn't a week that goes by where we aren't asked a significant question from a student seeking, or somebody declaring they've decided to trust and follow Jesus, or someone new coming along to our lunch time group. Every week we get to see the Holy Spirit at work in the lives of so many students.

### God has been answering our prayers.

We've seen some really amazing things happening. This year we are now able to teach the Yr 10 students fortnightly classes (compared to once a term in previous years). These classes have been so encouraging as

many students are at an age where they're wrestling with their beliefs – and some of our most significant class discussions have been with these new Yr10 classes. We now have about up to 10 students coming along at recess to pray for the School and grow in their discipleship and leadership. We also get anywhere up to about 30 students coming along at lunchtime – many of whom don't do Scripture at this stage, but are interested in finding out more about the Christian faith. Many of the Christian students who we are encouraging in their faith are excitedly telling us about the friends they're taking along to their Youth Groups too.

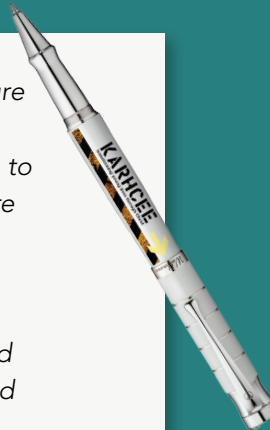
I want to thank you so much for partnering with us in this ministry. We are seeing firsthand how your prayers are being answered, and how your financial support in this vital ministry is helping to reach this next generation for Christ!

*Yours in Christ, Steve Deuble*  
*Rouse Hill High School – SRE Teacher*  
*(1 day per week)*

*"I love Scripture so much because it is a chance to get good advice and ask questions you would want answered. It has helped me come to know more about Jesus and he has done some amazing things in my life. While yes I go to Church and Youth - its good to also fall back on it at school and always learn new things. I want to step*

*up and be a leader at school and Scripture helps me to be a leader for Christ in my school and for people to ask why you go to scripture and a great opportunity to share God's love and his word with friends."* – *Jemima, Yr 11 at Rouse Hill High*

*"Scripture has helped me to keep focused on bringing Jesus into Rouse Hill High and motivated me to be praying for salvation in my School. It's a time when I learn more about God's Word and understand who Jesus is and how I can follow Him. Scripture is important for young people at school because it's a place where they can come, have fun, meet new people and discover more about Christianity."* – *Sabrina, Yr 10 at Rouse Hill High*





Kellyville and Rouse Hill Christian Education Employer Incorporated KARHCEE is the body formed by local Christian Churches to employ staff and oversee the provision of scripture teaching and associated outreach work in both Kellyville and Rouse Hill High Schools.

*Through this work, hundreds of young people have already heard the Gospel and many have responded to God's call and committed their lives to Him. Praise God!*

*We employ staff to undertake this work but rely entirely on the generous financial support of local Christian people and churches to fund their salaries. More committed people are needed to be regular monthly donors to support this vital ministry.*

## What is SRE?

Special Religious Education SRE, or Scripture, has been a regular part of the public education system in NSW for over 130 years. It is taught by authorised church leaders, volunteers and employed high school SRE teachers from churches in the local community.

## What Are The Benefits?

There are many ways that students can benefit from Christian SRE which:

- Affirms that each young person is unique and of great worth to God
- Is a foundation for spiritual development
- Explores the Christian values of faith, humility, generosity, forgiveness and love.
- Gives young people an overview of core Christian beliefs.

- Investigates how Christian values and beliefs underpin decision making and quality relationships with others.
- Assists students in exploring life's big questions and the journey of faith.

We have the wonderful opportunity of proclaiming the Gospel of Christ in our local high schools. Many of the students are hearing the good news clearly for the first time.

We are privileged because many of the students are from other religious and non Christian cultural backgrounds. Yet they have chosen to attend Christian SRE!

The God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ has given us an open door in New South Wales and our nation. There are pressures mounting to restrict this teaching of the Bible in our schools such as the current constitutional challenge in the high court. In the United States the gospel of Christ and prayer is banned in public education.

In Europe and Britain a person can be prosecuted for causing offence by speaking of Christ in public. There are 53 nations where the Bible is illegal and persecution is severe.

## Pray fervently for our nation and the SRE teachers.

"First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way. 1 Timothy 2: 1-2

## Give generously.

Our current monthly commitment is **\$5,150**

**100** people giving **\$50** per month would enable this commitment.

**200** people giving **\$25** per month would enable this commitment.

We appreciate and are thankful to our regular supporters who are prayerful and generous givers.

Sadly at the beginning of July our treasurer, secretary Peter Benson is resigning and moving to the Central Coast. The board and I are very thankful for Peter's valuable contribution. Peter, thank you.

**Gareth Grant** Chairman of KARHCEE

## How would you answer these questions?

How is it loving that God sent Jesus to die for us?  
Is God lonely?

How do we know we can trust the Bible? Isn't it just something someone made up hundreds of years ago?

No one in my family is a Christian but I want to be one. What should I do?

These are a sample of the many questions that are asked in SRE classes and lunch time group.

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*I will declare wise sayings;  
I will speak mysteries from the past  
things we have heard and known  
and that our fathers have passed down to us  
We must not hide them from their children,  
but must tell a future generation  
the praises of the LORD,  
His might, and the wonderful works  
He has performed.*

Psalm 78:2-4 HSCB



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to declare the wonderful works of our God.

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Gifts to KARHCEE are **tax deductible**.

### How I would like to give my gift.

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BSB 032-388 Account 236242

☐ I will mail my Cheque. (please send me reminders) KARHCEE PO Box 29, Kellyville NSW 2155

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