COUNTRY WEEK 2016 – Expression of Interest

Dear Parent/Carers

Your child has expressed interest in representing Karratha SHS at the 2016 Country Week Carnival in Perth from 27 June to 1 July 2016. Country Week involves Senior High Schools from all over the state competing in a week long carnival. In 2016 we will be sending representative teams in Girls and Boys Volleyball, Girls and Boys Basketball, Boys Soccer, Girls Netball, AFL and Speech and Debating. Students will also participate in several activities and events throughout the week to complement their sporting and academic activities, more information on these events will be provided closer to the carnival. It is a privilege and an honor for students to represent our school at this prestigious event. By representing our school your child will develop skills in good sportsmanship, respect, leadership, independence and responsibility.

In order to prepare for such an event, there are a number of requirements that need to be communicated to both yourself and your child so both parties are fully aware of the conditions attached to being considered and selected for Country Week 2016. These involve current academic achievement, school behaviour and conduct, commitment to their event and significant financial requirements ($1200-$1500).

Country Week requirements:
1. Any outstanding Charges & Contributions, prior to and including 2016, must be paid in full, or a payment plan made with the Business Manager. Charges & Contributions must be finalised before the end of Term 1 to be eligible to attend.
2. Upon selection, a deposit of $250 (non-refundable other than extenuating circumstances) is to be paid to the school. Monthly payments of minimum $300 will be required after that, until the full cost of Country Week is paid.
3. There will be a non-refundable $20 uniform fee.
4. Students must maintain a 90% attendance with all absences explained.
5. Students should have all school work up-to-date.
6. Students who have been suspended or have negative behaviors recorded may be excluded from the team.
7. Students must commit to their team and attend 90% of training sessions.

Coaches for each event have been finalised. Trials for each sport will begin in Week 2 of this term. In the event a coach cannot select the minimum number of participants for their team due to lack of interest and/or the above requirements not being met by students, this team will be removed from the Country Week squad.

It is important you discuss this letter with your child and make them aware of the Country Week requirements.
Trials will conclude and the final team lists announced in Week 5 of Term 1. If you have any further queries please regarding Country Week, please contact me at the school on (08) 9187 8000.

Sincerely

Scott Cumming
Deputy Principal
4 February 2016