Dear Parents

Next Tuesday 30 March the Parent/Teacher interviews will be held from 4.00 to 7.00 pm in the teachers’ classrooms. Along with the reports which will be sent home by post on Thursday these will provide you with information about the progress of your child. Please be aware that each interview is of ten minutes duration. Many teachers will have a full complement of interviews so it is important to stick to the allotted time.

Next Wednesday there will be an Information Morning for parents who have enrolled in Pre-Prep for 2011 or who are contemplating enrolment. If you know of any parents who are in this position please ask them to contact Cathy Watkins (63920316) and she will forward the details required.

Over the next week I hope to finalise groupings for our Special Interest programme in 2010. For those new to the school for one period per week during Term 2 parents and staff turn their talents to interests that are not in the present curriculum. Already we have a wide variety of: craft groups, debating, art classes, establishing a permanent vegetable garden as choices for the students.

If you have a spare hour per week (Fridays 11.10 – 12.10) and an interest to share with the students please don’t hesitate to jump in and have a go! I can promise an enthusiastic group of students (about 10 per group if we can) and an enjoyable time. If you would like to assist or find out more please contact Cathy.

Enjoy your week.

Regards

Rob McLean
Head of the Preparatory School
ASSEMBLY AWARDS


Reminder – Medical History

A reminder to parents who have received a medical history and attached letter in the mail over the past couple of weeks to return them to the Health Clinic so our records are up to date.

SPECIAL INTEREST

We are looking for mums and dads who can share their skills and talents with enthusiastic Prep students
When: Term 2, Fridays at 11.10 am
Easter Cup Cake Day
on the last Tuesday - March 30.
6H and 6D to provide cakes. 50c each. All money raised to go to CareWest Lodge to provide accommodation for rural cancer patients and their carers.

PARENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Tuesday 30 March from 4.00 pm to 7.00 pm
By appointment only

Times can be booked from Tuesday 23 March
Call Cathy on 63920316

LOST
Charlotte Anderson has lost her school straw hat. It is named, if found please return to Charlotte or to the office.

SPORTS NEWS

CIS Swimming
It was exciting to finally receive confirmation late last week that three of our students will represent HICES at the CIS Swimming Carnival to be held at the Sydney Aquatic Centre at Homebush this Friday.
Mitchell Strike: 9 Years 50m Freestyle and Jnr 50m Butterfly, Stephen Dalzell 10 years boys 50m Freestyle and Logan Buckley 8 years boys 50m freestyle will all compete at this level. A fantastic achievement boys and we wish you all the very best.

HICES HOCKEY TRIALS
Congratulations to the following girls who have been selected to represent our school in the HICES Hockey Team. Trials were to be held at our school next Monday 29th March in order to select a HICES team but these girls will now go directly into a HICES team.
Lizzie Silvester, Annabelle Tierney, Isabella Foster, Kate Hall, Kelsey Gray
Good luck girls! Thank you to Miss Holmes and Mrs Emerson for giving up their lunch time to select the girls last week.

HICES NETBALL TRIALS
The following girls travelled to the Hills Grammar School in Kenthurst yesterday for the annual HICES Netball Trials.
Canada Gavin (Y6), Milla Niven (Y6), Rebecca Crisp (Y6), Brooke Halloway (Y6), Mindy Khin (Y6), Samantha Syme (Y5), Emerson Miller (Y5), Kelsea Bellamy (Y5), Alice Litchfield (Y5)
Mrs Whiteley escorted the team to Kenthurst and the girls played some great games. Kelsea and Alice
made it into the possible/probables team. Well done to all the girls!

**SUMMER SPORT: Oh no it’s all over! Almost!!!!**

Whilst our in school Summer Sport competitions came to a thrilling finale last week our U/12 cricketers lived to fight another day after defeating SJS Mary Jane in their Semi-Final at PLC last Saturday. The lads and lass from the U/12 will now prepare themselves for a tough Grand Final against an undefeated Apple City side but if form is anything to go by it looks like our U/12s are peaking just at the right time. Meanwhile our U/13 team featuring Harrison Rees is closing in on a Grand Final victory as well. After scoring well over 200 batting first they have their opponents in all sorts of trouble at 6-33. Stay tuned for a full Grand Final wrap next week.

**OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT IN SPORT**

Congratulations to Jemima McCalman and Kelsey Gray who ran in the Little Athletics State Championships in Homebush on the weekend. Jemima came 7th in 1500m and 11th in the 800m whilst Kelsey finished 7th in the 400m and 15th in the 800m. A great effort under some tough circumstances including bleeding and runny noses. Well done girls!

In Cricketing and Soccer news Harrison Rees was selected in the U/14 Rep Cricket side whilst Angus Cumming and Hugh Britton made the U/12 Rep Cricket Side. Nathanael Vazouras and Angus Cumming were also selected in the Rep Soccer side. A great achievement boys!

Well done also to Lachlan Gregory whose team finished runners up in the Orange Summer Futsal competition.

Congratulations also to Emma Pryse Jones who last weekend competed at the Scots School Highland Gathering Showjumping Day which was an interschool event; she was riding for Kinross. She was 3rd in each of the events – AM7, Power & Speed & Top Score. She had a good day, only her 2nd jumping outing so it was all very new. Meanwhile at the Cudal Pony Club Gymkana the following students achieved some quality results. Laura Sharp: 5 firsts, 1 second, 2 thirds and 1 fourth. Zali Thomas: 7 firsts, 2 seconds, 2 thirds and 1 fourth and Lilla McKenzie: 1 first, 5 seconds, 2 thirds, 1 fourth and 1 fifth. Laura and Zali finished equal reserve champions. Kate Hall: 2 fifths, 2 fourths, 1 second and a first in the keyhole. Saskia Smith: fifth in the bareback, 3rd in the pairs and fourth in the keyhole. Great riding girls!

**WINTER SPORT STARTING DATES**

Registration forms were handed out last week for our Netball Teams. Thank you to those students who returned those forms promptly. Thank you to all parents who have volunteered to coach a side.

Details about starting dates will hopefully be put in the Bulletin before the end of the term. Hockey registration notes went out on Monday and Soccer on Tuesday. Please return these forms promptly.

**ATHLETIC TRIALS**

Sport on Monday and Wednesday afternoon in Week 8 and 9 will involve trials for Field Events for our Athletics Carnival. An overview of what events will be held when and where has been put up on the noticeboard.

**CARNIVAL DATES FOR THE DIARY**

Thursday 1st April: KWS Cross Country.
Friday 30th April: KWS Athletic Carnival

**THIS WEEK IN PE:**

Our Kinder classes will take another look at some running, jumping and throwing skills this week. After an impressive start last week the Kinders will be out to improve. Our Stage 1 classes have concluded their unit on Athletics and will now switch to a unit on pat bouncing, catching and ball Games. This will see our Year 1 and 2 classes hitting objects of various sizes with different equipment as well as some throwing and catching activities. In Stage 2 our Year 3/4 classes will finish the term with Aussie Footy. These two sessions will be made up of skill development, rules and a modified game. Our Year 5 and 6 classes will finish the term with a 2 week unit on Gymnastics. This will see them explore areas such as statics, springing and landing, climbing and hanging and rotations and cartwheels.

**Sport draws for this week**

**Cricket**

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**SPORT REPORTS FOR LAST WEEK**

**Cricket**

**U10:** The U10 Pontings saved their best till last, the best bowling and batting of the year, and remember practice does make perfect. Thankyou Mrs Houston for a great season, I’m sure you enjoyed it as much as we did. Isabelle Rees

**U12:** It was the Semi-Final with Kinross Vs SJS Mary Janes we were all pumped and ready to play. We won the toss and selected to field with great bowling by everyone who bowled. Charlie 2-13, Jack 1-11 and Drew 1-7 got us off to a great start keeping them down to 83 runs. We all knew we could get that total but it was going to be a challenge. Charlie got us off to a great start getting 22 before retiring, Hugh 29, Louis 9 and Nat 4. We ended up getting the runs in the 22nd over which was great. If we play like that next week I am sure we will go well in the Grand Finals. Keep it up boys!

Hughie Britton

**U13:** The boys are well placed after the first day against Molong. After being sent into bat the Gilchrists batted superbly scoring 8-206 after the allotted 50 overs. Charles Litchfield (51 retired), Peter Crisp (50 retired), Harry Rees (24) and Josh Cheney (15) were the run collectors but ably supported in many partnerships by the rest of the team. Molong had 45 minutes to complete the first day. The boys were ‘on’ song; bowling and fielding with great enthusiasm topped off with a brilliant catch by Jayden Watson. At stumps on the first day Molong are 6/33 but still with some strong batting to follow. We look forward to next Saturday with great anticipation. Mr McLean

**4/5 Athletics Training**

Year 4 and 5 are now into the field events with our Athletics Training. On Saturday, we practised discus and long jump – next time we will be throwing further and jumping further – Everyone is improving and learning in readiness for the Athletics Carnival next term. I can’t wait for high jump, javelin and shot put! Charlie Pittman

**Brown:** On a sunny Saturday morning (although the grass was a little wet) the 4/5 Browns set out to play some discus and long jump. Eva got a 2nd for Year 5 girls. Myriam got 2nd in Year 4 girls and Mitchell got a 2nd in the Year 4 boys; a great comeback after having a broken leg! In discus, Emerson came 2nd in Year 5 girls. Amelia Rawson

**Douglas:** On a sunny Saturday morning Douglas Dark jogged onto the soggy grass ready to throw and jump. Henry and Jack did some great throwing and Tanner did some fantastic jumps and we ended up with a good score. Angus Crossing

**Interhouse Summer Sport Competition**

**Sport: Athletics**

The high scorers of the week were:

Brown: Myriam Kwa
Douglas: Alice Litchfield
Gordon: Harrisen Bryant
McLachlan: (tied) Charlie Pitman, Emma Pryse

Star Player of the week: Hannah Engelhardt (Gordon House)

Highest scoring team: McLachlan

Athletics Season Champion House: Gordon

**WINNER of Interhouse Summer Sport Competition 2009/2010: Gordon!**

Final Point score Interhouse Summer Sport Competition 2009/2010:

1. Gordon: 405
2. McLachlan: 398
3. Brown: 342
4. Douglas: 324

**YEAR 6 BASKETBALL COMPETITION**

An impressive Grand Final game was played on Saturday to complete a most successful term of basketball. It was a tight first half with neither team gaining the ascendency but the Wannabees played a fantastic team game in the beginning of the second half which gave them the impetus to go on and secure the shield. Both teams played aggressive Basketball with tenacious defence and sweeping attacking moves. Unfortunately the ball would not drop down to 83 runs.

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**YEAR 3 ATHLETICS**

** TEAM OF THE WEEK:** This week the Team of the Week Award was shared between the U/10 Cricket Team and Year 3 Athletics. Mrs Houston was so excited about the level of
improvement from her cricketers throughout the season and it all seemed to click together nicely at the end. Our Year 3 students have been outstanding all term in Athletics. Their enthusiasm and desire to improve and succeed saw them run out as joint winners this week.

Congratulations to all our winning teams and a massive thank you to all students who strived really hard to attend all of our Summer Sport sessions. It was so important that you were there to help your team. A great effort!

Year 3 Heptathlon: The weather was glorious on our final morning of competition and everyone was eager to see the mystery events that were planned. We started off with a House pursuit run that certainly got our hearts pumping. It was very exciting and the last three on the track were Jack, Emma and Rhett. Our next event was a timed obstacle course, with a slalom course to weave around, hoops to bound across, a medicine ball to carry and a ladder to step through. We had two goes at the course, the second time trying to better our times. After another House pursuit run, we practised relay running. It was a fantastic end to our programme and we can’t wait to find out the final places! Thank you Mr May and Miss Holmes for all of their hard work and ingenuity this term. Maddie Smith

Year 3 Heptathlon Results
A busy programme of Athletics has come to an end in Year 3. Throughout the term our Year 3 students have worked alongside Mr May and Miss Holmes in undertaking 100m, 200m and 800m runs as well as a variety of field events. The students earnt points throughout the term and it was a very competitive field. Oscar Tierney took out Bronze, Logan Buckley the Silver and Christopher McClare the Gold. Encouragement awards went to Ruby Greer, Florence Conway and Meg Murray. Congratulations to all students on their involvement.

Boys
1st – Chris McClare (657)
2nd – Logan Buckley (653)
3rd – Oscar Tierney (651)
Encouragement Awards – Bradman Gavin, William Smith & Luca Wynn

Girls
1st – Emma Crossing (658)
2nd – Olivia Mirrington (584)
3rd – Haidee Watson (578)
Encouragement Awards – Ruby Greer, Florence Conway & Megan Murray

CROSS COUNTRY
This year’s Cross Country Carnival will be held on Thursday 1st April at the PLC Site. Below is the outline of the day for both K-2 and 3-6 students.

PROGRAMME

3-6 STUDENTS
9 a.m. – 10:55 a.m. Classes as normal
10:55 a.m – 11:40 a.m. Extended Recess/Lunch
11:45 a.m. Years 3-6 assemble to board buses
12:00 p.m. Bus departs for PLC from Allenby Rd
12:15 p.m. Walk courses with teachers (Jnr – Miss Holmes, Mrs Essex & Mr Pritchard, Snr – Mrs Emerson, Mr May, Mrs Davidson & Mr Hordynsky)

1:00 p.m.
1:00 p.m. RACES BEGIN
1:00 p.m. Junior Boys (2000m)
1:15 p.m. Junior Girls (2000m)
1:30 p.m. 11y & Senior Boys (3000m)
1:45 p.m. 11y & Senior Girls (3000m)
2:40 p.m. Presentations
3:00 p.m. Board buses back to Wolaroi (drop off at Allenby Rd)

K-2 STUDENTS
8:55 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Normal Classes
12:30 p.m. Early Lunch
1:15 p.m. Bus departs for PLC
1:45 p.m. Year 2 Race
2:00 p.m. Year 1 Race
2:15 p.m. Kindergarten Race
2:40 p.m. Presentations
3:00 p.m. Board buses back to Wolaroi (drop off at Allenby Rd)
ABOUT CELIA LASHLIE

A researcher and social commentator, Celia Lashtie worked for 15 years within the Prison Service, starting in December 1985 as the first woman to work as a prison officer in a male prison in New Zealand. Her final role within the Service was as Manager of Christchurch Women’s Prison, a position she left in September 1999.

Celia, who has a degree in anthropology and Maori, is the mother of two adult children. She now works on a number of projects, all of which are linked to improving the lives of at-risk children and empowering families to find their own solutions to the challenges they face.

In September 2004, she completed the ‘Good Man’ project. This project, which facilitated discussion within and between 25 boys’ schools throughout New Zealand, aimed to create a working definition of what makes a good man in the 21st century.

She has written two books: The Journey to Prison: Who Goes and Why, and He’ll Be OK: Growing Gorgeous Boys into Good Men.

SEMINAR PROGRAM

FRIDAY 16TH APRIL 2010
Orange Ex-Services Club—Coral Sea Room
9.00 a.m.—3.00 p.m.

9.00 a.m. Registration. Tea/coffee available
9.30 a.m. The Journey to Prison: Who Goes and Why?
What has it got to do with me?
What difference can I make?
11.00 a.m. Morning tea
11.30 a.m. Group activity - discussion around the
issues the address has raised for those
present in terms of their work
12.15 p.m. Lunch
1.00 p.m. Questions/discussion coming out of the
pre-lunch discussions
1.15 p.m. Growing Gorgeous Boys into Good Men:
The World of Adolescent Boys
2.30 p.m. Final questions and discussion

INFORMATION

Registration Fee: $77.00 p.p. (GST inclusive)
Morning Tea and Lunch provided.
Payment Details: Please post registration form
and cheque to Anson Street SSP
by FRIDAY 26 MARCH 2010