Computing in Wolaroi and Weymouth Boarding Houses

Following an extensive investigation into the reliability of internet access in both Weymouth and Wolaroi House I am pleased to report that the following changes will be made over the coming month.

**Weymouth** – while there is an adequate connection the school is improving this by putting a fibre optic link from the Prep School to Weymouth House. This fibre optic link will improve the reliability of the data access to Weymouth House.

In addition, we are undertaking to provide network access in Year 10 rooms by installing data access points, a wireless access point, ducting of data cable from floor level to ceiling and inserting various power switches that are needed to power the system.

**Wolaroi House** – following an extensive investigation it has been found that the instability of the power source inside Wolaroi has caused the internet to shut down on a regular basis. Spikes in voltage cause a wireless access point to shut down. We are trialling an uninterrupted power supply unit with power conditioning capabilities to overcome this problem. Should this not prove successful then a dedicated power circuit back to the main board may be necessary.

I am hopeful that these two modifications will assist the boy boarders with better internet access reliability.

I would also like to advise of the following staff changes:

Carolie Bennett has announced her resignation from the school. Carolie has been with us since the beginning of the year and has resigned, effective Thursday 2 September, 2010. I take this opportunity to thank Carolie for her contribution to the school over this period. For the remainder of this term, Jenny Stewart will cover Carolie’s classes. In Term 4, Cherie Byrnes and Sue-Anne Gavin will teach the current Year 11 Business Studies classes, with Jenny covering Carolie’s remaining teaching load until the completion of Term 4.

Following Anthony Roohan’s resignation which was announced earlier, I wish to advise of the following staff replacing Anthony’s various responsibilities:

Louise Barrett will undertake Anthony’s PE role, commencing 26th August until the completion of the school year.

Juliet Petersen will cover Anthony’s Religious Education classes with Myrri Holmes kindly agreeing to pick up the role of Prep School Sports Co-ordinator.

Lisa Pengilly is taking Long Service Leave in Term 4. Her classes will be covered by Gemma Seedsman. Gemma is well known in the Prep School and is currently undertaking a Long Service Leave contract for Jaquie Paix.

We wish the staff well that are leaving us and thank those who have commenced new positions in the school.

**Brian J Kennelly**  
Principal – Kinross Wolaroi School
KINROSS WOLAROI SCHOOL – CANTEEN ROSTER - August/September

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Canteen Supervisor
Rebecca Jorquera 6392 0387

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Delicious Hot Chocolate now available at the canteen - Served with two marshmallows. Only $2.50
Also Pasta Special; Homemade Pasta Bolognaise $3.50

Medieval Day
All of Year 7 will be participating in a Medieval Day activity on Wednesday 15th September 2010. A Medieval player will provide an entertaining session in the morning covering the Battle of Hastings, courtly love, the Crusaders and the role of knights and chivalry. The Year 7 students are asked to dress up for the occasion in ‘medieval costumes’. I hope that the wardrobes and old trunks will be raided for suitable attire. There will be a prize for the best dressed boy and girl and prizes for the best costumes in the various categories e.g. monk, knight, lady, serf etc. The show will be performed in the Performance Theatre and will be followed by a Medieval banquet and games. For further information please contact Mrs Vernon on 63920349.

Expressions Of Interest
The KWS Debutante Ball Committee would like to call for expressions of interest for any Year 11 girl wishing to take part, as a Debutante, in the 2010 Kinross Wolaroi School Debutante Ball in November.
Those who wish to be a Debutante need to submit in writing; their name, their partner’s name (a KWS Year 11/12 student) AND the email addresses of both sets of parents. Please address the envelope to Cate Aitken and hand to the front office by Friday 20 August. There are limited places available. Should you, or your parents, have any queries please call either Tania Wills on 63667238 or myself on 63603918.

Cate Aitken

YEAR 8 GEOGRAPHY ENVIRONMENTAL DAY
WESTERN PLAINS ZOO DUBBO
TUESDAY 14TH OCTOBER
LEAVING WOLAROI AT 7.15am
Students please ensure you have a hat, sunscreen and plenty of water
BUSINESS STUDIES SUCCESS FOR ZARA

Congratulations to Zara Rolfe – Yr 12 McLachlan who was awarded not only a High Distinction in the Price Waterhouse Business Studies International Competition but was also awarded a $50 cash prize for gaining a score in the top percentage. Zara was one of only 20 student’s competition wide who was awarded a cash prize. Well done Zara!

BOARDERS’ BITZ

Welcome to “Boarders’ Bitz”, a column designed to keep parents abreast of developments in Boarding.

⇒ The Weymouth House Dinner will be held this weekend, at the Coral Sea Room of the Ex-Services Club. Payment for this function can be finalised by cash, cheque or credit card. Please contact the Accounts Department on 6392 0313, or Sally Rattray-Wood on 6392 0325 for payment assistance.

⇒ Bookings are currently being taken for boarding students who would like to travel to and from home at the end of term 3 using the Countrylink School service. Booking sheets are circulating in the boarding houses and students will soon be asked to confirm their travel arrangements. Please begin discussing your travel plans with your son/daughter now, so that accurate bookings can be made. If you have any enquiries about the Countrylink service, please contact Sally Rattray-Wood at School on 6392 0325 for further information.

⇒ As Year 12 boarders complete their Trial HSC exams and enter their last weeks as boarders at KWS, it is timely to remind both students and parents of the behavioural expectations and obligations to boarding at KWS during the remainder of the year. An agreement has been drawn up which all Year 12 students will be asked to read and sign this week. Parents will shortly receive a copy of this agreement in the mail for information.

⇒ A Boarding Touch Football carnival will be held on the Wolairi site on Sunday the 19th September. Along with the various student teams, we would like to offer the parents the opportunity to form a parent team to compete during the afternoon. If you are interested, please contact me. The carnival will be followed by a BBQ for students and parents. We will also announce the new Boarding House Captains for 2011 at the BBQ.

⇒ Upcoming events in Term 3 for your diary:-
  27 August    - Stuart Douglas House Dinner
  28 August    - Weymouth House Dinner
  11 September  - KWS Rugby Club Dinner in DPA
  17 September  - Trathen House Dinner

Simon Shepherd  
Director of Boarding
Learning Matters

Academic Writing Standards Update

I take this opportunity to let friends and family of Kinross Wolaroi School know the vital importance academic writing plays in the life of the student. All of us need to be able to write. Whether in our schools, our places of work or in our personal lives, writing is critical. This is the message that will have some focus this year and the next.

The School has worked hard to identify (via analysing key assessments such as NAPLAN, ICAS-Writing and Educational Skills Profile and the like) those who have good literacy skills in terms of reading comprehension but are not performing commensurate in their writing. Over the next few weeks, students who are underperforming will be notified via their teachers and opportunities to teach vital writing skills will be commencing in some targeted classes with particular emphasis on Year 10.

To this end, I have also organised an essay writing 2 day workshop (Yrs7-10) for day students (Boarders will be attending a separate workshop) and places will be limited. The scheduled dates are for 14th and 16th September Week 9 (TBC). If you are interested please let Sally Rattray-Wood in Administration know.

This is an important area of schooling life and I encourage friends and family to assist the school in raising literacy levels.

Weekend Information Course for Parents

Parents of G&T students are encouraged to consider the weekend course run by GERRIC UNSW. Having G&T students present many challenges related to their unique characteristics as well dealing with potential perfectionism, underachievement and so on. As a participant last year, the course deals with practical issues and seeks to give parents a better understanding and support in raising children of high academic abilities.

YOUR GIFTED CHILD: A WEEKEND INFORMATION COURSE FOR PARENTS

Dates: Saturday 4th – Sunday 5th September 2010
Location: UNSW, Kensington campus
REGISTER NOW: http://gerric.arts.unsw.edu.au/prnt_yrch.html

Do you suspect or have you been told your child is gifted? Are you unsure about how to be an effective parent to your gifted child?
This course is suitable for all parents of gifted children and will be presented by experts from Australia in the field of gifted education, Professor Miraca Gross and Michele Juratawitch.


Yours in learning,
Yooie Choi

?? PICKED UP BY MISTAKE ??
KWS Laptop – in a black Lewis-Hyde computer bag
Friday night of the House Spectacular
Between McLachlan locker room, behind Trathen and the Music car park
It would be appreciated if anyone who remembers seeing it, could ring Mrs Brideoake (6392 0324)
bbrideoake@kws.nsw.edu.au

Club 3:16

Friends and families, I wish to inform you of the launch of Club 3:16! – the School’s Christian Fellowship Group.

For various reasons, the group has not met so far this year but now we can!
Club 3:16 can be a vital part in the faith journey of many students. It will be a time to reflect, discuss and pray about issues specific to adolescent Christian life. We aim to discuss the bible, pray and encourage each other to live as Christians at School. Over time, it will also serve to initiate social justice projects in order to make a positive contribution in our school community and beyond. We will meet every Friday lunch - starting next Friday (3rd September) in room 18.

I encourage all students regardless of where they are at in their faith journey to come along, to bring their lunch and meet in fellowship. Hope to see you at Club 3:16

Blessings,

Yooie Choi
Academic Awards for Excellence, Class Achievement and Effort - P&F Tutor
House Challenge Shield - Term 3, Week 5. 2010
Congratulations to the following students for their high standard of work and effort in previous weeks

**Academic Excellence Points**
Year 9; Eng - Lauren Coates
Year 11; MH - John Patfield, Angus Rogers

**Academic Achievement Points**
Year 7; La - Joshau Cheney, Peter Crisp, Siobhan Herbert, Nigel Jayasuriya, Codey Swadling, Kate Glastonbury, Hannah Pearce
Year 11; MH - Emily Simpson, Sarah Brien, Jock Laurie
Year 12; Ma - Jessie Fisher, Danielle Thompson, Gaby Wills, Fred Broughton, Andrew Gown, Melissa Thomas, Simon King

**Academic Effort**
Year 8; Eng - Kate Ponder, Emma Harbison, Sophie Gullifer, Yasin Bildiren, David Nott
Year 9; Eng - Meg Coles, Sci - Elizabeth Denison
Year 10; Geo - Jack Brand, Fr - Rachel Gentles, Elin Williams

**Congratulations to the following students for their good citizenship shown towards others**

**Tutor House Points –**
DEAN - Angus Kirk, Beau Christopherson
BROWN - Krysten Hood, Rachelle Stubberfield, William Olson
DOUGLAS - Alex Webster, Sarah spina, Jack Dodds, Lorrae Kennedy, Meg Crouch
MCLACHLAN - David Mackender x2, Sam Pasquali, Zoe Press
GORDON - Sam Weeks

**MUSIC TOUR OF EUROPE AND THE UNITED KINGDOM 7 – 24 APRIL 2011**
**PRESENTATION, THURSDAY 26TH AUGUST – PERFORMANCE THEATRE 5.00PM**
Musicians and their parents are invited to a presentation given by Mr Rob Latimer from Tour Operators ACFEA which will outline the proposed tour and include a power point presentation and narrative. Mr Latimer will be able to provide detailed information about the tour and will provide answers to queries. The presentation is open to all interested parties, even if you haven’t previously indicated interest.

**St Barnabas Anglican Church** will be holding a Confirmation Service on Sunday 14th November at 9.00am and confirmees will be presented to the Bishop of Bathurst, Richard Hurford.
Classes in preparation for confirmation will be conducted by Rev Gary Neville and will be held on Fridays at 4.30pm and would be most suitable for students in Year 6 or above. Other class times can be made for those who would like to attend but for which this time is not suitable.
Please contact Rev Neville on 6362 7729 for more details.
KWS FOOTBALL SUPPORTERS
GALA DAY  SATURDAY 28th AUGUST

There will be non-stop football action at Wolaroi this Saturday 28th August. 14 KWS football teams from the U6’s through to the Firsts as well as the internal football competition will be in action. The day starts at 8.30am with internal football and the competition games commence from 9.40am with the Under 11’s playing on the KWS South field and the U13’s playing on the KWS North field. The firsts are playing at 1.30pm, all parents and friends are encouraged to come along and support these teams throughout the day.

A canteen will be run by the KWS Football supporters and will be operating from the Lions van in the Prep School car park. Hot & cold food and drinks will be available including sausage sandwiches, steak sandwiches, tea, coffee, water, soft drinks, etc.

We would appreciate some helpers for the canteen - Please call Andrew Glastonbury on 0417 653 135 if you are able to spare an hour on Saturday.

Quote; Reporter: "It looked like you were outplayed in certain area’s of the field in today’s game." Gordon Strachan: "Yes, we were outplayed in certain parts of the field today, the big green area of it..."

Reporters: "Gordon, can we have a quick word please?"

Strachan: "Velocity." (walks off)

KWS 2nds v KWS 16s

Last Tuesday these two teams finally did battle on the very muddy terrain that is the ex-students north field. The game was pulsating, with both teams spending periods of the match dominating the other. Just as one team appeared to forge ahead the other dug in and pushed forward. Even as the 16s appeared to take a definitive 3 - 1 lead, the 2nds did not panic, but chose to work into space and get in behind their effective sweeper. Having clawed back to a 3 all draw, the 2nds pounced again and went one goal up. To their credit the 16s hit back with a well struck equaliser. In the dying minutes the play went from end to end and both teams needed to perform desperate saves to keep the ledger even. The game was played in good spirits throughout and surprisingly, both teams did well to stay on their feet and execute effective passing. Our goals were scored by Nigel (2), Jesse and Joe.

Excellent saves were made by the goalkeepers Joel and Paul. The result was a fitting outcome as neither team deserved to lose.

Hockey

Kinross 1st’s v Canobolas Won 3-2

We started the game with great enthusiasm, passing the ball upfront creating opportunities for our attackers as well as our strength on the ball and not allowing the opposition to control the game. Nyssa Iffland scored our first goal which inspired the team to continue to create opportunities up front. Sarah Crombie scored not long after with another great goal which put us 2 to nil up. Unfortunately we started to relax and allowed the opposition to get back into the game but this was not the case in Sarah Crombie’s mind as she converted another goal and we were able to hang on to the game and win 3-2. Olivia Hordynsky played great after a few weeks away as well as Eleanor Pratten and Georgia Andrews. Thank you to Jess Davis who had a blinder in goal saving us on any occasions.

Good luck to the 7 junior team that are playing their semi-finals this weekend.

KWS 3rds v City lost 5-0

A good effort by the girls with illness hitting the team so we had 9 players on the field. A great job by Isobella and Hilary to stand in as goal keeper. A special thank you to Bridie who stepped in with a good performance. A strong game by Ros and Elise.

Last chance to purchase tickets to the Hockey Awards Presentation and Dinner to be held on Saturday 4th September, 2010.
Summer sports will be the feature of the Quality Sports coaching programs in Orange for the next school holidays. Cricket, Athletics and Swimming will be offered with residential places available under supervision at Kinross Wolaroi School, or participants can attend each day with drinks and lunch included in the live-out costs. Full Accommodation and meals for the three days is $295 and the non-residential cost is $250.

The three camps are all over the same three days on 27th, 28th and 29th September and further information and application forms are now available by phoning Quality Sports on 63629234.

Netball

KWS 2nds v Newstead 47-24
Going into the match with some good form, we were ready to have an excellent game and we didn’t disappoint. We started strong, getting a good lead. Jess Honeysett had an excellent game with the circle and created a lot of space in the mid-court in the second half of the game. Our defence was unstoppable with Polly Hannigan causing the opposition much trouble. Once again our mid-court was quick and intercepted a lot of ball, with Sophie Gunn leading the charge. Overall, an excellent game. We look forward to our last round match this weekend against Metro’s and hope to have another good game to lead us into the finals series.

Junior A’s
This week it was time for another round against Canobolas High and just like the first game we played against them, it was freezing with rain and wind to boot. This made the game a difficult one for both sides as it was a challenge just to be able to catch the ball without having it fly through your fingers! Passes were well calculated and this saw some quick work into the goal circle which resulted in some easy goals early on. With our usual Goal Attack away this weekend Arabella Jorgensen-Hull did a great job in the position and threw many goals. Jordie Brodie also played very well as Wing Attack. Despite the difficult conditions we won the game by more than 10 goals. Congratulations girls. One more round to play before the semis!

15B v Tic Tacs lost 13-19
With a number of the team on leave and unwell we were lucky to have the talents of Emma Rutherford and Taylor Hamilton to fill in the gaps for us this week. The match was close for most of the time and the girls kept fighting for the ball throughout the entire game. The weather was wet and bitterly cold so running to stay warm was a priority. Many thanks to Sarah Elfar who played in WD and GK positions instead of her normal attacking positions. Erin Smith and Sasha Hall maintained their normal strong defense in support. Sara Naylor and Sammy Charry were great supports in attack for Emma and Taylor. Many thanks to the girls for their help.

KWS Neighbours v CYMS  Won 45/21
Taking the court one player down - the girls stared pretty flat. Thanks to Bronte Currie for filling in. Neighbours started the second quarter a few goals in arrears but now with 8 players, the team started to play hard. Kali Marshall used the goal circle well, easily splitting to ring to make each attempt count. Annabel Watt also had a good game at the ring, positioning to advantage and working well with the centre court players and Kali. Bec Hill helped bring the ball through the thirds and had some great anticipation. Sam Rowlands contested every ball and was the catalyst for the team adrenaline. Determined as always, Lucy Alyward got some great tips and intercepts. Well done girls and hopefully we can get a couple of solid training sessions in this week. Good luck on your exchange Annabel!!!!!!

KWS 13As defeated Canobolas 13As 37-10
The KWS 13As team had a great win on Saturday defeating Canobolas 13As 37-10. After a good training session on Thursday the girls knew exactly what to do and looked strong down the court. The girls focused on staying in their positional channels of the courts which created much more space instead of just running to where the ball is. Our shooters worked on holding in the goal circle and with a bit more practise this could prove a huge strength for our team in the upcoming games. Bronie, Lizzie, Eddie and Sophia all shot well throughout the game while our defence girls held their own against some aggressive competition coming up with plenty of taps and intercepts. The girls should be proud of their efforts on Saturday as they were a very impressive team to watch. We will be training hard this week with our last round game next week against CYMS before the semi-finals begin. Thank you to everyone that came down to support our team.

KWS Rugby Club Annual Dinner & Presentation Night
6pm, Saturday 11th September 2010
Derek Pigot Auditorium
Adults: $80, Students: $50
RSVP: Sally Rattray-Wood by Thursday 2/9/10
Ph: 6392 0325
Netball Presentation Dinner
Tickets are now on sale for our annual Presentation Dinner to be held on the night of the Grand Final.

When: Saturday 18th September.
Where: KWS DPA
Dress: Smart casuals to semi – formal
Time: 6pm to 10:30pm
Dinner: 2 course buffet (main and dessert)
Cost: Adults and secondary students: $35
      Non secondary children: $25

There will be team awards, team activities and music/dancing. Come and join in on what should prove to be a good night!

Get in early as limited seats are available!
Ticket sales close on Thursday 2nd September.

Complete the slip below and return to Kinross Wolari School Accounts Department Locked Bag 4 Orange 2800 (phone 6392 0313 fax 6392 0381)
Payment (cash, cheque or credit card – Visa or Master Card only) is to be made to the KWS Netball Club.

The following will be attending the 2010 KWS Netball Presentation Dinner:

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