Dear Parents

A huge thank you to all the staff, parents and children for making the Inter-House Swimming Carnival such a success last week. To have so many people assisting made for a well-run carnival. Also congratulations to Mrs Lou Barrett for all her efforts and skills in running the carnival.

At the carnival I mentioned the parents and staff who assisted in the K-2 Swim School over the past couple of weeks. The contribution was enormous and removed a lot of the anxiety for our younger students. Thank you to: Staff, Gully and Aly (the Gap Staff), Mel McClare, Annie Waddell, Lisa Savage, Penny Chandler, Kate Brown, Genya Miller, Michelle Srzich, Jane Hill, Bec Anderson, Cathy Bloomfield, Kylie Lewis-Minogue, Jennifer Murray, Suz Perkins, Melissa Buesnel, Laurie-Anne Usher, Tricia Niven, Bec Choi, Tracey Carmody, Alex Gibb, Meredith Knight, Lizzy Whiteley.

One of the most gratifying features of the carnival was the students who ‘had a go’. It is always easy to do what you can but to jump out of your comfort zone and swim in unfamiliar strokes or distance is a little harder. To have nearly all our 3-6 students swim 50 metres freestyle says wonders for the children’s desire and skill. There were also some students who completed 25m for the first time in four strokes and they are to be commended as well. Congratulations!

Also a thank you to the parents who attended the Information Evening last week. I trust you found it valuable in gaining a greater understanding of what occurs in the classroom. The staff certainly appreciate your attendance.

Next week we have our first Prep School Music Camp. With the current high interest in Music and the talent of the students, this camp will help in developing our band and string programmes even further. This is a great initiative from Mrs Annie McRae and the Music Department and we look forward to their concert next Tuesday to conclude the camp.

During the last few years we have had strong enrolments in Pre-Prep. Again in 2013 our numbers continue to grow. If you have a young child or have friends who are interested in Pre-Prep please enrol now before all vacancies are taken. You can contact Cathy or Julie on 63920316 for further information.

Enjoy your week.

Regards

Rob McLean
Head of the Preparatory School

Peer Support

Last week's Swimming Carnival provided students with an opportunity to ‘have a go’ and it was great to see so many doing just that on Friday after discussing it within their peer groups on Thursday. This week in Peer Support we are celebrating successes. The children will identify their strengths and achievements and the role of perseverance in achieving a personal best. Perhaps you can share with your child a time where you had to persevere to achieve a personal goal?

During the week encourage your child to think about the things they are good at. Ask them the word they chose to best describe their own strengths and qualities so you can affirm them in this area.

Mr Tim May
Merit Awards:


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**LOST PROPERTY**
Luca Wynn has lost a size 14 blazer. Tag name Eden Taylorwood-Roe
Lachlan Brown has lost: School Bucket Hat, goggles (black), red swim cap, sports tracksuit top
white school shirt - went missing prior to the swimming carnival.

If any of these items are found please return to Luca or Lachlan or the office.

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**Prep Music News**

**Prep Music Camp** – Monday and Tuesday Week 5
Next week is our first Prep Music Camp on Monday 27th and Tuesday 28th February. The camp is for students involved in Prep Senior Band and Prep Strings and will be held at school in the Music Centre and Prep Music Room. Students need to bring casual clothes to get changed into on Monday and are to wear school uniform on Tuesday. We will be performing a short concert at 2:30pm on Tuesday in the Performance Theatre for the Prep School and any parents who would like to attend.

**FAIR DAY – PREP SENIOR BAND, JUNIOR WOODWIND AND JUNIOR BRASS ENSEMBLES ARE PERFORMING!**
All students involved in Senior Band, Junior Woodwind and Junior Brass Ensembles will be performing at Fair Day on 3rd March. Students are to meet at the main quadrangle (outside Wolaroi House) at 11:15 am to set up and tune. Our performances will start at 11:30 and be finished by 12:15pm. Students can wear neat casual clothes for the performances. Please let Mrs McRae know if you are unable to attend the concert by Thursday 23rd Feb.
Students who would like to learn an instrument can collect an instrument form from the front office or from Mrs McRae. We have excellent tutors at the school and offer a wide range of instruments.

**Assembly performances**

Well done to Hannah Solari on violin and Liam Choi, Owen Bloomfield and Ethan Rutherford who all performed brilliantly on the piano at this week’s Assembly!

Please see Mrs McRae if you are interested in performing at an Assembly. Prep Assemblies are held every Monday from 12:05pm.

**Friday Lunchtime Performance Workshops with Mrs Moxey**

Every Friday lunchtime students have a wonderful opportunity to perform at a performance workshop which is run by our fantastic string teacher, Mrs Moxey. A sign-up sheet is put up each week in the Music Centre and 8 spots are available each week. Please note Mrs Moxey is away this week so the workshop will resume in Week 5, Friday 2nd March.

**Prep Music Ensembles**

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**Oboe Half-Scholarship - Bassoon Half-Scholarship**

Students in Years 4, 5, 6 and 7 are invited to apply for a half-scholarship on oboe or bassoon. The school will pay half the tuition fees for one year as well as the full cost of instrument hire. Please see Mrs Libby Chapman in the Music Centre Supervisor’s Office or email echapman@kws.nsw.edu.au to register your interest by Friday 24 February 2012.

**KWS Friends of Music**

KWS Friends of Music will meet THIS Wednesday, 22nd February, at 7pm in the KWS Music Centre. (This meeting was re scheduled from the 15/2). Please come along and be part of an exciting 2012 program.

**WANTED:** Magazines and shoe boxes for Mrs Jodie Allen’s class.

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**KWS Canteen Volunteers Roster – February 2012**

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School Fair - Saturday 3 March 2012

NEEDED PARENT VOLUNTEERS TO BE ON A BOTTLE STALL ROSTER FOR ½ TO 1 HOUR PLEASE CALL JEAN ON 0488168595 OR LEAVE YOUR NAME AND TIME AT THE OFFICE

Start collecting and filling those bottles/ jars for our School Fair

Each year the Prep students collect and fill as many bottles and jars as they can to sell on the Bottle Stall to raise money for our school to purchase more equipment for our children. (Last year we collected & sold over 1200 jars) 😊

SUGGESTIONS:
- Jars filled with wrapped lollies
- Jars filled with hair bands & clips
- Jars of jam/Vegemite/honey
- Bottles of wine
- Jars with pens/pencils etc
- Use your imagination !!!!

Please note all Jars/Bottles must be to the value of at least $2 dollars or more.

How many jars can you do?? 1, 5, 10 or more.......... 
NOTE: Please make sure the jars are clean, especially with lollies!!

BE CREATIVE AND HAVE FUN!

Drop all jars to the old undercover area from Monday 27 February.

Position Vacant
Prep Bottle Stall co-ordinator for KWS Fair in 2013
- Free on the job training this year
- Rewards include enjoying the company of parents and the smiles of the children
Please contact Jean Condon if you are interested 0488168595
Full Program for the Fair

8.15am    Cricket – KWS Grants vs SJS    Sally Kennett
8.15am    Cricket - KWS Kerridges vs SJS    Sharpe Oval
9.00am    Year 7 information session    Performance Theatre
10.00am   Fair opens
           KWS Prep School Drum Corps
           Opening of Fair - Principal Brian Kennelly
           Waltzing Matilda - Violinists
10.15am   The Rite Journey – parent information
11.30am   KWS Prep Senior Band
           Junior Woodwind Ensemble
           Junior Brass Ensemble
1.00pm    Calcutta    Central
1.00pm    Cricket - KWS Firsts vs Orange City    Main Oval
2.00pm    High School Bands and entertainment    Central
2.30pm    Raffle draw and thank yous    Central stage
2.35pm    Calcutta Footrace
           Prefects and House Captains
3.00pm    Fair closes
4.00pm    Boarders Parents Committee    Wolaroi House

Come Join the Fun and visit all the Stalls

Sumo suit wrestling by Douglas
Yummy pavs and lamingtons by Brown
Funky face Painting by Gordon
Ice cold drinks in barrows by Dean
Crazy hair by Richards
Aussie activities by McLachlan
Prep School’s great Bottle stall lucky dip
Boaridrs stall featuring produce from home
Craft and gift market in the DPA
Thrilling Rides – dodgems, sizzler, bucking bull, dunk tank, tea cups, jumping castle

Tucker

“The Milk Bar” a must for fabulous Aussie burgers and milk shakes
“The Breakfast Bar” for early breakfast at DPA
BBQ, for sausage and steak sandwiches
Fairy floss and snow cones
Gelato from Molong
Mini pancakes for breakfast or morning tea
Coffee carts
Aussie Wood Fired Pizza
General Stalls
Home made jams and chutneys
Home baked cakes and treats
White elephant stall for all your trinkets, books and interests
Kite flying on the oval
Sling shot competition
Drayshed Nursery’s plants and garden art
Sensational sands art for little kids
The Leura Bodger demonstrating a bush lathe

Central Stage and Entertainment
Prep Senior Band, Drum Corps, Aboriginal Dancers, Calcutta, Buskers, Junior Woodwind Ensemble and Junior Brass Ensemble

Volunteers Needed…..
Thank you to everyone who has volunteered, we still need more willing parents to help out on the day.

Cake Stall - Liz Rogers is looking for parents to help with baking and selling.

Sumo Wrestling – Referees required

House stalls – volunteers

Raffle – receiving and folding raffle tickets for the draw

House stalls – parents to help on their house stall

All new parents – this is a great opportunity to get to know other parents and become a valuable member of the school community.

We are waiting for your emails…..

Hamilton Island Holiday Raffle
Thanks to everyone who has already returned their raffle books. Great Job!

Please remember that it is essential that all books are returned and names are marked off.

Gillian Coleman

Kim Bryant

gillian@hotondobathurst.com.au

kimb@ssfs.com.au

One Week To Go for Raffle-Ticket Returns
Just a reminder to families that there is one week to go before raffle-tickets are due to be returned to the office. A huge thank you to all who have managed to sell tickets for our fair raffle as the funds will be used for the construction of the Allenby Rd bus shelter. If you haven’t sent your tickets into school yet, please do so within the next week (unsold/sold). Thank you in anticipation. If anyone is willing to offer an hour of their time helping on the Raffle-Ticket Table at the fair, please email Gabrielle Pearce at sagc@bigpond.com.

Clean out those wardrobes, book shelves and declutter the kitchen.
It’s time for the ……KWS Fair – White Elephant stall.

Now is the time to bring in the boxes of ‘great stuff’ you have been collecting

Please drop this to Leanne in the Cadet storeroom (next to the car park behind the DPA in the enclosed fence) on Mondays and Wednesdays (between 1.00 – 3.00 and 4.00 – 5.00)

Or contact me by email jotcheney@bigpond.com / 0263638081

Helpers are still needed Please contact me

jotcheney@bigpond.com / 0263638081
**Swimming Carnival**

Congratulations to all students who competed at the Carnival on Friday. It was an exciting day with fantastic racing and results. Douglas won the House point shield, with all Houses being very competitive. There were records broken on the day by: Jonty King-Christopher 9 Yrs 50m Freestyle 39.71; Lucy Waddell 8 Yrs 50m Breast stroke 1:01.91 & 8 Yrs 50m Backstroke 57.39; and Douglas Boys Senior Relay team – Mitchell Strike, Richmond Sear, Harry Sear, Richard King-Christopher 2:31.20. As a result from the Carnival, the following swimmers have made the WAS / HICES Team for 2012.

**WAS/ HICES TEAM 2012**

*Good luck to these Swimmers for Wednesday.*

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The WAS Swimming Carnival is on this Wednesday 22nd Feb, with the HICES Swimming in Sydney on Thursday 1st March. Permission notes will come home on Wednesday for HICES.

**Outside School Sporting Achievements**

Congratulations to William Cheney, Jack Pengilly and Lachlan Brown who competed at Kiama over the weekend for Regional Little Athletics. These athletes competed exceptionally well, gaining places, doing PB’s and qualifying to compete at the State Little Athletics Competition at Homebush on 23-25 March. Well done boys!

**Wet weather cancellation**

Please note that if Sport Training is cancelled, a message will be left on the Sportsline 63920450 after 2.30pm (A decision will NOT be made before this time). If it is too wet / unsafe to hold training, all Sports will be cancelled. On SATURDAYS, all KWS sports will be ON regardless of the weather. Cricket is the only exception to cancellations as the Cricket Association makes this decision.

**Absence from Sport & Training**

Sport at Kinross for Year 3-6 is compulsory. If your child is unable to make a training session or Saturday Sport, a letter must be presented to the childs coach asking for permission to be granted leave. If absent on Saturday due to illness or an unforeseen event occurs, a letter must accompany your child on Mondays and given to their coach. I ask that all parents be vigilant with this please.

**Sports Draw**

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Last week our first training was held and over 20 boys began trialling for the upcoming 7’s and Armidale tournament.

Training will be on this Thursday and the following week we will be playing KWS 13B’s on the Ex-Student ovals from 3.40 pm on FRIDAY 2nd March. There is no training on the 1st due to HICES Swimming Carnival.

If there are any more students who would like to play Rugby and yet to submit their form, it is not too late! Any boys turning 8 this year and older can play.

Training for the boys in the 9’s and 11’s for the Gala Day format begins next term on Fridays. More details will follow.
Mr McLean

Sports Reports

Cricket
U11 Lees - On Saturday we played Orange City. We batted first and scored 5-60. Jay got a top score of 11. City scored 6-76 with Luca getting 1-1. We also got 5 run outs and less no balls. Well done team!
Scott Sullivan

U13 – After a few weeks of washouts, the boys finally returned to the wicket last week. Being sent into bat we were a little rusty, gaining 83 runs for the loss of 8 wickets after the first 25 overs. Fletcher Rose (16) and Angus Cumming (19) were the chief run scorers. SJS are 3-99 after their 25 overs so there is a great deal to do next week to get back in the game.

Basketball
Rebels Vs Rangers: On a beautiful Saturday morning it was the Rebels vs the Rangers. It was an intense game and everyone played very well. By the end of the first half the Rangers were winning 16 to 8. After a drink of water and a break we all ran back on to the court. The Rebels played very well in the second half and caught up to the Rangers. The final score was a draw 21 to 21. Thanks to Mr H for being a great referee. Jess Amos

FOR SPORT CANCELLATIONS
Listen to 105.1 or log on to the KWS website where you will find up to the minute sporting cancellations and you can join to receive instant twitter alerts.

CANCELLATION OF SPORT TRAINING
The decision to cancel sport training is not made until 2:30 pm. A message will be placed on the sport line EVERY sports day. This decision is the final decision and if it rains after the call sport will be held as per usual in the gym and classrooms. No child will be excused from sport until 4.30 pm in this instance.
PLEASE call the sport line on 63920450 from 2.30 pm. NOT THE OFFICE
ENSURE you have made wet weather plans with your child so they are aware of alternative arrangements when sport is called off.

Equestrian
There are some upcoming interschool events for our riders
- 2012 State Interschool Championships - 1st – 4th March
- Evans Crown Horse Sports Day – 19th March 2012 (Entries Close 9 March)
If you would like to receive a copy of the programmes and entry forms for these events please give me a call. I am also keen to create an email & contact list for all interested parties so I can forward out all relevant equestrian information on a regular basis. If you would like to be part of this group please email your details to mprysejones@kws.nsw.edu.au or contact Michelle Pryse Jones on 02 6392 0403 or 0427 683 751.