Dear Parents

Welcome back for our final term of 2012. A special welcome to our four new students commencing in Kindergarten, Year 2 and Year 5.

We also welcome back Mrs Jacquie Paix who returns after a well-deserved break.

Term 4 promises so much across all areas and following on from the success of our K-2 and 5-6 musicals our Years 3 and 4 have their opportunity to perform next week. They will workshop with a production company called Babushka which has worked with great success with our students over the last few years. The students will be performing on Friday October 19 at 5.30 pm in the Performance Theatre. There are no tickets to collect and there is free admission. All are Welcome.

The Canberra Theatre Awards recognise outstanding theatre performances from schools, musical groups and amateur productions throughout the southern half of NSW. Mr Hordynsky and the students have had numerous nominations over the years and indeed have won many awards. Following this year’s performance of Robbin’ the Rich they have asked for the ‘Feast’ scene to be performed on their Gala Evening next February. This is a wonderful achievement and our congratulations to all the cast and Mr Hordynsky.

Enjoy your week.

Rob McLean
Head of the Preparatory School

From Mr Kennelly
An important announcement for the parents of students entering Years 5, 6 and 7 next year relates to the introduction of iPads for these year levels. Over the last 6 months a special task force group has been investigating the formal introduction of these devices. The focus of the use of the iPad is to enhance the learning environment for the students. In the next 3 weeks parents involved will be informed of the details involved with this introduction.

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Prep Open Day

Saturday 3 November
9am to 12pm

KWS Prep is throwing open its classroom doors to showcase the School's outstanding facilities, delightful students and talented teachers.

There will be lots to do and see on the day:
- Musical and Speech and Drama performances
- Guided tours by students
- All Prep and Pre-Prep classrooms will be open with wonderful displays of students' work
- Our Prep and Pre-Prep teachers will be on hand to answer queries and chat to visitors

Everyone is welcome: whether you're a current KWS family or just want to look through the classroom and wander around School's stunning grounds.

Call Cathy in the Prep Office on 6392 0316
or visit the KWS website for all the details

www.kws.nsw.edu.au
Congratulations to Mr Hordynsky, the Prep Staff and our Year 5/6 students who presented a fabulous musical at the end of Term 3. The students performed so beautifully and the quality of acting and singing was excellent. The costumes were really spectacular too.

**Year 11 Student**
Annabelle Carter is to be congratulated on achieving the $3,000 Margaret Henderson Scholarship for outstanding performance. As previously reported, Annabelle obtained a first-round placement in the National Music Camp. Thousands of students audition for this opportunity from around Australia every year. She also obtained a place in Young Symphonists. Congratulations on an amazing year, Annabelle.

**Macquarie Philharmonia**
Several of our KWS Music Staff are performing in the current concert series called “From Russia With Love”. The staff performing are: Lorraine Moxey, Laith Ismail, Dahle Innes, Samantha Schoeler-Jones, Anne Stevens, Katie Sinclair. Mrs Moxey is featured as a soloist. I encourage you to attend the Bathurst concert on 13 October at 7:30 pm at the Bathurst Memorial Centre. Tickets can be obtained by calling 6333 6161.

**Friends of Music News**
Welcome to Term 4. Our next meeting will be held in Week 2 on Wednesday 17 October in Room 66, starting at 7 pm. The main focus of the meeting will be to plan the FOM 2013 timetable. All welcome.

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**KWS Canteen Volunteer Roster**

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**Manager:** Justine
**Ph:** 63 92 0387

If anyone is interested in helping in the canteen please contact Justine.

**P&F News**

**Bus Shelter for Allenby Road!**
The P&F are pleased to announce that it is able to fully fund the $48,000 for the construction of a bus shelter for the Allenby Road area. This shelter will be built within school grounds and will be of similar design to the bus shelter at the back of the gymnasium. Construction will commence as soon as possible. The success of this year’s Fair and previous fundraising events has enabled the P&F to continue to support the school in providing practical and much-needed facilities for our students. Thank you to all parents and friends of the KWS school community for your ongoing support.

**What you missed from last P&F meeting (12.09.2012)**
- Latest update regarding school funding and how this will potentially affect KWS.
- Feedback from the outgoing Year 12 student and parent survey.
- Update on the 2013 Fair. Plans are well underway; please watch out for updates, there are many ways in which you can help that don’t require a lot of time or effort.

**What’s coming up for discussion at P&F Wednesday 10 October 2012?**
- The Tower magazine – publication time, increasing costs, where to from here!
- School photos – quality, number, ordering.

**New P&F Meeting Format**
7.30pm to 8.15pm – general business
8.15pm-9.30pm – Principal Brian Kennelly and Head of Preparatory Rob McLean arrive to present their reports and to talk on the advertised item/s of discussion.

**Everyone welcome!**
P&F Minutes & Reports
Previous minutes and reports can be found on the KWS P&F webpage
LUNCH ORDERS ARE BACK - Year 7 & Year 8 Online Ordering

From Term 3, students in **Year 7 and 8 (only)** have been able to place their Canteen orders online via Flexischools Online Ordering. This system allows students or parents to place orders online using their computer or Smartphone before 10am each morning – orders can be placed daily, for the week or even for the term in advance. Payments are made via a secure system using credit or debit cards, and lunches are then collected from the Canteen.

Flexischools provide a 24 hour, 7 day a week Helpdesk which you can contact via a 1300 number or via their website and there is also systems support available at school. An ordering demonstration is on the Flexischools website [www.Flexischools.com.au](http://www.Flexischools.com.au).

It is so easy. To register go to the school website and click on KWS Communities and Canteen News. Then “Click here to register a new online ordering account”. Once registered you can place an order, just “Click here to order a canteen lunch online.”

This introduction of online ordering to Years 7and 8 is part of a phased roll out across the school – KWS Prep students have been ordering on line since Term 4 last year. More details will be published in the Newsletter and on the Canteen page of the KWS website in Term 4.

Online ordering is available as a service to **Years 7 and 8 only** from Term 3, but the Grab and Go menu will still be available for all senior students at the P&F Canteen.

**Parent comments:**

“Fantastic, convenient, quick, easy, love it, excellent, user friendly, permanent order”

“Displays food options well, lots of choice”

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**SWIM NEWS**

The Dubbo RSL Youth Swimming Club Development Carnival, Sunday 21 October 2012 will be our first competition of Term 4. This competition I wish to utilise as a team building exercise and as an opportunity for me to watch our members compete to further assist with the future training programme. Please contact Katrina Matuschka at skmatusc@colourcity.com with your entries. I'd appreciate it if you could also notify me as to the swims you have chosen, at ghollywood@kws.nsw.edu.au

The Orana Aquatic Qualifying Carnival, Sunday 4 November will be our second competition of Term 4. This competition will be an opportunity for team members to post qualifying times for future competitions. It is particularly important swimmers select 200 m events and above in a bid to post consideration times for NSW CIS.

**School Carnivals / Local Carnivals** place too strong an emphasis on swimming 50m & 100m events when in fact school age swimmers should be training more towards the middle distance events with respect to their long term athletic development. Notwithstanding the fact that more swimmers are better suited to and experience greater improvement / success in the middle distance events as opposed to the shorter distances.

John Miller has been working beside me with the Junior Group Term 3 and has proved a huge asset to the programme. I’d like to thank John for his help and for providing training opportunities during the holiday period.

If you would like to assist with the Junior Group please arrange a meeting with myself and consider enrolling in one of the following courses.

**AUSTSWIM Courses**

**AUSTSWIM: Teacher of Swimming & Water Safety $383.00**

The AUSTSWIM Teacher of Swimming and Water Safety course provides candidates with the essential skills to teach swimming and water safety to people aged four years and above. The course is the industry standard for learn to swim instructors and is valid for 3 years.

Sat. 20-Sun. 21 October Blue Mountains Leisure Centre 8.30am-5.30pm
Sat. 27-Sun. 28 October Condobolin Swimming Pool 8.30am-5.30pm
Sat. 3-Sun. 4 November Dubbo Aquatic Leisure Centre 8.30am-5.30pm
Sat. 17-Sun. 18 November Orange Aquatic Centre 8.30am-5.30pm
Sat. 24-Sun. 25 November Coonamble Swimming Pool 8.30am-5.30pm
Sat. 8-Sun. 9 December Mudgee Swimming Pool 8.30am-5.30pm

**Land Training** opportunities will be available in Term 4 for those club members who are maximising their training opportunities in the pool. Initially there will be two gymnastic classes running on Wednesdays 1530 – 1630 hours and Saturdays 0900 – 1000 hours. Please contact me for further information.

**Senior Group Swimming Training Time Table Term 4**

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Please note PLC borders and those swimmers attending 9 sessions per week may train Mondays & Wednesdays 1530 – 1745 Term 4.

**Junior Group Swimming Training Time Table Term 4**

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GE Hollywood B.Sc. ASCA Fellow
Head Swimming Coach
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**NSWPSSA Athletics**

Good luck to Phoebe Litchfield who will be competing next week on Wednesday and Thursday at the NSW PSSA Athletics Carnival (State) in Sydney at Homebush. Phoebe will represent CIS in the 100m sprint and 800m. We wish her all the very best in her competition.

**Summer Sport**

Summer Sport booklets will have been received over the school holidays. Please read all the requirements and uniform details for each sport. All students will be training Mondays and Wednesdays from **3.30pm until 5.00pm**. Cricket will be the only team that WILL NOT train on Monday afternoons. There is a copy of the bulletin on the Sports noticeboard if students are not sure of times, training etc. Training commences for all sports at 3.30pm sharp. It is important students bring correct uniform, drink bottles and a piece of fruit. Students meet their teachers at the round garden. Notes must accompany students for absences etc prior to sessions.

**Reminder: Return of Hired Soccer / Football Shirts**

With the conclusion of football for all teams, players need to have returned their hired soccer shirts. Shirts need to have your child’s name with them so that families are not charged for late or missing shirts. Accounts are about to be settled. If you still have a shirt, please return it ASAP.

**Sports Draw**

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**Swimming in PE lessons**

A note will be coming home this week with students in Year 3-6 advising of the commencement of “Swim & Survive” in PE lessons for the next couple of weeks. The note will detail uniform requirements, information about the Royal Lifesaving programme and reasons behind teaching our students survival techniques. Please note that Years 3-4 will commence their lessons after their drama week.