Speech Day 2012

It is my pleasure to announce Waverly Stanley as the guest speaker for the Kinross Wolaroi School 2012 Speech Day.

Waverly was a 2011 Australian of the Year State Finalist due mainly to his work in establishing the Yalari Foundation. Waverly established Yalari in 2005 and this organisation now supports 180 Indigenous children from around Australia who attend Independent Boarding Schools in all states.

Waverly’s own personal experience of attending boarding school at Toowoomba Grammar over 20 years ago was the catalyst for founding Yalari. Waverly relished the opportunity he was granted as a young boy to attend Toowoomba Grammar becoming their first Indigenous Head Boy Prefect.

The Yalari organisation is committed to the empowerment, motivation and support of indigenous children. Waverly aims to bring about long term generational change by giving indigenous children the opportunity to attend some of the highest achieving boarding schools in Australia. Parents would be aware that we have a number of Yalari students currently attending KWS.

It is a privilege for us to have Waverly as our guest speaker at the 2012 KWS Speech Day.

Brian J Kennelly
Principal

House Spectacular

On Friday night 10th August the Inter-House Spectacular evening will occur in the DPA. It promises to be a night of wonderful entertainment, produced and directed entirely by the students themselves. Each House will perform a short show that includes singing, dancing and acting, based around a quirky story line. I encourage parents and friends to attend this great evening, hosted by the Head and Deputy Head Prefects. The evening will begin at 7.00pm sharp.

The order of Houses on the night is Dean, Richards, Gordon, Brown, McLachlan and Douglas. Girl boarders in the first two Houses will need to stay on the Wolaroi site after school in order to have dinner (at 5.30pm) and put make-up on and get costumes and props organised. At 6.30pm there will be a bus from PLC to bring the rest of the girl boarders over to Wolaroi. Buses will return girl boarders to the PLC site after the performances are completed, at approximately 9.30pm.

A big thank-you to parents for coping with the rehearsal schedule this week too!

Bev West
Head of Senior School
Year 12 Parent and Student Survey - Feedback

I am grateful to those Year 12 Parents and Students who completed the survey last term. We received an excellent response rate to the survey which has provided the school with meaningful data to improve our current practises where necessary. The additional benefit of the survey is the comparisons that can be made with other leading Independent Schools around Australia. Here is a brief overview of the feedback and comments we received. A more comprehensive report will be available later this term.

Parents were asked to rate the importance they placed on reasons for choosing a school for their child.

The 5 most important reasons for choice are:

- Focus on student welfare, providing a safe & caring environment (93%)
- Quality of teaching (92%)
- The School’s values (88%)
- Academic standards (86%)
- Balanced challenging education (86%).

These reasons are closely aligned to the responses received from other schools and are almost exactly the same as the results from last year’s survey.

Students were also asked to rate the importance they placed on reasons for choosing a school. Interestingly these are slightly different to the Parents view but again align closely with responses from last year.

The 6 most important reasons for choice are:

- Facilities and resources (86%)
- Quality of teaching (85%)
- Range of elective subjects (84%)
- Academic standards (83%)
- Experience of friends at the School (83%)
- Coeducational school (81%).

It is interesting to note that the Quality of teaching is a close second choice for both parents and students and is the most highly rated reason overall. I am pleased to read this as the primary focus of the Staff Performance Development program is to improve the engagement of students in the class through providing quality teaching.

The comments below are a sample of some of the many positive responses we received from parents and students. The most common area of praise was the quality of our teaching staff, the loyal and supportive friendship base for students and the many opportunities that we provide for students to develop and grow into fine young adults.

From the Parents - in response to - ‘What do you value most?’

“The schools ability to view each child as an individual and guiding them to achieve all the attributes that help them to become a confident young adult.”

“The support and passion of the boarding staff and the manner in which they have cared for my child. The longstanding association with some members of staff and their willingness to support my child at all times.”

“The teachers and boarding staff know and care about my son, his wellbeing, his school performance and his behaviour as a decent caring and happy young man.”

From the students - in response to - ‘What do you value the most?’

“The friends I have made. Being a boarder, I greatly value the family like friendships I have made.”

“The quality of education, the high standards set by the school. The way the school has fostered and cared for me over my time here.”

“I value the friends I have made, and the incredible work of the teachers, who have helped me immensely in my final year of school.”

“The connection between students and teachers. The atmosphere of the school.”

Brian Kennelly
Principal
It’s ‘Fair Time’ Again

Planning for next year’s Fair has started... And it’s going to be a Circus!

We are forming a NEW Fair Committee and are looking for willing parents, friends and students to come along and share ideas:

**Date:** Saturday 11th August  
**Time:** 10am (for half an hour)  
**Where:** Room 81 in the Anderson Centre

Whether you can spare just a little time or are prepared to take on a larger role, we would be delighted with any input, ideas and assistance.

Please contact:  
Gillian Coleman [gillian@hotondobathurst.com.au](mailto:gillian@hotondobathurst.com.au) or  
Kim Bryant [kimb@ssfs.com.au](mailto:kimb@ssfs.com.au)

Alternatively we look forward to seeing you on Saturday 11th August

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**Online ordering at the Canteen**

From Term 3, students in **Year 7 and 8 (only)** will be 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, 7day 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 online since Term 4 last year. More details will be published in the Newsletter and on the Canteen page of the KWS website in Term 3.

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

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**Students driving to School**

There appears to be students driving to and/or from school without consent.

If your child is driving to and/or from school, or is a passenger in another student’s car they MUST have their parent/guardian complete a Permission to Drive/Be a Passenger form.

This form must be lodged with both their Head of Boarding and the Principal’s PA.

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**Lost Clothing**

Parents please be reminded that all Student’s clothing and property is to be carefully and clearly named to reduce the risk of clothing being lost and mixed up with other students property. There are lost and found collections at School if your child has an item that has been misplaced.
**Book Fair**
Lots of Books for all ages will be on sale at the KWS Book Fair! All profits will go towards our next Literature Festival.

**When:** Tuesday 21st - Friday 24th August from 8:30am until 4:45pm  
**Where:** KWS Library Seminar Room  
**What will be on sale?** Quality books supplied by Collins Booksellers.

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**Rising Generations Workshop for Year 9 students**
On Wednesday 8th August, Year 9 students will be participating in a workshop as part of the Rite Journey program. The full day of exciting workshops will be conducted by Rising Generations, with separate sessions for boys ‘Mighty Men’ and girls ‘Celebrating Sisterhood’. Rising Generations are regular presenters at our annual Year 11 Leadership Camp. Their workshops are very impressive and we are confident that these separate boys and girls workshops will be exciting and engaging for our Year 9 students.

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**Telstra Connected Seniors Program**
On Wednesday 8th August a group of Year 10 students will travel to the Orange Ex-Services Club to take part in the Telstra Connected Seniors program. On that day, older citizens will be helped with understanding and using iPads and technological devices in a program sponsored by Telstra. This is part of Telstra’s Outreach and Corporate Citizen program and it is not a marketing venture.

We have been invited to send students to help the senior citizens in the hands-on aspects of the day’s program. Last year when in Year 9 many of our students helped in this way; they were so impressive that Telstra has asked us to send students again in 2012. Students are able to make a great contribution to the program, while at the same time developing a friendly connection with older people as part of a service to the community.

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**Are you in need of a tuxedo and dinner shirt for the upcoming ‘formal season’?**
A size 36R mens black tuxedo and size 39 dinner shirt have been given to the school to offer to a student. The suit is in extremely good condition, with a price of ‘**make on offer**’. Proceeds go toward the school. Please see Mr Tierney if you may be interested.

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**KWS Canteen Roster**

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Canteen Manager: Justine  
Phone: (02) 6392 0387

If you are interested in helping out in the Canteen please contact Justine.

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**Lolly Day**
Attention all sweet teeth: The KWS Canteen is having a Lolly Day on Friday 10th August.
Study/Organisation Workshop

As we watch the Olympics, we are fascinated and admire the sheer determination and effort required to achieve at the highest level. I hope that this has inspired some students to look upon their own academics as their own ‘Olympics’.

Like all top athletes, they have goals, a clear plan and a support network to cheer them on. With this in mind, I am holding a study/organisation workshop on Monday 13th August from 5pm to 7pm in Room 1. Students who are interested in coming along should bring with them their diary, a text book (to practice note taking) and writing material.

There will be a light supper and the cost will be $10 to cover the cost of the work booklet. Don’t miss out on getting this part of your academics right!

Yooie Choi
Director of Learning

SMH Young Writer of the Year Award

It is my pleasure to acknowledge the achievement of four Year 7 Students who were recently awarded a Highly Commended Award (an award which recognises “Excellent Achievement”) in the prestigious Sydney Morning Herald Young Writer of the Year Competition.

The students who received the award were Alex Butcherine (Yr7), Eva Bloomfield (Yr7), Eliza Gilbank-Heim (Yr7), and Darren Jayasuriya (Yr7) with an honourable mention for Bree Smith (Yr9) who wrote 2 stories for the competition and clearly showed her creativity and passion for writing.

Nearly 30 students were involved in the KWS Writing Workshop (part of the KWS Enrichment Program) to improve their creative writing skills and enter into the prestigious competition. Each student was given a choice of 3 story starters by famous authors and were judged amongst 1200 other entries around NSW.

We look forward to next year when we can hold these workshops again and enter more of our talented writers in the School.

Yooie Choi
Director of Learning
Music Matters

A quiet week in the Performing Arts Department...literally!

AMEB Examinations have continued running this week so all attendees in the Music Centre have been creeping around trying to make as little noise as possible. Well done to those who have sat their examinations already and good luck to those who will do their examinations this week.

AMEB Examination results

As of this year, the AMEB (Australian Music Examinations Board) will not provide results at the conclusion of examinations. They will be uploading results onto a confidential website for school/teacher access as they become available. This may take days or weeks, depending on the examination. We, as a school, have a username and password for access to the results. We will inform individual teachers of the results as they become available and assure you that your child will receive his/her results at the earliest possible time.

HICES Music Festival – Tickets available

The HICES Festival will conclude with a concert at Sydney Town Hall on Wednesday 15 August at 6:30pm. This year, tickets are available online. Prices are: Adults - $32, Concession for students, children and seniors - $22 and Family of 4 - $96. To book this event, please go to http://www.trybooking.com/BTBW. Door sales on the night will be cash only and doors open at 6:30pm.

Olivia Fisher – another vocal achievement

Year 11 Music 1 student, Olivia Fisher, participated in a vocal workshop with Ms Rachel Beck last holidays and was selected to partake in a cabaret performance this coming weekend. You may remember Rachel Beck from various television shows and our own Orange Carols By Candlelight in 2011. Congratulations Olivia!

Have a wonderful week!

Anneliese Alloway
Head of Performing Arts

Dates for Your Diary

August

10 – Secondary House Spectacular
12 – 16 – HICES Secondary Music Camp
20 – AMEB Written Examinations commence
26 – HSC Composition Recording Day

September

3 - 4 – HSC Recital evenings
3 – 14 – HSC Performance Examinations
3 – Orange Eisteddfod String Day (TBC)
5 – Orange Eisteddfod Band Day (TBC)
6 – 7 – Orange Eisteddfod Choir Days (TBC)
8 – Orange Eisteddfod Open Choir Evening (TBC)
14– Camerata Concert, 6:30pm, Chapel in DPA
19 – Co-curricular Music Afternoon Tea, 3:45pm, Performance Theatre
21 – Year 12 Graduation Ceremony
22 – Holidays begin

October

8 – Term 4 begins
15 – HSC starts
15 - 16 – Music Camp (KWS)
23 – 25 – Australian National Field Days
31 – Music Festival Rehearsal Day

November

1 - Music Festival Rehearsal Day
2 – Grandparents Day, Music Festival Rehearsal Day, Music Festival Concert, 6:30pm, DPA
3 – Preparatory School Open Day
12 – Prep Music Assembly
15 – Elective Music Concert, 5:30pm, Performance Theatre

December

4 – Prep Celebration Assembly
5 – Speech Day
6 – Holidays begin
Sporting Code of Conduct

Dear Kinross Wolaroi Sporting Community,

In light of recent incidents that have occurred in various sports this winter season I am reminding our sporting community that we must adhere to a code of conduct when spectating. If we all adhere to the following code of conduct it will minimise issues that can occur at junior sporting events. This code of conduct applies to all spectators who are associated with Kinross Wolaroi. Failure to follow this code of conduct can result in disciplinary action being taken from either the school or the individual associations with which we play our sports.

Guidelines for Spectators

Control of spectators is the responsibility of the school official with whom the spectators are associated.

Spectators are not to approach or address game officials or any of the opposing players, spectators or officials.

Genuine concerns should be addressed to their own school official who will determine any action to be taken.

Barracking should be enthusiastic and positive, but not designed to heckle, denigrate or unsettle opponents. For example, barracking during a free throw or a kick at goal and so forth is always bad sportsmanship.

Similarly, sledging is totally unacceptable. Barracking should be for the School only. Negative comments are totally unacceptable. Positive comments are motivational.

Good play by either team should be recognised by applause.

It is never right to express disapproval of a referee or umpire’s decision, irrespective of his/her age.

Vocal support for any team should never encourage violence or rough or illegal play.

Coaching by spectators from the sideline is to be actively discouraged by the school official with whom the spectators are associated. Spectators shall not interfere with the progress and/or conduct of a game, including encroaching on the field.

Adults must remember that games at school level are organised for the benefit of the students concerned and not for adults.

Visitors to the grounds should co-operate fully with any regulations or requests made by the school, such as car parking, seating, dressing rooms and the placing of spectators. At all times visitors should leave the area tidy and free of rubbish when they leave.

Thanks,

Joe Priest
Director of Sport
KWS Swimming Senior Squad

I am pleased to announce that the Time Table for the Senior Swimming Programme for Term 3 has been finalised.

Term 3 Training Times

Please note there will be no training Saturday 11th, Sunday 12th August, and Monday 13th August 6:00am - 8:15am.

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With an emphasis on maximising potential the Swimming Programme will be aligned to Istvan Bayli’s model for Long Term Swimming Development, the priorities pertaining to which are outlined below. (Please note the first 15 minutes of each training session is dedicated for dry land purposes).

Priorities: Training to Train

- Males: 12 - 15
- Females: 11 - 14
- Hours per week in water: 16 - 25
- Hours per week land work: 2 - 3

The top priority for the “Training to Train” group is shared equally between skill development and physical conditioning. At this stage of the training programme, the primary objective should be to achieve maximum efficiency in each of the four strokes and in starts and turns. In conjunction with the pool sessions, two or three dry land sessions per week are necessary for purposes of injury prevention and the development of core stability.

Priorities: Training to Compete

- Males: 15 – 18
- Females: 14 – 16
- Hours per week in water: 16 – 25
- Hours per week land work: 3 – 4

“Training to Compete” swimmers will have successfully progressed through the various levels of training and will have been assessed as having acquired the basic technical skills. For these swimmers physical conditioning will now receive a greater emphasis. In addition to introducing a higher degree of specificity into the training drills, the workload and intensity will also be increased. These swimmers have been identified as enjoying a challenge and will be given a “taste” of what is to be encountered in a senior training programme. This will serve to better condition the age group swimmers and will also better prepare them psychologically to make the total commitment required in a senior programme. In conjunction with the pool sessions, three or four dry land training sessions per week are necessary to prepare the swimmers for this form of training at the senior level. Proper technique will be stressed and heavy weight exercises are to be avoided at this level. Mental training and race preparation concepts will be introduced.

Whilst there are guidelines in place it is recognised that not all members of the Senior Group will be in a position to make a total commitment and to that end it should be noted that participants from other aquatic disciplines will be welcome to train as a member of the Senior Group.
Please note that as from the week beginning 6\textsuperscript{th} August, morning practices will be gradually phased in (see below):

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Should you have any further questions relating to the KWS Senior Swimming Programme, please do not hesitate to contact me requesting a meeting.

\textbf{Gary E Hollywood}  
\textbf{Head Swimming Coach}  

ghollywood@KWS.NSW.EDU.AU
Rugby Report

KWS 1st XV Vs Oakhill College

With a lot of promise the 1st XV left Orange to take on the hot favourites for the ISA premiership in Sydney last Saturday.

The game started well for KWS with Tom Bristow calmly slotting a penalty for a 3-0 lead, which Oakhill quickly countered with a converted try. The play throughout the 1st half saw both sides open up some great attacking opportunities, only to be repelled by some fantastic scrambling defence.

KWS were denied a try after a lovely rolling maul was ruled to be held up over the line. This came on the back of some sustained pressure on the Oakhill line.

Just prior to half time Lucas Ferrari held a lofted pass to score out wide & give the crowd & players a lift. At 10-8 the game was in the balance.

The 2nd half started badly with a KWS mistake leading to a converted try for the hosts. Tom Harbison replied beautifully to slice through out wide. At 17-13 down the game was there for the taking.

At this point Oakhill began to dominate control of possession & field position which ultimately led to a blowout in the score line which didn’t really reflect the closeness of the game. Kick chase & lack of possession really hurt KWS.

All players tried very hard but Oakhill were definitely a class side & proved this in the 2nd half.

3 points : Jack Marchinton & Pete Brooker
2 points: Tom Harbison & Max Cowperthwaite
1 point : Jack Yeomans, Louis Kostaglu, Angus Whittaker.

Score: KWS 13 - Oakhill 46

KWS 2nd XV Vs Oakhill College

Coming off two hard fought losses in previous weeks, the 2nd XV was fully focused on a good performance against Oakhill. The loss of our fly-half Brendan Jarret against Scots had meant some positional changes in the back line and by Thursday they were starting to look like a good unit. We were under the pump from the outset and Oakhill had scored 3 unanswered tries before we started to put up any opposition. The 2nd quarter saw some tremendous play by the Kinross boys and we competed on their level until just shy of half time when our defences broke with a try resulting. The 2nd half was a one-sided affair but to our team’s credit, they never stopped trying. Matt Haege scored late in the 2nd half courtesy of a well-executed lineout variation close to the opposition line. Games like these despite not being enjoyable, serve to teach players invaluable lessons about rugby and about life. We will re-group this week and make a good account of ourselves in a fortnight’s time against St Augustine’s.

Score: KWS 5 - Oakhill 57

KWS 3rd XV Vs Oakhill College 3rd XV

The KWS 3rd XV had their worst performance of the season last weekend. After getting off the bus it was clear that the required intensity and focus needed to compete against the undefeated Oakhill team was not there. Oakhill dominated all aspects of play from the outset and rarely made mistakes. KWS was ordinary in defence and failed to put any pressure on the opposition. The score would have been higher without the strong efforts of Zac Grindrod-Burge (3 points), Will Andrews (2 points) and Duncan Kennedy (1 point). Credit must be given to the Oakhill side who were very impressive and deserve the 3rd XV ISA Premiership.

Score: KWS 0 - Oakhill 86
KWS 4th XV Vs Oakhill College 4th XV

We had a good start to the game considering the number of positions either reshuffled or changed, but we started with 15. In the first 5-10 minutes the 4ths were well and truly in the match - the KWS forwards were on top and our back running well with purpose. Oakhill scored at the 10 minute mark and we seemed to lose our way - not as individuals, as there were some great efforts, but as a team we lacked cohesion and support from each other in playing as a team. At times we would work ourselves back into the game only to lose the ball with some silly mistakes and turnovers. The score at half time was 26 - Nil

At half time we spoke about the need to support each other, make a commitment to the tackle, we defiantly weren’t out of the game, but we were making it easy for Oakhill, we would try a few different tactics from 5/8 with the Gus magic.

We started well again in the second half, Oakhill scored after 5 minutes and we went back to the old pattern. We didn’t need a couple of injuries with both James and Kent coming off, unsettled our pattern even more. We were lacking the support in the rucks and mauls - not so much in getting there, but in securing the ball - there were too many easy turnovers. Our kicks weren’t working and the message went out to run the ball, keep the ball in hand (with all the crowd noise, the message didn’t get through). When we ran the ball either by the forwards or backs we made ground but more importantly we kept the ball in hand. In the last 10 minutes we started to scramble for the ball and put pressure on the Oakhill line and we nearly scored twice, a try would have been a just reward for the effort. It was disappointing because we all know how well we can play and have played previously.

Best and Fairest – Murray 3, Angus (M) 2, Ryan 2, Hugh 1

Score: KWS 0 - Oakhill 44

KWS 4th XV Vs St Pats

Congratulations to all the 4ths players again on the win against St Pats!

Al Baxter talked to the boys before the match, and we had two old boys in Roger Lane (71) and Bruce Black (71) help with the backs and forwards. I don’t know if it was Al’s talk or Roger’s and Bruce’s help, but in the opening ten minutes we saw the 4ths well in control.

After some excellent lead up work by the forwards, which resulted in a try (Murray), we seemed to have the game well in control. St Pats struck back with a try, making the scores even. We seemed to lose our structure in the game, each boy just trying to do that little bit more as an individual. With the ‘no panic’ and the ‘let’s get back into the game’ attitude, the 4ths to their credit, scored two more tries, with one to Robbo after a chip and chase, and one to Eden with some good lead up work by the backs.

The talk at half time was to get back to basics - feed the ball out wide, use our backline and the forwards to support each other and don’t get caught with the ball in mauls. The second half was great resulting in three more tries. There was great support play from all players - one of the highlights from James resulted in his first try. All Pats could manage in the second half was 3 points.

I had asked a number of old boys to select a Best and Fairest (mistake). This took forever as I think they had everybody down for at least a couple of points!

Best and Fairest - Murray 3, Robbo 2, Freethy 2, James 1.

The Old Boys made the comment “If the 4th play like that what are the other grades like” !!! Again boys thanks for the win.

Score: KWS 38 - St Pats 17
KWS 16As Vs Oakhill College 16As

After last week’s slow start to the game the 16A’s were determined to make a positive start to the game. KWS executed their goal by starting at a fast pace with high intensity. The two blues played to their structure, supported each other and communicated well across the field. Some sustained pressure lead to points and KWS went into the second half with a 14-0 lead. The second half saw KWS conceding many penalties leading to a defensive game. After a rather minor incident and a lesson learnt, KWS were left a player down and needed to defend for 10 minutes with 14 on the field. KWS gave everything they had and defended with much vigour but eventually the defence was out flanked. It was a very frustrating half for the players but they managed to stay composed to come away with a 19-10 win. The boys can be very proud of their effort and by achieving their goal in the first half meant they came away with the win. All players put on strong performances but a special mention goes to Jackson Bridger who had his best game of the season.

Tries: Ben Watt, Ned Yeomans, Bailey Hilder
Score: KWS 19 - Oakhill 10

KWS 16Bs Vs Oakhill College

The B’s were defeated 48 -5 by a powerful Oakhill outfit on Saturday. As the score line indicates, Oakhill were the better team on the day and we let ourselves down in fundamental areas such as tackling and ball retention. Despite this, credit should go to the boys for giving everything they had until the final whistle.

A number of B’s players deserve special mention: Duncan Whittaker made several try saving tackles and got us out of trouble with some astute kicks on more than one occasion in the first half and Robbie Blatch, Jack Conn and Max Peterson worked hard all game.

In addition, Andrew Stanbrook and Jed Pratten showed tremendous commitment to the two blue jumpers by backing up to play a full game with the B’s after getting a deserved run with the A’s immediately beforehand.

Finally, thanks to the A’s players - Jackson Bridger, Woody McClmont, John Thompson, Hugh Alston and Nick Duffy who were willing to help us out in time of crisis even if it meant they were playing out of position at times.

Points: 3 Robbie Blatch 2 Duncan Whittaker 1 Jack Conn, Max Peterson, Andrew Stanbrook, Jed Pratten
Player’s Player: Robbie Blatch
Score: KWS 5 - Oakhill 48

KWS 13 Bs Vs Oakhill College Cs

Despite the score line the boys can be very happy with their performance. Due to injury and sickness we were very much understaffed for this game. We began well with some good work in defence by Angus Wright and Will Harris. The size of the opposition made it very difficult for us to secure ball from the rucks and mauls and the weight of possession finally told as Oakhill took a 17-0 lead in to the half time break.

With the little ball we did have Lochie Hazelton made some good runs from halfback while Angus Forsyth took the ball up strongly in the forwards. Special mention in the second half to all the outside backs who defended well against waves of attackers. Bailey D’Monte had a stand-out game at fullback with some unconventional but effective tackles. Well done to all the boys for a great effort and for continuing to improve each match against tough opposition.

Score: KWS 0 - Oakhill 57
Netball Senior Competition

KWS 1sts Vs Orange High School

The girls expressed great enthusiasm as they took to the court for another challenging game. Mikaela Cato and Jess Simpson both had an excellent game in defence, holding their opponents out and retrieving any lost balls and rebounds.

Tegan Selmes and Nikki Collins were confident with their shooting, despite the forces of the wind carrying the ball. Although a great game, harder and flatter passes would see the girls improve their play.

Score: KWS 44 - OHS 20

KWS 2nds Vs Orange High Junior As

In a tough game of netball the 2nds had a disappointing loss to the Orange High Junior A's. The game started slow with Kinross being down by six in the first quarter due to silly passes and a negative mind set. Arabella Jorgensen-Hull and Sarah McIntyre were excellent in defence, intercepting many passes, ensuring the score line did not blow out. Bridget Cooper and Carmen Date were strong in attack and were constantly moving around the court. Rachael Gently, Brooke Hamilton and Sophia Cassimatis worked well together in the goal circle. Bridget Bennet and Lucy Alyward were great in defence and slowed down the oppositions attack in the last half. By fourth quarter Kinross were down by 7 and in an impressive quarter fought back to draw even. Unfortunately a few silly errors in the last minutes of the game meant we went down by three goals at full time. A game that should have been ours. Player of the week was Jordan Brodie.

Score: KWS 31 - OHS 34

KWS 3rds Vs Cyms

The KWS 3rds are going from strength to strength showing that our hard work at training is paying off. The girls got off to a great start with Talor Hamilton shooting 8 goals in the first quarter. She was able to continue this throughout the game totalling 33 goals for the game. Our defence was strong with Alexi McCann and Annabelle Carter turning the ball over whenever it came their way. The ball seemed to be moving effortlessly down the court thanks to great team work between players. At half time the score was 23 to 7 to us. From there the girls were able to keep a comfortable lead. The 3rds are currently 2nd on the ladder and this win should give the girls the confidence they need as the next few games are going to be tough.

Score: KWS 44 - CYMS 20

KWS Junior As Vs Hawkes

With only 7 players, the girls knew it would be a hard tussle but they took the court with a mind set to give it their best. As the game progressed, the Junior A’s showed some great team work and determination. They took the lead early in the third quarter and they played some fantastic netball to keep their noses in front for most of the second half. But unfortunately fatigue and a relentless wind made it difficult for them to maintain their momentum and they went down by 2 points in the dying minutes.

Lizzie Bilton and Bronie Condon worked as one in the goal circle. Their positioning and choice of options were faultless! Siobhan Herbert and Amelia McCormack positioned well around the circle, feeding the shooters brilliantly. Eddie Kennelly was unstoppable as Goal Defence. She limited her opponent’s space to perfection and she was rewarded with many turnovers. Both Cecilia Carter and Shannon Syme did a great job either as Keeper or Wing Defence. Shannon showed impeccable courage by always looking for opportunities to take intercepts and she fought hard for every loose ball. For the entire game, defence in every third was inspirational. The girls should be most proud of their team effort.
KWS Year 12 1st Vs HNC Hawks Ace Drilling

There are only two words to sum up the KWS Year 12 1sts performance on Saturday - they were simply ON FIRE! In a fast paced game, the girls maintained possession and used the entire court to their advantage. Accurate passes and shooting, valuable intercepts, focus and excellent teamwork saw the girls build an early lead that they maintained throughout the game. Grace Murray (GK) and Charlotte Murdoch (GD) continued to successfully defend the circle and make it very difficult for the opposition to add points. Ali Martin was also very strong in defence as WD and GD. Ally Davidson (GS) and Lucy Knaggs (GA) had outstanding games - both girls finding success in goal. The pair also showed excellent teamwork to ensure that the best possible shooting position was obtained. Jess Inder and Aimee Plant directed play from the centre and ensured the pace of the game was maintained. Emma Johnson (WA, WD) and Jenny Cashmere (WA) were strong in both defence and attack ensuring that the ball made it to the circle to our shooters.

Score: KWS 45 - HNC 35

KWS 4ths Vs CYMS Smashers

The 4ths took on the leading team in their division last Saturday in windy conditions. The wind played havoc early on, with the first 3 attempts from each team missing the mark. The smashers settled into a 4-0 lead before the 4ths matched their more highly-ranked opponents goal-for-goal for ten minutes or more to be 6-10 down just after quarter time. This little session of play saw some determined defence and controlled attack in the tough conditions. It was great to see the girls combining well all over the court, and working the attacking circle with confidence to ensure the shooters could improve their position in the gusty conditions. Erin Smith and Millie Inder were fantastic in Defence, while Bea Patterson and Danika Reiss shot some good goals early on. Unfortunately, the Smashers ran away with the game in the second half, winning 48-16 in the end. Players’ Player was Ellie Haeger (C) for the second week in a row, followed by Eloise Mirrington (WA).

KWS 5ths Vs CYMS

On Saturday the 4th of August the KWS 5ths played a tough game of netball against CYMS, the score being close throughout the whole game it. A team who previously had won by alot was now being forced to rethink their strategies. Sophie Hardie and Nicola Harvey gained the team much needed shots despite Nicola feeling unwell on the day. Defence and pressure enforced by Erin, Elish, Samantha, Jo and Nicole were heavily enforced with many intercepts occurring and turning the ball back our way. Despite losing the game the girls have improved hugely and should be extremely proud of the game they played on Saturday showing great team spirit.

KWS Got Talent Vs HNC Hawkettes

KWS Got Talent had another great game on Saturday. Holly and Jaclyn have really added some punch to the whole team and now we are flying. Training sessions have also contributed with the girls applying ALL the skills we focus on. Well done!

Despite the game ending in a loss, it was a very close loss as opposed to the last time we played HNC Hawkettes and suffered an ankle-shattering defeat! Is there a win in the wings for this weekend??

Score: KWS 29 - HNC 31

KWS X Factor Vs CYMS Phaemis

The X Factor girls took on the top-ranked CYMS Phaemis team and put up an excellent fight but eventually lost by 29 to 17. There is no shame in saying that the opposition was a highly able team and there was certainly no shame in X Factor’s admirable fight to stay in the game. Congratulations to Livvy Hamblin, Clare Thompson, Bente Hamann, Lauryn Wilson, Anna Laurie, Steph Raftery and Tamlyn Hearn on showing great grit against tough odds! Also they deserve credit for the sportsmanship that they all showed during the game. Many thanks also to Mrs Thompson for generously looking after the team in Mr Oldham’s absence.

Score: KWS 17 - CYMS 29
Netball Junior Competition

KWS 14As

Last Saturday, another win was brought the way of the 14A's filling us with enthusiasm and excitement after two wins in a row. The game started with low energy after the week of athletics but we soon worked up our adrenaline and were flying around the court. Special thanks to Emma Anderson, Zoe Watt and Claudia Campbell for the great encouragement on and off the court. Good luck girls for the rest of the season Iguanas!

KWS 14Bs Vs KWS JunDev

The 14B team players were an amazing group of girls on Saturday. The team work and drive from every player was thrilling to watch. We led the game for three quarters and were ahead by 3 goals going into the last quarter when the JunDev group found their feet and slipped ahead of us by only 1 goal. Rhoslyn Carney, Molly Plant and Anna Price played the circle well and shot accurately. Emma Haege, Myra Lim Hurt and Pesi Faiva were a dynamite trio in the centre third keeping the court open and the passes tight and clean. Zoe Pickford and Olivia Wass made it very difficult for the other team to get a clear shot at goal and jumped for the many rebounds enabling us to regain possession and convert their centres to our goal. Well done girls!

13Cs Vs OHS Radical Rippers

The 13Cs braved the windy conditions during the match against the OHS Radical Rippers. The girls worked as a team and each player demonstrated their improved attacking and defensive skills. Sarah Byrne and Clancy McCauley worked tirelessly in defence, gaining valuable intercepts and rebounds. Clare Marshall, in her return after illness and injury, and Amelia Rawson played well in the centre court with strong passing and breaking into open spaces. Hannah Englehardt performed well as centre and formed great partnerships with fellow shooters Emma Petraglia and Rachel Small. A special mention must be made of Talina Flower’s performance as she was outstanding in playing defence, centre court and shooting positions. The whole team should take pride in the way in which they played this game. The final score is not reflective of the whole match as the KWS 13Cs only allowed the OHS Radical Rippers to score only two goals in the last quarter. Well done!

Score: KWS 3 - OHS 20

Soccer Report

KWS Vs Waratah Warriors

Despite the spaces both in the midfield and on the wings we continued to move through the centre. Waratahs responded by crowding the central defensive line, making it hard to get a clean view of the goal.

Largely due to the quick leg speed and opportunism shown by Morgan he was able to score four goals. Despite discussing these issues at half time we did little to adjust in the second half and no further goals were forthcoming. Defensively we played a very good game and these players compensated when another player was found to be out of position. It was nice to see Charlie return to goalkeeping after a long absence due to injury. If we are going to reach the finals and move on in these matches we need to be more flexible in how we approach the game.

Score: KWS 5 - Waratah 0