From the Principal this week:

- New staff appointment – School Psychologist
- Vitality of Call – School Chaplain
- Y12 Parent and Student survey – further feedback.

School Psychologist

Rebecca Anderson has been appointed to the newly structured position of School Psychologist.

Rebecca has a Bachelor of Psychology (Hons) from the University of New South Wales. She is a registered Psychologist with the Australian Health Practitioners Registration Authority, an Associate Member of the Australian Psychological Society and a member of the Mental Health Professionals network.

Rebecca has 20 years’ experience working with children and adolescents in a range of clinical roles across a number of environments including School settings. Coupled with this experience, Rebecca has an extensive Professional Development training portfolio which will be of benefit to KWS students.
Rebecca is a current parent married to David with 3 children at KWS. Emma Year 9, Charlotte Year 7 and Lilly in Year 3.

Rebecca will begin in her position at the start of Term 4. We look forward to welcoming Rebecca to the staff of KWS.

**Vitality of Call – Pastor Phil Worrad, School Chaplain**

In consultation with the Uniting Church we are currently undertaking a Vitality of Call for our School Chaplain, Phil Worrad. The Vitality of Call process is similar to a renewal of tenure that staff undergo except there is a wider involvement with representatives from the Uniting Church, the local Uniting Church Presbytery, School Council and KWS staff. This involves reflecting on the progress of the Chaplain with regards to 3 main areas: Worship, Pastoral care and Teaching. As part of this procedure I am seeking feedback from the parent community with regard to their interactions with the Chaplain and their personal view of the Chaplain’s development in one or more of the three areas outlined.

As part of this confidential process please submit your comments to kwannan@kws.nsw.edu.au by Monday 19 August. Thank you for your assistance with this process.

**Y12 Parent and Student survey – Academic Program**

The feedback obtained has been very useful to ensure we continue to improve our delivery of the academic program to students. When benchmarked against other leading Independent Schools from around Australia we offer one of the largest range of subjects for Year 11 and 12 for schools up to 1500 enrolments. This is a significant factor in ensuring we cater for the diverse Academic needs of students.

**3 Areas of Strength**

The overall satisfaction of the academic program was rated very highly:

77% of parents and 70% of students were satisfied or very satisfied with the academic program.

Satisfaction was slightly higher with boys and boarders (from both parents and students.

The satisfaction with aspects of teaching was very high in four of the 6 aspects and high in the other two:

95% - quality of facilities and resources.

87% - appropriateness of assessment/project tasks.

86% - teachers’ knowledge of their subjects.

84% - teachers’ enthusiasm for their subjects.

The satisfaction with individual subjects from parents was very high in 83% of subjects and high in the others. For students the satisfaction rating was very high in 73% of subjects and high in 14% of subjects. The mean satisfaction rating was 82%.

**Areas for Development**
Reviewing the homework policy for the secondary school. This is more applicable to Years 7-10 but expectations for Years 11 and 12 also needs to be communicated more clearly.

In light of the point above, some survey questions relating to workload, time spent on homework/study and whether the amount of time spent was adequate would all be useful.

Brian J Kennelly
Principal

From the Head of Preparatory

Thank you to those who have sent messages in regarding the benefits and complications of the iPad implementation into Years 5 and 6. If you haven’t as yet, there is still time to send them in this week.

Over the weekend our 12’s Rugby team travelled to play games against Tudor House and Shellharbour Anglican. While the football was entertaining a big thank you goes to the parents and grandparents who supported and assisted in a variety of roles. Your help was greatly appreciated.

Congratulations to our debating team who have argued their way to the semi-finals of the HICES competition. We wish them every success for next week.

Also congratulations to our Chess team who completed their competition last week with splendid results in but the Senior and Junior sections.

The Eisteddfod is underway and our Verse Speaking and Mime groups performed very well with our Year 5 Mime winning their section. Mrs Pengilly has won 1st place for 7 consecutive years with different age groups. Well done!

Our Athletics team begins its representative season next week and we wish them every success.

There are lots of activities currently happening and the staff and students deserve commendation for their effort and the results being achieved.

Enjoy you week.

Rob McLean
Head of the Preparatory School

From the Chaplain
“Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom.” (Luke 12:32)

Jesus told a lot of parables about the Kingdom of God: it’s like a mustard seed, it’s like a pearl, it’s like a treasure, yeast, a net... In Luke 12:32 we are told that the Kingdom is a gift.

If I were Jesus today, I’d be saying the Kingdom is like ‘Four Pics One Word’ on your i-phone. Just quietly, I’ll have you know that I’m up to word number 952 with over 1700 coins remaining. I know, impressive! Sometimes I can look at the pictures for a frustratingly long period and simply not get anywhere closer to the solution. At this stage I have to turn off the game and apply myself to something completely different and typically more productive. It is astonishing how often it is that when I return to the game, the answer is staring me in the face.

Too much unremitting attention can be counterproductive to the efficacious culmination of the creative process that resolves the convolutions of Four Pics One Word. Again, just quietly, I spent far too long constructing that sentence. But the fact remains that "breakthroughs" come about after a break from extended periods of concentration. The answer or the creative inspiration or the solution to a task can lie at the edge of our awareness but it cannot be seen because our focus is simply too narrow. Such is the Kingdom.

The Kingdom is a gift. It is already, but how often do we recognise it, rejoice in it, live in it and consciously contribute to it? The Kingdom that has been given to us is one of peace and justice, of love and compassion, of freedom and joy. It is a Kingdom in which we can live lives to the full.

As is the case with any gift, it is for us to accept it. As with a gift of great price, others appreciate it for what it is when we share it and live it and bring it to life.

Lord, it is your pleasure to include us in the divine reign on earth. Grant us the grace to approach life with open hands, for neither receiving nor sharing is possible when hands are grasped and fingers clenched. In Jesus’ name we pray.

Phil Worrad
Chaplain

Assembly Awards

Merit Awards:


Courtesy Awards:
Cheery Greetings: Peter Arantz, Matilda Fabar, Annabelle Binnie.

Citizen Awards:

Eisteddfod News

Results from Speech and Drama
Alana Seedsman and Ethan Teber-Rossi - 1st in Duologue 12 years and under.
Sophie Brunner and Catriona Denholm - 3rd in Duologue 12 years and under.
Max Reidy - 3rd in Prepared Reading & H/C in Humorous poem.
Will Rouse - 1st in Restricted Poem 10 years and under & H/C in Picture Description 10 years and under.
Jacqueline Dring - 3rd in Recitation 11 years and Under.
Ethan Teber-Rossi - 1st in 11 Years and Under Restricted Verse
Solo Restricted & 1st in 11 Years and Under Prepared Reading Solo.

**Tribes, Vines and Killer Joules**

Mr Hordynsky is looking for items for the show. If you have a pith helmet or a double bed mattress he would love to hear from you. The double mattress will go on a bed and stay on the bed.

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**Debating Report**

Our team is chuffing along like the little red engine.....they chalked up another victory last week against Penrith Anglican Grammar School. The topic area we were supplied with was Education; we held some discussions in which Mr Mac's knowledge was quite useful, supplemented by Dr Google. Of benefit also was watching and analysing a DVD recording of last year’s NSW State public schools debating final, which also had a topic with an educational theme. One can learn a lot watching other quality debaters, including their tactical mistakes.

So, last Thursday Mr Mac donned his bus driver’s cap and we journeyed to Blue Mountains Grammar, who were generous again in providing us a venue to meet somewhere in the middle. The whole team appreciates Molly’s stoic effort on these trips as she quietly suffers her way through travelling nausea. Thank you Molly! We arrive, munched through an early lunch for brainpower, and then met our opponents for the toss. PAC lost the toss, so our team chose the negative side- this gives us an extra speaker to rebut against and the final speech, which could advantage us depending on the topic.....The topic was then unsheathed from its top secret envelope “That students should be responsible for punishing other students”. Well, perhaps we were lucky to be on the negative for this one, there can sometimes be an element of chance in debating when one side seems harder to argue than the other. Our team huddled into the tiny music practice room for their hour’s preparation, capably overseen by Molly who was team advising again.

Our debaters displayed some good skills during the tussle of the debate. Belle Hoyle Davies was commended by the adjudicator for a strong leading rebuttal point and solid content, Max Summers (2nd) for his strongly voiced speaking style (he has a lovely powerfully emphatic
tone), and Owen Bloomfield was commended for his skill at rebutting from point form notes while maintaining good contact with the audience. He has an appealingly relaxed and warm style (now this was the adjudicator’s feedback, for those concerned with biased reporting!). What won our team the debate, as PAC 2nd and 3rd especially were impressive speakers, was our ability to better attack the core of our opponent’s argument. So special commendation goes to Molly Knight Hannan for her crucial role in detecting the weakness in PAC’s caseline. Each debate I instruct the team advisor to especially focus on the opposition definition and caseline, as these are the most important core of the debate. They do not have to immediately worry about presenting a speech, so they are super useful in having more time for concentrated reflection on these vital aspects. Analysis is always so much easier in hindsight...it’s really difficult to make notes and find faults while still attending to the continuing stream from the speakers...you don’t want to miss anything either! Molly came up trumps on this debate as she realised their caseline was really just restating the topic and didn’t prove anything. Thus she has been a very valuable part of the team, contributing to their success greatly. The only catch for her is that each success necessitates another bus trip! Hang tough girl, we need you. As a coach it has been very rewarding seeing this group develop so well as a team. I was also proud of them using terminology such as “this is a social justice issue” with intelligence within their speeches- proof that they are taking our discussions on board! Our next debate will be at semi-final level, against The Illawarra Grammar School on August 22nd. The topic area is Modern Society. What interesting discussions will we get into for this preparation?

Mrs Cathy Bloomfield

Lost

James Murray has lost his beanie. It is named, if found please return to James or the office.

P&F News

In P&F News: Next P&F Meeting, School Canteen Assistant Vacancy, Scool Canteen Menu, P&F Survey, Contact details for the P&F.

P&F Meeting Tonight

The next P&F meeting is tonight, Wednesday 14th August at 7.30pm in Room 81 of the Anderson Centre. If you have any items you would like on the agenda please advise Jean Welsh, P&F Secretary. Jean’s email is jwpnfssecretary2013@gmail.com. Alternatively, contact me.

School Canteen Assistant Vacancy

We are seeking to fill the vacant Canteen Assistant position and have placed an advertisement in the newsletter. We will seek to fill this internally in the first instance. If you are interested, or know someone that might be, please point them in the direction of the advert. The
position description is available from Mrs Tyrrell.

School Canteen Menu

The Canteen started preparing and selling hot meals toward the end of last term and this is continuing in Term 3. There are usually three choices available each day – pasta, curry and soup. We would be keen for feedback from students, teachers and parents on the menu.

P&F Survey

As I mentioned last term, we would like to conduct a survey of parents, friends and school staff to obtain your views on priorities for the P&F as an association to support the school and school families, and your thoughts on how we can increase participation in the P&F.

The short on-line survey is ready to go. You will receive an email from the school inviting you to participate in the survey. The survey will be open until Friday 23rd August 2013.

We would really like to hear from you.

Contact details for P&F

If you have any ideas, suggestions, issues you would like raised through or with the P&F please contact me - Kristine Battye on 0418 787 364 or email kbattye@kbconsult.com.au.

Kristine Battye
President
KWS Parents and Friends.

KWS Football Supporters Gala Day

There will be football action at Kinross Wolaroi this Saturday 17th August.

The KWS 1sts, 2nds, and U13s will be playing at home and everyone is invited to join us on the sidelines of the KWS North field to watch the action. The U13s kick off at 9.40am, they play again at 12.10pm the 2nds kick off at 1.30pm and the 1sts will be playing from 3.15pm.

Parents, friends and other football players are encouraged to come along and support the teams throughout the day. All of these teams are playing some exciting football; the 1sts had a very exciting win last weekend in the All Age A Division competition.

A BBQ will be run by the KWS Football Supporters and will be operating from the sidelines of the KWS North Oval from 9.30am, come and join us.

Hot & cold food and drinks will be available including sausage sandwiches, steak sandwiches, water, soft drinks, etc.

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

Andrew Glastonbury

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**Year 2 Parents Get Together**

We thought it might be nice to have a catch up.

Hope everyone can make it!

**When:** Friday 6th September  
**Where:** Parkview Hotel  
**Time:** 7.00 pm

Thought we might have finger food rather than a sit down meal. The finger food is substantial.  
Price will depend on numbers. Once we have final numbers we will confirm cost.

*RSVP:* 26/08/13

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**Sport News**

Sport News this week includes: Athletics Training: WAS & HICES  
Athletics permission notes and information, Team of the Week, Outside Sport, KWS Cricket Club clinic, HICES Athletics Accommodation – Quest Apartments, Rep Football information, Dates for the diary Term 3.

**Winter Sport Information**

Please keep referring to the associations websites for all up to date information and draw changes:  
Netball: [www.orange.netball.asn.au](http://www.orange.netball.asn.au)  
Football: [www.orangefootball.org.au](http://www.orangefootball.org.au)  

**WAS & HICES Athletics training every Monday**

A revised team list and events has been posted on the sports notice board.

All students who are in the WAS / HICES Athletics team, will continue with their trainings on Monday afternoons in sport time 3.30-4.30 pm.  
Spikes and running shoes are recommended. As the weather has turned cold, it is recommended that students bring navy gloves and beanies to train in. Students will train for Athletics on Mondays and with their winter sport teams Wednesdays. All team members will meet outside the sports shed to walk up to the main oval with Mrs Barrett, Ms Dwyer & Amelia (Gappy), Mrs Lepelaar (Senior school athletics coach) will assist with our training. Monday athletics training will take place until the HICES carnival in week 8.

**WAS & HICES Athletics permission notes and information**

Information and permission packs were sent home last week with your child. Carnival, accommodation and travel details are included, with
medical forms and catering requirements. The medical and permission note needs to be returned by this Thursday 15 August to the front office.

**WAS Athletics Carnival**

Good Luck to our athletes as they attend the WAS carnival on Wednesday next week at All Saints in Bathurst. Students are to come to school dressed in their athletics singlets with the light blue polo shirt over the top, full school tracksuit, hat and anorak. School bags are required with all food and drink for the day. The bus will depart at 9.00 am and return at the end of the school day. For more information, please see the information notes that were distributed last week.

**Team of the Week**

Congratulations to the following teams on their nominations for Team of the Week:

U11 Jets Football, U8 Taipans Football and U10 Magic Netball.

**Outside Sport**

Congratulations to Georgina Bennett for playing in the U11 Orange Hockey Representative team that competed at the Goulburn Invitational Hockey Carnival last Sunday. Georgina’s team played 5 x 25 minute matches throughout the day, with a mixture of results with draws and loses. Well done Georgina.

**KWS Cricket club clinic**

The KWS Cricket Club is running a cricket clinic after school on Friday 23 August from 3.30-5.00 pm. The clinic is open to any boy or girl in years 3-6. This clinic is a great opportunity for any child interested and keen to play cricket as their summer sport or for any child wanting to know and learn more about the sport. Please see the attached flyer in this newsletter or a copy can be obtained from the front office.

**HICES Athletics Accommodation – Quest Apartments.**

We purchased a Quest apartment for Monday 2 September (the night before the HICES Athletics carnival) and no longer require the room.

The Quest apartments are across the road from the Athletics stadium. The room cost $280 and is non-refundable. We are open to offers.

Please contact: p.m.worsley@gmail.com
Ph. 63658572
Mob. 0429 617436

**Little Athletics 2013-2014**

Orange Little Athletics season commences Friday 11 October 2013.

Online registration opens on 1 August.

OLA accept online registrations only. Please register online at www.laansw.com.au.

Collection days (to pick up numbers, uniforms and athlete booklet) are Sunday 8, 15 September and Sunday 6 October 13 at Waratah Sports.
Sunday 8, 15 September and Sunday 6 October at Waratah Sports Club between 2pm and 4pm.

For more information go to our website at www.orangela.org.au

Rep Football information
Orange Rep Football trials will take place on Sunday 11, 18, 25 August at Jack Brabham oval. These trials are open to 10-16 Years age group. For more information, please see the website www.orangefootball.org.au

Dates for the diary Term 3

WAS Athletics – Wednesday 21 August: All Saints, Bathurst
HICES Athletics – Tuesday 3 September: Homebush, Sydney
CIS Athletics – Wednesday 11 September: Homebush, Sydney

Please contact me with any of your sporting enquiries or about your child’s sporting achievements at: chancock@kws.nsw.edu.au

Mrs Louise Barrett
Prep PE / Sport Co-ordinator

Rugby News

There is training this Friday for the 9’s and 11’s only as their final game is this weekend at Canowindra. The 12’s season is now finished.

Hockey Reports

Minkey: We had lots of fun playing Hockey this week. The weather was much nicer today (we wanted it to snow). We took turns in different places and ran a lot after the ball. We scored 2 goals and the other team scored 4. Tessa Wong

U9 Mods: Saturday was a beautiful winter's day & KWS Mods played a great game,...this week we had our parents on the edge of their seats!! Good strong hits & big runs, coupled with our fantastic defence held off City with the game ending in a nil all draw. Well done Mods! Special Thanks to Miss Dwyer for being a great coach. Abby Hunt

Netball Reports

U9 Bluebirds: On the weekend we played a great game. We got 3 goals. Mrs Davidson said we were fantastic. We were looking for spaces to get the ball. At the end we shook hands with the other team. Emily Abiassaf

U10 Firebirds: Another fantastic game KWS Firebirds vs KWS Magic. A close and fast game with Magic winning 10-7. Thanks to Mrs Pengilly, Mrs Whitley and Magic for a great game. Grace McBeath

U11 Pulse: This week the U/11 Pulse played a very good game of Netball against KWS Firebirds. We were happy with the 1-0 win. We are excited to play the next game.
Netball against the CYMS Genies. At half time we were ahead of them but in the last quarter they scored a couple more goals and beat us 7/11. We played a great game, we drove forward to the ball and went into space really well. In the end I think we played really well.

Rugby Report

Tudor House: Our 12’s Rugby team travelled to Bowral last Sunday as part of our annual game against Tudor House. Again we were billeted by the families of Tudor House which was a great experience for the boys.

We played games against the host school and then Shellharbour Anglican School. The first game was a free running game with the boys buffered by strong winds. The final score was a close 24-19 loss. After a quick break we played Shellharbour and despite a slow start we soon clicked into gear winning 27-12.

The team have played strongly all year and are very appreciative of the assistance provided by Mr Mike Smith and Mr Wayne Harris in the coaching role.

Also at Tudor House a large contingent of fathers were in attendance and their support and wisdom was greatly valued. Big thanks to Mr Jarrod Rose and Mr Paul Tierney for their refereeing duties.

Cancellation of Sport Training and Competition Games

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.

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.

KWS Cricket wants you!

The KWS Cricket Club is running a Cricket introduction day with training drills and
KWS Cricket is for girls and boys of all skill levels. You don’t need to have played before and you don’t need to have any equipment as we have it all; bats, pads, helmets etc.

**When:** Friday 23rd August from 3:30pm until 5pm.

**Where:** Sally Kennett Oval.

Click here or on the picture for more info.

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**KWS LATEST NEWS!**

**Brown House back in winner’s circle**

The KWS Tutor Houses put their money were their mouths were when the annual House Spectacular hit the stage. After months of hard work and lunch-time rehearsals – not to mention energetic...... [read full article](#)

**Speech Day’s international flavour**

Internationally acclaimed authors, athletes and public speakers Professor Roger Robinson and Kathrine Switzer will be the special guests at this year’s KWS Speech Day in December. The...... [read full article](#)

**Tucker Trailer on show in Sydney**

A ‘Tucker Trailer’ designed for use by the KWS Cadet Unit was one of the stars at the 2013 InTech exhibition in Sydney. Former KWS student Peter Brooker designed and built the trailer...... [read full article](#)