Dear Parents

With half the term already gone it is quite bewildering to reflect on how many different learning activities have occurred in and out of the classroom.

At KWS we often mention the benefits of an all-round education and at interviews many parents see the need to experience a wide range of activities. Whether it be academic, cultural, sporting, spiritual or pastoral students need to experience all the school offers.

For this to be achieved it requires dedicated and professional staff and students who are enthusiastic and motivated to learn. Judging by the breadth of activities and the success demonstrated, an all-round education is occurring.

At the school assemblies over the term the Year 6’s and 5’s have illustrated their skills and talents across a wide range. There has been singing, playing of instruments, public speaking, showing technological advances in the classroom or applying work covered the students have been fully engaged. Hearing of the successes in various school sports plus representation of different students in Cricket, Football, Gymnastics, Swimming and Athletics speaks highly of the diversity of our students.

As we enter the second part of the term activities will continue. For primary school students one of the most important activities is to continue reading each night. It is the cornerstone of learning and essential for student growth. With all the activities and opportunities reading is still the most crucial element for young students.

Enjoy your week.

Rob McLean
Head of the Preparatory School

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**Merit Awards:**

**KK:** Grace Hansen. **KD:** Mitchell Wheeler, Hannah Jones, Lucinda Clinton. **1S:** Camilla Crossing x 2, Ava Tucker x 2, Nina Smedley x 2, Angus Croft, Max Munro x 2, Caleb Bashara x 2. **1A:** Laynee Visser, Charlie Hansen, Will Steventon, Lucia Varian, Liam McKenzie, Campbell Miller, Hannah Goodsr, Jet Lin, Thomas McRae, Angus Pengilly, Lolli-Rose Pasquali, Sam Fabar, Peter Arantz, Abby Hunt, Andrew May. **2H:** Simone Chawla, Jayde Caro, Hattie Usher, Max Reidy. **2W:** Fletcher Smith x 2, Bailey Barrett, Joanne Zhang, Dion Kircher x 2, Lily Murray, Ella Buesnel, Blake Jones, Sophie Martin, Joe Rouse, Cohan Mastrangeli, **3E:** Hugo Pearce, Olivia Tudor, Catarina Taragel, Sophie Stratton, Sterling Graham, Henry McElroy. **3/4P:** Gabriela Gerber x 2, Gidgette Pratten, Phoebe Litchfield, Ben Jones, Lily Anderson, Lucy Waddell, Madeleine Srizh, Emma Choi, Grace Srizh. **4D:** Lachlan Brown, Max Bylisma, Taylah Caro, Catie Crisp, Sally Crossing x 2, George Cumming, Jock Hazelton, Jonathan King-Christopher, Harry Macdougall x 2, Brooke Martin, Grace McBeath, Abhi Popuri, Jack Smith, Callum Wald, Stanley Zhang. **5P:** Ben Broadley x 2, Harry May, Jameson Tyrell, Josh Dominello x 3, Niamh McPhee, Edward Smith x 2, Mia Taylor, Nabhan Hassan x 2, Alannah Seedsman x 2, Jacquie Dring x 2, Scarlett Taragel. **5M:** Grace McRae x 2, Adelaide Gavin, Jack Wakem, Oliver Hoskin x 3, Owen Bloomfield, Rosie Flatau, Ali Britton, Sophie Brunner x 2, Harry Kermode, Ethan Teber-Rossi. **6M:** Sherjeel Ahmad, Ruby Greer x 3, Ethan Buesnel x 5, Alex Wald x 2, Liza Lysova x 3, Alana Dihel x 2, Ali Gee, Michael Cowan x 2, Florence Conway x 3, James Parfett x 3, Jeremy Elliot x 3. **6H:** Olivia Mirrington x 2, Oscar Smith-King.
**Prep Music News**

**Year 3 Band Program:**

A reminder to all students involved in the Year 3 Band Program to keep practising! 5-10 minutes each day is ideal and means that you are prepared for your lesson each week.

Please also make sure you are storing your instrument correctly at home and at school. Avoid leaving the instrument in the sun or hot cars or in doorways and hallways where it may get damaged. At school, ask your teacher to store it in the classroom or somewhere safe until it is time for your lesson. It is your responsibility to make sure the instrument is looked after properly.

Clarinet players - remember that you can purchase extra reeds from Lander's Music in Summer Street. See Mr Ismail if you have any questions.

Happy playing!
Mrs Sinclair

**Friends of Music News**

A reminder that our AGM will be held next Wednesday 20th March at 7 pm in the Performance Theatre. All interested are very welcome to attend.

**ICPA SCHOLARSHIPS ARE NOW OPEN**

Students entering Year 7 whose parents are members of the Isolated Children’s Parents’ Association (ICPA) and who qualify for the Assistance for Isolated (AIC) Allowance can now apply for the KWS ICPA Scholarship. This Scholarship value is capped at 50% of tuition and boarding, less the amount received for the AIC Allowance. The Scholarship is held from Year 7 to Year 12.

The Application Form and conditions relating to the ICPA KWS Scholarship are available now on our website: [http://www.kws.nsw.edu.au/scholapp](http://www.kws.nsw.edu.au/scholapp). Completed applications should be sent to:

The Registrar
Kinross Wolaroi School
Locked Bag 4
Orange NSW 2800

The closing date for applications is Tuesday 30 April 2013. Late applications will not be considered. If you have any questions regarding your application please contact Michelle or Caroline at the School on 02 6392 0300.
KWS CANTEEN
VOLUNTEER ROSTER

Manager: Justine
Ph: 63 92 0387

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If you would like to help out please contact Justine on the number above.

“Circus”
KWS Fair 2013

What a great success – thanks to all the parents, friends and students for attending, entertaining, volunteering, selling raffle tickets and generally participating to make the Fair a success.

Special thanks to all the KWS staff, head tutors and teachers for all their extra effort over and above their usual school activities and in particular, Garry Yeo and Brendan Curran, Gail Kennewell and Vanessa Hannan. Peter Fisher Real Estate for sponsoring the Calcutta and conducting the auction and Jane Gordon for co-ordinating the prizes.

To all the stall holders, bakers and makers for their time and enthusiasm and to: Hilary Britton, Cath Thompson and their team and the boys on the BBQ for producing great food. Sue Morrison, Liz Rogers and Jo Cheney and the Boarder parents who co-ordinate and run their stalls every year to help with fundraising. Lisa Miller, Sandra Jones and Pauline Solari for counting money in the accounts department.

Final tally for the day:
Boarders stall $1875, Bottle stall $2583, Dean house $1189, Douglas House $1200, Gordon and Richards Houses $933, McLachlan $685, Brown House $498, Buskers $58, Cake stall $310, Jams and chutneys $359, Plant stall $713, Pre Prep $244, BBQ $2671, Food stall $2,178, White Elephant $1271

Raffles, Calcutta, rides and donations made up the balance of the fundraising totalling over $26,000.
Extra Special thanks to our sponsors for offsetting costs of running the Fair and for donating prizes: Pybar Mining and Civil Contractors, Mac Hire, Miss Mary Mac, Byng Street Store, Jo Robson, ASI Solutions, Gary Porter Photographics, The Yoga Room, YTC Resources, RBS Morgans, Anna’s Cuisina, Angullong Wines, Jarrod & Lou Rose, Peter Fisher Real Estate, Woolworths, Nestle Purina Petcare, KWS Ex Students Assn, Torachini Beauty, Wentworth Golf Club, Aldi, Coles, IGA and Elliot the DJ Dinosaur.

And finally - we need more parents like these!
Great job by the fair committee for giving up their time not just on the day but for the weeks and months leading up to the event to help out our school. Gabrielle Pearce, Dave Harbison, Jane Gordon, Laurie-Anne Usher, Paula Elbourne, Nicola Bush, Kris Battye, Hilary Britton, Michelle Srzich, Jackie Harris, Linda Seymour, Melissa Buesnel and Richard Cheney.

Thank you from the Fair Co-ordinators Gillian Coleman, Kim Bryant and see you next year!

2013 P&F Meetings
When: 2 Wednesday of the month during school term
Where: Room 81 in the Anderson Centre (above the pool)
Good News!
You don’t have to come to meetings to help out on P&F
There are lots of ways to be involved, meet new friends, get to know the school a bit better and value-add to your child’s time at KWS.

THE 2013 P&F ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING WILL BE HELD WEDNESDAY 13 MARCH
PLEASE CONSIDER NOMINATING FOR THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS

Executive Positions: President, Vice President x 2, Secretary, Treasurer, Canteen Treasurer
Coordinator Positions: 2014 Fair Coordinator/s, Careers Forum Coordinator/s, 2nd Hand Text Book Sale Coordinator/s, Art Fair Coordinator/s
Committees: Canteen Management Committee, General Committee members; Fair, Careers Forum, Art Fair, 2nd Hand Text Book Sale.
Representatives: NSW Parent Council Representative, KWS P&F Uniform Committee representative, KWS Preparatory School representative
Position sharing is an option. While all positions will be declared vacant, a number of our elected members will be vacating positions due to end of tenure this year. For more information about these positions and P&F please contact: Richard Cheney: Richard.Cheney@gwahs.health.nsw.gov.au or Jenny Glastonbury: jennyg@gmcmining.com.au

P&F Prep school Representative - This position will become vacant at the P+F Annual General Meeting next Wednesday March 13. If you are interested and would like further details of what the position involves, please come along to the meeting, which is held in the Anderson Centre (up above the swimming pool) at 7.30pm. Or you can ring me on 0432 834 193. Sarah Passey.

Sports News
Sports Draw
Good luck to our U12 Cricket team who play in their Semi-finals this weekend.

| Cricket – Sat 16th March. Semi Final |
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| U12’s  | 8.30am | Cavaliers Juniors | Max Stewart Oval |

In the event of wet weather, please check the cricket webpage for cancellations.

UNDER 12 PLAYERS SELECTED TO TRIAL FOR THE UNDER 12 REP SIDE 2013/2014 SEASON ARE: Hunter Rose, Lachie Smith, Harry May, Jack Pengilly (KWS).

HICES Swimming results
Congratulations to our HICES Swimming Team who competed in Sydney last week. Our team consisted of 29 students; 13 being Year 6 students! Our students competed extremely well with many attaining personal best times. We received many ribbons for places and our students were brilliant ambassadors for our school.
We had a successful day taking out the aggregate 1st place in Division 2 schools. Our main rivals were: 2nd placed The Hills Grammar School and 3rd placed All Saints College. We placed 3rd overall for the % trophy. Our captains: Max Waddell and Alexandra Gee received the trophy on behalf of the KWS Team.
I am awaiting official results for times and results from the HICES convener.

Could team members please check their tracksuit tops as Ollie Steele-Park is missing his.

HICES Football trials
Good luck to Hunter Rose, Jack Pengilly, Ollie Hoskins and Ben Broadley who will be trialing in Sydney for the HICES Football team. Best wishes to these boys.

Winter Sport
As most of the Winter Sports notes in, I am in the process of sorting through our numbers and putting together teams and coaches. All information will be collated and students will be notified towards the end of the Term.

Athletics trials for field events finals
In week 8 (18th March), Athletic carnival field event trials will begin. Any student who is playing Cricket or involved in Swimming Squad, will need to attend sport if to be considered for these events. As our carnival is this term, we need to have trialled all our students to work out the top 8 finalists for the carnival on Thursday 11th April.
This will also be discussed in assembly and morning assembly over the next few weeks.
There will be details on the sports noticeboard as to what events are being held on each sport training afternoon.
Wet Weather

Please note: Do not ring Mrs Hancock in the office in the event of wet weather. Instead a message will be placed on the Sportsline on 63920450 at 2.30pm advising if sport has been cancelled or not. All sports (except Tennis) will be cancelled if there is wet weather with the decision being made to cancel only at 2.30pm. Tennis is never cancelled as it is played indoors and external coaches are hired for this sport. So, regardless of rain, Tennis will always be on. In the event of sport being cancelled, you will need to arrange wet weather plans with your child.

Team of the Week

Congratulations to the Year 6 Tennis group on their nomination in assembly for Team of the Week.

Outside Sport

Congratulations to Max Waddell, Lucy Waddell, Clive Hinrichsen, Bailie-Rose Miller and Catie Crisp who competed at the Speedo Classic Swim Carnival in Sydney on Saturday.

Congratulations to Ruby Greer, Anneka Graham, Alexandra Gee and Emma Crossing who took part in the Orange Hockey U13’s team in Western Conference in Parkes over the weekend. The girls played 8 games and gained valuable experience. Well done to all our students who participated in the Relay for Life at Waratahs on the weekend. We had a staff team participate and were part of the fundraising efforts for the Cancer Council, helping raise over $120,000. Our students: Ollie Chandler-Sullivan, Alexandra Gee, Scott Sullivan, Oscar Smith-King, Nina Smedley, Bailey Barrett, Brooke Barrett, Phoebe Litchfield, Crystelle Googe, Lachie Smith and Sam Houghton all walked laps.

Basketball Information = Local comp.

Any year 5 and 6 currently playing Basketball for summer sport, may like to continue playing in the local primary school winter competition on Tuesday afternoons. Games run from 4:30-5pm. Ideally same-sex teams are preferred however, if needed for player numbers, mixed teams are OK. The competition dates are below.

Others not playing Basketball for summer sport or from year 4 are also welcome!

If you are interested and able to commit to Tuesday afternoons, and possibly an hour on another day for training, please let me know by Monday 11th March to allow enough time for registration. Costs involved: player registration $40 annually, weekly court fee $6 and a team shirt.

Please contact Michelle McRae - michelle_mcrae@hotmail.com or 0400544076.

Nominations: Friday 15th March 2013
Close: Tuesday 30 April 2013
First Round: Tuesday 27 August 2013
Last Round: Tuesday 3 September 2013
Semi Finals: Tuesday 10 September 2013
Preliminary: Tuesday 17 September 2013
Finals:
  Grand Final

Dates for the diary Term 1

HICES Swimming Carnival – Thurs 7th March, depart Wednesday.
CIS Swimming Carnival – Wed 20th March
KWS Cross Country Carnival @ PLC – Thurs 28th March
KWS Athletics Carnival – Thursday 11th April

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

Kindly,

Mrs Louise Barrett
Prep PE / Sport Co-ordinator

Sport Reports

Year 4 Basketball

Only one competition round was played in Week 6 because of the decimation of teams due to the HICES Swimming Carnival. Monday’s matches were once again tight and highly competitive, with all teams showing great improvement in their match play. Sally Crossing used her height to her advantage to assist her team and George Cumming shot well for his. Max Bylsma was once again an outstanding team player. Maddie Szrzech and Emma Choi are proving lethal under the basket. On Wednesday afternoon a ‘social’ Boys v Girls match was played, with some super-subs for the girls team, which was very entertaining and saw a number of previously subdued players step up to the challenge – Stanley Zhang, Gidgette Pratten and Taylah Caro. Finals time is looming and the competition is tight. Every game counts!

Miss Holmes
SAVE TIME, ORDER LUNCH ONLINE!

The whole school goes to online lunch orders on Monday 11 March

(The Grab & Go menu will still be available - for year 7 to 12 only)

- Order at a time convenient to you - in the morning, night before, or weeks in advance!
- No searching for cash required - It’s already paid online!
- Order from home or work
- Ipad/Iphone App available from Flexischools website
- Secure payment assured
- Convenient for parents, fun for kids

It’s so easy!

1) Go to www.flexischools.com.au
2) Click “Register Now” to create account
3) Top-up your balance
4) Start ordering immediately

To view a demonstration

Go to the www.flexischools.com.au website and in the “Find Your School” box, enter a few letters from our school name and click the name when it appears below.

What Does it Cost?
The online menu is the same price as the usual KWS menu. However, there is a 25c fee charged by Flexischools for the online orders to help pay for the labels supplied to KWS and the website system.

What payment methods can I use?
FlexiSchools accept payment via Visa, Mastercard, Payclick and Bank Transfer. To perform a bank transfer to your FlexiSchools account, click ‘Top up Account’ when logged into the FlexiSchools website and select ‘Bank Transfer’; you will be given your unique EFT code. You can then make a transfer via your bank’s internet facility or at your branch.

How Does It Work?

Go to www.flexischools.com.au and click “Register Now” in the Login Box. Then enter your student’s name, school and Tutor Group, and add funds (say $50) into a pre-paid account. You can log into the website at any time to place orders, up until 10.30am. As purchases are made, the funds are taken from your pre-paid account. The account can be topped up again in the same way, or set to automatically top-up via credit card when the balance falls below a pre-set minimum. Each order is sent automatically to the canteen, where an easy-to-read label is produced with the student’s name, tutor group and order details. At lunch time, students can simply pick up their order without the need for cash.