Dear Parents

Last week saw many great achievements across the whole school in the sporting and cultural areas.

Firstly our K-2 Swimming carnival was held on Thursday evening attended by a large and supportive group of parents and grandparents. For many students this was their first carnival and they grabbed the opportunity with both hands. All races were at least 25 m and for many it was the first time they had swum this far. The students are to be commended for ‘having a go’.

Also supporting the students were a number of our Year 7 girls and some of our seniors of the Prep School who were of enormous assistance. Thank you.

Mrs Hayley King did a marvellous job co-ordinating this carnival. Following the meet many parents stayed and enjoyed a picnic dinner around the surrounds of the pool.

Friday saw our Year 3-6 students compete for the Interhouse Trophy. A great day of swimming where the students were fully engaged in participation in the pool and supporting team mates from the stands.

Again a large contingent of parents attended and their support in timekeeping was of enormous assistance to the smooth running of the carnival.

Mrs Lou Barrett is to be congratulated for all her work in co-ordinating the carnival.

Further achievements for the students and staff were recognised on Saturday night in Canberra for the annual CAT (Canberra Area Theatre) awards. These awards cover the southern part of the state celebrating the work of all those involved in musicals and plays. It incorporates schools and amateur theatre companies like those found in Orange.

Mr Romko Hordynsky was presented with the highest honour – the Golden CAT award – for his contribution to drama over two decades. This is richly deserved and due recognition for all the work Mr H has done over the years. Mr H also collected the award for Best Original Work for a School or Youth Production. Congratulations Mr Hordynsky.

Jock Pryse Jones (Year 6, 2012) thrilled the audience as the students performed part of a scene from the show ‘Robbin the Rich’ and then was announced as Best Youth Actor in a Leading Role in a Musical. Congratulations Jock.

A big thank you to our students who performed on the night and to their parents for making the time and effort to attend. It was greatly appreciated. The past week is a great example of the achievements of our school of students, staff and very supportive families.

Also congratulations to Catherine Litchfield from the Secondary School who with her team won Best Production of a School or Youth Musical for the ‘Wizard of Oz’ and to Arabella Jorgensen-Hull (Year 12, 2013) who won the award for Best Youth Actress in a musical.

Enjoy your week.

Rob McLean
Head of the Preparatory School
ASSEMBLY AWARDS

Merit Awards:

Courtesey Awards:

Working Well:

Classroom Helper: Sam Harris, Ben Chai, Annabel Pengilly, Ella Worsley, Olivia Tudor, Kate Murray, Ruby Greer, Florence Conway, Ethan Buesnel, Mitchell Harris.

Prep Music News

Drumbeat – The Art of Hitting Things!

‘Drumbeat’ will be coming to perform to KWS Prep School on THURSDAY 21 FEBRUARY at 2pm in the DPA. The performance will be an energetic demonstration of drum techniques and styles. The performers Tony Azzopardi and Mark Stewart will present a history of percussion through the ages, using a large range of drums and hand percussion. The presentation features rhythms and patterns used in all types of music and includes a student participation segment. Mark Stewart has toured ‘Drumbeat’ around Australia for the past twenty years. Mark is an experienced session musician whose work has featured in advertisements, films and documentaries.

Tony Azzopardi is a Sydney–based percussionist with twenty-three years of experience in Australia and overseas. He has worked with many Australian artists and works regularly on TV variety shows, commercials, TV soundtracks and is a regular fixture in the Australian Idol band.

Cost: $4.50 per child which will be added to your account.

YEAR 3 BAND PROGRAM:

This program begins this week with students receiving their first lesson from their instrumental tutors. At this lesson they will receive their instrument and a practice diary. They will also receive a music book shortly which they will use in each lesson. Students will need to remember to bring all three items to their lessons each week. Classroom teachers will have lesson timetables but it is the students responsibility to remember and be on time. Students will also receive an instrumental hire agreement form which needs to be signed and returned to school ASAP.

This is an exciting time for students learning a new instrument and we encourage them to maintain regular practice. 5-10 minutes each day is sufficient at this stage. If you have any queries about this program please contact Mrs Sinclair via the school office.
Friends of Music
Our first general meeting for 2013 is this Wednesday 20 February at 7 pm in Room 66 of the Music Centre (enter through the main doors and turn left). All welcome.”

A Picnic to Welcome New Families
Given the great number of new families at the school this year, some of the more “seasoned” Kinross Wolaroi parents thought it would be fun to invite ALL FAMILIES to a picnic to allow ‘old’ and ‘new’ parents to meet and enjoy a glass of wine together, while the children get a chance to play.

When: Saturday 9 March - 3pm onwards
Where: Orange Botanic Gardens, top of Hill Street, Orange
Bring: blanket, nibbles, drinks, children
No need to RSVP. Meet near the lake (head left past the function centre and down the hill - mind the wedding there at 3pm on your way past!)
Cancelled in wet weather (we will reschedule if needed)
Enquiries: Belinda Quince 0416 217 107 (Mia Yr 4), Sarah Pasey 0432 834 193 (Katie Yr 4), Annie Waddell 0416 243 248 (Max Yr 6, Lucy Yr 3, Alice Yr 1).
Please note this is a social event organised by parents, not a school event.
Hope to see you all there!

KWS CANTEEN VOLUNTEER ROSTER
Manager: Justine Ph: 63 92 0387

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If you are unable to do the days you are on please let Justine know.

2013 PREP CALCUTTA - PARENT RUNNERS NEEDED!
Did you enjoy the excitement of the Prep Calcutta at the end of the 2012 Athletics Carnival? Did you think to yourself that you wanted to be a part of that relay in 2013? Well, good news… this is your chance!

The 2013 Prep Calcutta will be a relay race consisting of 1 Prefect, 1 House Captain, 1 Staff member and 1 Parent runner. The auction and the race will be held at the P & F Fair on Saturday 2 March. If you would like to offer your services to one of the relay teams, please contact Miss Holmes through the Prep Office (6392 0316). Don’t miss out… call early!
“Circus”
KWS Fair 2013
Saturday 2 March
10am – 3pm
Help! Volunteers needed!
The Fair is only 2 weeks away.

Douglas House parents – We urgently need your help. Please contact your head tutor Catherine Litchfield.

Gordon and Richards House parents – Please contact your head tutors to help with side show alley and sumo wrestling.

Rides tickets
Dodgem Cars, Disco ride, tea cups, jumping castle.
Unlimited rides wristbands - $25
Single ride tickets - $5

Free unlimited rides wristbands!
Four lucky students will win an ‘unlimited rides wristband’ in the circus costume competition. Parade your costume under the big top at 10.30am for your chance to win.

New Location
This year’s fair will be located on the lawn area between Prep School and the Library and in the DPA.

Gold Coin Donation
A gold coin donation at the gates will be part of this year’s fundraising.

Parent helpers needed urgently for all Tutor House Activities

Douglas House - mechanical bull and gold coin donation
Gordon – sumo suits and side show alley
Richards – side show alley and sumo suits
McLachlan – sand trailer treasure hunt
Brown – Devonshire tea
Dean – Drinks in wheelbarrow
Prep School Bottle Stall – the ever popular jars of goodies
Pre Prep Activity Corner - activities for littlies with biscuit decorating and badge making – so bring your photos.

Calling all magicians, musicians and clowns
If you are a busker, have magic tricks or just a clown – please contact us to entertain the crowd under the big top and in the DPA.

Raffle Tickets
Raffle tickets are due back next week - please get busy selling raffle tickets. It is important that all tickets, whether sold or unsold, are returned on time.

Thanks to our Fair Committee
An enthusiastic group have been helping out this year to make the fair great!
If you know these people please offer them your help!

Hilary Britton (food), Jane Gordon (marketing and sponsorships), Gabrielle Pearce (Raffle), Michelle Srzich and Jackie Harris (Bottle stall), Laurie-Anne Usher (sponsorship and BBQ), Kris Battye (sponsorship and decorations), Linda Seymour (Plants stall), Melissa Buesnel (sponsorship and pre prep), Richard and Jo Cheney (DPA and White Elephant), Dave Harbison (Rides) and new members Nicola Bush and Paula Elbourne.

Gillian Coleman gillian@hotondobathurst.com.au  Kim Bryant kim@ssfs.com.au
KWS FAIR – PREP BOTTLE STALL

1000 BOTTLES WANTED

Co-ordinators – Michelle Srzich 0413748677 Jackie Harris 0413645233

PLEASE BRING IN YOUR BOTTLES AND JARS NEXT WEEK
FEBRUARY 25 – MARCH 1!!!

We will be collecting them in the old undercover area every morning between 8.30 and 9am. Spare clean jars and bottles are available in the undercover area near the lost property box. Please help yourself. We still need volunteers to help next week with the morning collections, and to run the stall on fair day. If you can help please add your name and phone number to the roster in the undercover area.

BADGE MAKING STAND

We need volunteers on fair day to help run a badge-making stand (TWO people at a time preferred). If you can help please let Michelle or Jackie know.

Michelle Srzich 0413748677 Jackie Harris 0413645233

KWS FAIR – HOW CAN PARENTS HELP??

- volunteer your time at the bottle stall or badge making stall
- make a cake for the cake stall (bring in to the stall on fair day)
- donate some goods to the white-elephant stall (bring in on fair day or drop off at cadet store room)
- see the KWS Fair Facebook page for more ideas and info

KWS FAIR RAFFLE

Thank you to those families who have returned tickets already. Our preparation for the raffle has been made easier already. Great job! Thank you to those busy selling tickets and we appreciate all tickets being returned to the school sold/unsold.

KWS Fair – White Elephant stall

Clean out those wardrobes, book shelves and declutter the kitchen. It’s time for the ......KWS Fair – White Elephant stall. Now is the time to bring in the boxes of ‘great stuff’ you have been collecting over the holidays-books, toys, kitchenalia, clothes, electricals in working order, knick knacks etc........

It’s time to get ready for the 2013 KWS Fair – White Elephant stall.

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

Please drop this to Penny in the Cadet Q store room (next to the car park in front of the DPA)
Mondays and Wednesdays (between 1.00 – 3.30)

Or contact me by email jotcheney@gmail.com / 0263682080 AH

Helpers are still needed for the day - Please contact me jotcheney@gmail.com / 0263682080

Check out KWS Fair Day 2013 on Facebook

At KWS Fair Day 2013

2013 P&F Meetings
When: 2 Wednesday of the month during school term
Where: Room 81 in the Anderson Centre (above the pool)
Time: 7.30 to 9.30pm
March - Wednesday 13 AGM & GM, April - Wednesday 10 GM, May - Wednesday 8 GM, June - Wednesday 12 GM, August - Wednesday 14 GM, September - Wednesday 11 GM, October - Wednesday 9 GM, November - Wednesday 13 GM.

P&F Canteen
Our school canteen needs your help. Many parents do not realise that the KWS school canteen is run by the P&F association. It is currently staffed by the Canteen supervisor, Justine and Canteen assistant, Jenny. These positions are paid for by the P&F, but it's a busy environment and to help provide a better service for our children, volunteers are also required. The busiest canteen days are Wednesday, Thursday and Friday but help would be greatly appreciated on any day of the week, even only for an hour or two. Training is provided and it's a very friendly environment where you can meet other parents and help support the children.

Can't commit to weekly or fortnightly? No problem - once a term can make a difference.
Can only help for an hour or two? No problem - covering lunch time is the first priority.
Prefer other duties to preparing food? No problem - just talk to Justine. There are many ways to help out.
Can't remember the prices? No problem - we have lists and price stickers on products.

If possible, please consider supporting the school by participating. Fathers and grandparents are most welcome too. The canteen is provided by the P&F with the simple goal of providing wholesome food to KWS students and staff, with the best possible service. A big thank you to all those parents who have volunteered in previous years - you have made a real difference. To volunteer in 2013, please contact Justine Peters in the canteen on 6392 0387 or email canteen@kws.nsw.edu.au. Thank you.

On line ordering in the KWS Canteen
If you would like your children to have a lunch order from the P&F Canteen, online ordering is now available for children in the Prep school and Years 7, 8 and 9. (online will shortly be rolled out to all remaining senior school years as well.) The system is provided by Flexischools and is very quick and convenient, with orders being place on line before 10am for lunch time that day. Orders can be placed daily, weekly or even termly in advance from your pc, tablet or smartphone and payment made via a secure website.
Please see the Prep school 2013 Handbook for more details or visit the KWS website www.kws.nsw.edu.au, click on the Family and Friends button and then go to" Canteen" for details of how to register for online ordering, how to place an order, and for menus.

Sarah Passey, Prep school P&F representative. 0432 834 193.

Ex-students’ Association Annual General Meeting
All ex-students are warmly invited to the AGM at 9.00 am on Fair Day, Saturday March 2. This special meeting will be held in the historic board room of Wolaroi House. As you are aware, we are trying to significantly raise the profile and involvement of the Ex-students’ Association within the school community this year. All Ex-students from KWS, Wolaroi and PLC, both local and from our boarding communities are encouraged to attend.
For more information, an agenda and to view the latest version of the constitution, please go to the Alumni portal on the KWS website, or contact Paul Tierney ptierney@kws.nsw.edu.au.
Are you a current parent at KWS who is also an Ex-student of the school? We are attempting to update our database, especially Alumni records. At present, our records show about 50 KWS families have one (or more) parents as Ex-students. Please email Paul Tierney ptierney@kws.nsw.edu.au and he will have your parent file updated to reflect your important Alumni status if you fit this category.
Do you know of a family who may be interested in enrolling their children at KWS in the near future? Please invite them to attend our next Experience Day, on Friday March 22. A special flyer will be mailed to all families shortly, allowing YOU to invite your friends and colleagues to be a part of our special day. For more information contact Paul Tierney on 6392 0305.

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**Cricket – Saturday 23 February Round 14**

| U12’s | 8.30am | Orange City Gilchrists | PLC 2 |

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**Inter-House Swimming Carnival Friday 15th February**

The Prep school held its Inter-house swimming carnival on Friday starting the day with the March past in the school gym. It was a noisy affair with teams marching, cart wheeling and war cries being voiced! The best team was awarded to Douglas.

The carnival proceeded after with all students participating throughout the day. 50m races were the main distance swum for freestyle, backstroke, breaststroke and butterfly. Some 25m races were also offered. The day finished with finals for the 50m freestyle and then relays concluded the day. The parents took out the title to win the parents / teachers / captains / prefect race, with much noise and cheering from the students and parents. The carnival was eventually won by Brown house who had close competition throughout the day. 2nd place was McLachlan, 3rd Douglas and 4th Gordon. The Age Champions were:

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Thank you to all the parents who helped with the timekeeping throughout the day. Your assistance was greatly appreciated.

**WAS / HICES Swimming Team & Captains**

Congratulations to Max Waddell and Alexandra Gee on their captaincy for KWS Prep Swimming 2013. These students will lead our team at WAS and HICES.
The WAS and HICES Swimming Team will be on the Sports noticeboard later this week. Notes with information for the two carnivals will be distributed to the team. Please be aware that the WAS Swimming Carnival is hosted by Kinross Wolaroi next Tuesday starting at 11.30am in the school pool. Spectators welcome.

**Summer Sport**

*Uniform reminders:* tracksuit tops are to be worn to / from school when wearing sports uniform and white shoe laces are to be worn in sport shoes. Please adhere to these school sport uniform requirements.

**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 only at 2.30pm, Tennis is played indoors and external coaches are hired for this sport. 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.

**Outside Sport**

Congratulations to our students who competed in Dubbo over the weekend at the Little Athletics Regional Carnival. Kinross Prep had 6 students competing in a variety of events. Our students and their events were:

- Jack Pengilly – 2nd Long Jump, 4th 400m, 7th Discus, 12th Hurdles.
- Lucy Waddell – 1st 400m, 4th Hurdles, 5th 100m.
- Phoebe Litchfield – 1st 1500m, 1st Jun all age relay, 3rd 800m, 3rd 100m, 4th Long Jump.
- Brooke Barrett – 1st High Jump, 10th 100m.
- Bailey Barrett – 4th 70m, 7th Long Jump, 10th Shot Put.

Jack, Lucy, Phoebe and Brooke all qualified for the State Little Athletics Championships which is held at Homebush in March. Well done to these athletes.

**Dates for the diary Term I**

- **WAS Swimming Carnival** – Tues 26 Feb. 11.30-3.00pm
- **HICES Swimming Carnival** – Thurs 7 March
- **CIS Swimming Carnival** – Wed 20 March
- **KWS Cross Country Carnival** @ PLC – Thurs 28 March
- **KWS Athletics Carnival** – Thursday 11 April

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

Kindly

**Mrs Louise Barrett** - Prep PE / Sport Co-ordinator

**Sports report**

**Cricket**

12 Years: After a thrilling swimming carnival the previous day the boys struggled with what we called ‘post carnival tiredness’. Despite our efforts the boys had to chase an imposing total of 141 from 25 overs. We maintained a good scoring rate but lost too many wickets early on. Luca scored 21 to give us some chance. Bowling was less accurate then in previous weeks with Logan, Bradman and Max bowling with great economy.

We look forward to next week. Mr McLean

**Swim News**

**Saturday 9 March Speedo Sprint Series Final**

Congratulations to the 14 Finalists below who will be representing the Mountains and Plains Regional Swimming Association. The recent establishment of the KWS Swimming Club Junior Section will open up many new possibilities for its young members. With the emphasis firmly placed on skill development there now exists a Long Term Swimming Development Continuum which will responsibly and methodically enable a swimmer to thoroughly explore their full potential, providing that the parent and child wish to make the necessary commitment.


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