Principal

Over the last week, almost a third of our students have been heavily involved in NAPLAN testing. This included all students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. Parents need to know that we do not make any special effort to ensure students are well prepared for the tests. We deliberately do not focus on past tests or on specific skills or spend excessive time practising for the tests. Our students are given an indication of what the papers will look like with an overview of sample questions. This is all that is needed. Our emphasis at KWS is on the bigger learning picture than just the skills tested in NAPLAN. We believe in a holistic approach to learning – we encourage students to be creative, to nurture their natural curiosity through stimulating their learning by provoking and engaging the students in the material we teach.

My belief is that we cater for the ‘multiple intelligences’ of students at KWS rather than just the intellectual. We provide opportunities for the development of many different intelligences such as musical, interpersonal, spatial-visual, physical and linguistic. Many of these opportunities exist outside the classroom in the co-curricular program and are not formally assessed in any way. However they are equally as important in the overall holistic development of each KWS student.

Keep this in mind when you receive your child’s NAPLAN results – these provide an indication of how your child is performing on a
Head of Senior School

The term has begun with an excellent start to the winter sport season. All teams are training hard and their dedication is paying off with some great wins and very hard-fought contests. I was able to get to several netball games on Saturday, and despite very cold conditions the games were fast, entertaining and exciting to watch. As with schoolwork, it is persistence that counts most – if we know we’ve given something our very best shot, and really put in a sustained effort, then we can be comfortable with whatever the result is.

Exams will be held for Years 7 – 10 next week. Teachers are giving clear guidelines as to what students can do to prepare for them, without causing undue anxiety. At some point in our lives we will all be tested in one way or another; for most of us there are challenges every single day. Exams should be seen in this context – just one more challenge to deal with, no bigger or smaller than that. If parents keep a healthy sense of perspective, insist on adequate sleep and encourage in a positive way, that is the best type of support for students.

This week Year 10 students will be attending workshops run by Brent Sanders on safe social and personal behaviour, and the legal issues surrounding texting and social media, alcohol consumption, and dealing with others appropriately. Brent has a clear, amusing and direct way of speaking to students, and those in Years 11 and 12 will remember the impact of their own sessions with Brent. Boys and girls attend separately, so the sessions are tailored to the specific needs of each group.

A significant number of students will be attending the North-West Equestrian Expo in Coonabarabran on the first weekend in June. Last year the weather was not terribly pleasant (non-stop rain!) so riders and their families are hoping for much better conditions in 2013. I look forward to meeting with parents and students over that weekend, and being able to watch some spectacular riding and jumping.

The June long weekend is approaching; the Friday immediately prior (7 June) is a pupil-free day to enable boarders to travel home. Staff will be doing professional development that day but there will be no classes. I hope you are all able to have a restful time over that weekend.
Parents of students in Years 11 and 12 can expect to receive a letter from the school concerning permission for their children to drive a car (with or without passengers) or be a passenger in another student’s car. The school is very aware of its duty of care towards our students; we are also conscious of the potential for horrific consequences should a student driver carrying other students be involved in an accident. I’m sure parents can acknowledge our worries about this. The letter will give you all the details but in essence, parents will need to give permission for driving, and for carrying and being a passenger. We will keep records at school of the details of all permissions given.

The school’s musical, Hairspray, is in full rehearsal mode. It is a pleasure to be involved with this, in a costuming and wardrobe capacity. For staff to see students in whole new context, out of the classroom and off the sporting field, gives us insights and appreciation into their wider world. I encourage you all to be starting to think about attending a performance of the musical. Details on booking tickets will be available very soon.

I wish you all a very good week.

Bev West
Head of Senior School

From the Chaplain

“And The Lord said, ‘Look, they are one people, and they have all one language...We will go down and confuse their language, so that they will not understand one another’s speech.’” (Genesis 11: 6-7)

Pentecost Sunday was celebrated last weekend. Pentecost marks the disciples’ receiving the Holy Spirit along with the ability to speak different languages “as the Spirit enable them to speak” (Acts 2:4).

What strikes me is the paradox between this event and the story of the Tower of Babel.

The gifting of languages confirms in my mind the Divine intent of cultural diversity. Cultural difference is God’s design for the world, not a punishment (as suggested in Genesis). In the story of the Tower of Babel, people desired uniformity and God desires diversity. Both are necessary.

We need identity and cultural solidarity, but it takes divine intervention and initiative to bring about the extravagant array of the world’s cultures. Pentecost represents the in-breaking of God’s purposes for all humanity, bringing humanity together in understanding while preserving and respecting their differences.

Have you experience how people who are steeped in a worldview different to your own enrich your sense of individual identity and understanding of life? Have you noticed that when coming to know people ‘of difference’, these people are not to be feared but are people you can befriend?
Lord, preserve that which gives us individual meaning and unite us through your loving Spirit.

Phil Worrad
Chaplain

Boarder's News

This week in the Boarder's News: Loader House Dinner, Long Weekend Travel, Coonabarabran Bushfire Appeal Fundraiser, Red Shield Appeal Door Knock and Dates for your Calendar.

Loader House Dinner a Success

Thank you to Mrs Gavin, and the staff and girls of Loader House for their work in organising the Loader House Dinner last weekend.

The dinner was held a new venue this year, and it was a very successful evening, with many parents taking advantage of the opportunity to meet their daughter's friends, and make new friends amongst the Loader community.

The musical entertainment provided by the girls was warmly received and I congratulate Belle Kerr for her work in organising this feature of the night.

Long Weekend Travel

Bookings for Countrylink travel on the Queen's Birthday long weekend and also the End of Term 2 have now closed.

Information about time tables and tickets has not yet been received, but will be distributed to each boarding house, and also published in the Family Bulletin when it arrives.

Coonabarabran Bushfire Appeal Fundraiser

The Year 12 fundraising focus group is currently selling raffle tickets in an effort to raise funds for the Coonabarabran Bushfire Appeal. There are a number of great prizes to be won, including a 2 night stay for 4 people at Bellelarue Luxury Accommodation in Orange, and a round of golf for 4 people at Duntryleague Golf Club as first prize.

Tickets are $2 each and the raffle will be drawn on Friday 31 May. If you would like to purchase some tickets and support the bushfire appeal, you or your child can contact Matt Johnston (Year 12), Trathen House. He will also be available to purchase tickets in the Richards House Locker Area at lunchtime if your child would like to purchase a ticket for you.

Red Shield Appeal Door Knock

In what has become a tradition for our boarders, this weekend we will have a number of boarders door knocking houses around Orange, including the area surrounding our PLC site for the Salvation Army Red Shield Appeal.
Shield appeal.

The Salvation Army is always very grateful for our support and our boarders are to be commended for their enthusiasm in helping this worthy cause.

**Dates for your Calendar**

- 10 August  Miller House Dinner
- 10 August  New House Dinner
- 17 August  Wolaroi House Dinner
- 17 August  Weymouth House Dinner
- 30 August  Trathen House Dinner
- 31 August  Rugby Presentation Dinner

**Alistair Miller**

Director of Boarding

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**NAPLAN Update**

**NAPLAN update and importance of families!**

How do these two themes interrelate I hear you say...

Well, NAPLAN 2013 is finished and we will expect the results sometime in September. One of the key observations administering the NAPLAN tests was assessing the student’s engagement with their Writing task.

This year, the theme of the writing persuasive task was on “Heroes”. Students had to choose a hero (someone they admire) and give reasons why they would give them an award. After reviewing briefly the quality and quantity of writing exhibited in our Yr7 and Yr9 students which by the way was pleasing to say the least, what do you think was the most common ‘hero’ category students chose to write about? A famous sporting star, TV personality, pop or movie star?

The overwhelming hero to most students were their family members. A high percentage nearly all of Yr7 and most of Yr9 choose either mum, dad, grandparents, siblings and even their boarding house-leaders. Many responses identified the hard work parents did in their respective jobs and especially at home. Especially stay-at-home mums who basically ‘ran’ the household! Nearly all responses who chose a key family member recognised the love, care, and support they received from the making of lunches everyday, driving to and from school/events, to reassuring them through some tough times that everything will be alright. Students recognised the selflessness, good humour and time spent with them including cooking favourite meals, assisting in homework, fun holidays, or just kicking the footy in the backyard. Put simply as one boy wrote “my Dad deserves to be a hero because he is there for me…”

What stood out to me was the significance families play in the life of their children’s schooling. In many respects we expect a lot from them (organisation, classwork, assignments, co-curricular commitments, developing and supporting friendships etc) and they can’t do it alone.
So I write this as a tribute to let you know — even if they didn’t want you to know, that for most of the parents out there, you are a hero in your child’s eyes.

Yooie Choi  
Director of Learning & Enrichment

Exam Reminder Years 7 to 10

Exams for Years 7-10 are only just around the corner. I encourage students to consider the importance of reviewing their class work by completing a thorough and complete set of annotated notes and practice some questions (review topic tests, past papers and the like) to familiarise students with the type of questions asked and for time management.

Yooie Choi  
Director of Learning & Enrichment

KWS Pedal Prix Team

Each year the Australian International Pedal Prix attracts over 35,000 spectators. As in past years, we are sending a team to compete at this exciting event in Adelaide.

On Wednesday 5th June at 7:30pm in Room 70, there is a meeting for parents interested in helping the KWS Pedal Prix Team.

Please contact David de Bruyn for more information on 02 6392 0322.

David de Bruyn

KWS Winter Litfest 2013

The third KWS Literature Festival will take place on 11th-13th June with author talks, workshops and book signings. The festival provides a wonderful opportunity for students to be exposed to authors and illustrators, to learn about their styles of writing and illustrating and to inspire our students to write creatively.

Our guests this year are:

Nette Hilton  Gaye Chapman  Oliver Phomavanh

Nette Hilton is an established author of children’s literature and has won several awards for her books, which range from early childhood to novels for older readers. For more information go to
Gaye Chapman is an artist of national standing and illustrator of children’s picture books. She has exhibited widely throughout Australia and overseas, and has many major collections, awards, prizes and exhibitions to her name including the Sulman, Blake, Fleurieu, Kedumba and Waterhouse Natural History art prizes. For more information go to http://gayechapman.wordpress.com/

Oliver Phommavanh is a young Thai-Australian writer for children. He is a primary school teacher who shares his writing passion with kids and engages them with humour. He’s also a stand-up comedian and has appeared on national TV and radio. Check out Oliver’s website at www.oliverwriter.com

Students in the Prep School and Secondary will be attending sessions with our guests. Copies of the authors’ books will be available for purchase and signing during the three days. Students attending a session will have $8.50 charged to their account.

Any enquiries, please contact Amanda Foster, Senior Librarian on 63920360.

Amanda Foster
Senior Librarian

Sports Taping Courses

Sports Taping courses in Orange are back by popular demand.

Sports taping is an important skill for coaches, trainers, teachers, parents and players involved in sport. Correct sports taping can help prevent injury and also help with injury rehabilitation.

Level 1 covers beginner technical and practical advice of taping including wrists, ankles, fingers and thumbs.

Level 2 covers advanced techniques for the shoulder, elbow, wrist, Achilles tendon, knee and soft tissue techniques - hamstrings and quadriceps.

Participants receive a certificate of attainment upon successful completion of the course. Call Sport and Recreation on 6362 6623 for more info or visit www.dsr.nsw.gov.au

Level 1: 6-9pm 29th May
Level 2: 6-9pm 5th June
Cost: $60 per person

Joanne Barrett
Department of Sport & Recreation

Careers Forum

Update on the P&F Careers Forum - 13th June 2013

Following up from my letter to families of Year 10 students and previous announcements in the Secondary news Bulletin I would like to inform families of a new initiative included in the forum this year. The P&F have invited a number of education providers to attend on the evening. Each will have an information booth and some will be delivering 15 minute presentations throughout the evening. Institutions that have confirmed so far include:

- University of Wollongong (presentation)
- University of Canberra (presentation)
- Australian National University
- Charles Sturt University (presentation)
- University of Sydney
- Notre Dame University (presentation)
- The Blue Mountains International Hotel School (presentation)

And major employment organisations:

- Cadia Valley Operations
- Central West Group Apprentices (Skillset)

We are still waiting to hear back from other institutions as well. This is a wonderful opportunity for our school family to learn more about the universities our students may be attending in the future. The presentations will cover information on accommodation, courses, scholarships, facilities, bonus points, etc but you will also have the opportunity to speak individually with the representatives so this is a great way to find out anything you would like to know. This opportunity is made even more important because the university open days generally clash with the timing of our Trial HSC and End-of-Preliminary exams making it extremely difficult for our students to attend, the P&F are bringing the universities to you!

At this stage we are planning to hold the presentations in the Chapel area of the DPA, rolling them through every 20 minutes. This way it will be possible to attend as many of these as you wish whilst also visiting the employer booths.

We will have more information shortly on the Advisers who are attending. Many of whom are experts in their field. Some are recently graduated and so can discuss their experiences as students as well.
The evening also presents a very special opportunity for those students hoping to study medicine in the future. A wide range of health professionals will be in attendance providing insight into their day to day activities, training opportunities, etc. Amongst this group will be a representative from The University of Sydney Clinical Medicine School based here in Orange and a number of doctors representing a variety of medical specialisations. We will also have a student ambassador who is currently completing medicine studies at the school.

More information on this exciting event coming soon!

Cherie Byrnes
Careers Advisor

HSC Scaling Parent Info Night

SCARY SCALING: Scaling in the HSC Parent Information Night with the Board of Studies and UAC

Have you heard the following statements from your Year 10, Year 11 or Year 12?

“I’ve chosen that subject because it’s scaled up.”

“I’d really like to do subject A, but I’ve chosen subject B, because the teacher told me it scales better.” “My ATAR is disappointing. If only I’d realised that most of my subjects were scaled down,

I would have chosen different subjects.”

“I won’t do that subject, because it is scaled down.”

The NSW Parents' Council and Orange Anglican Grammar School invite you to an information evening about scaling in the HSC and how your ATAR is calculated to dispel some of these myths! Carol Taylor, Chief Executive, Board of Studies NSW and George Cooney from UAC will be enlightening parents and students.

For bookings or for further information please go to the Parent Council web page or contact Rowena Stulajter on 02 9955 8276.

When: Wednesday 12th June at 7pm
Where: Orange Anglican Grammar School, 7 Murphy Lane, Orange.

Plenty of parking available.

iMovie Short Film Festival

When: Wednesday 12th June from 6:30pm until 8:30pm

Where: Derek Pigot Auditorium

The school community is warmly invited to attend the inaugural iMove Short Film Festival in the DPA on Wednesday 12th June from 630pm till 830pm. The film festival is just one of the events scheduled as part of the 2013 Winter Lifet.
The event will showcase the finalists from the iMovie Short Film Competition currently being held in Years 5-7. The finals will be judged by Winter Litfest Guest Speaker Oliver Phommavanh who will also present the awards and prizes to our winning film directors.

Students in Year 5-7 are currently producing 5 minute short films based on the theme "Orange". To create a challenge the theme "Orange" must appear within the film either as the town, the fruit, or the colour. Students have used a variety of apps to film, edit, and compose music to accompany their films and we are looking forward to an evening of great entertainment.

Families are encouraged to bring a picnic rug and perhaps a cushion to sit on. We also encourage families to enjoy a byo picnic dinner during the screening of the films.

Tim May

**Clothing Pool Opening Hours this Week**

Please note that this week the Clothing Pool will be open today, Wednesday 22nd May from 10am-2pm and will also be open tomorrow, Thursday 23rd May from 10am-2pm.

The Clothing Pool will return to normal opening hours next week - Tuesday and Wednesday from 10:30am until 2pm.

We apologise for any inconvenience.

Jasmina Kosarac  
Clothing Pool Sales Assistant

**P&F News**

**Careers Forum**

The Careers Forum for Year 10 Students and their parents is on Thursday 13th June from 6-9pm in the DPA.

**P&F Meetings**

When: 2nd Wednesday of the month during school term

Where: Room 11

Time: 7.30 to 9.30pm - **June** - Wednesday 12, **August** - Wednesday 14, **September** - Wednesday 11, **October** - Wednesday 9, **November** - Wednesday 13.

P&F meetings are held on the 2nd Wednesday of each month during the school term. Please come along, everyone is most welcome.

We understand that the Scary Scaling information evening for Years 10,11 and 12 and their parents and the Prep film evening clashes with the next P&F meeting on Wednesday 12th June. The date and location
the next P&F meeting on Wednesday 12th June. The date and location of the next meeting will be confirmed shortly and advised in upcoming bulletins and on the KWS website.

Jean Welsh
P&F Secretary

Canteen Volunteer Roster

Wednesday 22nd May
TBC

Thursday 23rd May
Jenny Pottie

Friday 24th May
Anna Reidy

Wednesday 29th May
Hilary Britton

Thursday 30th May
Trina Redenbach

Friday 31st May
Cindy Williams

If you are interested in helping out in the Canteen please contact the Canteen Manager, Justine Peters on 02 6392 0387.

Justine Peters
Canteen Manager

Lolly Day

Please pop it in your diary that this Friday 24th May is lolly day in the School Canteen.

Enjoy!

Music Matters

In this Issue: Camerata Concert, Year 11 Music Leaders, Eisteddfod Success, Friends of Music Fundraiser.

Camerata Concert

The Camerata Concert held last Friday night was an incredible display of talent and commitment by our wonderful music students. Our Concerto Competition entrants all performed to an outstanding level. We heard from students of all ages across the high school and saw some performances of concerto works which were far beyond our student’s years. Anne Stevens was amazing as our accompanist for the evening, and I am sure the students would all join me in thanking Anne for her efforts in the preparation and her performance during the
concert. As usual, the Friends of Music provided a lovely supper so thank you to all the parents involved in this association.

**Year 11 Music Leaders**

In the coming weeks, all Year 11 students in co-curricular music ensembles will receive an application form on which they must outline their musical experience, leadership skills and the details of any initiative they would like to bring to their potential role as a Music Leader. Application forms are due by the end of week 5. Please see Mrs Chapman or myself if extra forms are needed. We will have a Music Captain, a Music Vice Captain, 2 Band Leaders, 2 Choir Leaders, 2 String Leaders and the Drum Major for Marching Band.

**Eisteddfod Success**

Congratulations to Olivia Fisher who achieved some fantastic results in the Open sections of the recent Cowra Eisteddfod.

**Friends of Music Movie Fundraiser**

On Friday May 31st the KWS Friends of Music will be running a Movie night fundraiser for the soon to be released “The Great Gatsby” at the Odeon cinema. Tickets are $20 and can be purchased through Libby Chapman in the Music Department office.

Heidi Anthony

**Acting Head of Performing Arts**

**Music Dates for Your Diary**

**June**

4 – Prep Music Concert, 5:30pm, DPA
7 – Secondary Pupil Free Day
10 – Queen’s Birthday Holiday
14 – Cadet Farewell Parade and Dinner
20 – Music Festival, 6:30pm, DPA
22 – Holidays begin

**July**

8 - 12 – Musical Camp (KWS)
15 – Term 3 begins
15 – 17 - Musical rehearsals
18 – 20 – Musical performances
25 – Music Photos 1:00pm onwards
29 – AMFR Practical Examinations commence
August

9 – Secondary House Spectacular  
14 – AMEB Practical Examinations conclude  
20 - 21 – AMEB Written Examinations  
25 – HSC Composition Recording Day  
26 – Orange Eisteddfod String Day (TBC)

September

2 - 3 – HSC Recital evenings  
2 – 13 – HSC Performance Examinations  
4 – Orange Eisteddfod Band Day (TBC)  
5 – 6 – Orange Eisteddfod Choir Days (TBC)  
13 – Co-curricular Music Afternoon Tea  
17 – Winter Co-curricular Assembly  
19 – Year 12 Farewell and Blessing  
21 – Holidays begin

October

8 – Term 4 begins  
8-9 – Australian Music and Drama Excursion (TBC)  
15 – HSC starts  
14 - 16 – Music Camp (KWS)  
24 – 26 – Australian National Field Days

November

1 – Grandparents Day, Music Festival Rehearsal Day, Music Festival Concert, 6:30pm, DPA  
2 – Preparatory School Open Day (am)  
2 – KWS Celebrates Music (afternoon)  
11 – Prep Music Assembly  
14 – Student Music Concert, 5:30pm, Performance Theatre

December

2 – Secondary Pupil Free Day  
3 – Prep Celebration Assembly  
4 – Speech Day  
5 – Holidays begin

Heidi Anthony  
Acting Head of Performing Arts

Great Gatsby Movie Night

“The Great Gatsby” Movie Night will be on Friday 31st May at 6:15pm for a 6:45pm showing at the Odeon 5, Orange.

Tickets are $20 per person and include light refreshments before the movie.

This is a Major Fundraiser event for KWS Friends of Music and your
support will be very much appreciated.

This new Baz Luhrmann film starring Leonardo DiCaprio has exceeded US Box Office expectations. It sounds wonderfully lavish and we hope that parents, friends and students, especially year 12 students (as it is a HSC text) will all come and see it on Friday 31st May (day after the national opening).

Tickets are available from the Music Secretary, Mrs Chapman and also from Friends of Music committee members.

Sarah Carter  
Friends of Music

Friends of Music General Meeting 29 May

The next Friends Of Music General Meeting will be held as a dinner meeting at the Parkview Hotel on Wednesday 29th May, starting at 7pm.

We will be checking last-minute details for the Great Gatsby fundraiser on Friday 31st May and discussing preparations for the upcoming Music Festival.

All welcome!

Sean Pearce  
Friends of Music

Hockey News and Reports

In this issue: State Championships, A note for Junior Hockey Players, Hockey training next week, Team Reports.

U18 State Championships

Congratulations to Kate Wilson and Ally Thurn on a successful campaign with the U18 Orange team. The girls were very unlucky to miss out on the semi-finals by 1 goal in a count back.
Junior Hockey players please note

There is no Junior Hockey 31st May to 2nd June due to the U15 Boys State Championships and the June long weekend.

Hockey Training

There will be no training for any teams on Thursday 30th May due the unavailability of the turf.

Team Reports

KWS 1 Vs CYMS Lost 0-5

The girls were missing four key players which meant that they were missing some strike power up front. Cyms were too strong and fast on the day. Thanks to Mo Prescott, Belle Hazelton and Nicola Thomas for filling in.

KWS 1 Vs Canobolas Drew 1-1

This game saw the return of Sarah Steele-Park and Leisl Gray which gave the team extra speed and skill. The girls played well and were unlucky not to win with many missed scoring opportunities. Leisl Gray finished off a well-constructed team goal. Thanks to Josie Bloomfield and Kate Hall for filling in.

KWS 3 Vs City White Won 2-1

The mighty 3rds hockey recorded their first win of the season on Saturday with a hard fought 2-1 victory over the City White side. It was encouraging to see the girls play with much more composure and control, looking for passes and using the width of the field. I think the Tuesday mornings are starting to make a difference to our fitness and focus. 3 pts Georgie Kocanda, 2pts Ali Jackson, 1pt Arizona Savage and Claudia Conran

Under 18 Chiefs Vs Molong Feds

The KWS Chiefs took the field with great enthusiasm on Friday night in the second game of the season. The Molong Feds were certainly the more experienced of the two teams with the Chiefs having 5 players who are novices to the game and only 2 players who have played more than two seasons. Even so, the girls defended the first half with great team work keeping the score to 5 - nil in the Feds favour. During half-time players were assigned new positions to try out and experience and this put girls outside of a comfort zone leading to a further 11 goals being scored against them. Players of considerable note were Megan McCaulley who defended the goals with great skill and denied the Feds many opportunities of scoring. Also, Mia Hull proved to be a formidable player in attack once the ball had cleared our defensive end of the field.

U15 KWS Rebels Vs Confederates Lost 1-2

The KWS Rebels came out strong against the Confederates, with many attempts at goal but simply unable to convert. The well match teams
battled it out goal for goal with the Confederates finally taking out the match 2-1. The overall enthusiasm of the girls was outstanding along with the tireless offensive play by Eloise Coleman and Kaleesha Cain.

Michelle Hill
MIC Hockey

Equestrian News

Congratulations to Sophie Hardie who has been nominated as the 2013 Equestrian Team Captain. Thank you also to all other applicants who submitted great applications and were outstanding in their interview.

I look forward to all our senior students assisting me in supporting the KWS Equestrian Team at Coonabarabran next week.

As mentioned last week Juliet Sharpe has competed widely over the past few months. These fabulous photos are testament to her achievement. Well done Juliet!

Michelle Pryse Jones
KWS Equestrian Team

Rugby Summary & Reports

Rugby Summary

Rugby on Saturday 18th May was played against The Armidale School (TAS). For the second year running, the matches were held in the neutral location of Coonabarabran, which is located roughly midway between our two schools. It was a successful day across the board, with KWS ending up with eight wins and a draw from 11 matches (Last year: seven wins and a draw from 12 matches).

1st XV Won 42-7, 2nd XV Won 24-14, 3rd XV Won 26-0, 16A Drew 17-17, 16B Won 56-5, 15A Lost 5-8, 15B Won 37-5, 14A Won 31-12, 14B Won 19-5, 13A Won 22-3, 13B Lost 12-15
It was pleasing to see both of the U14’s team have their first wins of the season, as well as the big wins in the 16B’s and 15B’s. Our 4th XV unfortunately missed out on a match after TAS withdrew. Otherwise, the fixture against TAS is one of the few in which we are matched team for team, so it is good to see how we perform when matched up against a school with similar playing numbers.

Thank you to our referees Ian Robertson, James Aitken and Jack Yeomans. James had a big day, after playing in the 3rd XV, followed directly by refereeing the 14A’s and then having to take over the last 15 minutes of the 16A’s match.

Thank you to the KWS Rugby Club for the supply of food on the buses on the way up. We were able to have our buses pull over for a break on the way up and have a snack, which enabled the boys to be more ready to play upon arrival. Also, thank you to the KWS Rugby Club for the supply of the physio service (Soph Beer & Harry Fardell). To have our boys properly taped up and have injuries treated immediately has been a very worthwhile investment. The away rugby trips are a very long day, and I thank the rugby coaches, parents and players for their support in making this event work.

Next Saturday 25th May the rugby matches are at home versus Newington College.

Richard Roach
MIC Rugby

KWS 1st Vs TAS Armidale Won 42-7

With a long road trip to the foothills of the Warrumbungles at Coonabarabran, the KWS 1sts were prepared for their annual fixture against GPS side TAS.

Ready for a willing and physical game the 1st XV opened up with some good cohesive play that allowed plenty of phases to build pressure and a good platform for a rampant red hot backline to throw the ball around for some entertaining play. The referee allowed the game to flow and with very few breaks in play the team had a very good hit out that will be needed to take on Newington this weekend. Half back Tony Pellow shone in the broken play and TAS had their hands full dealing with Lachie Corinth and Jake Coleman up front. In the backs everyone got plenty of ball and the finishing of partial line breaks was pleasing from a coaching perspective. The 2nd half saw a lot of loose ball in the rucks and we will need to tighten this up to compete for the rest of the season. Overall the team played well and it was a very rewarding fixture.

3 points - Billy Freeman, 2 points - Tony Pellow, 1 point - Tom Bristow, Nick Lukins & Logan Brockman.
Tries: Bailey Hilder 2, Louis Kostaglu, Nick Lukins, Billy Freeman & Ben Hogendyk.
Conversions: Tom Bristow 6/6.

Jason Smith
KWS 3rd XV Vs TAS 3rd XV Won 26-0

The KWS 3rd XV enjoyed their best performance of the season against TAS in Coonabarrabran. Cameron Hilder and Toby Polkinghorn tore the opposition centres to shreds throughout the match with Cameron scoring two great tries and Toby making numerous breaks. Entertaining play from the backs was a feature of the match with Gus Griffiths creating many gaps in the defensive line. A reverse flick pass from Gus saw Curtis Barker in space and his speed was enough to cross for the third try of the match. Man of the match Michael Brown also scored late in the game after breaking through the TAS defence from a lineout. Tom Rolfe kicked two conversions and Curtis Barker one. All players had their best game so far this season, but the best were Robby Blatch (1 point), Cameron Hilder (2 points) and Michael Brown (3 points). Will Tierney, Grayson Rosborough, Angus Williams, Scott McKellar, Toby Polkinghorn, Robby Blatch and Michael Brown all deserve special mention for making the step up from 4ths and each being amongst the best on the field.

Paul McRae

KWS Under 15s Vs TAS 15B Won 37-5

The team were determined to build on their results this season and to bounce back from the loss to Stannies. From the first whistle the boys showed their determination to play team rugby. The continuing development of skills for all the boys meant the team were able to retain the ball and build pressure on TAS. Defence around the breakdown turned over a lot of ball and this allowed the backs to get the ball wide. Cayden scored two excellent tries after great work by the inside backs and Cameron’s ability to take on the line resulted in two fine tries. Josh Jones, Tom Robson and Travis Bell had sensational games and secured KWS a lot of ball. Newer boys to Rugby, Seth Galvin, James Allen, Angus Moon and Oscar Savage continue to grow in confidence and had good games. James Staniforth also won a lot of lineout ball with his excellent jumping. Will Sullivan’s tackle in the second half was a try saver. Well done to all players - we are improving with every game.

Tries: M Phillips, D Webber, M Manson, C McGrath 2, C Rasmussen 2 tries and one conversion.

Geoff Hull

KWS 13As Vs TAS 13As Won 22-3

They say that the mark of a good team is to win when you don’t play your best and this was the case with the 13 A’s last Saturday against TAS. We were very slow to start and couldn’t seem to maintain possession for any length of time. A substantial penalty count against us also made it difficult to produce any continuity as we were forced to play the game from deep within our own half. TAS were the first to score when they converted a penalty to make it 3-0. We were able to strike back before half time with a storming run from Donny and a clever quick
Back before half time with a storming run from Donny and a clever quick tap from Fraser resulting in two tries. With a conversion by Monty we held a handy 12-3 lead at halftime. The second half was a real arm wrestle as both teams fought for ascendancy. Again Donny and Fraser scored tries to make the final score 22-3. The game highlighted a few things that we need to work on this week, particularly at the breakdown. On the plus side we were able to defend well against a mountain of possession. It was good to see the inroads that our outside backs, Will, Riley and Mitch were able to make when given some space, while Henry was very reliable under the high ball at fullback. All in all a satisfying win as we face the challenge of Newington this coming week.

Gary Bone

**KWS 13Bs Vs TAS Lost 12-15**

The U/13 B’s played The Armidale School on the weekend. They narrowly lost 12-15 despite a good effort. TAS started off strong and after having most of the possession early, were able to score in the left hand corner. The score was 0-5 after TAS missed the conversion. It took a while for the KWS boys to settle into the match. The KWS defence was strong but TAS were able to keep the ball alive with offloads which lead to another TAS try. At 0-10, the KWS boys picked up their game and were rewarded with some possession of their own. Fly Half Angus Andrews was able to cross the line after a good run that saw him evade a number of defenders. Zac Condon was not able to make the conversion which left the score at 5-10. TAS were able to cross the line again after some good offloading. KWS went into the half time break down at 5-15. The start of the second half was unlucky for KWS as Prop Will Fullerton suffered a broken arm after taking a hit up. This delayed the game for some time but provided some motivation for the KWS boys. The second half was reduced to approximately 10 minutes. KWS lifted for the remainder of the game and were able to win the second half 7-0 after a try from this week’s captain Dave Williams. Lachlan Hunt was able to convert the goal. The final result being 12-15. There were a number of stand out players this week. Zac Condon and Angus Andrews had big defensive games. Sosaia Faiva keeps improving each week and was hard to stop with some good, strong hit ups. Dave Williams didn’t stop trying all game in both attack and defence. The whole team keeps improving each week and are starting to look really good. The boys take on Newington this Saturday at Wolaroi.

Corey McLean

**Football Reports**

**KWS 1st XI Vs Waratah Old Boys Won 5-4**

Our run of luck with uncharacteristically pleasant Orange winter Saturdays finally at an end, the KWS 1st XI Football team took to the pitch against the seasoned Waratah Old Boys. Unlucky not to have won the previous week, going down by one goal in the dying minutes, we
were keen to set the record straight. With guest trick maestro Henry Savage rejoining the team for a match, the spirits were high and KWS didn’t miss a beat, and a quick goal from Owen Patfield followed by two from Sam Pratten saw us up 3-0 within the first 10 minutes! Waratahs answered back however KWS soon brought the margin back out to three, with Sam bagging his second hat trick in as many weeks. An unfortunate foul saw a free kick awarded, and a mix-up resulted in a goal being scored from an advantage play. Halftime saw the score at 4-2, our elder statesman (who really should have known better) lucky to escape punishment for perhaps the most blatant handball ever seen in football, Diego Maradonna’s famous effort left for dead.

The second half saw tensions rise as former student Alistair Crane scored against the KWS team, but a goal from Diya kept the margin at 2. A goal from Waratahs in the last minute saw victory flash before our eyes, but the final whistle blew at 5-4, finally a win for the KWS 1sts! Credit must be given to Will Proudford and Josh Cheney for their exemplary defence, Peter Crisp for his excellent touches, and Tyron Ody for finally making his debut, coming back from a pre-season injury.

Dave Selwood, Dom Wu and Nick Price all played in keeping with their great form thus far, and congratulations must go to man of the match Tom Glastonbury who’s excellent goalkeeping, including a memorable triple save, helped us to our narrow win. Let’s continue our form into our away clash against reigning premiers Millthorpe next week!

Matthew Smedley

**KWS Vs CYMS White Drew 1-1**

It was an epic battle against a team that worked hard to keep us out of their penalty area. Throughout the match we were able to string some reasonable passes together but too often we were rushed in setting up for shots at goal. Will, Shania and Thomas led the way with some energetic play. The back three of Addie, Charlotte and Sam did well to contain the CYMS forwards. It was disappointing to concede a soft goal in the latter stages of the first half but the team did well to ramp up their intensity in the second half. The equaliser was a great team goal starting from a pass out from the right back down the wing, a quick one-two involving Harry and Bukhosi, followed by cross which Will latched onto with deadly precision.

Matthew Healey

**Netball Reports**

**Senior Competition**

**KWS 1sts Vs LS Little Johns Bottleshop Won 36-31**

Did you know that the average centre travels a massive 8.8km per game, most of which is at a sprint? Netball is a game that requires immense stamina, explosive speed and split-second decisions. On Saturday, the KWS 1st’s were right on top of this mental and physical intensity. It was virtually a goal for goal game, yet the team, with a total...
morning. It was virtually a goal for goal game. Yet, the team, with a total disregard for the score was blissfully and ignorantly unaware that we entered the final quarter five goals down. Sophia Cassimatis was stunning in the attacking circle, while Bridget Cooper and Maddie Hawthorne were equally excellent in centre and defence work respectively. This said, all the girls must be commended on their brilliant teamwork, which gave us ten goal turn around in the last 15 minutes with a final score of 36-31 our way. After this win and after our premiership victory in second division last year, the 1st’s netball can proudly say that it is in fact in first division that we belong.

KWS 2nds Vs RH Orange Glass 2

The KWS 2nds played Robin Hood Orange Glass 2 on Saturday. Conditions were pretty freezing but we soon warmed up. We started strongly but there were some missed opportunities in the first quarter which meant we fought from behind for most of the game. Tamika Simpson, Lizzie Bilton and Alyssa Hayley combined well in the goals.

Chloe Upcroft, Eloise Mirrington, Carmen Date and Jordie Brodie were steady in centre court. Arabella Jorgenson-Hull and Cassie Naylor were great in Defence getting lots of intercepts. Overall it was a great game by the girls but we unfortunately didn’t come away with a win losing 27-24. Eddie Kennelly was awarded player of the match for her outstanding effort and commitment throughout the entire game.

KWS Y12 Vs OHS Shocking Shaniquas Won 40 - 20

What a fantastic game! The Year 12s were determined to make amends for last week’s loss. They took on the undefeated OHS team with purpose and commitment and they dominated play for the entire game. Defence was superb with Ellie Fisher, Millie Inder and Georgia Opie not giving their opponents an inch! The shooters, Bea Patterson and Karli Maloney were ‘on fire’ - space was created brilliantly and accuracy was amazing! The centre court players formed vital links. Mandy Colless, Pip Johnson and Lauryn Wilson moved the ball effortlessly down the court and their feeds to the shooters were always effective. As centre court defence, Sam Cherry and Sarah Elfar were relentless. They shut down any attempt that OHS made to gain possession of the ball. More of this to come I hope girls but get ready for some fierce fitness!

3 points: Mandy Colless, 2 points: Ellie Fisher, 1 point Bea Patterson and Georgia Opie.

KWS 4ths Vs Hawkes Stars Won 32 – 22

A hard fought battle where the KWS 4ths displayed great fighting and team spirit. The undefeated Hawkes took the court with confidence and they totally controlled the first quarter, leading 8 to 4. The second quarter saw the KWS 4ths play ‘smart Netball’ by making the opposition play their game. This is where the game was won as the Hawkes were kept scoreless and KWS scored 13 goals! The KWS 4ths maintained momentum in the third quarter and went into the last quarter with a very
Moments in the third quarter and went into the last quarter with a very
handy lead! However, panic then set in when Hawkes were determined
to control the game once again! Although the KWS 4ths allowed the
Hawkes to control the first ten minutes, to their credit the girls held their
heads high and stuck to the game plan in the final minutes and they
came away with a most deserving win. Great game girls – you all did
your job so well!

3 points: Kate Booth, 2 points: Tamlyn Heam, 1 point: Belle Kerr.

**KWS Chomps Vs CYMS 007’s Lost 14 - 39**

The late game time, very cold weather, and number of falls by players
took their toll on both teams. This first quarter was low scoring and a
very tight defensive game was played by both sides. In the second
quarter CYMS began to open up the play and along with some excellent
goal shooting began to take a substantial lead in the game. The third
quarter play was dominated by the Chomps. Good position play,
communication and excellent defence in the circle saw the Chomps
improve their goal scoring rate and restrict the opposition ball
possession. Claire Robertson as Goal Shooter, Salina Lennon in Goal
Defence, Maddy Dowd and Laura Pearce on the Wings all had great
games and continued to motivate the team. The final quarter was again
dominated by CYMS. Chomps had a number of chances to improve
their score, however, missed shots and various penalties gave CYMS
plenty of opportunities to gain possession of the ball and realise goals
in the circle. A number of umpiring decisions did not assist the
Chomps in their attacking play, gradually eroding their confidence
resulting in a low scoring quarter for the team.

**KWS Whips Vs OHS Sassy Strawberries Won 40-25**

KWS Whips played OHS Sassy Strawberries in Round 3 of Division 7 of
the senior netball competition. It was a tough game in freezing
conditions but the girls played well. In the first 2 quarters the cold got
the better of the girls but they came back well in the third quarter and
stayed steady in the final quarter. Unfortunately for us, the OHS
Strawberries were just too sassy, winning 40 to 25. Best players for this
round were Sophia and Emily.

**Junior Competition**

**KWS Smarties Vs KWS 13 M&Ms Won 11-6**

The girls played an excellent game against the KWS M&Ms, continuing
our undefeated streak. Strong defence from Bella Harding and Sophia
Redenbach around the circle made it difficult for the opposing team to
score in the first half. During the second half, Jemima McPhee and
Charlotte Anderson worked well as a team transferring the ball up the
court, gaining a comfortable lead to end the game 11-6.

**KWS M & Ms Vs KWS 13 Smarties**

M&Ms were defeated in their game on Saturday but they were excellent
in developing their defensive skills and new positions. Well done
M&M's for a terrific effort and your sportsmanship.

**KWS 14As Vs OHS Junior A Won by 1!**

The 18th May saw the KWS 14As take on the OHS Junior As. We knew coming into the game that it was going to be our toughest game yet – it certainly was. The first quarter we got off to a rough start, some sloppy passes lost us some of our own centres. The 2nd and 3rd quarters were nerve wrecking, with the margin between the teams being only 2 goals. Towards the end of the 3rd quarter our shooter Thea Allen took a dive and had to come off. With Thea on the sideline going into the 4th the pressure was on. We were only up by 2 and OHS wanted the win as badly as us. We were neck and neck the whole quarter to the point where the hooter had gone with us in possession of a shot or pass penalty in the circle and the score was tied. India Kermode was cool under the pressure and shot the goal with ease. Congratulations to all the girls and I can’t wait for the double header in two weeks.

**Bridie Briedeake**  
**MIC Netball**

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**KWS LATEST NEWS!**

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