From the Principal

Garden & Sculpture Walk

Last Sunday we hosted the inaugural Garden and Sculpture walk at the School. This event was an initiative that was first thought of by the Chair of Council’s wife, Mrs Catherine Cheney, to open the School to the general public and see our beautiful grounds and buildings. The idea then grew into supporting local sculptors by offering them the chance to exhibit their works.

The event on Sunday was an outstanding success with a large amount of money being raised for CanAssist. Speaking with the visitors to the School a number of people who attended the event had not been inside the School grounds for many years. I received many positive comments regarding the enormous changes to our environment, not only in terms of buildings but particularly in terms of the impressive presentation of the grounds, plants and trees. We are extremely fortunate to have knowledgeable and hardworking grounds staff ensuring the School looks immaculate.

On behalf of the KWS Community I thank Cath Cheney and her team of helpers for the enormous amount of effort they put into this event to ensure it was a success. I am hopeful that we will continue this event into the future by making it an annual event. I thank all families who supported the event and look forward to further developments in this area.
I take this opportunity to wish the KWS families all the best over the coming Easter holiday break. We have had a fabulous term 1 and it’s time for students to rest and relax with families. Thank you for your wonderful support of KWS.

Brian J Kennelly
Principal – Kinross Wolaroi School

From the Head of Prep

Term 1 has been a very busy and productive term. As a School we have accomplished a great deal due to the combined efforts of staff, students and parents.

We asked the students to ‘have a go’ at the commencement of the school year and indeed there have been numerous examples of this occurring individually and in groups. Well done students.

There are two significant changes to our daily structure next term. After School Care structure has been well-published and those changes are reinforced in this week’s bulletin.

To alleviate the long waiting times for pick up after sport we will trial during Term 2 having two pick up points. Our normal place and Allenby Road. Please see further details in the bulletin.

We look forward to your support to these changes.

I wish you all a most enjoyable and relaxing holiday with your children.

Enjoy your week.

Rob McLean
Head of the Preparatory School

From the Chaplain

Easter Services

Those officiated by yours truly: Holy Thursday, 6:00pm St John’s. Good Friday, 8:45am St John’s. Easter Sunday, 8:45 St John’s. All are welcome to attend the services.

Holy Thursday

A service will be officiated at St John’s Uniting Church (cnr Anson and Kite) on Thursday 17th April (first week of the holidays). I am looking for some students, staff, family members who would like to take an active part in the service. Please let me know if you can attend and take part in the service.

Brian J Kennelly
A Reflection

The thief said to him, “Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom. Jesus answered him, “Today you will be with me in paradise.”

Luke 23 43

Easter is a time of too much chocolate and family reunions which can degenerate into disharmony. Ironically, this may be truer to the Easter Story than the happy family scenario. Or am I being too cynical at the end of a busy term? Let’s start again…

Easter is a time to recall the Passion of Jesus and ideally to connect our lives to this most significant of historical events (for Christians). Much can be said about the Passion, death and resurrection of Jesus. I’m going to focus on the verse about and the Story that encompasses it.

Try to picture the setting. Three men are being crucified, suffering excruciating pain. Below them are soldiers who are completely disengaged with what is taking place. They squabble about who should take possession of the meagre belongings of the men hanging on the crosses.

I wonder: can we be so bling to the suffering of others? Is it truly possible to be in the presence of torture and not feel empathy? Is humanity capable of such inhumanity? History tells us ‘yes’. It is possible. Our present time tells us ‘yes’. It is happening. I consider Manus Island and I shudder. I consider my remote indigenous brothers and sisters (are we not all brothers and sisters!) and I feel such intense shame because while they are there, I sit down here and I know that they are there.

Picture the exchange between the thief and Jesus. Most crucifixions lasted several days before the victim finally died from exhaustion, exposure, loss of blood and suffocation. But this was Friday and the Sabbath would begin at sunset. The Sabbath would be defiled if people were being crucified, so death would be induced. Jesus knew this. Perhaps the thief did too.

What we have in this brief exchange, as the soldiers so obliviously go about rolling their dice, is a cry of minimal faith and maximal desperation: “Jesus, remember me…” and what we have from the mouth of Jesus is a response of monumental mercy: “you will be with me…”

From feelings of utter shame and despair, I am reminded that God is rich in mercy. God saves us, not because we earn it, not because we deserve it, not because we say the right words and pray the right prayers, and not even because we get our theology right, but because God is full of mercy. Mercy that says to a thief: “Today you will be with me in Paradise.”
Easter is a time to remember, take account and take hope. I will never understand fully the wonder of Jesus’ death on a cross. But I can grasp the fact that his death opened the door for me to experience real life. In the face of a merciful mystery, may he hear our hearts as they proclaim: ‘until you call me home, Lord, I’ll be standing here in the power of Christ in all my weakness and strength. Remember me.’

May you each have a blessed Easter time and may your family reunions be wonderful!

Pastor Worrad.

Assembly Awards

House Awards:

**Brown:** Ava Buesnel, Oliver Chandler-Sullivan, Sam Harris, Sterling Graham, Lizzie Kwa, Angus Croft, Lachlan Roberts, Luke Dominello, Olivia Tudor, Jack Paix x 2, Tomas Tudor, Georgina Bennett, William Rawson x 2, Max Bylsma.

**Douglas:** Alanah Seedsman, Max Munro, Lila Tyrrell, Catie Crisp, Jackson Essex, Simone Chawla, Abhi Popuri, Emma Choi, Phoebe Litchfield.

**Gordon:** Max Reidy, Jayde Caro, Fletcher Smith, Daisy Wilson, Hannah Goodisir x 2, Saxon Buckley, Sameeka L’Estrange x 2, Catarina Taragel, Annabel Pengilly, Joey Jones, Brooke Barrett, Alice Aldersey, Grace Srzich, Joanne Zhang, Mia Srzich, Emily Caro, Joshua de Bruyn, Sasha Wilson, Taylah Caro, George Cumming, Angus Blyde.

**McLachlan:** Amelia Hill, Lily McBeath, Henry McElroy, Ben Chai, Alice Waddell, Sarah Davies, Hannah Jones, Ben Jones, Lucy Waddell, Lily Anderson x 2, Alexandra Britton, Callum Wald, Benjamin Broadley x 4.

Merit Awards

**KD:** Grace Bylsma, Luca Popa, Daniel Lord, Bianca Wong, Harriett Sinclair.

**1W:** Lucinda Clinton, Aiden Button, Olivia Lee, Harriet Stratton, Lillian Pearce, Mia Essex.

**2H:** Sarah Choi, Sara Gerber, Liam McKenzie, Laynee Visser, Alice Waddell.

**3/4P:** Jaemin Lee x 2, Ollie Wong, Max Bloomfield, Lily Anderson, Joanne Zhang, Elliot Hannely, Jackson Wilkin, Ella Buesnel, Kate Murray, Elise Davies, Grace Srzich, Nick de Bruyn, Lucy Waddell, Luke Dominello.

**5P:** Abhi Popuri x 2, Stanley Zhang x 2, William Rawson, Sally Crossing x 3, Georgie Poole, Max Bylsma, Callum Wald, Phoebe Litchfield, Emma Choi, Will Rouse, Angus Blyde.
**6H:** Alanah Seedsman, Alexandra Britton.

**Courtesy Points**

**Showing Compassion:** Henry McElroy, Sameeka L’Estrange, Hugo Pearce, Logan Usher, Emily Abiassaf, Nina Smedley.


**Cheery Greetings:** Emma Aldersey, Jackson Steventon, Harry Robins, Harry May, Adelaide Gavin, Nic Rasmussen, Charlotte Raffen, Harriette Usher.

**Great Helper:** Catie Crisp.

**Citizenship Points**

**Co-Operation and Helpfulness:** Kinin Brown, Saxon Buckley, Ben Chai, Meeka Sainsbury, Helen Suthers, Jazzlyn Nagra, Maya French, Lexi Wilkin, Lachlan Knight, Tessa Wong, Lillian Pearce, Charlotte Buckley, Mitchell Wheeler, Hugh Payne, Amelia Hill, Blake Jones, Hattie Usher, Sophie Martin, Isaac Birmilli, Dion Kircher, Elliot Hannelly, Lucy Waddell, Sally Crossing, Abhi Popuri, Jock Hazelton, Harry Macdougall, Owen Bloomfield, Sarah Davies, Mitchell Reynolds, Liam Choi, Jacquie Dring, Niamh McPhee, Josh Dominello.

**Immaculate Uniform:** Simon Livermore, Samuel Fabar, Alice Scholte, Liam McKenzie, Phoebe Litchfield, Alanah Seedsman, Charlie Stanford, Ben Broadley, Grace McRae.

**Being a Good Friend:** Oliver Perkins, Abby Hunt, Max Bylsma.

**Peer Support:** Owen Bloomfield, Mitch Reynolds, Mia Taylor.

**Assembly set up:** Harry Macdougall, Callum Wald

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**After School Care**

As you are aware significant changes have been made to After School Care commencing in Term 2.

Full details are available in packages from the Prep office.

A number of points need to be clarified to avoid any confusion next term.

- ASC has been outsourced and is a separate entity to the School.
- An enrolment form must be completed to allow for participation in the program. This is to be sent to the address in the package.
· All children who go to ASC will be billed. If parents are late for pick up your child will be delivered to the ASC and charged the full rate. For a normal day after school, teachers are on duty at the pick-up zone until 3.40 pm. On sport afternoons teachers are on duty until 4.45 pm.

· If sport is cancelled at 2.30 pm wet weather arrangements must be made. For your child to go to ASC they will need to be booked in. Casual bookings can only be taken if there are places available. If you don’t want to use the service please make alternative arrangements.

· It is unacceptable for your child to be wandering around the school/playing in the gym with no adult supervision.

· Should you make a permanent booking (eg every Tuesday and Thursday) your place is guaranteed.

· With the new regulations ASC staff cannot take the children to swimming, gymnastics or music unless they are signed out by a responsible person. This can be an older student from the Secondary School or sibling. If returning to ASC they must be signed in by a responsible person, again, an older sibling or Secondary student is acceptable.

· In previous times the School was charitable in short stays in After School care to cater for parents who were running late. However now being outsourced the flexibility is no long available.

· ASC will now be available to 6.00 pm.

The Co-ordinator of the After School Care is Mrs Natalie Locke. Mrs Locke brings great experience and expertise for the position having worked at the Northmead Centre in Sydney. Miss Melinda Ostini, Miss Rebecca Davidson and Mr Terry Findlay will be employed on a casual basis. We welcome Mrs Locke to our School to follow on the fine work of Melinda, Rebecca and Terry.

With the changes to ASC we will now be able to meet the legislative requirements. While these changes will cause some concern for families they are done to ensure your child has the best of care.

Please make yourself aware of the new procedures so a smooth transition can take place. Inclusion in ASC requires an enrolment application. If you have any questions please contact KWS designated number for Unitedcare Children’s Service – 0427290761.

We look forward to your support for the changes.

Yours sincerely

Rob McLean
Head of the Preparatory School
We do appreciate your patience in the pick-up area at the conclusion of School and sport. Improvements to the area are in the planning stage but in the meantime we are looking at ways to ease the congestion.

For a trial period for Term 2 on Sport afternoons (Monday and Wednesday) the bus area on Allenby Road will be available for pick-up as well as the normal pick-up area from 4.30 pm – 4.45 pm. This can only occur on sport afternoons as the buses use the area at end of School.

It will be your choice but PLEASE ensure your child is aware of where to wait.

The rules are the same:

- Please don’t park and leave your car.
- Please wait in line.
- If your child is not there you will be asked to go around the block.

If you park on the other side of the road YOU will need to cross the road to collect your child. The teachers on duty will NOT let your child cross to you.

We will have the children assemble near the back gate so we can maximise the area for the line of cars.

We enforce this for the safety of YOUR child.

Please support the staff as we try to reduce the time you have to wait to collect your child.

Rob McLean
Head of the Preparatory School

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**Orange Show**

The Orange Show will be on the weekend of 10 and 11 May. There are a number of different competitions running. These include showing of vegetables and a scarecrow competition. As well as a pet competitions. More information is available at the Prep Office.

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**Only “clean machines” will be permitted on School WiFi**

Important reminder, from start of term2 only “clean machines” will be permitted on School WiFi:

It is important that we keep a clean and stable Network environment so that all students and staff wishing to use the school WiFi can enjoy a good experience.

Mr Kennelly announced at assembly in week 9 that from the first week
of Term 2 the WiFi will be open only to “clean machines”. This means a machine that has been purchased by Kinross Wolaroi School or has the KWS Sophos Anti-Virus software running on it. Further to the reminder that was sent out via all Year 12 Tutors at the start of week 10, please could Year 11 and 12 students read their school email and follow the instructions to ensure you may access the school WiFi from Term 2.

This was piloted with Anderson Cottage Boarders having the first set of devices cleansed with Sophos Anti-Virus and each Boarder agreeing to the ICT Acceptable Use Policy.

The ICT Support HUB will be open in the holidays should any student or staff member wish to have their personal laptop or Mac cleansed.

From the start of Term 2 the following groups will have priority:
- Remaining year 12 students
- Year 11 students
- Any personal staff laptop or Mac

Darryn Marjoram
Director Information Services
Kinross Wolaroi School

**Reminder from the School Shop**

Students are to wear full winter uniform in Terms 2 and 3.

If your child needs any part of the winter uniform please come into the shop before the 11th April.
We will be closed from 12th April until 28th April.
The shop will be opened on the 28th April (day before school starts) from 8.30am to 5pm.

Gail and Sharron
School Shop Staff

**Clothing Labels Fundraiser**

Please order your iron-on clothing labels, shoe labels, name stickers and personalised clothing, towels, lunch boxes, drink bottles etc from “Stuck On You” [www.stuckonyou.com.au](http://www.stuckonyou.com.au)

At the checkout, you will be asked to add the name of the fundraiser - Kinross Wolaroi School.

They have some great gift ideas too and for every sale you will be helping the P&F raise money towards school projects.
AGM: Positions filled and Treasurer Vacancy

The P & F AGM was held in March. Kris Battye, Richard Cheney and myself continue in our respective positions. Michelle Srzich, who has children in Prep, has very kindly taken on the role of Vice President as well as continuing as the Prep representative. Thank you to Sandra Jones for being the treasurer for the last 2 years. There were no nominations for treasurer.

We are seeking a treasurer; this role now only involves the P & F (and not the canteen) and requires only 3 hours/month. Could anyone interested in volunteering to help our children by undertaking the role of treasurer please email or phone the secretary Jean Welsh: jwpnfsecretary2013@gmail.com or 0427669323.

The 2014 Executive is:

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Vice President - Richard Cheney
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Vice President - Michelle Srzich

Treasurer - Position Vacant

Secretary - Jean Welsh
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Wishing everyone a safe and happy holiday,

Kind Regards

Jean Welsh

Sports News

Armidale Rugby

Good luck to all the boys who are leaving on Friday to compete in Armidale at the TAS Rugby Carnival. The KWS team consists of George Cumming, Jock Hazelton, Harry Macdougall, Ben Broadley, Liam Choi, Josh Dominello, Oliver Hoskin, Harry Kermode, Harry May, Nicholas Rasmussen, Mitchell Reynolds, Lachlan Roberts, Hunter Rose, Lachlan Smith, Tomas Tudor, Jameson Tyrrell, Jack Wakem, Jack Pengilly. We wish the team all the best for their competition.

Winter Sport training & matches

Just a general reminder that Winter Sport training will begin on the first Wednesday back at school: Wed 30 April. The U11 Mixed Hockey teams will play their first match at 4.30pm that afternoon (30 April) after their training session. All Football, Rugby and Netball teams commence
their competitions on Sat 3 May.

Football Shirts

All KWS Football teams will be given their KWS football shirts at the start of next term. These will be given to the students at school before their Saturday matches. All teams will play the first Saturday back on 3 May.

Outside Sport

U11 Orange Rep Cricket

Congratulations to Phoebe Litchfield, Max Bylsma and George Cumming who have been selected in the U12 Orange Rep Cricket team for the 2014 / 2015 season.

Little Athletics Presentations

Well done to Phoebe Litchfield, Sophie Martin and Alice Scholte on their awards from the Orange Little Athletics presentation day. Phoebe won the award for the best overall female long distance runner; Sophie won the best overall female sprinter and Alice won the U6 age point score award as well as achieving 15 personal bests this season. Well done to all of these girls.

Mrs Louise Barrett
KWS Prep Sport & PE Co-ordinator

Sports Report - HICES Netball

Week 10 the KWS Prep (Yr 5 and 6) Rep team travelled to Kenthurst to compete in the HICES Netball Carnival and Selection Day.

They made it into the semi-final, at full time it was a draw. After 5 minutes extra time unfortunately the girls went down by one point to Armell Anglican.

The possibles and probables were announced with four girls being named; Grace McRae, Scarlett Taragel, Brooke Martin and Bailie-Rose Miller.

The final announcement of the day was the HICES team with Bailie-Rose Miller being named as centre! This is a fantastic achievement and very well deserved!

Names L-R: Niamh McPhee, Grace McRae, Scarlett Taragel, Alex Britton, Alanah Seedsman, Bailie-Rose Miller, Mia Marjoram, Lizzie Kwa, Maddy Srzich and Brooke Martin.
KWS LATEST NEWS!

KWS girls win A Grade title
The KWS 1sts Girls have overcome firm favourites The Sliders to take the Orange Basketball Association (OBA) A Grade Women’s title. Coached by Huon Barrett, the team worked hard in training. ▶ read full article

'Best ever' result for national regatta rowers
KWS has produced its best performance at the national rowing championships, winning two gold, three silver and five bronze medals, and even breaking a record at the week-long Sydney International. ▶ read full article

InTech exhibition inspires
Industrial technology students were treated to an inspiring exhibition of outstanding HSC works when KWS hosted the InTech Exhibition recently. InTech is the annual showcase of the 'best of'. ▶ read full article

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