Principal

Year 12 HSC Results - 2013

We are delighted with the 2013 HSC results. As a non-selective regional school with a focus on producing well rounded young men and women, we are extremely proud of the students’ achievements in the HSC. Over 52% of the overall results were at the level of a Band 5 or 6 which indicates an extremely strong performance by our students. It is particularly pleasing to see the students in the middle to lower cohort achieving well above their expectations.

I am extremely proud of the 2013 Y12 cohort, of the teachers who helped them reach their potential and of our wider School community who supported and encouraged them.

Exceptionally strong results were achieved in the following subject areas: Ancient History, Geography, Industrial Technology, Extension English, History and Mathematics, General Mathematics and 2 unit Mathematics, Modern History, Music 1 and 2, Studies of Religion 1, Textiles, Visual Arts, French and Hospitality.

Three students achieved Band 6 results in 10 or more units: Annabelle Carter and Rebekah Kwa. This is an outstanding achievement for these students.
Annabelle and Rebekah were selected for Medicine at Sydney University – a great honour given the total cohort of 32 students selected.

Over 23% of KWS achieved an ATAR above 90 – an excellent result.

Gemma Plunkett finished 9th in the State in Hospitality.

To our students across all year levels in 2014, I hope that this set of results will serve as an inspiration and as a challenge to you to strive for excellence and achieve your very best during your time at KWS.

At KWS, we aim for all-round excellence through programs that develop the whole child. In addition we pursue excellence in the development of our teaching staff and we value high quality resources – the new Dr Sharyn Pussell Science building is proof of this!

We want our students to have the opportunity to be exposed to a wide range of subjects and co-curricular experiences so that they may discover new strengths, interests and passions. We define excellence as every student being the best they can be and making the most of their opportunities. At KWS we want our students to achieve excellence in whatever they pursue. Clearly the Class of 2013 achieved this goal.

In our ongoing efforts to ensure every KWS student reaches his or her potential, the Senior Management Team will be finalising the first draft of the our new strategic plan over the coming months. Up to this point the process has involved extensive consultation with staff and the School Council. Further consultation will continue prior to the new plan being released.

To all parents who have chosen Kinross Wolaro to educate their child in 2014, thank you for entrusting us with this important task. I am looking forward to another outstanding year at KWS by providing many opportunities for your child to achieve their best.

Brian Kennelly
Principal

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**From the Head of Prep**

Thank you to everyone who attended the Parent Information evening and the ‘Meet and Greet’ which followed. I trust you were able
to gain an insight into the expectations of the year. Thanks to the P&F for their support of the evening.

At last week’s Assembly the students who suffer anaphylactic reactions were introduced to the students so that everyone is aware of the foods we eat and those that can have harmful effects. All nuts are banned from the Prep School because of the danger they pose to some of our students. Thank you for your support.

This week we have our K-2 and 3-6 Swimming Carnivals. One of the strengths of our School is student participation. There are races for all students regardless of their ability. All students earn House Points for being involved.

Parents are most welcome and indeed encouraged to attend. Further details are in this week’s Bulletin in the Sport section.

Our Kidslit Quiz team under the direction of librarian, Mrs Nicole Deans, participate in the tournament next Wednesday against schools west of the mountains. The Quiz is based on literature and students have been busy in preparation. We wish them every success.

Enjoy your week.

Rob McLean
Head of the Preparatory School

Assembly Awards

Merit Awards


Courtesy Points

Showing Compassion: Catarina Taragel, Ben Chai, Hugo Pearce.

**Citizenship Points**

**Co-operation & Helpfulness:** Saxon Buckley, Sophie Stratton, Lila Tyrrell, Aiden Button, Mia Essex, Finn O’Toole, Angus Martin, Callum Ward, Camilla Crossing, Alice Waddell, Charlie Hansen, Honor Tyrell, Angus Pengilly, Elise Davies, Ella Buesnel, Alanah Seedsman, Harry May, Niarnh McPhee **Good and Caring Friend:** Joshua de Bruyn, Mia Szrich, Georgia Miller, Ava Buesnel, Philippa Martin, Bailie-Rose Miller, Owen Bloomfield. **Singing Well:** Sasha Wilson, Jonty King-Christopher. **Work Habits:** Emma Choi, William Rawson. **Uniform:** Emily McLachlan, Harry Robins, Georgina Bennett, Tomas Tudor

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**Year 2 Summer Brunch**

Please join Year 2 families for brunch and a swim...

Lake Canobolas BBQ and Playground.

10.00am on Saturday 1 March, 2014.

BYO picnic (BBQ facilities available).

If it is raining, it will be postponed to another date.

If you have any queries, please contact Rachel Goodsr-0414777598.

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**Shoes to give away**

I have two pairs of school shoes Accent brand, size 13.5 UK, to give away. They are used, a bit scuffed on the toe, but come up nicely with some polish. Harry grew out of them before he wore them out. If you want them email salcoady@gmail.com or call 6344 1144.

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**KWS Scholarships Closing Soon**

To acknowledge our diverse student population and encourage excellence, Kinross Wolaroi School will offer a number of scholarships to day and boarding students (both current and future) entering Years 4 to 11.

For 2015 our Scholarship process has changed. Academic Assessment Services will be supporting our scholarship program through the provision and supervision of the scholarship exam. It is an exciting new phase that has allowed us to build a stronger scholarship process and broaden the scholarships available.

**Available Scholarships:**

- Academic (Years 4 to 11 in 2015)
- Music (Years 7 to 10 in 2015)
- Boarding (Years 7 and 9 in 2015)
- General Excellence (Years 4 to 10 in 2015)
- Ex-students (Year 11 in 2015)
- ICPA (Year 7 in 2015)

To be considered for a Scholarship, all candidates must sit the Scholarship Examination. Applicants must also complete an online application and submit supporting documentation.

Registrations and Applications must be received by close of business Wednesday 19th February 2014. The KWS Scholarship Examination will be held on site on Friday 28th February 2014.

If you would like to register please follow the links from the KWS website or copy and paste the URL below into your internet browser:

Michelle Pryse Jones
Registrar

P&F Fair White Elephant Stall

It's time to get ready for the 2014 KWS Fair – Fantastic White Elephant Stall and Sports Boot / Equipment Sale!

Clean out those wardrobes and book shelves, de-clutter the kitchen and sort through those sports shoes, boots and equipment...

Please start to box up all of the 'great stuff' you have been collecting over the holidays - books, toys, kitchenalia, clothes, electricals in working order, knick knacks and for this year – a special area devoted to good second hand sports shoes, boots and sporting equipment no longer of use to you – but of great use to other KWS families.

Please drop boxes filled with your donations to the Cadet Q store room (next to the car park in front of the DPA - see attachment below) on Mondays and Wednesdays (between 1.00 – 5.00) ONLY! Or contact me by email jotcheney@gmail.com / 02 6368 2080 AH.
Helpers are desperately needed for set up and selling on the day – just an hour or two would be a great help.

If you are able to help please contact me, Joanne Cheney.

jocheney@gmail.com / 02 6368 2080.

Joanne Cheney

**P&F News - Whats on in February**

In **P&F News this week**: Welcome to new families; KWS P&F Fair; P&F Meeting; Meeting Processes & Feedback please; Annual General Meeting; P&F Contacts.

**Welcome to new families**

With the start of the new school year the KWS P&F would like to welcome the new families joining the KWS school community.

**KWS P&F Fair 28th February**

This year the KWS P&F Fair will be a *Twilight Food Fiesta* on Friday 28th February commencing at 5pm. It will be held in and around the Science Quadrangle and lawn area leading to the Prep School. It promises to be a great evening event with a focus on food from a variety of cultures, stalls, white elephant sale, lots of activities and rides, live music and live radio broadcast. The co-curricular sports clubs, music group and P&F will have displays and stalls, offering the opportunity for parents and children to have a look at the broad range of co-curricular activities available at KWS. So please come along, bring your family and friends for a really good night.

This year we are incorporating a *Meet and Greet* into the Fair for new parents joining the school. This will be held around the P&F stall and co-curricular displays so please come along. It will be great to meet you.
P&F Meeting – Week 3, Wednesday 12th February, 7.30–9.00pm, teleconference option available

The first meeting of the year will be held on Wednesday 12th February commencing at 7.30pm. The meeting is held in the Video Conference Room on the ICT Floor (lower ground floor) inside the Library/ICT Building. For those people who are still finding their way around, it is easily accessed from the Prep School Carpark. Follow the path into the school (with the pool and Anderson Centre on your left) go past the emergency shower, and it is the first building on your left.

There is also the option to teleconference into the meeting for Boarder parents and people living out of town.

To join the teleconference:

· Dial the National Toll Free number - 1800 857 029
· On request, enter the Guest access code. The guest access code is: 19137159 #.

This information, and the meeting agenda is also on the KWS website:


All parents and friends are very welcome to attend.

Meeting Processes – Feedback please

Now that the P&F has moved to teleconference meetings, it is timely to review our meeting process to better fit with this medium. Meetings probably need to be not more than 1 to 1.5 hours and so that means we need to have a tight agenda and use out of session processes to sort out planning details for some of the P&F activities. I would be keen to have parents and staff who attend meetings to provide feedback on how we can improve the flow of the meetings.

Annual General Meeting, Week 7, 12th March 2014

The AGM will be held on the 12th March, 2014 at 7.30pm. The option to teleconference into this meeting is also available. We welcome all parents and friends to come along.

P&F contacts

Kristine Battye, P&F President, 0418 787 364, kbattye@kbconsult.com.au
Richard Cheney, Vice President
Jean Welsh, P&F Secretary, 0427 669 323
jwpnfsecretary2013@gmail.com
Sandra Jones, Treasurer.
Experience Day 2014

Experience Day is coming up again on Friday 21st March.

Experience Day is almost here!

If you know a family who are considering enrolment at KWS, share what we have to offer and invite them to Experience Day on Friday 21st March.

For more information or to book contact Paul Tierney before the RSVP date 14th March. P: 02 6392 0305 E: ptierney@kws.nsw.edu.au

For more information about Experience Day please contact Mr Tierney by phoning 02 6392 0305 or email ptierney@kws.nsw.edu.au.

Paul Tierney
Director of Development

KWS Annual Dinner

The KWS Annual Dinner, supported by the KWS Ex-students' Association, will be held on Saturday Evening March 22nd, 2014 in the Derek Pigot Auditorium.

Tables of 10 will be just $600, or individual tickets for $70pp, including 4 course meal, pre-dinner drinks and a full evening of entertainment.

Get a table of friends together and have a great night!

We encourage all members of the Past and Present School Family to support this fantastic evening by attending.

For more information, please call or email Director of Development Paul Tierney on 0419 411 274 or ptierney@kws.nsw.edu.au.
Paul Tierney  
Director of Development

**New Staff Appointment**

I am writing to advise that Antonia Suthers has been appointed as the new K to 12, Cross-Curricular Literacy Co-ordinator at KWS starting on the 24th February.

Antonia has a Bachelor of Arts from Macquarie University majoring in English and History along with a Diploma of Teaching from Central Queensland University. Antonia began her teaching career in 1999 at Maryborough State High School in Queensland where she was most recently the Cross Faculty Literacy Coach. Antonia has also worked with the University of Southern Queensland as a casual Associate Lecturer.

Antonia is a former student of KWS and has returned to live in Orange with her husband and 3 children who have all started at KWS this year.

Antonia reports directly to Yooie Choi, as the Head of Student Academic Services. Antonia will firstly work with all staff involved with Year 8 to improve the teaching of Literacy at this year level. In the first instance, Antonia will be offering assistance and advice to teachers outlining tried and tested methods of embedding literacy skills in daily lessons. In time, Antonia will be of assistance to teachers at other year levels, to ensure we have a consistent approach to the teaching of literacy skills from K – 12.

I congratulate Antonia on her appointment to this newly formed position within the School.

Brian J Kennelly  
Principal

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**Do you have an old Film Camera?**

The KWS Art Department would love to hear from you!

If you have an old film camera that you would like to donate to the art department for their darkroom photography program it would be greatly appreciated.

Madi Young  
KWS Art Department

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**Performing Arts Press**

This week in Performing Arts news: Calling all dancers; Co-Curricular Music Auditions; Onstage Drama Excursion; Year 1 String Program; Year 3 Band Program; Instrumental Music Lessons - Preparatory and
**Calling all dancers!**

We are incorporating dance as part of your Performing Arts Festival in June this year. Any student interested in participating from either the Preparatory or Secondary School should see Mrs Alloway in the Music Centre this week.

**Co-Curricular Music Auditions**

What a great start! We had an unprecedented number of students at our auditions last week to enter into our Co-curricular Music Program. Many of our continuing students expressed their interest in moving into more advanced groups and so many new students demonstrated their talents for our audition panel. All the Music Staff are looking forward to a bumper year across all our ensembles.

**Onstage Drama Excursion**

This week, our senior Drama students are travelling to Sydney with Mr Morrisey and Ms Anthony to attend a series of workshops and concerts. The Onstage Concert is a display of the best HSC Drama students from 2013. This experience will be invaluable to the students as they prepare for their HSC Drama examination.

**Year 1 String Program**

1S had a wonderful time trying the violin and cello last week and have now been assigned their instrument. Mrs Sinclair has received almost all the permission slips back in record time so thank you to all the 1S parents for being so proactive.

**Year 3 Band Program**

Last Monday, the Year 3 students tried out their favourite band instruments and should now have received a letter detailing the instrument they were the best at playing. Once the forms are returned, the students will receive their instrument in their first lesson with their teacher. The instrumental teachers will go to your child’s classroom and collect your child for each lesson. Teachers for this year are:

- Clarinet – Mr Ismail
- Trumpet – Ms Innes
- Trombone and Baritone – Mr Alloway
- Flute – Mrs Bennett
- Percussion – Mrs Key (Cassandra)

**Instrumental Music Lessons – Preparatory and Secondary**

By now, your instrumental teacher will have contacted you to let you know your lesson time, and the timetables for each teacher are currently being placed on the noticeboard in the Music Centre Foyer. Those students beginning lessons for the first time in 2014 may still be experiencing a slight delay in this process. Mrs Choi will contact parents directly in this case. Please contact Mrs Choi on 6392 0347 should you have any particular questions.
May you have a wonderful week.

Anneliese Alloway
Head of Performing Arts

Performing Arts Dates for your Diary

February
11-12 – Onstage Drama Excursion

March
13-14 – Athletics Carnival
20 – Concerto Competition
18 – KICKSTART Music Camp Period 3 to 4:30pm
19 – KICKSTART Music Camp Period 3 onwards, Concert in DPA at 2:30pm
24-25 – Encore Music Excursion
28 – Secondary Pupil Free
29 – Good Friday

April
1 – Easter Monday
7 – Senior Music Camp (KWS)
8 – 10 – Senior Music Camp at Warrambui
11 – Senior Music Camp (KWS)
12 – Holidays begin
29 – Term 2 begins

May
16 - Camerata Concert, 6:30pm, Chapel in DPA
28 – Combined Schools Festival – travel to Forest Lake College, Queensland

June
2 – Return from Combined Schools Festival
6 – Secondary Pupil Free Day
9 – Queen’s Birthday Holiday
10 – Prep Music Concert, 5:30pm, DPA
13 – Cadet Farewell Parade and Dinner
19 – Performing Arts Festival, 7:00pm, DPA
21 – Holidays begin

July
7 - 111 – Musical Camp (KWS)
14 – 16 - Musical rehearsals
15 – Term 3 begins
17 – 19 – Musical performances
28 – AMEB Practical Examinations commence
August
8 – Secondary House Spectacular
12-15 – HICES Music Festival (TBC)
15 – AMEB Practical Examinations conclude
19 - 20 – AMEB Written Examinations
24 – HSC Composition Recording Day
26 – Orange Eisteddfod String Day (TBC)

September
1 - 2 – HSC Recital evenings
1 – 12 – HSC Performance Examinations
4 – Orange Eisteddfod Band Day (TBC)
5 – 6 – Orange Eisteddfod Choir Days (TBC)
12 – Co-curricular Music Afternoon Tea
18 – Year 12 Farewell and Blessing
19 – Year 12 Graduation
20 – Holidays begin

October
7 – Term 4 begins
13 - 15 – Senior Music Camp (KWS)
31 – Grandparents Day

November
1 – Preparatory School Open Day (am)
1 – KWS Celebrates Music (TBC)
13 – Student Music Concert, 5:30pm, Performance Theatre

December
2 – Prep Celebration Assembly
3 – Speech Day
4 – Holidays begin

Anneliese Alloway
Head of Performing Arts

Sport News

Inter-House Swimming Carnival – Friday.

An information note was send home last week with students detailing uniform and day requirements.

This is a reminder that all students who are competing on Friday must wear a house coloured swimming cap and school KWS swimmers. Students are to come to school in their Sports uniforms, place their bags in the stands at the pool and be ready for the March Past at 8.55am in the gym.

Programs will be available from the office by Thursday, with a copy being placed on the sports noticeboard Wednesday.
Thank you to all the parents who have emailed me to help on Friday. An announcement will be made after the March Past, to assemble with explanations in assisting with time keeping.

**Water & Hats for Sport – Monday & Wednesdays**

There are still students who are attending sport without drink bottles and hats. These items are compulsory for all students. With the hot weather we are currently experiencing, it is important that the children stay hydrated and sun protected. Please help your children by checking that these items are being packed each day and especially for sport afternoons.

**SWIMMING - Mountains & Plains**

Congratulations to the following swimmers who competed at the Mountains and Plains Summer Swimming Carnival at Lithgow on the weekend.

Kinross Wolaroi Swim club placed second overall at this meet.

**Angus Pengilly**: 50 Backstroke; 25m Butterfly 3rd; 50m Breaststroke 7th, 50m Freestyle 7th.

**Jack Pengilly**: 50 Butterfly 1st; 50m Freestyle 4th; 100m Freestyle 2nd; 100m Backstroke 2nd; 200m IM 2nd; 50m Breaststroke 3rd; 200m Backstroke.

**Annabel Pengilly**: 100m Butterfly; 100m Breaststroke; 100m Freestyle; 50m Freestyle;

**Keisha Dowsett**: 200m Freestyle; 50m Butterfly; 100m Breaststroke

**Zac Lewis**: 100m Breaststroke 6th; 50m Breaststroke; 100m Freestyle; 50m Freestyle

**Bailie-Rose Miller**: 50m Backstroke 2nd; 100m Backstroke 3rd; 50m Backstroke 2nd; 50 Butterfly 2nd; 200m IM 2nd.

**Catie Crisp**: 50m Breaststroke; 100m Breaststroke; 200m Breaststroke; 50m Backstroke; 100m Backstroke; 200m Backstroke; 50 Freestyle; 100 Freestyle. Many PB’s.

**Ben Chai**: 50m Backstroke 4th; 25m Butterfly 1st; 50m Breaststroke; 50m Freestyle

**Alice Waddell**: 25m Butterfly 3rd; 50m Backstroke

**Lucy Waddell**: 50m Freestyle; 100m Freestyle; 50m Backstroke; 100m Backstroke; 200m Backstroke; 50m Butterfly 2nd; 100m Butterfly; 50m Breaststroke 1st; 100m Breaststroke 1st; 200m Breaststroke.

**Ollie McLaughlin**: 50m Backstroke; 100m Backstroke 1st– breaking record by 3 secs 1:27.45; 50m Breaststroke 3rd; 50m Butterfly;

**SWIM NEWS**: Mountains and Plains Swimming Carnival
Last weekend 30 KWS swimmers travelled to Lithgow to compete in a 2 day carnival.

Congratulations to all the swimmers who once again performed brilliantly and to Jack Pengilly who has qualified for the 50m Butterfly at the State Country Championships.

The junior swim team is coming together nicely. Thank you to all the parents for your continued support and to Gary Hollywood for your help and assistance behind the scenes.

Kinross Wolaroi School Swim Club finished 2nd in the overall points core in the Mountains and Plains district, this is a wonderful improvement as we placed 6th last year.

Well done kids.
John
Junior Swim Coach

Dirt Bikes

Congratulations to Josh Dominello who competed at the Canberra State titles over the weekend. Josh raced on his 80 cc bike placing 2nd in the 10-14 year old class; but unfortunately crashed out of the race in the 85cc class.

Triathlon

Congratulations to Ollie Chandler-Sullivan, Charlie Gill, Lizzie Kwa and Georgie Poole who competed at the Orange Interclub Triathlon on the weekend. These students competed in the Junior race successfully completing the 80m swim, 2km bike ride and 800m run.

Ziggy Jackson-Le Couteur, Max Bytsma, Brooke Martin, Phoebe Litchfield, Ben Broadley and Tomas Tudor competed in the Short Internal Course – 100m swim, 5km bike ride and 1km run. Tomas won his age division for this event.

Well done to all these students.

Lou Barrett
PE/Sport Co-ordinator

Sports Report - Cricket

U12 Cricket – Won v Waratahs 129-71

After a sensational start with an opening partnership of 62 off 7 overs a batting collapse saw us lose 4 wickets in one over. Ollie (21), Hunter
The batting of Christian (31) and some steady late batting by Harry M(16) and Lachie (9) saw us reach a highly respectable total. The bowling and fielding improved as the match went on with firm bowling from Tom, Max, George and Lachie. All taking 2 wickets each. While not taking any wickets Ben, James, Harry M, Jack W and Jack P bowled very economically.

### KWS Magazine Mailout

It has come to our attention that a small number of copies of the *KWS Magazine - 2013 Issue Number Three* that were mailed out over the holidays is either missing a page or has an extra page in it.

If you have received a copy of the magazine that is missing a page and would like us to send you out a new copy please either phone Caroline on 02 6392 0303 or email ckennaugh@kws.nsw.edu.au to request this.

We apologise if you have received one of these magazines.

### KWS LATEST NEWS!

#### Prep School welcomes new leaders

KWS Prep School welcomed a new cohort of “loyal, honest and caring” leaders at the annual Prep School Induction Ceremony. Led by Pastor Phillip Worrad with addresses from both the Head...→ read full article

#### Relief for Senior Students from Extreme Heat

Another week of temperatures in the mid-30s has greeted the students. Due to the extreme heat build-up in classrooms students in the Senior School (Yr 7-12) may wear Sports uniform to school...→ read full article

#### House Spirit on show at the Senior Swimming Carnival

The brilliant weather we have experienced all summer continued today as the KWS Senior Swimming Carnival was held at the Orange Aquatic Centre. The day commenced with Gordon House upping the ante...→ read full article