New Strategic Plan

Our current Strategic Direction is coming to the end of its 5 year term. A recent review of the progress made on this plan showed that we have completed in excess of 80% of the objectives with the remainder being a work in progress. Late last year, School Council, Senior Management and the Staff were involved in a series of workshops to develop our next Strategic Plan. Currently SMT are working on this draft to fine tune the Strategic Priorities and Objectives before consulting further with School Council and Staff.

It is an exciting time as we prepare and frame the future direction of KWS. At the forefront of the plan is a focus on 'Intentional Change' with an evidenced based approach to 'Best Practice Learning' through 'Reflective Professional and Performance Development'. In addition developing the concept of 'student voice' and 'staff voice' will be central to our new plan. This means that we will be seeking and utilising more feedback. For example students might be asked ‘What does learning involve for you?’ or ‘What are the necessary physical conditions that you require for your best learning?’ We will be promoting the culture of supporting and encouraging personal bests across the full range of the KWS programs. This includes the academic program, our student wellbeing activities and our diverse co-curricular program.
Central to all of this is a strong emphasis on Staff Development programs to enhance the quality of teaching as we firmly believe this is the most important factor in achieving quality learning outcomes. More than ever we will promote a student-centred organisational culture where the needs of students are considered first. The plan will highlight the need for ‘reflective practice’ involving staff and students, encouraging feedback, and effecting improvement through intentional change.

As we move towards these changes I am eager to ensure that KWS becomes renowned for ‘Best Practice Learning’.

Brian J Kennelly
Principal

Head of Senior School

I hope you are planning to come to the P and F evening Food Fiesta on Friday 28 February. What better way to celebrate the end of the month, a fantastic start to the academic year and the friendships formed through connection with the school! I encourage you all to enjoy yourselves; the funds raised go directly to benefit your child’s education and the facilities we can offer. Management and staff are very grateful for the support of all parents, in particular the P and F, so we look forward to seeing you there. Don’t forget that if you are the parent of a Year 7 student, there is a session in the Performance Theatre just after the school day ends for you to come along and gain information and ask any questions you may have.

I have been able to attend a couple of Professional Development meetings recently. One was a workshop on the findings and writing of Professor John Hattie, whose research into learning has been making a real difference in schools all over the world. He is focused on the importance of collecting evidence about what works to assist learning and how to give meaningful feedback (in a two-way direction) between teachers and students. He also has written a lot about the academic and psychological resilience needed for students to be able to make optimum progress and not be rattled when an unexpected question comes their way. It’s fascinating research, so watch this space!

My other meeting was with the HICES Deputies; this is a group of people in my role in independent co-educational schools. It is tempting to think of HICES as only about sport competitions, but it is a valuable professional network of Principals and Deputies too. Our meetings always have a guest speaker and workshops – this time it was about intentional learning and leadership and all of us came away inspired to make improvements in our schools. Those of you who are members of AICES Schools Basketball Cup, Principal’s Assembly, DPA

IN THE MEDIA

Sink your teeth into food fiesta
26 February, 2014
Central Western Daily
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Students ready to make their mark
26 February, 2014
Central Western Daily
▶ see full story
professional associations will identify with the buzz we gain from such speakers!

I wish you all well for a great week – don’t forget that our next major event for the whole Senior School is the Athletics Carnival on 13 and 14 March.

Bev West
Head of Senior School

From the Chaplain

“Let your ‘Yes’ be ‘Yes,’ and your ‘No,’ ‘No.’
- Matthew 5: 37

The School Motto is Knowledge, Friendship, Integrity. It is not inspiring. Indeed, it is barely memorable. Nevertheless it is worth reflection. The word ‘integrity’ captures my imagination. It means moral uprightness, personal fortitude and honesty.

Perhaps it’s a male thing, but when I think integrity I think of movie characters like Maximus Decimus Meridius (Gladiator), Balian de Iblin (Kingdom of Heaven) and Robin Longstride (Robin Hood). These characters, in the face of extraordinary adversary, demonstrated values encapsulated in the word ‘integrity’.

The integrity of each of the above characters became apparent during adversity. Like tempered steal, each was transformed into a greater expression of their old selves. Each discovered within themselves a strength that enabled them to remain true to a higher value and so became someone great, memorable. It is people of integrity who truly inspire.

For the majority of people, their qualities of strength and character may never be tested by fire. Nevertheless, they will shine in the dark moments of life albeit in less profound ways but their qualities will still be known among those with eyes to see. For example, view the following clip on Youtube: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=25maV39s5xY

For some, the description of ‘a person of integrity’ will simply never be ascribed to them. It is not worth labouring on those who lack integrity. Let it be enough to suggest that the older we are, the easier it is to recount examples of those who have lacked integrity.

To focus again on the quality of integrity, to become a person of integrity one must first know moral correctness (that which is objectively right and wrong) and then possess the personal strength to remain true to those moral principles. For Christians (and adherents of the other major world religions as well, but let’s stick with the Christians), we need not discover some hidden wisdom or secret vow in order to know moral correctness. For Christians, morality is ‘to treat others as you wish to be treated’ and then marry that with intent to ‘love actively’, that is, to seek out justice and to protect the vulnerable.
One simple exercise to prepare us for moments of testing, it is good to let your ‘yes’ be ‘yes’ and your ‘no’ be ‘no’. This is not at all as Jesus intended these words, but that how I’m applying them for our purposes today.

*Lord, Your Word is a lamp unto my feet. Give me all that is necessary for me to act justly, to love mercy and to walk humbly through life. In the face of hurtful circumstances may I not be found lacking in integrity. Amen.*

Phil Worrad
Chaplain

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**Boarders’ News**

**In Boarders’ News this week:** Boarders’ Stall at the KWS Fair; Boarders Libraries; Boarding Parents’ Meeting; End of Term Travel; Clean Up Australia Day; Excursion to watch Super Rugby; Academic Leave.

**Boarders’ Stall at the KWS Fair**

The Boarding community is once again hosting a stall at the KWS Fair this Friday evening. The stall convenor is Mrs Narelle Whittaker, who sends this message:

> ‘Just a reminder about the Boarders’ Stall at the fair this Friday evening. So far there has been a great response from parents offering to help on the stall and two generous prizes have been also been donated for the raffle. For the stall to be successful however, we need the support of parents to donate goods to sell. If parents could source out some goods from their local areas to donate it would be a fantastic help. Anything would be appreciated including home baked goods, preserves, jams, craft, fruit/veges, oils, soaps etc. Also if any goods are produced commercially in your area you may consider purchasing some to donate. Please contact Narelle Whittaker on Mobile 0428474283, Home 68474282 or email nwhittaker@bigpond.com if you can help out.’

**Boarders Libraries**

Many of you will be aware that each of our boarding houses has its own Boarders Library, which is well patronised by the students in their free time. The libraries were created two years ago with the generous donations of books from our boarding families. If you have suitable pre-loved books that you would like to donate for the Boarders Libraries, please bring them to School on Fair weekend. We will have a drop off point at the Boarders’ Stall.

**Boarding Parents’ Meeting**

Boarding Parents are invited to attend the Boarding Parents’ Meeting, to be held on Saturday 1st March, 2014 at 3.45pm for 4pm in the Staff Common Room (which is above the Canteen). Please contact Sally Rattray Wood on 6392 0325 or srattray@kws.nsw.edu.au if you would
End of Term Travel

Bookings for boarding students who would like to travel to and from home at the end of Term One using the NSW Trainlink School service have begun. Booking sheets are circulating in the boarding houses and students are being asked to confirm their travel arrangements for the end of term. It is important that accurate bookings are made so please make sure that your child is aware of your plans for the end of term.

**Bookings will close on Friday 7 March.** No further bookings can be made after these dates. If you have any enquiries about the NSW Trainlink service, please contact Sally Rattray-Wood at School on 6392 0325 for further information.

Clean Up Australia Day

This Sunday our boarders will be participating in Clean Up Australia Day. We have been allocated two sites at Lake Canobolas and Pinnacle Road and will be working hard to contribute to this cause. Our efforts are very much appreciated by the Orange City Council and the Clean Up Australia organising committee.

Excursion to watch Super Rugby

On Saturday 15 March the boarders will have the opportunity to travel to Canberra to see the Brumbies take on the Waratahs in the Super Rugby competition. This is an annual event for our boarders and is always very popular. Boarders who are interested will be asked to sign up this week so that tickets can be purchased.

Academic Leave

Please remember, any **academic leave** can only be granted in writing by the Head of Senior School, Mrs Bev West. Please forward your requests as early as possible by fax on 6392 0410, or email to Mrs West’s assistant, Ms Karen Tyrrell ktyrrell@kws.nsw.edu.au. It would be appreciated if you could also include an email address on any faxes for return confirmation.

Alistair Miller
Director of Boarding

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KWS Snow Trip

The dates have been set for the 2014 KWS Snow Trip: Sunday 6th July until Friday 11th July. Click on the flyer below to open up a PDF version or visit our website for more information:

Outdoor Movie Night

Following on from our great success in the Bushfire appeal in 2013, a group of senior students are seeking to make a difference by establishing an ongoing link between KWS and the Cambodian Children’s charity CAMKIDS.

The main purpose of this charity is to help children in Cambodia who are either poor or whose parents are not there for them: orphans, street children, children living in poor rural areas and children affected by natural disasters, such as flood or famine. In a country where there is a high rate of child abandonment, they also support programs to help strengthen vulnerable families and keep them together. For more information please visit their website www.camkids.org.

The major fundraising event for this year is an...

Outdoor movie night

Friday 21st March from 6:30
Despicable Me 2 (PG)
SCREENING COMMENCES AT 7.30 on the KWS Main Oval.

Bring along picnic rugs, blankets, bean bags, pillows, etc. as seating will be on the cement grandstand & on the grass.

From 6.30 onwards, face painting and glow sticks will be available to buy as well as a sausage sizzle, coffee van, popcorn and iced soft drinks.

Tickets are $10pp and children not yet at school are free. Please bring along your friends and family for an exciting and fun movie night under the stars. Tickets should be purchased in advanced using the attached form. Additional tickets can be purchased at the oval on the night.
Please return all notes to your classroom teacher or tutor by Friday 14th of March. You download a copy of the note here or click on the picture below:

As part of our fund raising efforts we are seeking local businesses to become sponsors of the evening. For a cost of $100 a business can show a short film clip or photos &/or text. Advertisements will be screened from 6.30 until the movie commences and the names of sponsors will be included on our promotional material. Please spread the word about this option to friends and family as a means of supporting this worthy cause. Businesses wishing to sponsor should email 14brownp@student.kws.nsw.edu.au please

Thank you for your anticipated support, all funds raised will go directly to CAMKIDS and on to the children of Cambodia.

Georgina Uttley
Coordinator

Proudly Sponsored by
On the Move Physiotherapy
Orange East Post Office

KWS Fair: Twilight Food Fiesta

The Twilight Food Fiesta is on this Friday 28th February 5pm till 9pm

Bring a blanket and try some of the delicious food while listening to Gabe and Malcolm sing all the hits.

Visit the School stand a grab your lucky door ticket to win a fantastic basket of goodies.

Try your luck at the Sandtrailer.

Make a bid on your favourite runner in the Calcutta.

Enter the lolly guessing competition at the School stand.
Visit the co-curricular stands and see what each KWS club is up to.

Have a delicious cupcake and coffee.

Jump on the rides for some fast paced fun.

Plus many more things to see and do……

See you all there!

Drop off prior to Fair Day

Drop off for White elephant, pre-loved sports equipment, bottles and books at the cadet Q storeroom on Mondays and Wednesday from 1 to 5pm

Drop off on Fair Day

Cakes, plants, bottles to be at front office of prep or senior school

Help Needed

Bakers for the cake stall still needed – contact Liz at ebrogers123@hotmail.com or volunteers contact Kim on 0407 965 833 or Paula on 0488 119 942 if you can help.

Paula Elbourne
P&F Fair

KWS Fair: White Elephant Stall

The KWS Fair White Elephant Stall & Sports Boots and Equipment Sale is this FRIDAY, starting at 5.00pm

Downstairs room in the Science Block...

We still need more good quality:

- Sports boots and Sporting equipment
- Puzzles and toys
- Clothing
- Kitchen and household items (including Tupperware)
- BOOKS and Magazines
- Electronic equipment (in working order)

PLUS Anything else you have collected for us!

Drop Off Details - Please Read:

Please drop boxes filled with your donations to the Cadet Q Store Room (next to the car park in front of the DPA)

Wednesdays between 1pm and 5pm ONLY!

Or drop off can be made on the day to the actual stall (you will see us on the ground floor of the Science Block) between 2.30pm and 4pm.

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

Helpers Needed

Helpers are desperately needed for pack up (come at 8.30pm) – anything left over will be donated to charity and we need help boxing this all up at the end of the evening.

Please contact me, Joanne Cheney jotcheney@gmail.com / 0263682080 if you are able to assist.

Joanne Cheney
P&F Fair

KWS Experience Day

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
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.
Canteen News

The KWS Canteen is now offering Sushi

Available Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.
Sushi $4.50 from Wednesday 19th February.

Canteen Roster

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Justine Peters
KWS Canteen Manager

P&F News

KWS Parents and Friends – what’s on in February (the Fair!!) and March (the AGM!)

Don’t miss out on the KWS P&F Fair - 28th February

This year the KWS P&F Fair - *Twilight Food Fiesta* is shaping up to be a great event. Plenty of food, 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 wonderful to meet you.

Key points from P&F Meeting – Week 3, Wednesday 12th February

First of all a big apology to anyone who had tried to dial in the meeting. The fault was at our end with the phone line at the school. Now that we have scheduled meetings for Week 3 and 7 of the school term, checking lines/equipment should be better streamlined. Please don’t give up on the Teleconference option for boarder parents and
people that live out of town.

The full minutes of the meeting are on the website at:


Key points from the meeting:

- **Streamlining communication between the school and parents**

  Improving communication processes between the school and parents has been an ongoing issue but not really resolved. There are a number of issues including:

  - Duplication of distribution of notices/information – paper based and electronic
  - Reliability of access to email/internet (which tends to contribute to the duplication issue)
  - Timeliness of paper-based communication – particularly for Boarder parents
  - There is also access to the “Whiteboard” on the school website but not sure of how widely this is accessed (or known about) by parents.

  The P&F has discussed this at various times but we do not have a good understanding of the communication issues parents may face, whether this differs between day, out of town parents and boarders, awareness of various electronic options (whiteboard, boarder portal).

  Mr Kennelly and Mr McLean are keen to work with us to develop a better communication strategy.

  Jenny Glastonbury and Donna McIntrye have indicated that they will seek to get feedback from senior and prep parents (respectively), and collate this information so we can have a well informed discussion with the School. So you should hear from them soon, and you can always send me an email.

- **Is there an option for direct debits for school fees across 12 months rather than 10?**

  This was raised with Mr Kennelly and the short answer is no. It has been discussed before with the School Council but is not possible for audit purposes and also to enable collection of bad debts prior to the start of the new school year.

  *The Canteen* has started a summer menu, and now trialling sushi (Wed, Thurs, Fridays)

  *Succession planning* – the AGM will follow the general meeting on the 12th March. I am happy to have another year as president (if no one else wants the job!), however it would be really valuable to have a succession plan for each of the executive positions. So if anyone is interested/thinking about having a role on the P&F committee, it would be ideal to have a year to shadow a position to get a handle on what is involved. There is also the option in the constitution for 2 vice president positions so this could be formalised. Please have a think about it and
contact me if you want to discuss it.

Brian and Rob both gave very enthusiastic reports. Key points:

- Thanks to P&F for the successful 2nd hand book sale (take a bow Jill, Lisa, Jo and all the great helpers)
- Enrolments are at an all time high: 795 in the senior school and 267 in the prep. The senior school is reaching capacity. The prep school is moving towards the double streaming in all prep classes.
- The students welcomed wearing sports uniform in the first 3 days of this week (10-12/02) during the extreme heat.
- Cyberbullying initiative to be followed up this year. Thank you to H. Britton for her email and support in this matter.
- B. Kennelly looking to hold a forum on alcohol, violence and kids (Year 9 upwards) / safe partying with parental involvement. B. Kennelly planning to draft a statement re alcohol, kids and partying. He will be seeking the P&F’s opinion on the draft statement.
- About a third of the school’s classrooms are air-conditioned. Air-conditioning to more classrooms is a long term plan. Parental concern that the music room is very hot. B. Kennelly to see that fan is organised for same.

In the prep:

- iPad have been successfully implemented.
- Information night and Meet and Greet very successful in numbers and objectives met.
- Peer Support commenced last week with Year 6’s nervous but accomplished in their presentations.
- In Scientia Maths is a focus for our enrichment program this term.
- Debating – great response from the children. We are submitting two teams from the Prep in the HICES competition this year.
- On Friday 07/03 prep & pre prep will be involved in a fund raiser for Relay for Life.

**Annual General Meeting, Week 7, 12th March 2014**

The AGM will be held on the 12th March, 2014 at 7.30 pm. The option to teleconference into this meeting is also available. We welcome all parents and friends to come along. If you are interested in having a role on the committee, or you would like to nominate a person (with their consent of course!), please contact Jean Welsh on email below and she can send a nomination form.

**P&F Website**

I know the P&F website is a bit out of date! It will be reviewed and updated after the AGM. So any ideas/feedback about what should be included please let me know.

*Kris Battye (president)*

**P&F contacts**
KWS Fair: Calcutta

KWS Fair: Twilight Food Fiesta
KWS Calcutta sponsored by Peter Fisher The Property Shop

The KWS Calcutta is an exciting running race held at the Fair. There is a Prep Calcutta and a Senior Calcutta. Prior to the race, runners parade so potential bidders can assess the field prior to investing in an auction bid. Programs will be distributed which will contain all of the information you need to make an informed decision on which team/individual you will choose!

Fortunately Peter Fisher The Property Shop have agreed to sponsor the Calcutta for the second year in a row. Hunter Ridley from Peter Fisher will oversee the Calcutta Auction with Peter Eccleston acting as the supreme auctioneer.

The Prep Calcutta is run in teams. This year there will be 4 teams of 6 runners competing in a 100m relay. These teams will be made up of prefects, house captains, parents and teachers. The teams will be auctioned off to the highest bidder prior to the race. The owner of the team that crosses the line first will win first prize valued at $500.

The Senior Calcutta will be handicapped based on prior form. Year 12 individual students and Mr Tink will race over 400 metres to determine the winner. As there will be 15 runners there will a prize valued at $500 for 1st place, $300 for 2nd and $200 for 3rd Place.

Consider getting together with other parents and friends and combining your bids for a greater chance to secure your team or individual.

Make sure you come and join the fun of the Calcutta, it is a fantastic fundraiser for the KWS Fair.

Senior School Calcutta Runners and Handicaps:

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Support your favourite student or Mr Tink in the Senior Calcutta with the chance to win fantastic prizes. There will be further details in the program at the Fair to enable you to make an informed decision or just follow your heart!!

Make sure you listen out for the Senior Calcutta Auction scheduled for 6:45pm.

Jane Gordon
P&F Fair

Performing Arts Press

In Performing Arts Press this week: Ballet and Dance Groups; Music Ensembles and Musicianship; Junior Woodwind Ensemble.

Ballet and Dance groups

This year our Performing Arts Festival on Thursday 19 June 2014, will incorporate Music, Drama and Dance. There will be two dance troupes rehearsing this semester in preparation for this event.

For Prep students: Rehearsals will be held on Thursday morning at 8.00am in the Prep Music Room. If you have returned a permission note we would love to see you at the first rehearsal this Thursday. If you are interested in being part of this group, please contact Mrs Choi for an information letter.

Secondary students: Rehearsals will be held on Fridays at lunchtime in the Performance theatre. You will need to see Mrs Alloway if you are interested in joining this group.

Music Ensembles and Musicianship

We are into week 5 and are well underway with musicianship classes and ensemble rehearsals. If you have returned an enrolment form for musicianship classes and have not yet attended, please refer to the cocurricular rehearsal schedule for the time of your musicianship class. If you are learning an instrument and would like to participate in an ensemble, please see Mrs Alloway in the music centre for more information.

Junior Woodwind Ensemble

Please note that Junior Woodwind ensemble is cancelled this Wednesday 26th February.

May you have a wonderful week.
Performing Arts Dates for your Diary

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

April
7 – Senior Music Camp (KWS)
8 – 10 – Senior Music Camp at Warrambui
11 – Senior Music Camp (KWS)
12 – Holidays begin
18 – Good Friday
21 – Easter Monday
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
4-10 – Orange Eisteddfod Speech and Drama days at OFC
8 – Secondary House Spectacular
11-22 – Orange Eisteddfod Vocal and Instrumental days at OFC
14-15 - Orange Eisteddfod Choir days at OFC
15 – AMEB Practical Examinations conclude
16-17 Orange Eisteddfod Vocal days at OCT
17 - Orange Eisteddfod String Evening at ORC  
18-30 – HSC Drama Performance Examinations  
19 - 20 – AMEB Written Examinations  
20 - Orange Eisteddfod Band Day at OFC  
24 – HSC Composition Recording Day  
25 - Orange Eisteddfod Dance days begin at OCT  
29-31 - Orange Eisteddfod Dance Groups at OCT

**September**

1 - 2 – HSC Recital evenings  
1 – 12 – HSC Performance Examinations  
7- Orange Eisteddfod Dance days conclude  
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

### Form Guide for Senior School Calcutta

### Form Guide for 2014 Senior School Calcutta

**POPPY BROWN – Handicap 85m** - Whilst the strengths of this young filly have been proven in other areas of school life, we are yet to see Poppy's form over 400m in such a strong field. One thing is for certain, Poppy will run with true determination through until the end of the race and will never give up.

**GEORGIA MCKENZIE – Handicap 75m** - Captain of Gordon House and fully involved in the life of the school, Georgia comes to this field with some running experience from triathlon training sessions. Her infectious laugh and sunny smile will hold her in good stead as she takes up this challenge here tonight and attempts to outshine the opposition,
SARAH STEELE-PARK – Handicap 47m - There are very few people in this world who can outdo this filly in terms of determination and competitive spirit. Male or female, young or experienced, Sarah is happy to challenge in a wide range of activities both physical and mental. It is no surprise to see her join the field tonight despite her recent time away from the sporting arena due to knee surgery and rehabilitation. Head Prefect and with this handicap she will definitely be one to watch.

ALEX AMOS – Handicap 40m - This colt places a lot of importance on his fitness and strength. Not afraid of embracing early morning training sessions, Alex can be seen pushing his body to the limits at rowing or leading by example on the cadet ground. Tonight will be no exception, our Deputy Head Boy will leave nothing to chance as he takes on this field.

HUGH ALSTON – Handicap 22m - Hugh could well be tonight’s surprise package! Hailing from the plains surrounding Lake Cargelligo, Hugh has spent many years building strength and endurance working on the family property. His selection as Captain of rowing this year is testament to his commitment and determination to achieve his goals and his ability to lead by example. This colt is definitely a strong chance tonight.

BILLY JACOB O’CONNOR – Handicap 15m - Normally stabled in Narromine, Billy-Jacob has been brought to Orange for the season and is expected to run well in the cooler conditions. This strong young colt has a powerful build and will be out to beat his opposition at all costs. He could well be the dark horse of the field.

BEN RAINES – Handicap 6m - This young specimen has been working hard on improving his speed and fitness for this race. He has been attending extra early morning training sessions and working hard. The handicapper obviously sees him as a big threat and we are sure Ben will not disappoint as he takes on the challenge here tonight.

NICOLA THOMAS – Handicap 60m - Committed to early morning training sessions, this little filly is fit and ready to run the distance. She is not only Captain of Rowing but has performed strongly in the school athletics carnival in recent years. Saddled with a generous handicap, Nicola is certainly a strong contender to win this race tonight.

NICK WORRAD – Handicap 25m - Captain of Brown House, this colt has been relatively quiet around the stables and so is an unknown quantity on this type of track and over this distance. This may well turn out to be “just the race for him”. We can be certain that he will put his best foot forward tonight.

KATIE MITTON – Handicap 45m - With the asset of those long and powerful legs, it is no surprise that Katie is the fastest girl in the school over 400m. This runner will definitely provide a strong challenge for her competitors as this is her favoured distance and she has been doing some training for the event.

JOHN THOMPSON – Handicap 35m - John has done most of his
training on the wide brown plains of Coonamble. Since coming to KWS he has embraced opportunities for building strength and endurance through the rowing and rugby programs. This experience makes him a strong contender to win tonight’s race.

**BILL TINK – Handicap 38m** - This competitor made a huge lifestyle change about 2 years ago. He decided to give up the “coach potato” concept and embraced the world of personal training sessions and starting a family of his own. Tonight we will see the culmination of his efforts, commitment and determination. Due to his late entry into the world of fitness and personal bests, he will have a point to prove over our younger field tonight.

**BEN STORRIER – Handicap 11m** - Having experienced considerable success in representative Athletics at KWS and ISA, Ben hails from Crookwell and has been trained in the cooler conditions of the Southern Tablelands which should make him a strong contender in this field tonight.

**CALLUM COPE – Handicap 38m** - Captain of Douglas House, Callum has put in hours of training in triathlon having tried his hand at rowing, football and pedal prix. Physical fitness is important to him and he is prepared to put time and effort into training and personal skill development. He has a good handicap here this evening and should produce an interesting performance.

**NED YEOMANS – Handicap off SCRATCH** - The fastest over 400m in last year’s athletics carnival, this young colt is every bit as strong as he looks. He will take off like a champion and do his best to overcome the challenge of starting from scratch tonight.

Cherie Byrnes
Year 12 Advisor

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**Orange Representative Cricket Trials**

**Orange Representative Selection Cricket Trials for next season**

Monday 17th and Monday 24th March 2014 from 5.00pm to 6.30pm.

**Under 12’s** – Trials will be held at the new KWS nets located near the lower turf field at Kinross. The selectors will be Stuart Middleton, Frank Weymouth and Nick Cooper. In this age group only, players will be invited to trial and those selected players will be advised in the next couple of weeks. Players will need to play in an ODJCA/ODCA competition next season.

**Under 14’s** – Trials will be held at Perry Oval nets. The Selectors will be Scott Larsen, Luke Bingham and Matt Winslade. All age eligible players who will play in an ODJCA or ODCA competition next season are invited to trial.

**Under 16’s** – Trials will be held at Riawena Oval. The selectors will be Steve Ryan, Gerard Hannelly and Dave Cumming. All age eligible
players who will play in an ODJCA or ODCA competition next season are invited to trial.

**Age requirements** – Boys must be under the age as at 31 August 2014, Girls have a two year exemption (i.e. – must be under the age as at 31 August 2012)

**Other requirements** – Rep players must commit to the entire representative season including games and training. Unless your team finds a sleeve sponsor, each player in that team will be levied a $40 fee to assist the ODJCA meet the large costs involved in participating in Mitchell games. It is expected that all boys trialling will have their own gear on the days – please also bring a good condition used ball if possible. In particular, if you are looking to trial as the wicketkeeper, the relevant gear will be required for that player to be considered.

We remind parents and players that only 12 players in each team are selected initially. There is usually a good chance that other players are required through the season, but because of the difficulty in ensuring all players an equal opportunity in these very competitive games, the 13th and 14th players will not be named after trials. The selection process is difficult, so we would appreciate parents not approaching the selectors on the trial days. In all grades, it is very likely that a much smaller number of players will be invited back for the second trial day so that the selectors can have a closer look at each person. Following the naming of the teams, the head selectors, namely the ODJCA executive people will be happy to talk to any player or parent and give feedback.

Geoff Hull
Director of Co-Curricular

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**KWS Football Supporters AGM**

The KWS Football Supporters are holding their annual meeting on Thursday 6th March, 7.30pm in the Anderson Centre, Room 81.

Parents of students playing football this year are encouraged to join us at this meeting as we set the programme of activities for the year and as we look to select a new president of the KWS Football Supporters.

The Master in Charge of Football – Peter Whiting (together with last year’s MIC - Matt Smedley) will be at the meeting outlining his goals for the season. Please join us if you can and show your support, the meeting is planned to start at 7.30pm and will be brief.

For further information contact Andrew Glastonbury on 0417 653 135 or andrewg@gmcmining.com.au.

Andrew Glastonbury

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**Soccer Referees Course**
Soccer Referees Course – March 2014

The Orange and District Soccer Referees Association will be holding a course for new referees in the coming weeks.

When:
The course will be held over two Sunday mornings:
· Sunday 16th March 2014 – 9.00am to 12.30pm
· Sunday 23rd March 2014 – 9.00am to 12.30pm (includes assessment)

Where:
At Canobolas Rural Technology High School, in the rooms near the Icely Road entrance.

Who is eligible:
Anyone who is over 14 years old this year and wants to become a referee.

Course cost:
The cost of the course is $120 for juniors and $150 for seniors. This includes registration as a referee for the year.

Further information & Registration:
For further information or to register please email me on terry.brill@exemail.com.au or phone 0419 434795.

Terry Brill
Branch Coach
Orange and District Football Referees Association

Winter Sports Selections

Winter Sports Selections, Term 2 & 3 2014

Students will have the opportunity to select their winter sport during tutor time on Monday 3rd March. It is important that students choose carefully as teams will be registered on the basis of these numbers. Below is an outline of the commitment required for each of our Winter Sports.

The following sports are on offer for students for Winter 2014:

Football (soccer):
Boys or Girls. Internal or Local Grade Competition. Football involves training at school or PLC on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons. Grade Competition matches are played on Saturdays and can be played in Orange or surrounding areas (eg Blayney, Bathurst, Molong).

Rugby:
Boys only. KWS plays in the ISA Rugby competition. Training is on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons. Games are on Saturdays and can involve travel to Sydney several times during the season. Buses for
involve travel to Sydney several times during the season. Buses for Sydney games can leave any time from 5.30am and return any time up until 9.30pm.

**Hockey:**

Girls only. KWS teams play in the Local Junior and Women’s Grade Competition. Training is on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons on turf at the Orange Hockey Centre. Games are also played at the Hockey Centre, generally on Friday afternoon/evenings, but can also be played on Saturday or Sunday, depending on your team selection.

**Netball:**

Girls only. KWS teams play in the local Grade Competition. Training is on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons at the KWS Netball courts. Matches are played on Saturdays and are played at ANZAC Park.

**Aerobics:**

Senior Girls only. Sessions will be on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons and include a Saturday morning session. This is subject to the availability of an instructor.

**Runners Group:**

Boys and Girls. 3 sessions per week: Tuesday and Thursday afternoons and Saturday mornings. All sessions start from KWS.

**Pedal Prix:**

Boys and Girls. Compete in Pedal Prix race in Adelaide. 3 sessions per week: Tuesday and Thursday afternoons and Saturday mornings. All sessions start from KWS.

Students will be asked to make their selection during Tutor time in week 6 of Term 1. Additionally, please note that if you are seeking an exemption from Winter sport 2014 then this must be sought by emailing Mr Hull on ghull@kws.nsw.edu.au. You must clearly state the reasons for the exemption request. These will not be considered if they are not submitted by Friday 14th March. This allows team numbers to be finalized and entered in local competitions prior to the holidays. Late exemptions cannot be considered because they disrupt this process. If you had exemption from summer sport you must reapply for an exemption from winter sport. This allows the school to ensure accurate and up to date exemption records.

Joe Priest
Director of Sport

**Cricket News & Reports**

**Cricket News**

This week KWS travel to play the Armidale School in the semi-final of the Douglas Shield.
This will be a good test for the team as TAS have played well in moving to this stage of the competition.

Next week the Wilburd Shield Team are drawn to play Oakhill in Sydney in their semi-final.

It is wonderful to have both teams make the semi-finals of these state-wide school competitions and it is hoped both teams will qualify for the finals. Clearly the participation of many of the boys in the ODCA Men’s cricket competition helps develop their cricket.

In other news this week:

The 1ST X1 went down to competition leaders CYMS who posted a good score that KWS couldn't chase down.

Sam Nicholls starred with the bat, scoring a great half century and taking two wickets. The 1ST X1 remain in the top four but will need a win this weekend to stay to consolidate their position. The main challenge is to build partnerships and improve the batting.

The 2ND X1 also went down after two recent wins. The team has done very well to make the top four in the combined second/third competition and will now need to record wins in the final rounds and with a bit of luck will make the top three.

Congratulations to Charles Litchfield who was selected for the City Country Schools team. This is a great achievement and means he has an opportunity to play against the best Open Schoolboys Cricketers in NSW with teams from GPS, CCC, Combined High schools and CAS. This follows Charles’ representation for Western in the NSW championships at Coffs Harbour. Congratulations to Toby Polkinhorne who was selected to trial for this team.

Congratulations to ODJA cricket 14s team who took out the 14s Mitchell competition. David Cummings coached this team and well done to Fletcher Rose who scored a vital fifty in helping Orange win. Charlie Greer and Angus Cummings also put in strong bowling performances.

Bad luck to the 16s who went down to Bathurst despite Charlie Cooper scoring 45.

Well done to Captain of Cricket, Andrew Johnston who scored 65 for Orange under 21s and well done to Rowan, Cameron, Max and Toby for playing in the 21’s on Sunday.

In other news one of our up and coming cricketers last week hit a massive straight six at Sally Kennett that went straight through the back window of Phil Dodds car. Nat is in some big hitting form!!

Well done to Charlie Greer on his 85 last weekend for the KWS 15s.

The KSWCC presentations will occur on March 29th. Keep this day free. It is the grand final day for the ODCA and ODJCA.
KWS 3rd X1 10-118 Vs KWS Young Guns 3-163

It was a beautiful day for cricket on the KWS Sharpe. Both teams were playing for a semi-final in the Centenary Cup. The Young Guns Father and son combinations were always a challenge for the KWS 3RD X1. This proved to be the case with the Young Guns scoring 3-163 off the 36 overs. Charlie Mitton 80 and Michael Mitton 39 proved difficult to dislodge and set up a score that was going to be difficult to chase down. Tom Hall 15 n/o and Fletcher Rose 14 n/o provided great support. Captain Lachlan Hunt was pretty confident of bowling out the thirds. Joey Thomas 4-13 and Fletcher Rose 2-20 destroyed the thirds with some very accurate bowling. Bryce O’Connor 43 played excellent innings as others fell around him. Zac Haley 17 n/o and Cameron Rasmussen held on for a while but great outfield catch by Katie Mitton fielding as a sub brought the resistance to an end and the KWS Young Guns had the win and held the position in the top four. The Thirds will have to play in the remaining games if they are to make the semi-finals.

KWS Girls Cricket

KWS Girls played Orange City on Saturday for the first round of a two day game. Sent in to bat, the girls performed better than they have done over the past few weeks getting a healthy score of 60 before succumbing to the bowling. Out in the field the girls managed to take three good wickets with Jocelyn Date taking out middle stump early, a superb catch from Annabel Sheehan secured the second wicket and some sharp fielding to take a run out got them a third. The girls are behind on the first innings with Orange getting to 3/120 and will be playing on Saturday to avoid an outright defeat.

KWS 16s Vs SJS CYMS 15s

Unfortunately, due to rain on the Sat 15th Feb, KWS 16s were denied the chance to get an outright victory against the Cavaliers. However, they are second on the ladder with SJS 16s B ten points ahead with the lead.

Last Saturday the 22nd, the 16s came up against SJS CYMS 15s who one the toss and elected to bat. Most of our team had a bowl, with only the two wicket keepers (Will Olson and Jack Ridley) not sending down a ball. The outstanding bowler of the day was spin bowler Jack Dodds who after 6.4 overs (including two maiden overs) had 4 wickets for 11 runs. Travis Bell had 1 for 23, Harry Williams had 1 for 15, Will Freeth 1 for 16, Ben Uttley had 1 for 8, Cam Rasmusson 1 for 21. Unfortunately Louie Carr, Drew Weber and Charlie Mortimer failed to score a wicket but they kept the run rate down. Charlie bowled spin in his 4 overs with
but they kept the run rate down. Charlie bowled spin in his 4 overs with two of them maidens and only 9 runs scored against him. Charlie also managed a wonderful catch plus a brilliant run out.

However apart from Charlie’s catch, there were good catches taken by Jack Ridley (3), Will Olson, Louis Carr, Jack Dodds and Cam Rasmusson with one each. Unfortunately, there were about 7 catches dropped during CYMS first innings which might have shortened their innings. There was also 26 sundries of which 10 were byes and 16 no balls....This seems to say that the fielding needs to improve and bowling accuracy needs working on.

However despite this CYMS were bowled out in their first innings for 142 in the 38th over at 10.30am.

This meant that with the changeover, three overs were dropped and the 16s had ten overs to face in their first innings in accordance with the Junior Cricket rules.

Travis Bell and Will Olson opened which was a change from the normal batting line up. Travis was showing promise but was stumped by Belmonte, the CYMS wicket keeper, after a ball bowled by Daintith. Unfortunately he was caught with no bat or leg behind the crease. Will Freeth joined Will Olson with Will Freeth putting on a good 16 runs to bring the score to a respectable 1 wicket for 32 runs. Both Wills were good at the crease, avoiding troubling balls and clearly having the intent of staying around until the full ten overs were bowled.

This means that next Saturday the 16s need 111 runs to beat CYMS on first innings. As there is no limit on the number of overs bowled next Saturday (just the 12 noon time limited) there maybe an outside chance of obtaining an outright win but the main aim is to get 111 runs first.

Hopefully the cricketing gods will forestall any rain, with possible showers being predicted next Friday and Saturday.

Mark Olson

KWS 14s Vs SJS

Day one of the two day match against SJS proved to be a gripping affair with good cricket being played by both sides.

The 14s won the toss and batted. After a quite start the wickets began to fall and a stunning collapse left us reeling at 7 for 21 before a late rally enabled us to post a final score of 93. The clatter of wickets came about as a result of some very accurate bowling from an SJS attack which maintained a tight off stump line and obtained both ways movement in the air and off the pitch. The recovery came about as a result of some fine batting under pressure from skipper Fletcher Rose (51). He was well supported by Lachlan Hunt (6) who displayed a good technique and a great deal of composure before being run out. Will Cheney, Harry Jeffrey, Hamish McIntyre and Tom Munro also deserve credit for the way they batted in difficult circumstances.

With more than an hour to play we needed to bowl straight, field
aggressively and put SJS under pressure in the hope that we would take a few wickets before the close. That's just what happened with Fletcher Rose taking 2 for 7 in a fast and hostile five over spell, Monty Eccleston bowling his medium pace to good effect to take 2 for 12 in three overs and Ed Dodds weaving a web with his leg spin to take 1 for 2 from 4 overs. Will Cheney also took a wicket in the last over of the day to leave SJS deep in trouble at 6 for 43.

Thanks to Mr Rose for his help with scoring duties and all other parents and supporters for being there to cheer the boys on.

Again, we look forward to an exciting day's play next week (weather permitting of course)

Bruce Kerridge

Basketball Reports

KWS Girls 1st Basketball Vs Pink Lightning - KWS Won 25-24

The KWS Girls remain undefeated in 2014 and in the last 2 weeks they have beaten the top 2 teams. In a tight encounter against Pink Lightning the KWS Girls never gave an inch. Their aggression, attacking skills and commitment under the basket were exceptional. In the final quarter of the match the 1st were down by one point and with 12 seconds remaining they were not only down by 1 point but did not have possession of the ball. Nikki Collins drew an offensive foul and the girls were back on the attack with one last throw of the dice. With 3 seconds remaining Nikki fed the ball to Anika Busch who pivoted at the top of the key and shot. The ball went in and the game was over. The crowd went up and the coach was extremely proud of his chargers who continue to develop and grow with each game.

Points: 3 points - Anika Busch, 2 points - Sarah Steele-Park, 1 point - Sophie Gullifer.

Huon Barrett

KWS Girls 1st Basketball Vs Inkjets - KWS Won 38-33

The Girls 1st Basketball team remains undefeated in 2014, winning their last 4 matches including wins against the top 2 teams in the competition. The Girls confirmed their position in the top 4 this week with a tough win against the Inkjets. Strong defence and determined rebounding was the difference this week against a team which had both experience and skill. The Girls continue to develop their man on man defence and fast break attack. With a bye next week the KWS 1st look forward to the semi-finals in 2 weeks time.

Points: 3 points - Sarah McIntyre, 2 points - Nikki Collins, 1 point - Evie Jackson & Sophie Gullifer.

Congratulations to the following girls who have been selected in the WAS team to compete at the AICES carnival, Nikki Collins, Sarah Steele-Park, Medi Ryan and Sarah McIntyre.
Huon Barrett

**KWS Boys 1st Basketball**

Last Monday night the boys went out with a beautiful start despite the fouls that seemed one-sided. We held a small lead for the first half. Nick Holman and Nic Dunston were carving it up as usual with some good shots and blocks, Ben and Kyle ran the ball well up the field with some good paints and Lindsay got some epic blocks and well played assists.

It would be nice to say we played well in the third quarter, but truth be told it was disgusting with absolutely zilch points scored, although we did pick up, unfortunately losing by 8 points. Captain Duncan had a great game on the boards at both ends of the court.

Special mention must go to Nick Holman with his spectacular rejection on the buzzer.

Brendan Curran

**KWS Celtics Vs the Cardinals drew 24-24**

The Celtics drew 24-24 against the Cardinals. In a game that had the intensity of a Grand Final, the team saw the score fluctuate throughout the game.

Matt Bromage and Jack Bush led the scoring with Alasdair Denholm contributing a timely bucket. Harry Brunner and Chris Wood were active in defence.

Brendan Curran

**KWS Giants**

The Giants have saved their best till last. They took on the competition leaders on Monday night and came away with a heart stopping, after the bell win by 1 point. The previously unbeaten team started strongly, however a change of tactics and fantastic games by Paige, Alice and Laura saw us claw our way back into the contest. Even being behind with 10 seconds to go, the Giants held their nerve. A mighty Faulks drive to the bucket was rewarded with 2 shots after the final whistle. These were both swoosh balls straight through to give us the 1 point victory (37-36). Definitely the best game of our season.

Bryan Thomas

**KWS Bears Vs KWS Bulldogs**

The value of persistence and determination was on full display on Monday night when the KWS Bears took on the KWS Bulldogs. After many weeks of honing their attacking and defending plays, the Bears came together as a team achieving great results. Emily had a great game, getting points on the board on many occasions whilst under
pressure. Monique and Bree demonstrated their talents to get possession of the ball and take it down the court with lightening speed. Maddie, the calm amid the storm, stood her ground in both attack and defence. Jaylin and Lorrae were in the right place at the right time to block the pesky Bulldogs or to take a pass. Hannah and Tamlyn always put themselves in the middle of the action ready for a rebound shot and to make sure they had the upper hand on the Bulldogs. When it all came together the result was 24 -18 to the KWS Bears. With a win under their belts and greatly improved skills thanks to Mr. Engelhardt, the Bears should be holding their heads high.

Penny Chandler

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