From the Principal:

· New staff appointment
· Y12 Parent and student survey

New Staff Appointment

Susan Cameron has been appointed as the new Director of Staff Development, replacing Suellen Young, as of the beginning of Term 4, 2014.

Susan has a BA, Dip Ed from the University of New South Wales (UNSW), along with a Post Grad in Theology, from Oxford University, England. Susan also holds a Masters in Administration (Educational Leadership) and Post Grad degrees in Boarding and Pastoral Care.

Susan has worked in a wide variety of schools and held a range of management positions, including Assistant to the Headmaster, Religious Education Co-ordinator, and Head of Boarding. Susan is currently working in a job-share position at Mackillop College, Bathurst and is contracted to the NSW Board of Studies in the areas of Test...
Development and Review.

Susan has extensive teaching experience in a number of different environments, including Schools, University and the Board of Studies. Her work at Charles Sturt University in the School of Education involved delivering courses, sessional marking, supervising teachers and writing practicum reports. Susan’s work with the Board of Studies has included Curriculum Development (HSIE), HSC Test Development and Assessment, along with School Compliance Reviews.

In summary, Susan’s background and experience is substantial and will be a great asset to the Senior Management Team and to KWS as a whole. The breadth and depth of Susan’s educational knowledge will ensure Staff Development at KWS continues to flourish.

Year 12 Parent and Student Survey - Reasons for KWS being a School of First Choice

The top scoring reasons in order of importance with the highest listed first:

Parents continue to choose KWS because of:

1. Quality of teaching (95%)
2. Focus on student wellbeing, providing a safe & caring environment (91%)
3. Academic standards (89%)
4. Balanced challenging education (87%)
5. The School’s values (87%)

Students place importance on the following:

1. Quality of teaching (87%)
2. Facilities and resources (84%)
3. A co-educational school (83%)
4. Range of elective subjects (83%)
5. Academic standards (82%)

The parents and students expectations were met for all these indicators (well above the 80% support mark).

Interestingly both parents and students value the outstanding teachers and the exceptional quality of the learning environment at KWS as the number one feature.

There is remarkable similarity in comparing these results with those from the surveys of the previous 3 years which indicates exceptional support for these areas within KWS.

Brian Kennelly
Principal

Head of Senior School

Australian Maths Competition
Mayor's Cup Debating

Friday, 8 August
House Spectacular

Saturday, 9 August
Boarders Parents Committee Meeting
KWS vs St Stanislaus (away) - Round 7 ISA
Magic Flute Rehearsals
Miller House Dinner

Sunday, 10 August
KWS Rugby U13 vs Western PSSA (home)
Orange Eisteddfod - Speech & Drama concludes

Monday, 11 August
Week 5A
Orange Eisteddfod - Vocal and Instrumental begins
Yr 12 Biology Seminar (3:30pm)

Tuesday, 12 August
Boarding House Photos - TBC
Extended Secondary Staff Meeting
Music & Winter Sports Photo Day
Prep Choir perform with OZ Opera
Magic Flute Performance (3:30pm)

IN THE MEDIA

Wallaby Ben's old school ties
5 August, 2014
Central Western Daily

Wallabies just a hop, skip and jump away from Orange visit
5 August, 2014
Blayney Chronicle IT’S hard to imagine…

Roo beauty - Edwina wins gold
Rehearsals for the House Spectacular are coming along well – thank you to parents who have been so patient and accommodating about ensuring their children are able to attend. It is wonderful to see the Year 11 students in action as they encourage, support and sometimes cajole younger students as they perform the various dances, songs and routines in each House production. The actual House Spectacular on Friday night promises to be a fun-filled one so do come along! Because of problems with congestion, students being on foot in the grounds, and the need to get buses through without hindrance, parking for the House Spectacular will be in the Orange Function Centre carpark. The main front gates will be closed to cars from 6.15pm. Please use the Prep carpark, Allenby Road, Cox Avenue or the OFC carpark.

The Wallabies’ visit on Tuesday was a huge success and thanks must go to Paul Tierney for all his work on this. Beautiful weather added to the occasion and there was palpable enthusiasm amongst students! It was wonderful to be able to welcome to the school not just the players and their entourage but also local people and visitors.

Year 11 and 12 exams begin in Week 6; as usual, parents are asked to be their normal supportive selves – the students will do enough worrying without teachers or parents adding to it! Please encourage your child to get adequate sleep and good food. The brain can’t operate at maximum efficiency when people are over-tired or eating a poor diet. Please also limit access to online distractions such as Facebook, Snapchat and Instagram; besides being unproductive activities, the ‘chat’ can cause anxiety that is not helpful to exam preparation (or even to the much-needed sleep mentioned above).

HSC Drama students will perform their HSC pieces on Wednesday night 6 August and French students do their actual HSC speaking on Saturday 9 August. At this time of year many of the subjects with a practical or performance component will have deadlines for the actual HSC. I wish all of these students all the very best for their preparation and submission of major works, their speaking and their performances. They have been well supported and taught by their teachers so they should have confidence in their ability to ‘deliver the goods’.

Many of you will have seen an article in the Sun-Herald last weekend – this article stressed the importance of attendance at school. Much international and national research has been done in this area and all of it points to the need for children to actually be in school for optimum learning to occur. Even a single day of absence has an impact. I encourage you to read the article online if you have not seen it already and to think very carefully before contemplating holidays and the like which may cut into school term time. As Jenny Allum, from SCEGGS...
Darlinghurst said: “School is not something we normally do or usually do, it is something that we always do”.

I wish you all a very good week.

Bev West
Head of Senior School

House Spectacular

On Friday night, 8 August, the main Bathurst Road gates will be closed to cars from 6:15 - 9:00pm. There will be pedestrian access only during these hours. Please use the carpark near the Preparatory School, the Orange Function Centre carpark, Cox Avenue or Allenby Road for parking.

Bev West
Head of Senior School

Year 12 University and Careers News

• University of Wollongong is having an Open Day on Saturday August 16. Register at www.uow.edu.au/openday. If you are interested in Early Admission have a look at www.go.uow.edu.au/early or call 1300 367 869. They have just opened their early admissions program last Friday and every undergraduate degree offered by UOW is available in this program. Students need to apply online and submit their application prior to Friday August 29. Please note that this is not done through UAC, and the closing date is a lot earlier than UAC.

• UNSW are having an Open Day on Saturday September 6. I have some brochures if you are interested, or you can plan your day at www.openday.unsw.edu.au. This website has all of the day’s lectures and activities listed and will allow you to make a personalised timetable for the day. Or you could go and drink coffee and people watch.

• UTS have Open Days on August 30 at the City Campus (for all UTS courses), and September 6 at the Kuring-Gai campus (for Education, Health and Sports & Exercise courses only). Have a look at www.openday.uts.edu.au or call 02 9514 1711 for info.

• Just down the road on the same day, August 30, Sydney Uni is also having an Open Day. Tis the season. See www.sydney.edu.au/openday.

• Cadia Valley Operations is offering two tertiary scholarships and one Indigenous scholarship to students commencing university in 2015. The scholarships are open to any discipline and will provide $9,000 per year, for the duration of the degree. To qualify you will need to live, or have your family home, in the local government areas of Orange, Cabonne or Blayney. This scholarship cannot be deferred – if you are the successful applicant you will need to be heading straight to Uni (this is standard for most scholarships). Applications are now open.
I have a big pile of the application forms all ready to go, if you would like to pick one up.

• St Andrew’s College at Sydney University has up to $1 million available in scholarships, bursaries and prizes for students for 2015. Information on these scholarships can be found here: standrewscollege.edu.au/current-students/scholarships-and-prizes/. Bursary Assistance information can be found here: standrewscollege.edu.au/current-students/bursary-assistance/. Their means-tested bursary assistance include packages up to full fee relief, depending on need. The University of Sydney also offers some great scholarships to undergraduate students: sydney.edu.au/scholarships/.

• Sancta Sophia College, another residential college at Sydney Uni, have sent their Alumni and Friends magazine, if you are interested in having a look at what it means to form a lasting relationship with your university college.

• National Art School in Forbes Street, Darlinghurst is having an Open Day on August 30. This is Australia’s oldest visual arts education institution, and former graduates have won the Archibald Prize, represented Australia at the Venice Biennale, and are exhibiting in Paris, Berlin, Rome and Hong Kong. If you want to talk to someone about a career in fine art, or if you want to say you studied where Margaret Olley and John Olsen studied, this is the place! Register at www.openday.nas.edu.au.

• And for the thespians – Actors College of Theatre and Television in Surry Hills have audition dates coming up for their Advanced Diploma of Acting for Stage and Screen (August 15 and September 12), and Advanced Diploma of Music Theatre (September 27). Register at www.actt.edu.au or call 02 9213 4500. The accompanying poster is really worth a look – five actors in five wacky poses, suggesting you “ACTT on your creativity” – and why not, I say.

• I have a beautiful book that weighs about five kilos called the Art and Design Education Resource Guide 2014 (“The number one resource for students looking for a creative art or design course at a University, TAFE or private college”), if you would like a look. Makes me want to pull the old Bernina out.

• UAC online opens this week. This means the Early Entry applications will open on the same day. The universities offering early entry through UAC this year are ANU, CSU, La Trobe, Macquarie, Southern Cross, UC, UNE, UTS and UWS. All of these will be applied for through UAC online.

• As usual, if you would like to follow up on any of the above or items from previous newsletters, please leave a message on 6392 0346, or students may come to the Careers Office, to get further details or pick up brochures.
Hugh O'Brien - Guest Speaker

Undaunted - from Clearance Diver to Mercenary

On Thursday 14th August at 1pm in Room 81, we will have Hugh 'Obi' O'Brien, author of 'Undaunted' as a guest speaker at the School. All students who are interested are welcome to come and listen to Hugh’s presentation.

For more information about Hugh's fast paced life click on the image below to open up a PDF media release.

Lyn Vernon

Children's Book Week

The theme this year for Children's Book Week is “Connect to Reading”.
We hope students will enjoy connecting to reading as well as “Reading to Connect”.

We will be holding a Book Fair from Monday 18th to Thursday 21st August in the Library. Books can be purchased from 8.30 – 4.00pm. The books are being supplied by Collins Booksellers and we’ll have a wide variety to choose from suitable for young children to adults. All profits will go towards our next Literature Festival.

There will also be some competitions on the day where secondary students can win some great prizes.

Click on the flyer below to open up a PDF version for more information.

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Amanda Foster
KWS Library

**Academic & Tutor House Points**

**Tutor House Points**

**Brown:**
Chloe Wilson

**Academic Excellence Points**

Jorja Griffiths - Year 7 - English
Portia Hawke - Year 7 - English
Julia McEIlroy - Year 7 - English
Isabella Hoyle Davies - Year 7 - English
Georgia Kerin - Year 12 - Maths
David Nott - Year 12 - Maths
Drew Kennedy - Year 12 - Maths
Cameron Robinson - Year 12 - Maths

**Academic Achievement Points**

James Parfett - Year 7 - English
Academic Effort Points

Felix Mitchell - Year 7 - English
Maddie Smith - Year 7 - English
Nicholas Hay-McKenzie - Year 7 - History
Zac Condon - Year 8 - Maths
Jemima McPhee - Year 8 - Maths
Charlotte May - Year 8 - Maths
Olivia Taragel - Year 8 - Maths
Charlotte Greet - Year 8 - Maths
Bella Harding - Year 8 - Maths
Ali Maloney - Year 8 - Maths
Lucy Vertes - Year 8 - PDHPE
Courtney Currie - Year 8 - Visual Arts
Maggie Smith - Year 8 - French
Amelia Hickman - Year 8 - French
Minnie Bragg x2 - Year 8 - Geography
Lucy Vertes - Year 8 - Geography
Caitlin Stubberfield - Year 8 - Geography
Mitchell Strike - Year 8 - Geography
Bridget Starr - Year 8 - Geography
Sanjana Sood x2 - Year 8 - Geography
Phoebe Skene x2 - Year 8 - Geography
Fletcher Rose - Year 8 - Geography
Jaimie Redenbach - Year 8 - Geography
Brianna Briest - Year 8 - Geography
Jack O'Brien - Year 8 - Geography
Hamish Kidd x2 - Year 8 - Geography
Partick Keirle - Year 8 - Geography
Ellis Hawker x2 - Year 8 - Geography
Sam Broadley x2 - Year 8 - Geography
Ashley Hudson - Year 12 - Senior Science

Orange Eisteddfod Schedule

Click on the document below to view a PDF schedule for the Orange Eisteddfod.
Rebecca Choi
KWS Music Secretary

Equestrian News

Welcome back to Term 3. Many of our riders, despite very poor riding conditions, have been out and about competing across a huge range of disciplines.

Annabel Mutton

Annabel backed it up after Coona and attended the NSW Interschool Championships held at SIEC in Sydney in June. Annabel after a great result at the North West Equestrian Expo went on to place 4th in the "A" Grade One Day Event.

Kayla Simmonds, Annabel Mutton & Savannah Coddington

PCANSW State Show Jumping Condobolin – July 2014

During the July school holidays Kayla Simmonds, Annabel Mutton & Savannah Coddington attended PCANSW State Show jumping held in Condobolin. This event saw more than 170 riders from all over NSW travelling to attend the event. The event was also represented by teams from QLD & Victoria.

By all reports the event was fantastic with our girls ending up with the following outstanding results:

Savannah Coddington – 3rd place in the Single Accumulator and finishing 13th overall in the Under 17 Open Show jumping.

Annabel Mutton – 6th Place in the AM5 Round 1, 9th place in the Grand Prix, 1st place in the AM5 Round 2 and finishing 4th Overall in the Under 17 Open Show jumping.

Kayla Simmonds – 1st place in the AM5 Round 1, 2nd place in the Grand Prix, 3rd place in the AM5 Round 2, 1st place in the Single Accumulator. Kayla was the Associate 17 & under 25 Champion for the
event and has been selected to represent the NSW team at the National Showjumping to be held at Murray Bridge in September of this year.

Sophie Hardie

Sophie after her great success last year has now moved into Ladies campdrafting and recently competed at the Merriwa Campdraft finishing 2nd. A huge effort with 1589 competitors. Well done Sophie.

Claudia Campbell

Claudia also pursues campdrafting and came 2nd in a juvenile event at the Carinda Campdraft earlier this year.

Olivia Wass

It is great to hear that Olivia has also been out competing and doing very well with her dressage. Olivia & her horse Fantail competed at the Dressage NSW Winter Festival. The inaugural event went for three days at Clarendon and attracted over 200 riders competing in a variety of tests ranging from Preparatory to Grand Prix, Para-equestrian classes plus Freestyles to Music of varying degrees of difficulty. Olivia finished 6th in an Open Novice Event.
Sophia Redenbach

Sophia and her horse Arakoola Charm attended the Bradgate Park Winter Indoor Dressage Competition, stepping up to Medium and Advanced level, placing 2nd in the Medium and 3rd in the Advanced. Sophia was the only junior competing at this competition.

Sophia and her other horse, Wynara Lyric also attended the ACT & NSW Dilutes Winter Classic Show in Canberra and won Reserve Champion Galloway & Supreme Champion Rider of the Show.

Emma Pryse Jones & Ruby Brown

Emma & Ruby last weekend competed at the EA ODE at Harden in what were very cold conditions. Ruby after a great dressage test unfortunately took a tumble during the showjumping and has broken her arm. She is recovering well and I think will be accepting autographs on her plaster later in the week.

Emma had a great event coming 1st place in the Junior Newcomers division.

Well done to everyone who has been busy with their horses.

Michelle Pryse Jones
Equestrian Team Manager
**Hockey Awards Presentation & Dinner**

*Save the Date: The Annual Hockey Awards Presentation and Dinner will be held on Saturday, 13th September, 2014.*

Guest Speaker this year is Brendan Gerard.

Brendan is a talented Hockey player who represented Australia from 1993-1997 at a Senior level which included competing in 2 x champions trophy - 1994 in India (4th) and 1995 in Germany (Silver medallist) and 1 x Olympic Games in Atlanta 1996 where they won a Bronze Medal. He also represented Australia at an U21 level from 1991-92.

Michelle Hill  
MIC Hockey

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**Rugby Reports**

*KWS Rugby vs St Gregory's College – Summary Report*

Rugby on Saturday 2nd August was played against St Gregory's College, being the last home game of the season. Eleven matches were played, with the results being: 1st XV 20-12, 2nd XV 27-5, 3rd XV 15-12, 4th XV 31-0, 16A 15-19, 16B 22-17, 15A 24-10, 15B 5-24, 14A 53-5, 14B and C – Bye, 13A 43-12, 13B 25-26. Thank you to the referees on the day: Al Miller, Huon Barrett, Jack Dodds, Toby Condon, Ian Robertson and Andrew Johnson. Our student referees this year have been fantastic and they must be congratulated with the way they have performed under pressure.

The matches against St Greg's were part of the inaugural Indigenous Round. The 1st XV played for the Reconciliation Shield, which will become an annual fixture for the two schools. Mr Anthony Begg is to be applauded for his vision and work in instigating this idea and seeing it come to fruition. Both of the school’s 1st XV’s wore unique jerseys for the occasion, and there were a number of special events held during the day, including a smoking ceremony just prior to the 1st XV match. The 1st XV won the Reconciliation Shield after an entertaining game. One of the highlights of the match was the runaway try by Jakobi Robinson with three St Greg’s players hot in pursuit.

The matches on the day involved some of the tightest winning margins that we had played this season. There were a number of results that could have gone either way. We unfortunately lost the 13B’s right on the bell by one point. On the other hand, we came away with last minute wins in the 16B’s and 3rd XV. It was great to see the 16B’s notch up their first win for the season. The boys were in front with a few minutes to go and were then scored against in the dying stages. With literally 30 seconds to go, the boys came back to crash over for a try to seal the match. The team were thrilled with their result.

The 13A’s have continued their great run in the ISA competition, now
wining four out of the five matches. It was pleasing to see St Greg’s field four opens teams this year, and each of the opens matches was a great contest. The 3rd XV scored just before full time to win against the ISA competition leaders, the 4th XV maintained their unbeaten run and the 2nd XV had one of their best performances of the season to win in a convincing fashion.

Thank you to the KWS Rugby Club for the great support this year at our home rugby matches. Next Saturday, KWS teams play their last match of the season against Stannies in Bathurst. Finally, please make sure you all come along to the KWS Rugby Presentation Dinner at the DPA on Saturday 30th August.

Richard Roach
KWS Rugby

KWS 1st XV Vs St Gregory’s College - KWS Won 20-12

Wearing commemorative Jerseys and playing for the Reconciliation Shield gave the players plenty of motivation. After a welcome to country, smoking ceremony and beautiful weather the scene was set for a big match. Both teams started with aggression and the contest was physical in attack and defence with Charlie Cooper, Dean Phillips, Billy O’Connor and Cody Walker leading the way. Some errors early meant missed opportunities but KWS were able to convert pressure to points with a Charles Litchfield penalty goal. Bill McLaughlin scored after KWS were able to put multiple phases together. St Greg’s kept coming hard at KWS and were rewarded with two tries in the second half. Jakobi Robinson scored a 50m run away try under the posts followed by a fantastic brolga dance. Final score went Kinross Wolaroi’s way 20-12. The game was played in a wonderful spirit and both teams took the time together for photos and a yarn after the match. Hopefully this game will continue to be played with such pride, passion and respect for years to come.

Try Scorers: Bill McLaughlin, Jakobi Robinson.
Conversions: Charles Litchfield 2.
Penalties: Charles Litchfield 2.

Anthony Begg

KWS 3rd XV Vs St Greg’s 3rd XV - KWS Won 15-12

The boys had been aware that this match was going to be tough as the St Greg’s team had been performing well in their other ISA matches. This was a tight match from start to finish between two very evenly matched teams. The KWS 3rd XV scored first before St Greg’s hit back just before half time, to take the score 7-5 our way at half time. The match could have then gone either way. The KWS team scored a penalty goal with about 8 minutes to go to take the score to 10-5 and seemed to be in control of the match. With 6 minutes to go, St Greg’s scored and converted to try to take the lead 12-8. Laz the coach looked to have given up hope, but the boys then showed their true grit and remained true to the cause, scoring a converted try in the final stages of
the match. This was a great team performance, with Scott McKellar the man of the match for his decisive shots at goal and leadership under pressure.

Mr Roach

KWS 4th XV Vs St Greg's 4th XV - KWS Won 31-0

There is nothing like a home rugby match to bring opens rugby players out of the woodwork. Miraculously, all the players that had been sick or injured for our away trips and training sessions all recovered just in time for this match, and we ended up having a number of fresh reserves instead of struggling for numbers. The KWS 4th XV put on a dominant display and notched up a number of tries, some of them being a result of some great running rugby as per the great Randwick sides of the 1980’s, albeit at a slower pace. Team captain for the day Luke Chalker led a star studded backline that had too many attacking options for the opposition. The boys had a great time being out on the Main Oval for the last home match of the season, in particular the Year 12 boys playing their last match at the school.

Mr Roach

KWS 16A’s Vs SGC 16A’s - KWS Lost 15-19

The KWS 16A played well against a much larger St Greg’s side and were unlucky not to come away with a win. Louis Carr scored a great early try after Max Manson put him into a gap and Louis sprinted 40m to score out wide. The forwards then combined to score from a trick lineout move with Joe Yeomans scoring in the corner. St Greg’s then managed to secure field position through many penalties and were able to crash over under the posts twice in the first half with both tries converted. The second half saw Greg’s score out wide from an overlap to lead by 9 with 10 minutes remaining. KWS were finally able to stem the flow of penalties against them with some disciplined play and Max Manson scored in the dying minutes. With only seconds remaining KWS needed to go the length of the field to score but were held up in a maul to end the game with KWS trailing by 4 points. Jack Lamph (3 points) was brilliant in both attack and defence, Josh Jones (2 points) repeatedly lead the defence and brought down the huge opponents with textbook tackles, George Jackson (1 point) was also solid in defence and damaging in attack.

Paul McRae

KWS 15B’s Vs St Greg’s 15B’s - KWS Lost 5-24

The 15B’s started the game on the front foot getting an early try with some good hard running from Harrison Crouch which gave us a 5-0 lead in the first 3 minutes. However the lead was short lived as Gregs replied with a converted try within two minutes as their full back ran with pace and strength! The lead was extended in the 17th minute after another try following a few missed tackles. However the half time score could have looked a lot different had a call gone our way when we
seemed destined to score before half time.

Half Time score 5-12

After the break we started slowly and were punished by a converted try 3 minutes into the 2nd half, but the boys dug in well and some strong runs from our new weapon Vincent were cheered by his army of fans. Although this wasn't quite enough as we piled forward we left ourselves exposed at the back and couldn't prevent another try going in. A last gasp effort was close to giving us some more points but the wall was judged to have gone forwards when grounding.

Final score lost 5-24.

Mr Raisbeck

KWS 13A's Vs St Greg's Campbelltown - KWS Won 43-12

Captain Rory Ellis Peck was pumped up for the last home game of the season as he led his team out last Saturday. As usual the forwards got down to work quickly and with some excellent pick and go made good territory. Hamish, Benny and James worked hard to maintain pressure and set up a good platform for the back line, whilst young half back Mitch Harris directed play beautifully.

The 19-5 lead at half time reflected the KWS ascendancy. In the 2nd half KWS picked up the tempo and Ben Ryan cut through the defence on 3 occasions all up to create havoc in the visitors pack. Ollie had his best running game of the season, as did Preston, who proved a handful every time, when returning the ball. Ed played on despite a bloody nose and Will Smith had his usual top game. Sam Ridley showed some good glimpses as did both wingers and centres. Great tackling by Jeremy and Declan when they came on meant the team lost little when we had injuries.

Well done gents on a great last home game!

Try scorers: Ben Ryan 3, Ben Bellamy, Hamish McDougall, Sam Ridley, Ollie Steele-Park.
3 points: Benny Ryan.
2 points: Rory Ellis Peck, Ben Bellamy.
1 point: Hamish Poole, Sam Ridley, Ollie Steele Park.

Next week we look forward to visiting Stannies at home and playing our best game of Rugby for the season. We also host the PSSA rep side on Sunday - squad will be announced on Thursday for this fixture.

Jason Smith

KWS 13B's Vs St Greggorys - KWS Lost 25-26

Another massive step forward on our development as a team this week. By far our best performance yet which is impressive coming off two great games in a row. The boys were able to adapt their play a little with some early scoring opportunities out wide. Our five tries came from improvers Luca Wynn, James Murray, Flynn Bowyer (filling in at 5/8) Max
Pearce and Ethan Buesnel. We were 25-12 up with 8 minutes remaining and the opposition’s 10 plus reserves made a difference in the late stages of the game finishing victors 25-26 with a late try on the bell. Hugo Bartlett unselfishly stepped into half back at short notice and did a great job. These lads are awesome and deserve the highest praise for their efforts this season. Stannies will be our final test and we can’t wait!

Alistair Miller

Football Reports

KWS 13 Blue Vs Bathurst 75 - KWS Lost 10-1

An undermanned KWS 13 Blue side went down to a heavy 10 – 1 defeat at the hands of Bathurst 75.

Playing with 9 men was always going to be tough but the Blues worked extremely hard and went into half time 3 – 0 down. It could have been 3 – 2 if a counterattack had been finished off and if Angus Smith was not denied from the penalty spot by a good reflex save by the 75 keeper.

The second half saw fatigue set in as the lack of numbers and fresh legs told and 75 capitalised. However, it was pleasing to see a nice bit of counterattacking play pay off and Angus Smith hammer one into the back of the 75 net.

The Blues showed a lot of character in the way they went about their business but special mention should be made of Courtney Currie’s performance in goal. She showed a great deal of composure and made some fantastic saves from all angles and ranges. Well down Courtney.

Thanks to the parents who made the trip – we are all disappointed with the result but I think you will agree that the Blues never gave up and should be commended on their efforts.

The Blues will be looking to make up for this defeat next week as we take on Oberon away.

Bruce Kerridge

KWS 13 White Vs Macquarie United - KWS Lost 0-5

The opening phases of this match saw Macquarie United dominate possession and field position. After a 7 week gap since our last match we appeared somewhat rusty and tended to spectate as our opposition rolled on forward. Sadly we were 3 nil down after 7 minutes and things looked ominous. Through the energy displayed by Duncan, Thomas, Bradman and Erin in particular, we began to make inroads into our opponent’s half and we started to look competitive. At half-time we decided to discard the horror of the first half and we renewed our desire to play as a team. Was it the constructive criticism or was it the chocolate supplied by Mr Ponder that did the trick? Whatever it was the
team played with vigour and a desire to support each other. We went close to scoring on several occasions and we provided our goalie with a much needed buffer, which ultimately resulted in a scoreless half. For most of the second half we were the better team. Hopefully we can start next week’s matches with the same intensity.

Matthew Healey

Hockey Reports

KWS Strikers Vs Molong - KWS Lost 9-0
KWS Strikers Vs KWS Diamonds - 0-0 Draw

It was a week of contrasting fortunes for the Strikers. The first game against Molong saw us struggle to keep up with the current competition leaders. Molong were quickly on the attack and we were forced to defend grimly. Sophie was outstanding in goal but was unable to turn back the flood of Molong attackers. The half time score of 6-0 was probably a true indication of the state of the game. The Strikers came out with much greater resolve in the second half and not only held the opposition but also created some good scoring opportunities. Gemma had her strongest game for the season and was judged the best and fairest player by her fellow players.

The second game began in cold conditions on Friday night. This was a game between two very evenly matched teams. We probably had the better opportunities but the Diamonds were resolute in defence. Amelia had a strong first half while Hannah controlled the mid field very well. Eloise, Porsha, Greta and Millie were unlucky not to score. As the second half began a flurry of snow turned the field white and our umpires on the day Mr Hill and Chelsea declared the pitch unsafe for further play. The girls were quick to agree so the game finished in a draw.

Well done to all the girls on their efforts. We never stopped trying against Molong and bounced back with a strong display against the Diamonds.

Gary Bone

Netball News & Reports

Netball Presentation Dinner
KWS 1sts Vs Life Studios

Firsts scored another win on the weekend in a battle against Life Studios. The game was close the entire way through, topped off with a family rivalry between Alice Litchfield and her mum, Mrs Litchfield, on the opposing team, which heightened the interest of the match. Sarah McIntyre had another strong match in defence, pulling in many vital intercepts. Greta Allen and Sophia Cassimatis were impressive in the centre, controlling the play as the ball moved down the court. By half time there were only a few goals between the two teams. The girls dug deep to pull out their best efforts in the second half, firing the ball into the goal circle beyond the long arms of the opposition and shutting down plays in the opposing goal circle. Firsts managed to come away with a win of just three points with the ending buzzer. Another impressive feat, well done girls.

Maddy Hawthorne

KWS Gummi Mares Vs OHS Terrific Turtles - KWS Lost 40-38

The Gummi Mares won this game 40-38 to keep their unbeaten record but, by their own admission, it was certainly not one of their best matches. A lot of passes went astray and there was a lethargy about some of our play...but...everyone has a bad day some time or other and, no matter how hard you try to pull yourself out of the slump, it stays a slump. To their great credit, the girls still stuck to their guns and pulled off a victory.

Congratulations to a persevering Gemma L'Estrange, Amy Sutor, Sam Haigh, Myra Lim-Hurt, Millie Rice, Siokapesi Faiva and Rebecca Aitkins.
Chris Oldham

**KWS 15B’s Vs CYMS Hurricanes**

15B’s played against the CYMS Hurricanes, where once again the score did not reflect the determination and positive attitude to keep the ball moving towards the KWS goal end. A great score as an end result against a very strong team. Maeve Berthelson and Anna Stone worked strongly in the goal circle as GS and GA, to have many shots at goals and also ready for the rebounds. Rachel Small as WA made strong breaks for the centre passes and moved well to goal circle. Makayla Clark and Honor Wharton as C, WA and WD moved swiftly through the centre court to make great leads, intercepts and good strong passes. Annabel Basset, Clancy McCauley and Cate Brien as GD and GK were strong in defence with many intercepts and rebounds. Sophie Allen as WD made great leads to receive passes from the defence circle to pass again to centre court. Keep working hard girls you are doing a great job. A special thanks to Clare Marshall who stepped up to umpire another game during her game and also to Cate and Sophie who umpired the game prior.

Cathy Small
KWS wins inaugural Reconciliation Shield

KWS hosted its first Indigenous rugby round on August 2, our First XV going head to head with the boys from St Gregory’s College, Campbelltown. A vocal and energetic crowd turned out for the..... read full article

Exhibition celebrates Year 12 creativity

KWS family and friends marvelled at the creativity of our Year 12 students when the annual exhibition of HSC major works was held in the Derek Pigot Auditorium recently. A huge crowd braved the chilly..... read full article

Pre-Prep chefs learn from the master

Orange’s favourite MasterChef, Kate Bracks, was a very welcome visitor to KWS Pre-Prep recently. The talented foodie and cookbook author shared her passion for food with our youngest students..... read full article

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