Staff Professional Learning Day

At KWS we are always seeking ways of improving the teaching and learning program for students.

As an example, last Friday staff were involved in a series of workshops all linked to progressing the Strategic Plan. Some of the activities included:

- Discussing the feedback and research from the Student Academic Services team with reference to student responses to classroom learning from K to 11.
- Cross Curriculum discussions involving staff from different Faculties sharing ideas to teach topics which are linked to multiple areas.
- Professional reading, recording and sharing reflections with others.
- Utilising the staff professional learning online - completing reflections on these courses in Appretio.
- Reviewing student feedback surveys on classroom learning and teaching, by discussing the data with others.
- Reflections on classroom observations to assist best practice teaching.

NEXT WEEK

Thursday 11 June
Yrs 9-12 Latin Quiz
Yrs 10-12 Careers Forum
Senior HICES Debating Rd 4
NSW CIS Cross Country
• Feedback on Visible Learning walkthroughs and the language of Visible Learning.
• Planning team teaching to deliver with one or more colleagues.
• Working in Faculty teams to assess and discuss progress with specific Faculty Goals.

Each of these activities is aimed at improving student learning in our classrooms.

We are now well on the journey of embedding Visible Learning into KWS. This is all about continuing to implement those classroom practices that make the greatest difference for improved student learning.

Teachers are using evidence from others and from their own classes to understand the impact on student learning. It is an exciting time to be a student at KWS!

Brian J Kennelly  
Principal

Head of Senior School

I trust everyone has had a very relaxing long weekend with their children. It has no doubt provided a welcome bit of down time for those students who have recently completed exams. I was able to catch the Vivid displays in Sydney – what an amazing event that is! I have to say, however, that living somewhere without crowds of that size is a huge plus for residing here in Orange…

This week the library is hosting its Winter LitFest; every two years the school hosts visiting authors and illustrators, and students experience writing and illustrating workshops, talks and presentations. This year the authors are James Roy and Lisa Shanahan and the illustrator is Orange’s very own Freya Blackwood, who has won swathes of awards for her work. If your family does not have a copy of her edition of The Man from Snowy River I would recommend you get hold of it. Freya has done exquisite illustrations for this classic poem and it really comes to life. I am not so familiar with James Roy’s work, but if you have young children I’d recommend Gordon’s Got a Snookie by Lisa Shanahan. It’s a very funny story about
gorillas which also delivers a powerful message about the importance of kindness to others and not singling people (or gorillas!) out because they are a bit different.

Please keep the Performing Arts Festival in your plans for next week. Thursday 18 June will see the DPA come alive with music, drama and some “out there” performances – we look forward to a really entertaining evening.

I hope you all have a great week and that some good rain falls where it is so desperately needed.

Bev West

**Head of Senior School**

**Chaplain**

Oh, you’re at Kinross Wolaroi School…. that’s Anglican isn’t it?

If only I had a dollar for every time I heard something like the above. Grrr!

Kinross Wolaroi School is a school of the Uniting Church in Australia. As a school of the Uniting Church, our school embodies values that are professedly ‘Uniting’. Although the living of the higher values can be a challenge, especially for adolescent youths, the values remain true and they remain key to our identity.

So what are the values of the Uniting Church and thus encouraged within our School? Let me say a few things about the Uniting Church in Australia (UCA).

The UCA was formed in 1977 as a uniting of three denominations: the Congregational Union of Australia, the Methodist Church of Australia and the vast majority of the Presbyterian Church of Australia. This act of uniting had been in discussion since 1901 but was waylaid by a few significant wars and a recession.

The UCA is “Uniting” rather than “united” because there is recognition that Christians coming together is an ongoing process of growth, trust and respect; the ‘one body of Christ’ has yet to be realised in that regard. Ecumenism (collaboration among Christian denominations) remains a vital aspect in all of the church’s life and work.

The Uniting Church’s commitment to love of God and love of neighbour has sometimes drawn it into controversial
situations. It has long taken a role in the political arena, encouraging moral, social and ethical integrity. It has taken a strong stand on the protection of the environment. The Uniting Church has been at the forefront of Aboriginal rights issues including the Native Title debate and reconciliation. The UCA works in solidarity with the Uniting Aboriginal and Islander Christian Congress.

The UCA supports equality of gender. The current Moderator (the elected leader) of the UCA NSW/ACT is Reverend Myung Hwa Park. Rev. Park was born in South Korea. She was raised in a Buddhist family and she is the fifth woman elected Moderator by the Synod.

The UCA provides a voice to the marginalised such as ethnic minorities, people with disability, and people who are homosexual. It is a multicultural Church, striving to treat people on an equal basis and seeking to give a voice to the vulnerable who are not heard when they stand alone: the poor, the outcast and the needy.

Not all of the UCA’s discipleship is viewed publicly. Much of its role is to stand alongside the individual, inside and outside of the Church. Its congregations nurture spiritual, social and educational growth. Lay people are encouraged in leadership roles, including preaching, administering the Sacraments (Baptism and Eucharist), youth workers and leading congregations in worship.

The UCA does not have bishops. Nor does it have a ‘head’ of the Church (other than Christ). The power of ‘church’ lies with the members of the UCA. Every 18 months a meeting is held with representatives of every part that makes the body that is the UCA of NSW/ACT. This is called a Synod. At Synod decisions are made by the people and the elected Standing Committee are commissioned with the responsibilities of bringing those decisions to reality. At national level, the equivalent meeting is called an Assembly.

How is Kinross Wolaroi a School of the Uniting Church? It’s motto is ‘Knowledge, Friendship and Integrity’. It seeks to strengthen a culture of involved and engaged learning by ensuring a commitment to continuous improvement and personal best achievement. This applies to all aspects of their ‘being’ including growing in social awareness of their responsibility to be engaged in life, to fortify Christian values as understood by the UCA and to contribute to building a better community for all.
Ours is a school of the Uniting Church in Australia and we are proud to profess it.

Phil Worrad  
Chaplain

Boarders' News

Welcome to “Boarders’ News”, a column designed to keep parents abreast of developments in Boarding.

Sending Parcels to your Child/ren

Please note when you are sending parcels or letters to your child at school, it is important to also include the Boarding House name in the address. This will assist our administrative staff to ensure that your mail is directed to the correct boarding house. Mail should be addressed as follows:

NAME
BOARDING HOUSE
Kinross Wolaroi School
Locked Bag 4
Orange NSW 2800

Alistair Miller  
Director of Boarding

KWS School Shop & Clothing Pool

Small Beanies
Now in Stock.

Clothing Pool

A reminder to parents and students that if they need the Clothing Pool they must first come to the School Shop.

Gail Pearce  
KWS Shop Manager

Term 3 - New Hours

From the beginning of Term 3 the opening hours of the School shop will be amended to:

• Monday to Thursday 8am to 4pm
• Friday 8am to 2pm

This takes effect from 1st week in Term 3.

Greg Alderson
Business Manager

2016 Subject Information Meeting

Parents & students of Year 8 going into Year 9 in 2016 and Parents & students of Year 10 going into Year 11 in 2016 are invited to attend 2016 Subject Information Meeting in the DPA on Friday 19 June:

Year 10 meeting 10:10am – 1:00pm
Year 8 meeting 1:40pm – 3:25pm

A Curriculum Handbook, an invitation and a program have recently been mailed out providing information about subject possibilities for 2016. Please peruse the information before the meeting and bring the Handbook with you on the day.


For further information please contact Paul Mirrington on 02 6392 0306.

Paul Mirrington
Director of Studies

Parent/Teacher Interviews

Interviews Term 3, 2015

You will soon receive your Login and PIN in the mail and will be able to access the PTO service for bookings from 9am on Wednesday 17 June.

Please click on this link:

Parent Teacher Interviews Online

and enter your LOGIN and PIN.

Parent Teacher Interview times and dates are as follows:

Monday 13 July
(ALL Years 11 & 12 and Boarders only in Years 7 – 10):
1.30pm – 6.00pm
Interviews are held in the Anderson Centre and refreshments are provided.

If you have not received login details in the mail by Thursday 11 June please call Karen Tyrrell on 02 6392 0302.

**Help for the Nepalese**

In March an article appeared in the local publication of News Life that seven of our Year 12 girls are participating in an alternative schoolies by travelling to Nepal thanks to the initiative of Rotary. Since then Nepal has suffered the consequence of earthquakes. The earthquakes killed over 8000 people and destroyed over 800,000 houses.

The girls will still go to Nepal. Indeed, there is more need now than before for international tourists and workers to travel to Nepal. The girls will be taking with them clothing and other donations for the people whom they encounter in Kathmandu. Fundraising continues to take place to assist the girls in their objective to care for the most vulnerable. We wish Elizabeth Bilton, Bronie Condon, Fleur Connick, Mia Hull, Andie Delaney, Maddison Dowd and Georgia Nonnenmacher well in their preparations. If you like to financially support the girls' initiative, donations can be made to the following account:

Nepal Rotary
BSB: 082774
Account Number: 507354086
Reference: NEPAL…SURNAME

Another initiative taking place in Orange to assist the Nepalese, in particular the reconstruction of a remote village called Himaganga, is being coordinated by Will Parish. Will has organised Australia's leading adventure cameraman, Michael Dillon, to visit Orange and to screen his multi award winning film 'Everest Sea to Summit'. The film has won eight Grand Prizes and has been acclaimed as one of the best of its genre.

All proceeds from the screening will go toward the building of Himaganga. All are welcome to attend the film. Tickets are $15 per person and available at Collins Booksellers or from the Year 12 Prefects of Charity, Service and Mission: Hugh Elbourne, Fleur Connick, Chris Watt, Elsa Presslaber, Edward
Hogg and Emily Wright. Details of the screening are:

Everest Sea to Summit
Odeon 5 Cinema
William Street Orange
10:30am on Sunday 28th June.

Your support of this local initiative is greatly appreciated.

Philip Worrad
Chaplain

IPad Upgrade

Upgrade your iPad iOS to 8.3

The iOS upgrade to 8.3 fixes a number of WiFi connection issues in iOS8.2 and iOS8. Please upgrade your iPad to iOS 8.3 from the school WiFi at your earliest convenience. Note: this upgrade takes at least 15 minutes.

Darryn Marjoram
Director ICT

School Chess Tournament

School Holiday Chess Tournament

WHERE: St Barnabas Anglican Church Parish Hall
        Corner Dora and McLachlan Streets
        East Orange

WHEN: Thursday 9th July 2015

TIME: 9:45 am to 3:30pm

ENTRY FEE: $10  [$5 for additional family member]

PRIZES: Trophies for 1st, 2nd & 3rd in Under 18 and
        Under 12

REGISTER BY: 7th July 2015 latest by contacting one of the
        following Junior Chess Coordinators:

1. Alexander Aich  Ph: 6884 4561  Email:
        alexander.aich@gmail.com
2. Joe Cummins  Ph: 6362 6882  Email:
        heather.cummins@optusnet.com.au

WHAT TO BRING: Your own lunch  [soft drinks and bottled
        water for sale]
You don’t have to be good, this is a fun tournament. But a knowledge of the rules is required and tournament conditions will be applied. The games will be timed with chess clocks. Don’t worry if you have never played with clocks. You’ll be told how they work. The results will be sent to the NSW Junior Chess League for ratings.

Ashleigh Hiskens

Sausage Sizzle fundraiser for Nepal

Douglas House Sausage Sizzle

In Week 9A on Thursday the 18th, Douglas House will host a Sausage Sizzle to raise funds for Nepal.

Sausage Sandwiches and Drinks will be $2.00 each.

The BBQ will be held on the grass outside Douglas (near the Music Centre).

We would appreciate your support on the day – all proceeds go to OXFAMs earthquake projects in Nepal.

Bill Tink
Head Tutor Douglas House

Careers News

2015 Careers Evening

Thursday, 11 June 2015 | 5.30pm-8.30pm | Derek Pigot Auditorium

- This is a compulsory event for Year 10 students. Students do not have to attend for the entire session.

- Sport will finish for Year 10 at 4.30pm. This will enable Boarders to get showered and changed back into their uniform for dinner at 5pm. All Year 10 Boarders (girl and boy) will be eating dinner on the Wolaroi site. Day students can either go
home, have dinner and then return, or shower and change at school ready for 5.30pm.

• Year 10 students have a booklet to complete on the night. They will pick up this booklet and other material when they first arrive at the entrance. They will be discussing the booklet in Tutor during the last week of term. This booklet will be emailed to Year 10 parents today.

• A bus will take the Year 10 girl Boarders back to the PLC site at 7pm.

• Year 11 and Year 12 are invited to attend but it is not compulsory. Boy boarders may attend at anytime with permission from the MOD. Buses will shuttle Year 11 and 12 girl Boarders to and from the PLC/Wolaroi sites at 7pm, 7.30pm and 8pm.

• Tertiary institutes attending - University of New England, University of Wollongong, University of Western Sydney, Charles Sturt University, Australian National University, Marcus Oldham College, TOCAL Agricultural College, VERTO, and TAFE Western.

• Over 60 professionals from a range of Industries will also be attending. A map of locations in the DPA will be emailed to Year 10 parents today and copies will be available on the night.

Please email or call me if you have any additional questions.

Emma Bylsma
Year 12 Co-ordinator/Careers Advisor

Rugby Reports

13A Vs Emus Won 35-0

The 13 A’s were led by Jack Pengilly in this fixture & the captain certainly got involved, twice crossing the stripe. The team got going early, after Emus applied some pressure & created a few turnovers, that had KWS working hard. The pick & go worked well, with good space & time being given to both Jacks in the back line, along with Fletch, who played well in the centres. Emus had a few big rangy guys that were hard to handle but some solid defence from Mitch, Hunter & Nick nullified a lot of their one out play. The whole pack tackled well.
Joe Priest had a solid game at 9 & ran the team with precision. The back line is improving nicely & some good team tries were witnessed on the day, with up to 7 players handling the ball before the try was scored.

Tries Jack Pengilly 2, Cody Kelso, Lachie Smith, Jack Ryan, Harry May.

The next game is Vs Oakhill at home, see you at training boys.

Jason Smith
Coach

Rugby Draw

This week we look forward to hosting Oakhill College.

The 16s will be the duty age group for this fixture.

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Huon Barrett
MIC Rugby

Football Report

KWS Under 13s defeat Waratah Wanderers under lights

The 13s had to play a catch up game under lights at Waratahs on Wednesday night. Braving arctic conditions it was never in doubt as Kinross dominated play from the opening whistle. The ball rarely entered our part of the field in the first half and this made is easy for Ethan Jones to grab two goals in the first half along with Hugh McIntyre. The highlight of the half was Owen Bloomfield’s dominating runs and magnificent defence. Owen played the game of his life, backing himself with the ball and managing to find space in the mid-field giving Hugh and
Xavier fantastic support.

The second half started like the first with Xavier grabbing an early goal and Joseph Kocanda taking over duties in the midfield so Peter Byrnes could keep. A late Kinross goal took the score to 5-0 and Mr Morrisey was able to shuffle the boys about to give each player a chance to play in a new position. This allowed Max Rolfe to show his skills up front and he certainly will play in this area again soon.

Another great all round performance from all the boys and consolidating their season early

Leigh Morrisey
Coach

KWS LATEST NEWS!

Performing Arts Evening delights audience

The KWS Prep School family came together for a night of entertainment and wonder at the annual Performing Arts Evening. As well as showcasing the talents of students and dedication of teachers, the...... read full article

Role models enjoy lessons in leadership

Thinking about others before ourselves and understanding the responsibility that comes with leadership were two of the themes explored at this year’s Year 11 Leadership Camp. The camp was held...... read full article

KWS Geography producing some of Australia’s best

The accolades are coming thick and fast for our Geography students, with a number of notable achievements in the past few weeks. First up is globetrotting Year 11 student Canada Gavin, who will soon...... read full article