Principal

In the Bulletin this week:

- Notification of withdrawal of students
- Year 12 Parent and Student Survey – open ended responses

Notification of withdrawal of students

As per the Conditions of Entry to KWS, this is a reminder that it is a requirement to provide one term’s notice, in writing, to the Principal for the withdrawal of a student from Boarding or from the School. In default of such written notice a full term’s fees are required.

If parents have not yet finalised plans but are thinking of options for 2016 it is preferable for you to advise the Principal in writing. This information is vital for the forward planning of the School. We are finalising our new enrolments and overall numbers for 2016 and have continual enquiries regarding places for next year and beyond. Providing a term’s notice allows the School to notify families that are currently awaiting confirmation of entry to KWS. Your cooperation is appreciated.

Year 12 Parent and Student Survey - open ended responses

A collection of views from parents and students – these are individual responses and are representative of the parents and...
or student cohort. In my view it is important to provide an overview of the range of responses received.

Parents - positives

• That the school has given my child a better foot in the door for life with their strong and conscientious academic program, the School's high expectations, the accountability of the teaching staff and the provision of many opportunities for co-curricular activities and for giving my child an opportunity to believe they can be good at whatever they set their mind to.
• My children are happy to attend every day. The other children who attend are of high calibre resulting in a cohesive network of likeminded families and children.
• The acceptance and support for my daughter - who is Aboriginal.
• The friendships my child has made and the exposure to a wide range of experiences.
• The respect shown towards parents and students, and the air of respect between students, school leaders and teachers.
• The caring relationship of the students towards each other. The outstanding interest that the staff display towards the students.
• Friendships my child has made and positive relationships my child has with parents of other students. Teachers have gone above and beyond the job and are inspiring and have made a positive impact on my child.

Students - positives

• I have learned to balance my life better between school, family, friends and sport which I think is really important.
• I like coming to school and being part of the year 12 cohort.
• I really value the competitive academic environment which has pushed me to reach my potential. I also really value the sense of community and the supportiveness of teachers and students in that success is a thing that is celebrated rather than ridiculed.
• I value the friendships and experiences that I have been able to develop. I know that they will continue to be a significant part of my life in the future.’
• It's a great school and I've been here for years. I have good relationships with teachers and students and my education at KWS will help me later in life.
• My relationships with peers and the teachers.

Areas for improvement – individual responses

NEXT WEEK

Thursday 10 September
HICES Debating Grand Final

Friday 11 September
Performing Arts Afternoon Tea
Yr 11 & 12 Economics HSC Lectures
MNO

Saturday 12 September
Netball Dinner
Hockey Dinner

Sunday 13 September
Boarding Captains Announced
Boarding Activities
Hockey Presentation Brunch

Monday 14 September
Pedal Prix ‘Mount to Murray’ ride

Tuesday 15 September
Winter Co-curricular Assembly
Pedal Prix ‘Mount to Murray’ ride
Cowra Show

Wednesday 16 September
Year 12 Boarders’ Dinner
Year 12 Showcase
Pedal Prix ‘Mount to Murray’ ride
Year 11 English Opera House

Thursday 17 September
Winter Sports Carnival
Farewell & Blessing
Tutor House Lunches
Pedal Prix ‘Mount to Murray’ ride

Friday 18 September
Year 12 Graduation Assembly
Year 12 Graduation Ball
Pedal Prix ‘Mount to Murray’ ride

Go to School Calendar

IN THE MEDIA

Book week parade
• I think the academic program can be bit more intense with less distractions.
• More focus on individual achievements and recognition of excellence.
• Greater discipline around academic activities. I think the teachers need to make sure all students are working to their full capacity.
• I think that the boarding staff need to have a better insight into the boarders life at school and be able to better support these endeavours.
• A more professional emphasis by the teachers and the students towards academics.
• Academically, I would like to see a greater emphasis placed on students developing their own opinions rather than being taught to rote learn essays.

Brian Kennelly
Principal

Head of Senior School

As we begin the final cycle of classes for Term 3 it’s timely to reflect on what has been an extremely busy and rewarding term: Little Shop of Horrors, the House Spectacular, lots of fabulous learning, a winter season of great sporting participation and the exams for Years 11 and 12, to name just some of what has gone on. We are a busy school and the staff and students do a wonderful job of balancing it all!

The school has achieved fantastic success at the local eisteddfod – congratulations to the various individuals, bands and ensembles who have gained outstanding results. A special mention must go to the Year 12 boys’ choral group who won all their sections and went on to be named Best Choir of the whole eisteddfod. The standard of all choirs was really high so this is an outstanding achievement. The Music staff are to be commended for their hard work and their dedication to ensuring that “good enough” won’t do…

First Place certificates have been handed out at this week’s assembly to those students in Years 11 and 12 who have recently completed their exams and topped their subject. There were a large number distributed, and it is always a
pleasure to see persistent effort being rewarded with great results. On Tuesday of next week the assembly will be the final co-curricular one, recognising contribution, leadership and success in the very diverse range of activities we offer outside the classroom.

Will and Maddie Gay, former Kinross Wolaroi students, will climb six mountains globally in three months from World Suicide Prevention Day, 10 September 2015, to raise $250,000 for Lifeline Australia. Will and Maddie’s father took his own life several years ago and they want to raise both awareness of suicide and funds to support suicide prevention. Their motto is 6 mountains. 5 countries. 4 continents. 3 months. 2 people. 1 goal: 0 suicides, and you can obtain more information at www.6nil.com Students at KWS will be running a coin trail to support this very worthy cause on Thursday 10 September.

I wish you all a terrific week.

Bev West
Head of Senior School

Summer Uniform

A reminder to all students to wear their summer uniform on their return in Term 4, 2015.

Gail Pearce
KWS Shop Manager

Kilt Measurement

Reminder

Kilt measurement for your Year 10 student needs to be completed by Friday the 11th of September. They are custom made to each student and the order needs to be placed NOW. Please come in and see the girls at the KWS Shop.

Gail Pearce
KWS Shop Manager

World Suicide Prevention Day

From the School Psychologist
Thursday 10th September is World Suicide Prevention Day and R U OK? Day. In 2015 the international theme of World Suicide Prevention Day is Preventing Suicide: Reaching Out and Saving Lives. Research shows that a strong sense of community and a sense of belonging are protective factors against suicide. During Tutor time this week, students from years 7-12 will be engaged in age-appropriate discussions about suicide prevention, about looking out for each other, about building connections and about taking the time to ask someone “R U OK?” More information is available at http://wspd.org.au/ and https://www.ruok.org.au/

On Thursday, students will be participating in a fundraising coin trail for 6Nil and Lifeline Australia. 6Nil is the brainchild of former KWS students Maddie and Will Gay who are climbing 6 mountains in 5 countries on 4 continents in 3 months in memory of their Dad Tony who died by suicide in 2009. Will and Maddie Gay will embark on their challenge on 10th September. More information is available at http://www.6nil.com

Rebecca Anderson
School Psychologist

NAPLAN 2015 Analysis

Parents of Year 3, 5, 7 & 9 students should have received their child’s NAPLAN 2015 report. The school has analysed these results to measure both the cohort’s progress against the state and national averages as well as look at individual student strengths and weaknesses.

The attached document click here, highlights the school performance against the state as reported by NAPLAN. Overall, the results are pleasing with the school achieving a mean average above the state in almost every area.

Of importance is the student growth table at the end of the report. The report highlights the tremendous growth many of our students achieve over two years. In Spelling alone, 98% of students in Year 5 scored a positive result from when they were in Year 3. The average growth score from Year 7 to 9 in Numeracy was 61 to mention a few.
These results highlight the school’s focus on literacy and numeracy development. As a result of the analysis the school is able to identify areas of concern and implement strategies to address them. One such area is Writing which will continue to be a focus area within the school.

I want to remind parents that NAPLAN is not the only form of assessment to measure your child’s performance. We recognise that it only tests students in certain areas and students can perform badly on certain days. I want to congratulate the many families who support their child’s literacy development by reading with your child, editing school work and encouraging debate and discussion.

I commend this report to you. If you have any questions or for more information regarding NAPLAN in general, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yooie Choi
Head of Student Academic Services

Career News

This is a busy time of year for our Year 12 students as they formalise their 2016 plans. There are many opportunities available e.g. Early Entry, scholarships and other schemes, it is very important therefore that students read and check their emails regularly and make note of important dates and deadlines to avoid missed opportunities. Every lunchtime this week I will be in Computer room 94 to help with any of the above.

Year 11 Parents

During the first week of Term 4, many Year 11 students will be participating in Music and Cadet Programs. We have worked with some local organisations to offer courses to the remaining Year 11 students. This is a great opportunity to gain recognised skills and qualifications that will improve future employment prospects. All of the courses will be run onsite at Kinross Wolaroi School from Wednesday 7th October to Friday 9th October and will be held during normal school hours. If your child does not do PDHPE then they will be completing a compulsory First Aid course that will run over 1.5 days. On the other half-day they will complete sessions on Resume Writing and English Study skills. On the third day they will then be able to choose from one of the following courses that are on offer:
RSA, RCG, White Card and Safe Food Handling. If your child does do PDHPE then they will have already completed the Frist Aid course as part of their study and they will be able to complete courses over the entire three days.

**Universities**

**The University Of Sydney: HSC Preparation Workshops**
The University of Sydney, Camperdown
Throughout September The University of Sydney will be holding a number of exam preparation courses for Year 12 students. Courses are usually three hours in length, with costs of each course ranging from $120-$158.
https://cce.sydney.edu.au/courses/education/HSC

**The University Of Notre Dame: Twilight Tour & Course Information Evening**
Tue 24th November – Thu 26th November, 104 Broadway, Chippendale
The Prospective Students Office will be open for extended hours to assist potential students with tertiary study options and admissions information
Contact: 02 8204 4404 or sydney@nd.edu.au

**UTS Engineering Bonus Points questionnaire**
Questionnaire closes Fri 11th December
Students applying to a UTS engineering degree could be eligible for up to 5 bonus points by completing the UTS Engineering Year 12 Bonus Points Questionnaire. Early round offers will also be made on the basis of this questionnaire.
http://www.uts.edu.au/future-students/engineering/essential-information/year-12-bonus-scheme-questionnaire

**The University of New England Early Entry Program**
Applications close Wed 30th September
UNE’s Early Entry program allows year 12 students to gain a place at UNE before ATARs are released. Selection for the program is based on an applicant’s ability to work and learn independently, as well as their overall potential for academic success.
http://www.une.edu.au/study/study-on-campus/get-early-entry/about

**Nursing and Allied Health Scholarship and Support Scheme**
This scholarship provides assistance to nursing and midwifery...
students studying at an Australian University or registered
training organization.
Contact: 1800 117 262 or scholarships@acn.edu.au
http://www.acn.edu.au/nahsss

The University of Newcastle: Student Living Brochure
Accommodation applications open Thu 1st October.
The brochure provides information on accommodation options
and associated costs at The University of Newcastle.
http://www.issuu.com/universityofnewcastle
docs/2015_student_living_brochure__digit

Blue Mountains International Hotel Management School
$20,000 Scholarship for Regional Students
Applications close: Fri 25th September
Applications are now open for the 2015 Hospitality
Scholarship, which will grant two prospective regional
students, one male and one female, a $20,000 scholarship
grant from the AHA NSW Foundation. The recipients will
undertake a 2.5 year Bachelor of Business Degree
(International Hotel and Resort Management) at the Blue
Mountains International Hotel Management School.
http://www.bluemountains.edu.au/2015/08/bmihms-announce-
scholarship-for-regional-students/

Careers in Sport
This website is for anyone interested in a career in sport and
fitness. There is information about recommended qualifications
and pathways, along with a list of available positions and
courses.

Other News

UWS Observatory: School Holiday Astronomy Nights
Checking Out Our Neighbours: Sat 26th September, 7.00pm –
9.00pm
The Lives of Stars: Sat 3rd October, 7.00pm – 9.00pm
The evenings will include a 3D astronomy movie, a tour of the
dome area, and an opportunity to view the night sky through
the observatory’s telescopes.
http://www.uws.edu.au/observatorypenrith/uws_observatory_-_penrith_campus/whats_on

National Institute of Dramatic Art: Holiday Courses
Mon 21st September – Fri 2nd October, Kensington
The National Institute of Dramatic Arts (NIDA) will be holding a
number of holiday courses for students in years 7 – 12. Attendees can participate in a range of courses covering acting, audition preparation, and dancing. https://www.open.nida.edu.au/courses/Demographic/Young+People

**National Summer Art Scholarships 2016**

Applications close Wed 30th September

Scholarships allow students in Year 11 to spend a week over summer (9th – 16th January 2016) at the National Gallery of Australia, Canberra. This provides an opportunity to engage with staff at the National Gallery as well as other arts professionals, artists and peers from around the nation.

Two students from each state and territory will be selected to participate in the program.

Contact: (02) 6240 6632 or summerartscholarship2015@nga.gov.au


Emma Bylsma

**Career Advisor/Year 12 Co-ordinator**

**Absence from School**

**Reminder to Parents and Students**

Please refer to the following as a guide for the reporting of absence from school of your child/ren:

If a student is away due to illness or unexpected absence, please call the Front Office on 6392 0300 before 9 am. Additionally, a note of explanation should be brought to school on the student's return.

Students needing to leave the school grounds at any stage during the school day for medical or dental appointments are to request permission prior to the appointment from the Head of Senior School, Mrs Bev West, preferably via email at bwest@kws.nsw.edu.au, fax 6392 0410 or a note from the student. Parents are to sign students out and the student signs back in on return via the Front Office.

**Boarding students** must sign out at the SICKBAY for medical/dental appointments or the FRONT OFFICE for all other approved academic leave, remembering to sign back in on their return.

For day and boarding students requiring academic leave for
other reasons, eg family commitment, overseas travel, study leave, please apply in writing to the Head of Senior School via bwest@kws.nsw.edu.au at least four weeks in advance.

Leave for extended family travel during term time requires a special form and can be approved only by the Principal. In line with government requirements we are obliged to examine these requests very carefully.

Bev West  
Head of Senior School

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**Change to Senior Girls Uniform**

**Years 7 - 10**

A reminder that girls wear their summer uniform in Term 4. Please note the change of socks to regulation white short socks are to be worn by girls in Years 7-10.

The regulation short white socks are available from the KWS School Shop. The Shop will not be opened during school holidays, hence the need to purchase the regulation white socks during the opening hours of Monday - Thursday 8am - 4pm and Friday 8am - 2pm.

Gail Pearce  
KWS Shop

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**Parent/Teacher Interviews Term 4**

**Tuesday 6 October 2015**

Boarding Parents in Years 7 - 12 and Day Parents in Years 7 -10

You will soon receive your Login and PIN in the mail and will be able to access the PTO service for bookings from 9 am on Monday 14 September 2015.

To access this site click on the link below:


and then enter your LOGIN and PIN.

Interviews are held in the Anderson Centre and refreshments are provided

If you have not received login details in the mail by Friday 11 September 2015 please call 6392 0302.
Karen Tyrrell/Cate Aitken  
PA to Head of Senior School  

ICT Front-line Support in the Library  

Front-line (“Level 1”) support has relocated from the window in the IT department to a new Helpdesk station located in the library, some may have noticed the new reception desk just inside the library entrance. Apart from the physical presence of an IT team member at the Help Desk in the library, the station also includes a self-contained space with an 18-bay USB charging station and access to USB printing.

On school days, the help desk will be staffed by a member of the ICT Team 8am until 4pm. Each of the IT services team will rotate through the desk. The duty team member will assist students and staff who are using the library and be available to assist students or staff who “drop in” with an IT problem. Problems that cannot be resolved at the desk will be escalated to a specialist member of the IT Services team for further investigation.

On-Campus ICT support is now be available to Boarders from 7PM to 9.30PM each Wednesday evening. The support will rotate each week, with Week A support being available at the Library and Week B support provided from the PLC dining room. During this time, help can be obtained either in person, by lodging a ticket in the support system or by calling extension 201. This support will be in place for the remainder of 2015 and if demand assessed at the end of 2015.

Importantly, the introduction of a new help-desk facility in the library does not change the process for requesting ICT Support. Please continue to log your requests via the Web Form or email your support requests to support@kws.nsw.edu.au. Urgent ICT support requests can be phoned in to extension 201. Issues that are having an immediate impact on classroom activities will continue to be given priority. In the event of a “live” classroom issue please call xtn201 or send a student to the ICT Support desk in the Library to ensure immediate support for your “live” classroom issue.

REMINDER: please do not install iOS 9.x until advised, there are still problems with iOS9.x. iOS 8.4.1 is ok.

Darryn Marjoram
Director ICT

Senior Study Camps

HSC Study Camp

The school is looking to support Year 12 students in their final preparations for the HSC, by offering two Study camps. One will be offered in the September/October holidays and one in Week 1, Term 4. I ask all Year 12s who wish to study in a learning environment free from distractions to come along.

Details of the camp are below. For more information, please read the attached HSC Study Days: Notice and Permission Form and hand back to Yooie Choi.

3 Day Holiday Intensive Study Camp:
The scheduled days will be Wednesday 30th September to Friday 2nd October.

Term 4, Week 1: 3-day Intensive Study Camp:
The scheduled days will be Wednesday 7th October to Friday 9th October.

Year 10 and 11, Senior Study Preparation Study Camp

Year 10 and Year 11 students are invited to attend a Senior preparation study camp during the September/October school holidays (The scheduled days will be Wednesday 30th September to Friday 2nd October). The 3 day camp is designed for students keen on addressing the way their currently study by identifying poor study habits due to procrastination and poor note-taking techniques to name a few.

I commend the camp to all our Year 10 and 11 students, as research tells us that early intervention is the best strategy. If we want to make changes, we ought to do that sooner rather than later, and students in the senior school will need to be prepared and organised to succeed.

The camp will run with a mixture of independent study sessions and targeted study skill workshops. For more information, please read the Senior Preparation Study Camp notice and permission form.

For more information regarding the Study camps, please do not hesitate to contact me (ychoi@kws.nsw.edu.au) or on 63920436.
Yooie Choi

**Head of Student Academic Services**

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**Cadet Bivouac 7-9 October 2015**

**Cadet Notices**

Could Parents and Cadets please note that due to the early start of Bivouac there will be NO opportunity to provide equipment at the beginning of Term 4. All equipment must be organised by the end of Term 3. (Wednesday 16th September)

Click here for Bivouac Instructions

The cadets listed for Advance Party on Tuesday 6th October at 0800 hrs please confirm their availability with Mr Yeo or Mrs Vernon. This is important as boarders are not due to be at school until 1500hrs on Tuesday. It is likely that some accommodation could be made available for Monday night. Day Students would be required to be dropped at Q Store by 0800hrs.

Click here for Advance Party List

Lyn Vernon
MAJ (AAC)
**OC KWSCU**

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**P&F Meeting Highlights**

Key highlights from our meeting in Week 7 are:

- a great Q&A session with our Business Manager, Greg Alderson who took us through the risk management procedure for events; plans for the clothing pool; ongoing challenges with managing vehicles and parking behaviour; the billing strategy for our fees and some exciting changes to the canteen.

- deciding to take our secondhand text book sale on line using the well established Sustainable School Shop company.

- agreeing to continue with our membership of the NSW Parents Council and electing two representatives from our P&F to be the liaisons enabling us to maximise our relationship with the Council.

The full, draft minutes from the meeting are now available on the website [http://www.kws.nsw.edu.au/ff-pfminutes](http://www.kws.nsw.edu.au/ff-pfminutes)

I look forward to seeing you at our next meeting on Wednesday 21st October (T4 Wk3)

Enjoy the holidays!
Performing Arts Press

Music Breakfast – 8am, Friday 18 September

Members of Symphonic Winds, Orchestra, Chamber Strings and Chamber Choir are asked to attend a special “end of term” breakfast in the Music Centre on Friday 18 September at 8am. This is to celebrate student achievement in the recent eisteddfods and to thank our outgoing Year 12 Music Leaders. Could students please bring a plate to share or a bottle of juice?

Musica Viva – Sounds Baroque Visit

On Monday 7 September we had the wonderful Musica Viva ensemble, “Sounds Baroque” provide us with a concert and a workshop. The entire Year 7 cohort and our elective music students saw the concert and were very engaged and interested in the Baroque instruments and performance. There was a lot of humour in the performance and the kids had a lot of laughs. They got to sing a round and some got to have a dance! The performers then provided two, separate workshops for Chamber Strings and Chamber Choir. They worked on their current repertoire and the students were able to talk to the performers directly, which was a real thrill. Our pianists also had an opportunity to play their beautiful harpsichord.

Year 12 Graduation – Friday 18 September

Orchestra is required for a rehearsal during Periods 1 and 2 of the final day of Term 3 in order to set up and rehearse for the Year 12 Graduation Ceremony at 12pm that day.

More KWS Orange Eisteddfod Results

Choral Sections:
The Year 12 Male Quartet directed by Mr Barry Patterson (“The Boyz of 11/97”) stole the show at the Choir Day last weekend! They won the following:

- Contemporary Vocal Ensemble
- Best a cappella group
- Choral Championship
- Best Overall Choir in the Orange Eisteddfod, 2015.

Congratulations also to Koristers (directed by Mrs Edwards) who achieved First Place in the Sacred Section and Second
Place in the Welsh Section. Chamber Choir (directed by Miss Anthony) achieved Second Place in the Championship and Highly Commended in the Sacred Section.

**String Sections:**
First Place was awarded to the Prep Quintet (directed by Mrs Sinclair), Chamber Strings (directed by Mrs Moxey) and to iStrings (also directed by Mrs Moxey) in their individual sections. Our other 2 string ensembles received Second Place in their sections: Year 7 String Quartet (directed by Mrs Moxey) and the new Junior String Ensemble (directed by Mrs Sinclair).

**Band Sections:**
Junior Saxophone Ensemble (directed by Mr Ismail) and Junior Concert Band (directed by Mr Alloway) performed to a very high standard with great dynamics in the Small Ensemble section last Friday morning. Intermediate Concert Band achieved Highly Commended in their section and Senior Flute Ensemble performed a tricky piece very well. Senior Saxophone Ensemble played with fantastic energy and achieved Second Place in the 18 and Under Small Ensemble Section. In the evening session, Senior Woodwind Ensemble (directed by Mr Ismail) placed First in the Open Chamber Music Section and Stage Band (directed by Mr Alloway) placed Third in the Open Bands Section.

Well done to all the ensemble directors and students.

May you have a wonderful week.

Anneliese Alloway

**Head of Performing Arts**

**Performing Arts Dates for Your Diary**

**SEPTEMBER**
8 – 10 – HSC Music Performance Examination period  
7 – 10 – K-2 Show rehearsals  
7 – 11 – Year 5/6 Musical rehearsals  
14 – AMEB Practical Examinations conclude  
14 – 15 – K-2 Show performances  
14 – 17 Year 5/6 Musical performances  
17 – Year 12 Farewell and Blessing  
18 – Year 12 Graduation Ceremony  
18 – Final day Term 3  

**OCTOBER**
6 – Staff PD Day  
7 – Term 4 commences
Football Report

Grand Finalists

After a few tough weeks with injury and illness we were not sure how the finals series would play out. However, when it counted the boys found their form and produced a devastating second half of football in the final to get into the Grand Final of the Orange District competition where they will face Waratahs.

The game against CYMS was one sided in the first half as CYMS dominated the play and possession. It was though desperate defence and some clever footwork that Kinross were able to keep the score to 1-0. It was a pleasure to have young Oliver Charlton from the under 11 team there in the first half to make up the numbers. Oliver showed real promise and found himself in the clear a few times. It was good for him to play with such a quality midfield featuring Xavier Vials, Hugh McIntyre, Peter Byrne, and Will Cornally. Half time had the boys being reminded of the value of positional play and not drifting off their mark, this had to be tightened up in the second half.

As the boys took this advice in the defensive line in the second half the managed to take the game away from CYMS and give their midfielders room and time. With Joseph Kocanda taking midfield duties they boys produced some devastating attack. Hugh managed to get an equaliser early with a great personal
effort and he soon repeated this to put the boys in front. The defence held against a desperate CYMS and soon it seemed as if Xavier had scored the clincher but it was ruled wide of the posts. Moments later he was given a penalty in the box and he made no mistake for a 3-1 win with only 10 players on the field.

Elated and relieved players and parents cheered from the sideline as they soon realised that they were in the grand final. A huge game next week, keep your eye on the Orange football website for time and place, we would love your support

Leigh Morrisey
Coach

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Netball Report

KWS Netball Finals 5th September 2015

Results

KWS 13 Pettitts Lost 8 - 9
KWS 13As  Won 28 - 19
KWS 15 Laytons Lost 16 - 29
KWS Junior As Lost 30 - 33
KWS Y11 Lost 3 - 44
KWS Y12 Getiz Won 44 - 3

Match Reports

KWS 13 Pettitts  Lost by only 1 in extra time!!!!!
The team: Annabelle Binnie, Catriona Denholm, Siobhan Finn, Holly Gutterson, Elly Jeffery, Grace Lummis, Emily McLachlan, Breanna Rouse and Emma Wright

Wow – tension has reached a new height! What a game, what a team, what spirit, what integrity! The previous two times the Pettitts took on the Wildcats, they went down by 10 and then by 5 respectively. The girls played extremely well today and got so close to medal honours but nerves at crucial times was the difference. By always positioning in front, Grace created space every time she drove for the ball. As a shooter, Emily defended and attacked superbly and she thwarted many oppositional moves in the centre court. Holly’s ‘hands over the ball’ was faultless and she held her 3 feet brilliantly.

Annabelle did a superb job as a centre court player by being an unbreakable link between her defence and shooters and
she shot well when called upon to be Goal Shooter. Breanna defended so tightly that her opponent had nowhere to go and she was rewarded with many turnovers. Siobhan has the biggest heart – she would not let her opponent go anywhere unless she was right there with her. As Centre, Emma stood her ground against a very physical opponent and she positioned well to feed the ball into her shooters. Catriona continually created space by driving strongly out of the circle and her ball handling was great. As a centre court player, Elly only had eyes for the ball and she was a great support to both her shooters and her defence. The girls got straight up when they fell down (which happened a few times!). Scores for the falls of the day: Emily 9 (“What am I doing down here?”), Elly 8 (controlled landing on her bottom), Catriona 2 (cause it really hurt!). Well done to Siobhan for not ‘hitting the deck’ today! In conclusion, today the little Pettitts epitomised what playing a team sport is all about. Desperately wanting to win they gave everything they had for the entire match, they kept their heads up when they were down on the scoreboard, they kept fighting til the end, they showed fantastic team spirit and sportsmanship, and they all had the biggest smile on their face at the end because they knew that they all had an incredible game. Their team dance at the end was a great culmination for their season. So proud of you all! Big thanks to the parents and supporters who cheered the Pettitts on each and every week and to Lorrae, their coach, for being so caring and protective of her girls!

3 points: Grace Lummis 2 points: Annabelle Binnie 1 point: Elly Jeffery.

KWS 13As
Congratulations to the 13As for a spectacular run into the grand final this weekend. We were able to beat Cyms by 11 in the end in a very close tussle. It was a great game from everyone in the team. Good luck girls for the big game on Saturday! We encourage everyone to come and cheer us on as we face the OHS Vixens at 9.55am on Court B PCYC, Anzac Park.

KWS Geitz Won
Not a close game but a great team game by the Geitz. Katie Rice’s leadership was a driving force in the centre third, creating space and showing great insight. Brydie Bowyer was faultless as Wing Attack, feeding her shooters to perfection. Chloe Oates’ shooting accuracy was most impressive. Merran
Todd’s crisp and accurate passing helped move the ball seamlessly through the centre third. As Goal Keeper, Maddie Adams moved around the goal circle sensibly and she worked well with her Goal Defence. Claire Robertson’s 3 feet was perfect and she caused the opposing shooters great angst. Adelaide Patterson continually created space by reading the play very well and driving out of the goal circle. Mia Hull, the versatility player, defended tightly and was rewarded with many turnovers. Although the Getiz had a convincing win over an under-strength opposition, they will need to train hard next week to overpower the Waratahs in the Grand Final.

**Grand Finals - 12th September 2015**

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**MIC Netball**

**Hockey Report**

**U18 KWS Amethysts vs CYMS (4.9.15 – 5:30 pm)**

Score: Nil – 3
U18 KWS Amethysts: Sophie Aylward, Fleur Connick, Meg Crouch, Maddy Dowd, Alice Faulkes, Laura Faulkes, Ivy Freeman, Olivia Kennedy, Nicola Kermode, Megan Kirkness, Domino McBean, Megan McCauley, Bree Smith and Chloe Smith.
Coach: Mr A Grant

The Amethysts took the field one last time as a united team to face CYMS in the season’s minor semi-final. The girl’s spirit was indomitable right to the very last moment of the game. Watching the girls play throughout the whole game was an absolute delight.

The Amethysts played the way any team should play, that is, as one unit and with a real sense of where each and every other team member was placed on the field. The first half of
the game was a veritable see-saw motion with neither team being able to exert a persuasive dominance over the other. It may be that the Amethysts were slightly more on the defence than on the attack but this can be a wonderful thing to watch of itself. This is especially the case when you see a team repeatedly frustrated in their attempts to score a goal by the team for which you are cheering. The sense of frustration and disappointment for the CYMS was palpable.

The Initial stages of the second half ran very much the same as the first half, with all of the Amethysts supporting one another and playing the best I have ever seen them play this season. However, after about the 12 minute mark the CYMS found a chink in our defence and managed to put a score away. Over the next 7 minutes this occurred another two times. The remainder of the game went back to a very even match between two sportsmanlike teams giving of their best right to the dying seconds of play.

It has been a delight to be assigned as coach to these young ladies throughout the 2015 Hockey Season. I have greatly enjoyed their humour, dedication, determination, support and encouragement for one-another and the manner in which they retained high spirits under all circumstances.

Allen Grant
Coach

KWS Ruby’s VS Topaz Grand Final

On Friday night, the Ruby's played their last game of the season, the grand final. The girls played incredibly well and put in 100% effort, showcasing our teamwork and improvements throughout the season. The first half was intense, but excellent defending from Emily, Maggie Yeomans, and Emma kept the ball out of the circle. After about 5 short corners, the girls were able to clear the ball out of the defending circle, where Jemma ran the ball up the field and passed to Hannah, who scored a beautiful between-the-legs goal. Early in the second half, passing by Eloise, Jossie and Scarlett led to another goal scored by Eva, however, the opposition were able to score back in a short corner. The Ruby's didn't give up, and after some great play by Maggie Smith, Harriet made an amazing pass to Hannah, where another goal was scored. The final score was 3-1, and the Ruby's were under 16s 2015 champions. Well done to Sammy, who was our amazing goalie for the game, and a big thankyou to Mr Walters for his expert
coaching throughout the season. Well done Ruby's!

Graeme Walters
Coach

**Football End of Year BBQ**

This Sunday 13th September the Football Club will run a free BBQ for Kinross Football Players. Parents are also welcome. The BBQ will kick off at 1.00 pm at the BBQ next to the canteen. Bring a ball and have a kick around on the Main Oval. There will be a presentation from about 1.30 pm.

Pete Whiting
MIC Football/Futsal

**Rugby News**

**Junior Gold Program**

Registrations to trial for Junior Gold are now being accepted online. Boys would need to be born in 1999 (U17), 2000 (U16) or 2001 (U15) as age groups are taken as at 2016.


Trials will be held on Sunday 25 October for U15s in Orange and Sunday 15 November for U17s in Gunnedah at Gunnedah Rugby Club.

Western NSW U15s program after the 25 October trial if selected is (subject to change):
- Training session Sunday 15 November- CSU Orange (TBC)
- Camp 28 & 29 November- CSU Orange (TBC)
- Camp 6 & 7 February 2016- CSU Orange (TBC)
- Competition phase commences 14 February 2016

The 17s Program this year is Province based, so Central West/Western Plains/Central North players trial for Western Province. This team will be aligned to NSW Country Eagles and play in their jersey. Their coaches/players will be assisting with this team.

Western Province U17s program after the 15 November trial if
selected is (subject to change):

- Camp 28 & 29 November- Easts Rugby Club Sydney (TBC)
- Camp 6 & 7 February 2016- Easts Rugby Club Sydney (TBC)
- Competition phase commences 14 February 2016

**Girls 7's Rugby - Talent Discovery Day (U17 Girls)**

This is your chance to uncover your potential and represent Central West in the 2nd annual NSW Rugby Youth Girls 7's Nicole Beck Cup.

Register Here: http://form.jotformpro.com/form/52386849537976 or at NSW Youth Girls U17s - Discovery Day - Online Registration Form

Date: Thursday 8 October 2015
Time: 10am-2pm Venue: Endeavour Park, Woodward St Orange (Emus Rugby Club)

**Please note:**
1. Only participants born in 1998 or 1999 may participate.
2. There will be a $50 levy for the final team of 12 (includes free training kit).

For More Information:
Contact NSW Rugby Development Manager
Email: MDeBrincat@nswrugby.com.au
Phone: 0416 233 830

Huon Barrett
**MIC Rugby**

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**KWS LATEST NEWS!**

**Soccer friendly**

Last week a soccer friendly took place between the KWS Under 13's competitive side (Year 7 day boys) and Trathen House boarders. The match was organised between Leigh Morrisey's KWS Under—— read full article
Parade lights up Book Week celebrations

Costume-loving kids and their crafty parents ensured Book Week 2015 was celebrated in style at KWS Prep’s annual Book Week parade. This year’s Book Week theme was ‘Books Light Up Our…’

Students explore cultural themes in HSC Drama works

From comedy, to satire, to tragedy, the audience was treated to a wide range of themes and performances at the recent HSC Drama performance showcase. The showcase consisted of a presentation of…..