When it is more than a game of cricket….

The Combined High Schools (CHS) competitions are run on a very tight schedule, and if inclement weather becomes an issue then the outcome of a game is decided by the toss of a coin.

In the semi-finals we played Corowa High School and the weather forced a reduced overs game. Kirrawee were only 17 runs short with 10 wickets in hand. As the rain continued to fall, time continued to be lost, and it was looking more and more likely that the game would be decided by the toss of a coin. The opposition coach, Craig Fisher, forced the issue and sent his team back on to the field to complete the game in the rain, in effect conceding defeat. This was a very impressive act of sportsmanship, given they had every right to wait for the toss of the coin and give Corowa a 50/50 chance of making the state final. This was also a very tough decision as the Corowa team was the best they had fielded in a number of generations. The lessons learnt from this match go way beyond cricket skills.

In the finals, played the next week, Kirrawee defeated Pennant Hills by just 4 runs to be crowned State Champions. This is a title we won for the first time in 2013. This qualified us to play in the Davidson Shield Challenge final against the Hills Sports High School.

The Davidson Shield was split into two sections in 1997, sports high and comprehensive high schools. The winners of each section play in the final, and since 1997 sports high schools have won it every year except 1999 (Taree HS), 2005 (Colo HS), 2008 (Oxley HS) and now in 2014, Kirrawee.

After sending The Hills in, Kirrawee dismissed their strong line-up for 114, and then scored singles off the last two balls of the match to win, with captain, Harry Chapman hitting the winning run.

Spare a thought for the nerves of the coach, Mark Mitchell, who survived all this.

And it wasn’t an April Fool’s Joke

April 1st was a somewhat nerve wracking day for sport at Kirrawee. We won the Davidson Shield in cricket on the last ball and in Water Polo we played in the State Open Boys and Girls. Both water polo finals came down to a shoot-out.
The girls won the shoot-out but the boys were valiant in defeat. Kirrawee has held the Open title since 2000 and the current team has players who were born in that year. Kirrawee owes our legacy in water polo to an amazing group of coaches who have built skills and team strength over many years. The coaches who can claim 2014 honours are David Short, Gordon Porter and Sharlene Patmore.

Musos in Residence
This gave students the amazing opportunity to work with Rai Thistlethwayte from Thirsty Merc and Robert Conley, a music producer from Los Angeles, responsible for She Bangs by Ricky Martin, as well as Tina Broad from APRA/AMCOS and Peter McVie from the Arts Unit. In two days the Year 11 students managed to write and record song and witness some unbelievable musicianship and performance skills, lightning speed recording and production work. The final results from the students were incredibly professional. Their excitement on the recording day was palpable, as was the passion for the event from their teachers Kerri Lacey, Linda Fawer and Ellie Moroney.

Annual School Report
The Annual School Report has been uploaded to the school website and provides an overview of the 2013 school year. It reports on the many successes of our students and provides a balanced view of the school context, significant projects and initiatives, performance and academic achievements.

P&C 2014
As a school we are indebted to the active role the P&C plays in supporting teaching and learning at Kirrawee. These parents work for the benefit of all students and always welcome new members. The next meeting is on Monday, 12 May at 7.30 pm in the library. The AGM for the P&C saw the election of the following office bearers.

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Year 7 Enrolments
The process has started for assessing our non-local applications for Year 7 in 2015. Our Open Evening saw an attendance of over 900 people. Special thanks to our speakers Taylor Johnson and Jordan Sabbagh who offered a Year 11 and a Year 7 perspective. The school tours operated over a two week period and I would like to congratulate our wonderful Year 9 tour guides. We received many compliments stressing what great representatives you were of our school community.

We expect to enrol around 200 Year 7 students and, within that, approximately 50 non-local places. Using established criteria, our placement panel will meet in Week 4 next term and parents will be notified in writing towards the end of May regarding the outcome of non-local expressions of interest. The panel will consider appeals on the 17 June. Our panel, which has parent representation, completes a thorough, exhaustive and fair process of decision making each year.

Lateness and Partial Attendance
Our increased focus on lateness and partial attendance has brought about a dramatic improvement for a number of students. In a very positive indication, some senior students, who averaged three late arrivals per week, currently have a perfect record. Thank you to parents for their support, and for the contact made with the school when major public transport issues arise.

Excursion Policy
As a school we take our duty of care very seriously, and when organising excursions and sporting events we have to consider the number of students attending, in relation to the number of staff we need in attendance. Teachers have to complete a Risk Assessment for each and every event, and numbers attending is obviously a crucial factor in determining risk management.

This is why the return of permission notes by the due date is vital. Payment for excursions also needs to meet the deadlines because most venues and transport services require payment in advance of the event date and the office needs time to finalise payments.

Many sporting coaches needlessly spend time chasing students for permission notes. If a teacher does not have a signed permission note a student cannot attend. This legal requirement has meant teams have been lost key players and students have been disappointed that they could not compete.

Mitchell Scott, our Sports Organiser, has a number of measures in place to ensure all sporting permission notes are returned on time.
1. When the notes are issued, they are also available on our school website in case the note is lost.
2. Reminders of the closing date are in daily notices read in roll call.
3. Reminders are also posted on KHS Sports Facebook page.

If, after all this, a student forgets they will not be allowed to attend. As sports organiser Mitchell Scott and our many coaches do not have daily contact with the large numbers involved at representative level and students must learn to be responsible for permission note return.

Marian Matthews
Relieving Principal
WELFARE

Year 12 Preparation Evening 2014
A huge thankyou to all staff, parents and students who attended the Year 12 Information and Preparation Evening in Week 6. Once again, former Year 12 students came along and spoke to our audience about their experiences. Mia Ioannou relayed the importance of planning and utilising staff support, the very amusing Dana Thomson recalled Mrs Matthews’ wise words about being organised and Keegan Spring highlighted the importance of using the skilled staff and Learning Centre as a resource. He did point out to Year 12 that the idea of accessing something free of charge should be valued as “free stuff” doesn’t come your way very often once you leave school. These students did an amazing job of instilling confidence in our 2014 candidates that there is life beyond the HSC and the real key to success often comes down to persistence.

A huge thankyou to Mr Stephen Brann, father of Luke (2013) and Sophie (Year 10). Stephen gave a parent’s perspective on surviving the HSC. He injected the right amount of humour and down to earth common sense advice through his ten top tips, which were very well received by the parent body.

We were incredibly fortunate to have ABC journalist Jeremy Fernandez as our guest speaker this year. Jeremy presents the weekend news on the ABC and travelled a fair distance to speak to our parents and students. He spoke to students about the need for balance and also about the need for resilience. He raised the idea that sometimes failure can present us with otherwise unknown opportunities. He really encouraged Year 12 to access the school’s support system, telling them that never again would so many people want to help them!

The overwhelming message of the evening was that students need to have a balanced approach to completing the academic year. The evening also gave staff the opportunity to give a clear message to students about what is required, during the remaining time before the HSC examinations begin, for students to achieve their personal best.

Mr Smith is to be congratulated for his organisation and coordination of the guest speakers and for ensuring the evening ran so smoothly.

Jeremy Fernandez with Bob Hollywood

NAPLAN INFORMATION
On the next page there is a letter regarding NAPLAN. The school will issue students with a timetable at the beginning of Term 2 which will outline the periods in which they will sit exams and the equipment which they will need to bring for each test.

IMMUNISATION
VISIT 2 will take place on Wednesday 7 May

Year 7 (all) students
- Varicella (Chicken pox) vaccine
- Human Papillomavirus vaccine (HPV)

Yr 9 male students only
- Human Papillomavirus vaccine (HPV)

Year 7 (all)
Year 8 (male and female- until end June 2014- HPV only)
Year 9 (male only) students who missed any vaccination in visit 1 can receive catch up at this visit.

HARMONY DAY 2014
On 21 March Kirrawee High celebrated Harmony Day. Students were invited to wear an orange accessory or to wear an orange ribbon on the day. It must be said that there was a veritable sea of orange in the quad and on the playground. Students arrived in the morning to see the school decorated with orange balloons and to listen to music being piped into the playground. It was lovely to see many students dancing and all of them smiling. An assembly was held for Years 7-10 in which the meaning of Harmony Day was explored. A huge thanks to Year 7 volunteers, in particular Martina Malek, Taliye Yaman and Zac Gifford, who spoke about the importance of tolerance and the belief that students here at Kirrawee have about the importance of inclusiveness. A number of Years 7 and 8 students then shared their cultural backgrounds, highlighting the multicultural make-up of our school. It was a tremendous way in which to really explore this year’s Harmony day focus: that Everyone Belongs.

An enormous thank you to 7O who blew up 125 balloons, Mrs Barden for helping to make ribbons, the technicians who helped with the PowerPoint display and to all of our students for being such great ambassadors for Harmony Day.

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In May 2014 the National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) will be completed by students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. NAPLAN has the support of all State and Territory Education Ministers and will assess the literacy and numeracy skills of students across Australian schools.

The results of the tests will provide important information to schools about what each student can do, and will be used to support teaching and learning programs. Parents will receive a report indicating their child’s level of achievement. Each student’s level of achievement will be reported against the national minimum standard.

Background information (student name, gender, date of birth, language background and Aboriginality) will be collected as part of the National Assessment Program. This information is treated confidentially and held securely to ensure that every student’s right to privacy is maintained.

The NAPLAN tests will be conducted from 13 - 15 May 2014.

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In the Numeracy tests students do not require any measuring tools such as rulers or protractors. In Years 7 and 9 there will be two Numeracy tests: one where a calculator is allowed and one where calculators are not to be used. For the calculator test, the student should use the calculator that they currently use at school.

In 2014, as in previous years, the Writing task will be a single common task for all students. The 2014 Writing test will require students to respond to either a persuasive or narrative Writing prompt. However, the genre of the prompt will not be disclosed prior to the test period.

Wherever possible, schools will organise for individual students who are absent at the time of testing to complete missed tests at another time during testing week. Individual students are not permitted to sit tests after Friday 16 May 2014. Students may be considered for exemption from the tests if:

· they are newly arrived in Australia (less than one year before the test) and with a language background other than English, or
· they have significant intellectual disability and/or significant co-existing conditions which severely limit their capacity to participate in the tests.

All other students are expected to participate in the tests. Disability adjustments which reflect the student’s normal level of support in the classroom may be provided. Large print, Braille, coloured paper versions and electronic tests are available to meet the needs of individual students.

Access to disability adjustment or exemption from the tests must be discussed with the school Principal and a parent or carer consent form must be signed. Students may be withdrawn from NAPLAN by their parent or carer. This is a matter for consideration by parents in consultation with the Principal. If you wish to withdraw your child from the tests, a parent or carer consent form must be signed.

Please make an appointment with the Principal of the school your child attends if you would like to discuss your child’s participation in NAPLAN.

Additional information about NAPLAN can be found at www.nap.edu.au/NAPLAN/Parent_Carer_support/index.html.
Social Science

Year 10 Geography Two hundred Year 10 students recently participated in fieldwork activities along Bate Bay beaches and Kurnell. This year the new residential development at Greenhills Beach was added as a site so as students could assess the costs and benefits of such human impacts on the coastal environment.

The students employed a range of fieldwork techniques to supplement their knowledge of coastal processes and to assess the effectiveness of the management strategies used in the local area. Students measured and drew a transect diagram of a dune succession, identified dominant plant species on dunes using a vegetation identification chart, threw oranges into the sea to track wave and sand movements, completed field sketches of the coastal environment and surveyed the number of beach users and the facilities provided at Cronulla Beach.

Teachers commented on the enthusiasm and willingness of students to complete all tasks as well as their punctuality in catching the bus to each destination. Well done Year 10!

Share Market Enthusiasts

Years 9 Commerce, 11 Economics and Business Studies classes have begun their trading of shares on the national School Sharemarket Game competition. This is a 10 week competition in which students are given an opportunity to buy and sell virtual shares and monitor their portfolio value.

It has been a very volatile two week period. With 16,331 syndicates in the competition, Kye Rigby of Year 11 was ranked as high as 2 and is now placed 47 in Australia at the time this newsletter went to print. Kye’s reflection on the strategy used:

“I decided to invest in companies whose share prices dropped to under a dollar. I noticed that they had recently dropped significantly in price and believed they would rise once again. I also tried to spread my investment funds over a range of different types of companies from wine estates to mining companies and this has proved to be an effective method of investing.”

All students are keenly making decisions as to whether to buy new stock, sell poorly performing shares, or hold onto those shares they believe will appreciate in value over the course of the competition. Students are reminded that trading continues over the holidays, so reading newspapers, business journals and listening to the news should keep them in good stead to performing well in the competition. Good luck to all our budding millionaires!

Press Release: Congratulations to Matthew Fong of Year 9 for his impressive capital gain of $1301 in the two week period. Unfortunately Kye has lost approximately $3,000 in the day, giving Matthew the lead at Kirrawee, with a ranking of 93rd in Australia and 28th in NSW. Another Bill Gates!

Christine Doherty
Head Teacher Social Science

Mock Trial 2014

On Friday 14 March 2014, ten students from Year 11 successfully participated in Round 1 of the NSW Law Society Mock Trial competition.

Kirrawee High competed against BOSCO in a civil case, in which Kirrawee were the plaintiff and BOSCO were the defence. The case involved a school student suing the owner of a house after being bitten by a dog. Central to this case was the legal issue - duty of care. Kirrawee won both the case and on points.

Eliza Parker and Julian Bonser were confident and quick-thinking in their roles as barristers, and Megan Dibley in her role as solicitor was well prepared and helpful. Eliza and Julian showed they were able to raise objections and successfully cross-examine defence witnesses.

Courtney Anderson and Taylor Johnson were exceptional witnesses, remembering their statements perfectly! Their responses in cross-examination were excellent and relevant to the case.

Kellie McAuliffe was an outstanding magistrate’s clerk. She was polite and professional when working with the magistrate.

An additional thank you to Maddison Turansky, Jessica Hards, Merrin Curry-Howie and Alex Robinson who gave up much of their time helping the witnesses, barristers, solicitor and magistrate’s clerk prepare for the trial.

A massive thank you to Ms Fellas who dedicated many 7.15am meetings with us and guided our team with great enthusiasm.

The Mock Trial team will now go on to Round 2, where we hope to have another successful round and progress even further. Well done to everyone involved and good luck for the next round.

Maddison Turansky and Jessica Hards
In March our Years 10, 11 and 12 Visual Arts students went to the NSW Art Gallery to see **ArtExpress** and the **Biennale: “Imagine what you Desire”**.

**ArtExpress** at the NSW Art Gallery was an excellent exhibition of HSC Visual Arts students’ Bodies of Work. Year 12 students were asked to look closely at the exhibition and select three artworks that were similar to their own artmaking practice, either technically, conceptually or both. Students then noted how these artworks were successfully resolved. The intention was to then use this information, written observations, drawings and photographs of the selected works, to further enhance the artmaking work being experienced in both the classroom and at home.

Year 11 attended a study forum on **ArtExpress** where 2013 exhibiting students talked about their material and conceptual practice. This was an excellent experience for our students and a very good way of preparing them for the HSC in 2015. Year 11 are currently studying portraiture, and painting portraits in a Modern style, so the excursion to the gallery was also an excellent way of exposing our students to a variety of artmaking styles and techniques that they could then employ in their own portrait paintings. Year 11 students also visited the **Biennale** and the permanent contemporary collection on display, and completed worksheets that were designed to further inform and enhance their artmaking practice back at school.

Year 10 also went to the NSW Art Gallery to see the **ArtExpress** exhibition and the **Biennale**. They attended an informative student forum at the Art Gallery on the Biennale. The forum introduced and explained the Biennale to students and it involved curators and artists talking about this very important bi-annual international event, and their participation in it.

Year 11 and 12 students also attended the Hazelhurst Regional Art Gallery to see **ArtExpress**. Students went during Visual Arts class time and were transported by bus as provided, for free, by the gallery. The students saw work produced by former Visual Arts students, Emily Dabron and Michelle Taylor, whose artworks were on display, and were inspired by seeing fellow Kirrawee High School students selected for exhibition in **ArtExpress**. Our students really enjoyed going to this exhibition and were very impressed with the quality of work on display.

Overall, our students had a great time attending these exhibitions and for some it was their first trip to the NSW Art Gallery and the Hazelhurst Regional Art Gallery. Hopefully they, and all our students, will continue to be interested and motivated to visit these galleries again in the future.

M Veljanovski  
Head Teacher Visual Arts
MUSIC

As Term 1 comes to a close the Music Department are just getting started. The Senior Music students have been to their first Meet the Music Concert at the Opera House. Music 1 candidates in Year 11 and 12 had the chance to hear the Sydney Symphony Orchestra perform works by the film music master, John Williams. This was a very valuable experience as the students are studying Film Music as one of their three topics in Year 12.

The Music 2 candidates in Year 11 and 12 had the pleasure of seeing a violin solo, a contemporary Australian work and Beethoven’s classic Symphony No 5. These concerts are such a valuable experience, particularly when you look at the links made with the classroom content. Not only is Year 11 Music 2 studying Beethoven’s Fifth in a couple of weeks, but one of the Year 11 students performed the Timpani part with a recording for their first assessment. The Australian Contemporary work by Carl Vine is one of the major analysis pieces for Year 12 Music 2 and, of course, the two violinists in Year 12 learned a lot from the magnificent Karen Gomyo.

Speaking of opportunities for Year 12, on Monday 24 March, Karu Cavicchioli was invited to perform at the Australian Ladies Variety Association Annual Banquet. This was a stellar event with the many high profile Women in Entertainment. Jessica Rowe from Channel 10 was the guest speaker for the event and ALVA inaugurated their fifth Patron, Maria Venuti. Karu (with the aid of Tassia Kolesnikow) entertained the 100 strong audience during the luncheon and was able to perform many of his HSC pieces. This experience allowed him to see what worked under pressure and where he can improve for the future. It was an eye-opening experience for Karu to be around so many entertainers getting together to fundraise for such a worthwhile cause.

On 31 March and 1 April, Year 11 Music 1 and Music 2 students were involved in Musos in Residence. This is an initiative organised by APRA/AMCOS and the Arts Unit of NSW. Kirrawee High School has the great pleasure of hosting Musical Producer from Los Angeles, Robert Conley. (music producer to Ricky Martin, Celine Dion, Carlos Santana, to name a few) and lead artist Rai Thistlethwayte from Thirsty Merc. Some may know Rai as the lead singer of the rock band Thirsty Merc, but he began his career as a child prodigy and is not only an excellent pop artist, but he has also written and arranged works for the SSO, as well as written poetry and even performed in the Jazz scene. The students will have the opportunity to spend time talking with the Rai and Robert about the music industry and composition in general. They will be divided into four groups and have the opportunity to collate and record their very own song. This will be a very valuable learning experience, involving the creation and development of musical ideas, problem solving, listening to each other’s idea, arranging the sound and, finally, the production/recording of their songs.

We recently held invitational auditions for Senior Stage Band and we are pleased to welcome to the team:
- Anthony Franco – Year 10 – Trombone
- Connor Dabron – Year 9 – Trumpet
- Amelia Nugent – Year 8 – Alto Sax
- Rory Fakes – Year 7 – Trumpet
- Blake Jones – Year 7 – Trumpet

Welcome to you all. It is an honour to be part of such a highly acclaimed ensemble and I hope you have a wonderful time in Senior Stage Band. For the diary, here are the latest Senior Stage Band gigs:
- May 25 – Jazz Connection
- July 27 – Jeans for Genes Day
- August 30 – Gymea Bay Fair

Due to the construction happening in and around the Music Block, our music night has been postponed until Term 2. There is still some construction to occur to the ramp and we still need to work out how to get the piano around to the hall. Your patience with this situation needs to be applauded.

Kerri Lacey
Music Department

Sutherland Dyslexia Support Group

Sutherland Dyslexia Support Group is a forum where parents can talk, exchange ideas, information, resources and experiences with other parents.

The group keeps in contact via a Yahoo group, email, phone and meeting over coffee on the 4th Monday of the month at 10.30am at a café in Sutherland.

If you are interested as a parent or as professional in attending the meetings or going on the email list please call:
Paula Goulden on 0418 465 583 or Email: pegoulden@optusnet.com.au
**SPORT**

It’s been another big month for KHS Sport with a lot of sporting activities taking place. Here’s an inside to what’s been happening.

**Knockout Sports Results**

**NEWS FLASH NEWS FLASH!!!!!!!**

**OPEN BOYS CRICKET TEAM INTO STATE FINAL FOR 2ND YEAR IN A ROW**

**NSW CHS Quarterfinal Result**

KHS 9/154 defeated Oak Flats HS 118 by 36 runs.

**NSW CHS Semi Final Result**

KHS 0/48 (Lachlan Hess 22*, Angus Dibley 21*) def Corowa HS 8/83 (Daniel Fallins 3/30, Lachlan Hess 2/9) by 10 wickets after making the rain reduced target of 44 off 18 overs.

**Open Boys Cricket Team - Coach Mr Mitchell**

The Open Boys Cricket team has continued their domination of the NSW CHS "Davidson Shield" by reaching the final again in 2014.

In the quarter final, the boys defeated Oak Flats High School from Illawarra in a tight match at Glen McGrath Oval.

Caringbah. The boys dug deep and bowled the visitors out for 118 after we posted 4/155 off our 40 overs. Special mention to Angus Dibley who took 4/15 in an excellent spell of bowling.

The boys then progressed to the state semi final against Corowa High School for a spot in the final. The weather looked as if it was going to interrupt the match with showers forecasted. It was starting to look that a coin toss was going to decide the team who progressed through to the final.

Luckily for us the rain held off and a match (overs reduced) was played. Captain Harry Chapman sent the home side in to bat and the boys bowled sensationally. Corowa were held to 8/83 of 34 overs before rain set in for a short delay. That was the end of Corowa’s innings.

Target to win: 64 of 26 overs.

The boys started well with the bat, posting 0/32 off 6 overs, before rain starting to tumble.. AGAIN.

After the short shower had cleared, the run chase was again reduced and a revised target of 44 of 18 overs was set.

The boys cruised to victory with a 10-wicket victory, thanks to a comfortable opening unbeaten run chase from Lachlan Hess (22*) and Angus Dibley (21*)

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**TECHNOLOGY**

**BYOD at Kirrawee HS**

BYOD (Bring Your Own Device) has been happening at Kirrawee High School for Year 9 students this year. A range of different devices have been brought in to be used by students to supplement and extend work being done in the classroom. For further information regarding BYOD implementation at Kirrawee High School please refer to the BYOD tab on the school website.

An issue that some students have encountered is that the device that they bring to school will not connect to the wireless network. This is generally because the Wireless Adapter in their device is not capable of connecting to Kirrawee High School’s wireless network. The school has a 5Ghz wireless network running and devices must be able to access this higher frequency. To ensure students can access the wireless network, and thereby gain internet access, many students are buying wireless dongles. A wireless dongle is a device that plugs into a USB port and enables the computer to see and connect to 5Ghz wireless at school. When buying a wireless dongle please ensure that it can access the 5Ghz frequency. Some brands that we know work include Netgear, D-Link, Belkin and TP-Link. A compact size is best for ease of use and portability. QC Computers at Gymea is aware of the needs of Kirrawee High School and will be able to help you in buying a compatible wireless dongle.

**Free Software**

As part of BYOD students are able to download software for free on to personal devices. Microsoft Office for Mac and PC is available for FREE, as is Adobe Photoshop. Setting up an account is required. You can also download Microsoft Windows 7 or 8. Students have a link in their portal but can also access the site directly using the following address; http://nsw-students.onthehub.com/WebStore/Welcome.aspx

**Greg Pollard - Technology Coordinator**
gregory.pollard@det.nsw.edu.au

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Open Boys Basketball Team - Coach Mr Wang
Defeated by Kingsgrove Nth 60-31. In a gallant effort from the boys. After trailing 40-12 at half time, the boys fought back to win the 2nd half. Well done Mr Wang and boys.

Open Lawn Bowls Team - Coach Mr Cook
Competed in the Central Venue Lawn Bowls Competition at Taren Point Bowling Club on Friday 7/3/14.
- Defeated Jannali High 10-8
- Defeated by Sylvania High 6-13
- Defeated by Menai High 8-10

The team performed well and were only narrowly defeated in the final game. Well done Mr Cook and the team.

Open Boys Baseball – Coach Mr Hunt
Defeated Sylvania High 25-4 in their 2nd round match. The boys now through to the 3rd round of the Sydney East Region. Next opposition is either Menai or Caringbah. Well done Mr Hunt and the boys.

Open Girls Touch Football - Ms Salis (Coach)
Defeated Kingsgrove North High School 18-0 in their opening round of the NSW CHS knockout competition. Try Scorers: Molly B, Quartney S, Megan D, Phoebe H, Maddi R, Josie H, Beth W, Jordy B, Tia J and Taylah B. Well done girls and Ms Salis. Best of luck next round against Sylvania High.

Open Boys Touch Football – Coach Mr Elliott
Defeated James Cook High School 6-5 in sudden death drop off in their first match of the knockout competition. An intercept by Sam Marks followed by a length of the field run to secure the win. Well done Mr Elliott and the boys. Best of luck next round against Lucas Heights.

Open Girls Softball– Coach Mrs Anderson
Defeated St George Girls 10-7 in their opening match. Girls now progress to the Sydney East Regional Knockout Central Venue Day. Good luck Mrs Anderson and the girls.

Open Girls Netball - Coach Mrs Blanch
- Defeated Wiley Park 85-2 in Round 1.
- Defeated Blakehurst 58-17 in Round 2.

Well done to Mrs Blanch and the girls and good luck for the next round of the competition in Term 2.

Zone Swimming Carnival at Sutherland Pool - Manager Ms Davies

Zone Carnival Results

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Zone Age Champions
- Jorja Boylan- 12’s Girls
- Samuel Wild- 12’s Boys
- Nick Hards- 14’s Boys
- Emma Southwell- 16’s Girls

Regional Swimming Carnival at SOPAC - Manager Ms Davies

Regional Carnival Results - Age Champions
- Nick Hards- 14’s Boys
- Emma Southwell- 16’s Girls

Record Breakers
Nick Hards Boys 12-14 400m Freestyle 4:29.88
Emma Southwell Girls 15-16 400m Freestyle 4:35.98
Girls 16 50m Freestyle 27.96

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Open Girls Football Team – Coah Ms Carter
Defeated Caringbah High in their opening round of the NSW CHS Competition. The girls won 7-0 with Taylah Bisshopp scoring 3 goals, while Jordy Baker and Beth Whitaker scored 2 each. Best of luck to Ms Carter and the girls in Round 2.

Open Girls Tennis Knockout v Port Hacking High School – Coach Mrs Rider
Defeated Port Hacking High 8-0 in their singles and doubles matches. The girls were dominant in their performance, dropping only 6 games throughout the entire match. Well done to Ms Rider and the girls and best of luck in the next match.

Team: Georgia Karpathiou, Stephanie New (Year 11) Ellie Goulding (Year 10), Maria Vais and Elizabeth Karpathiou (Year 9)

Open Boys and Girls Waterpolo Sydney East Finals - Coaches Ms Patmore, Mr Porter and Mr Short
Both Boys and Girls Open Waterpolo teams have qualified for the NSW CHS Final Series after both teams successfully won their respective Sydney East Regional Finals on Friday 21/3/14. The boys defeated Cronulla High 14-4 while the girls defeated Engadine 8-0 to progress through to the state finals. Best of luck to both teams and coaches in the final series.

Student Sporting Achievements
Jono Rose - Year 12 - Named Captain of the NSW All Schools Cricket Team last week after he captained the NSW CHS team.

Ben Hunt, Mitchell Wylie - Yr 12, Brandon Foster - Yr 11 and Ben Tsui - Yr 10 Represented Sydney East who came 2nd in the NSW CHS State Carnival in Gosford.

Ben Hunt - Yr 12 and Ben Tsui - Yr 10 Both were selected in the NSW CHS Open Baseball team.

Pip Cooper - Yr 12 and Rhys Holden - Yr 11 Selected in the NSW All Schools Waterpolo Team to play at the School Sport Australia Championships in Noosa.

Hayden Fulcher and Keellan Milinkovic - Yr 9 Selected in the NSW CHS U/15 Boys Waterpolo team to tour New Zealand in July School Holidays

Maria Vais, Elizabeth Karpathiou - Yr 9, Elissa Goulding, Pericles Miltzenitis and Lachlan Olbrechts - Yr 10, Georgia Karpathiou - Yr 11 All competed in the NSW CHS Tennis Tournament at Nth Parramatta two weeks ago. Congratulations to Maria who made the final of the Open competition but was unfortunately defeated in the final in a tie breaker.

Declan Devane - Yr 10 Selected in the Sydney East Lawn Bowls Squad.

Bronte Issacs - Yr 12 Finished 2nd at the U/19 State Water-skiing Championships at Wisemans Ferry, Hawkesbury.

Toni Anderson - Yr 12 and Jazmin Tweddle-O’Donnell - Yr 11 selected in the Sydney East Netball team.

Students meet Major League Baseball Superstar
On Wednesday 19 March, a group of Year 10 boys got the opportunity to meet Arizona Diamondbacks Catcher Miguel Montera, who was in Australia for his MLB clash with the LA Dodgers at the Sydney Cricket Ground.

Venezuelan born Montera spoke to the students about the importance of education to athletes and how his career has been influenced by his attitude that he demonstrated towards his education when growing up in Venezuela.

The boys were lucky enough to shake hands with Montera and grab some photos with the star. Each of the boys were given a D’Backs T-Shirt and all received 2 free tickets to the Friday match between the Diamondbacks and Team Australia.

A great opportunity for the students to see first hand the opportunity that can present to them in the future.

GOOOOO D’BACKS!
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Opens Water Polo 2014
Well done opens for representing Kirrawee High at the highest level and delivering a fantastic result. Our Boys team placed second behind Alstonville High in a close game 13/14, and the girls won in a close final with Lambton High 15/14. Both Semi-Finals were also hard fought and tense.

A significant thing about both final games was the fact that both games came down to a sudden death shoot-out. This means, we had a shoot-out with 5 nominated shooters and were still drawn, then forced into another shoot-out, only this time it is sudden death. This is a very lonely time for our goalies Kimberly Keane and Aaron Hooker. In all my years around Waterpolo I have not seen this, and certainly not a tougher, hard fought series.

All credit goes to our senior members of both teams for their steadying leadership under pressure.

Another significant point to note is the fact that the girls trophy has been in Kirrawee High’s hands since the year 2000, interestingly, the year our two youngest players were born. This is something to consider?

All the players gave all they had during the tournament and the coaches could not ask for more. Our leadership group of Jack Robertson, Aaron Hooker, Pip Cooper, Mikaela Milinkovic and Lena Mihailovic led by example and supported our more junior players well.

We look forward to our younger players taking on leadership roles as we say goodbye to our Year 12 players. We also look forward to the challenge of next year’s series.

David Short

Mountain Biking
Mountain Biking has commenced as an option for students on Tuesday afternoon sport. It is open to students from Years 9 and 10. Students need to own their own mountain bike and helmet, and it all needs to be in good, working order. Students ride every Tuesday afternoon for sport with teachers Mr Middleton and Mr Wang.

So far the group has explored several of the fire trails and tracks around the Grays Point end of the Royal National Park. Students have been developing their technical riding skills, negotiating some of the more challenging single tracks regularly used by mountain bikers in the RNP. We have also noticed an increase in the student’s endurance and fitness as the week’s progress. Importantly, students have developed a sense of “esprit de corps” as they support each other and develop friendships through a common pursuit.

If you would like your child to take up mountain bike riding for school sport, encourage them to visit Mr Middleton (Visual Arts) or Mr Wang (Maths).

Mr Middleton
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KHS Football Socks For Sale
The KHS Sports Socks are now available for students to purchase from the front office. These socks are for students to wear when competing for KHS in any knockout sports (Football, Rugby League, Hockey, Futsal etc). The socks are the Adidas ones (pictured) and can be purchased for $10. Students are to pay $10 at the front office and then bring the receipt and show Mr Scott and students will be given a pair.

Upcoming Sporting Events for the Diary
- School Cross Country Carnival - Thursday 10 April at Royal National Park
- School Athletics Carnival - Thursday 1 May at Sylvania Waters Athletics Track

For up to date information, results, photos and more, like “KHS SPORT” on Facebook:

Mr Scott - Sports Coordinator

LIBRARY

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
It’s that time of year again when Kirrawee High School extends an invitation to all parents to come and join us for our annual Book Cover Drive in Term Two. Tea, coffee and biscuits will be provided on the day for any parents who wish to participate in a working bee to contact our students’ books. In doing so you will be assisting to protect some of our children’s most important and precious educational resources! If you can lend assistance please contact Cathy Barden in the Library. We will look forward to seeing you there.

A huge thank you must be extended to parents who volunteered with book covering in the library. They have tirelessly covered many books across the various faculties. Thank you to Alison Bennett, Jillian Haddock, Jill Brennan, Elizabeth Whyte and Kym Newton.

Regards
Cathy Barden
Librarian

P&C
The P&C leaderships team welcomes all parents to attend the next meeting which is no Monday 12 May at 7.30pm. It is hoped that during the meeting a tour of some of the renovated areas of the school will be undertaken providing an update on the works conducted.

The meeting will be held in the school library. Entry is via the Library gates located in Kirk Crescent. Following the recent AGM the P&C would like to thank those that assisted last year.

Regards
Jeremy Bennett
President

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**WHEN:** Tuesday 15 April 7.00pm - 8.30pm

**WHERE:** Sutherland Library

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