NEWSLETTER

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#### **Did You Know?**

Timothy Goh (Year 12 2010) has successfully completed the Gold Duke of Edinburgh's Award. Timothy will be presented with his award by the Governor of NSW at a ceremony to be held at Government House Sydney later this year.

**Sunny Xia (Year 9)** is a member of the Australian String Academy and she will be performing in the Crossroads Festival as a solo violinist, accompanied by pianist Hazel Hu.

The festival will be held on the Central Coast from 25<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> August.

#### **Mock Trial Wins**



The Killara High Mock Trial Team is now sailing into "unchartered waters", as they prepare for the elimination stages of the NSW Law Society Mock Trial Competition. Comprising six Year 11 students (Nick Yuen, Alice Webb, Harrison Schaap, Natalie Udler, Neha Mulay and Brian Yoon), the Mock Trial Team has effectively defeated Killarney Heights High School, James Ruse Agricultural High School, Roseville College and Carlingford High School.

Round 4 of the competition featured Killara High as the Plaintiff, suing the Department of Education for breaching their duty of care to one of their former students. This challenging case saw few objections and an amazing closing address executed by Alice Webb, who was acting as the Plaintiff's 2<sup>nd</sup> Barrister. Following three hours of intense debating, the Judge determined that the Department of Education did breach their duty of care owed to the Plaintiff.

Through thorough preparation, the team hopes to continue their winning streak and advance to the final stages of the competition, surpassing the progress of all previous teams.

Nick Yuen, Year 11

#### Ekuba 2011 - Year 12 Farewell Dinner

Invitations have now been sent out to all Year 12 students and their guests for the Ekuba Dinner on **Thursday 22**<sup>nd</sup> **September 2011.** 

If you have not received your invitation in the post please contact Claire Summers on 0438 658 223.

Acceptance Card and payment must be returned to the school by Friday 12<sup>th</sup> August.

#### **Calendar**

#### **July 2011**

- 28 Yr 9 PASS students to Killara Public School Athletics Carnival
  - Yr 11 Drama Production
- 29 Yr 8 Gifted & Talented students -NASA Space Station: live virtual excursion

#### August 2011

- 1 Trial HSC commences
  - Yr 11 VET Work Placements continue
- Yr 9 PASS students to Roseville Public School Athletics Carnival
- Student Leaders Conference
  - ICAS English Competition (Day 2)
- EAA English Competition
- 4 Australian Mathematics Competition
  - Winter Grade sport semi-finals
- 5 Yr 10 History Canberra Excursion
- 8 Trial HSC continues
  - Yr 11 VET Work Placements continue
  - Yr 8 High Resolves (3 days)
- 10 Election of School Captains
- 11 Executive Conference
  - Winter Grade Sport finals
- 13 Concert Band 1 performing at All Saints Church Fete – 2pm
- 14 Yr 10 PASS students Berridale excursion (4 days)
- 15 Trial HSC continues
- 16 EAA Mathematics Competition
- 17 Visual Arts Exhibition set up
  - Yr 11 Standard English Excursion (all day)
  - P&C Meeting 8pm C Block Conference Room
- 18 Yr 12 HSC Drama Evening
- 19 SRE Seminar P2 Yr 12; P3 Yr 11 – Theatre
  - Visual Arts Exhibition Opening Night
     7pm Kerrabee Hall
- 20 DEAS Bronze Qualifying Expedition (2 days)
  - Visual Arts Exhibition open each day until Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> August
- 21 P&C Grounds Working Bee
- 22 OPEN DAY 12noon 5pm
- 24 Yr 12 Music Night Series 2 Course 2 and Extension students
- 25 Student Leaders Induction Ceremony
- 26 Yr 10 Commerce excursion to Law Courts, Justice and Police Museums
  - Yr 12 Music Night Series 2 –
     Course 1students
- 29 Yr 12 D&T HSC Major Works due
  - Yr 10 Computer Skills test in class

#### **Focusing on the Future**

It is difficult to avoid the media barrage of 'bad news' from around the world be it economic crisis, famine, war or terrorism. It can translate to underlying concern and anxiety for many, even those remote from tumultuous events. It can magnify our own distresses, dissatisfactions and worries. Given such conditions affecting our daily lives it is worth reflecting on our relative good fortune. We don't have a perfect school but we have a good school. It has teachers and parents who care deeply about all those for whom they are responsible and who are selfless in their support of all young people. And unlike many other schools it has the means to support them in material ways. Through parent contributions to the P&C Association the school has completed the installation of 19 additional interactive whiteboards in classrooms at a cost of more than \$70,000. Again, using parent donations to the Killara High School Public Library Fund, the school's Lion Library will be embarking on a significant technology upgrade and resource acquisition program supporting all Key Learning Areas (KLAs). Over the summer vacation parent funding of approximately \$180,000 will be applied to the refurbishment of classroom facilities in D Block.

Through the use of two different online surveys the school has asked the community to comment on the operations of this school. The feedback includes many positive comments, but our shortcomings as an organisation have been highlighted too. The school seeks to improve the services it provides to young people and their families. This school is not complacent. It does not rest upon its past successes. As the school motto *Conserva Progredere* directs, we must look to the future as an opportunity to grow and develop.

For this reason the school has embarked on a review of literacy across the school. In the coming weeks many students staff and parents will be asked to contribute to this review. Already more than 170 parents have responded to an online survey and their responses and comments will be used by the review team and the school to inform development of professional practice and programs at the school.

#### Using electronic media wisely

Our school comprises a cohort of optimistic, engaging and talented students with the highest expectations of themselves. These expectations are not imposed or demanded by teachers and parents. Our students bring these high expectations to their class work and other endeavours at school but adult guidance in decision making remains very important. While we want to provide every possible opportunity for them to succeed and grow, one of the obligations of adults is to equip students to make wise decisions. This is particularly relevant in a world where electronic media dominate the lives of young people who may be occasionally impulsive or rash in the use of these media. Respect for self and others ought to guide our use of electronic communication such as email, SMS, Facebook and the like. Talk to your sons and daughters about how they are using these forms of communication and the need for caution and wise decision making in their use.

#### The HSC and wellbeing

At this time of the year our 262 Year 12 students are about to commence their Trial HSC examinations and this brings considerable anxiety for the students and their families. It is a time when support for and understanding and tolerance of a Year 12 son, daughter, brother or sister's 'shortness' or anxiety is prudent.

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The HSC too, will pass and life will return to normal. Year 12 students or their families are reminded that support is available from staff at the school. You can contact Mr Hopley, Deputy Principal Year 12; Mrs Rountree, Head Teacher Welfare; Ms Black, Head

Teacher Stage 6; Mr Jones, Year 12 Adviser or one of our school counsellors. They are all willing to listen and help.

Mark Carter, Principal

#### **KHS Open Day**

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2011 - 12pm - 5pm

# Annual Visual Arts Exhibition Opening Friday 19<sup>th</sup> August 2011 - 7pm

#### C 21 Learning with Technology at Killara High School

The Technology Committee of the school invites parents and carers to an evening of workshops and presentations that explore our use of technology in learning. This evening was initiated by Tim Hand, a parent and Technology Committee member. The aim is to help parents understand how new technologies are revolutionizing learning across all curriculum areas. This understanding is critical to help support both students and the school in one of the most transformative times in education.

**When: Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> August 2011** – 6.00pm to 8.00pm

**Where**: Killara High School's Kerrabee Theatre and four classrooms in A Block for presentation sessions (see below). Parents will be asked to move between rooms to participate in each session.

#### **The Program**

6.00pm to 6.20pm - Welcome and Overview. – The school's web interface and 'Moodle'.

Theatre: Tim Hand, Ross Kirbyshire (Head Teacher Computer Studies) and Stephen Brinkley (Science).

6.25pm to 6.45pm - Session 1 6.50pm to 7.10pm - Session 2 7.15pm to 7.35pm - Session 3 7.40pm to 8.00pm - Session 4

#### **Sessions and Rooms**

Rooms	Group	Presentation	Presenter/s	
A11	1	VC – Video Conferencing	Christine Black (HT Stage 6); Tim Hand (Parent)	
A17	2	Interactive White Boards	Jenny Newell (ESL) Alison Gambino (HT Mathematics)	
A15	3	OneNote	Natalie Gartner (PDHPE) Duncan Smith (PDHPE)	
A04	4	Blogs	Steven Gibb (HSIE) and Robin Chand (HSIE)	

**Please Note:** The maximum number of parents we can accommodate at this evening totals 100 people. Please ask your son or daughter to return the slip below in order to RSVP to this invitation.

**Ross Kirbyshire, Head Teacher Computing Studies** 

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# **Expression of Interest to attend the Learning with Technology Information Evening**

Name	Contact Phone Number
Children's Names and Year (eg, 9, 10)	
Email:	Number of people in your party attending:

#### **Fostering Literacy in Killara**

As students transition from primary to high school, there is often a communication gap about the role of the schools involved. Are primary schools doing enough to raise the standards of literacy and numeracy? On the other hand, are high schools able to sustain the creativity and imagination that primary schools have so lovingly nurtured in young minds?



Three years ago, the Killara Schools Partnership (KSP) program was initiated to discuss issues just like these, and bridge the communication gap. Led by Killara High School, the bi-annual program embraces six neighbouring primary schools (Lindfield East Public School, Lindfield Public School, Killara Public School, Roseville Public School, Gordon East Public School and Beaumont Road Public School). Previous topics of discussion have been Numeracy, texts in English and teaching in HSIE across Stages 3 and 4.

"The idea is to change the culture of how education operates," explained Dr Mark Carter, Principal of Killara High School. "Primary schools have too often been the poor relations of high schools that are just too busy to care. But by sharing experiences between primary and secondary schools we seek to build professional respect and mutual support for each other's expertise. Through increased communication we are moving together towards improved teaching that deliberately builds upon students' learning in earlier years."

On Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July, 30 teacher-representatives from local primary schools recently braved the inclement weather to attend an afternoon meeting at Killara High School. The focus of the meeting was Literacy, and specifically creative writing. The basis for the discussion was samples of narrative writing from the National Assessment Program (NAPLAN) for Year 5 to Year 8 that assessed ten criteria from basic

grammar to ideas and character and setting. Small groups of teachers then began a stimulating discussion about what shapes creative work.

Teachers found that, generally speaking, cognitive skills and the level of sophistication in the use of figurative language developed across the four years. So did the ability to engage the audience through the narrative. Spelling and grammar mostly improved. In some areas, though, things went downhill: some of the students appeared to be overwhelmed by the content and thus did not have a structure, or there was no cohesive plan as they wrote, and ran out of steam towards the end of their writing. The writing itself became less imaginative and almost formulaic.



The questions that arose were: are students losing the joy of the creative process and enjoyment of writing for writing's sake as they grow up? How can we bring passion to the creative process and balance the need for grammar with originality? Can we generate a desire to pursue new ideas that expand their horizons? Can students be taught that the effort of writing and particularly, rewriting, are critical aspects of producing better prose?

No easy answers were forthcoming, but a productive dialogue helped to refresh thinking about the current levels of literacy and the need to develop creativity at every stage.

The next KSP program is in October 2011 and will focus on reading in the curriculum of Stage 3 (Yrs 5 & 6 and Stage 4 (Years 7 & 8).

Mrs Gouri Umashankar

Parent Coordinator, School Publicity and Promotions [gouri\_umashankar@yahoo.com]

### P&C Meeting - Wednesday 17th August 2011

You are warmly invited to the next P&C meeting at 8pm in the conference room above the canteen (C block). Find out what's going on in your child/ren's school and share your ideas.

Hope to see you there.

### Year 11 Parents Cocktail Party

Date: Saturday 27th August 2011 - Time: 7.30 pm

Venue: Carol & John Eklund's home

BYO: drinks & food to share

RSVP by 20<sup>th</sup> August: Nalini (0402 059 359) or nnnaidu@bigpond.com

Enjoy the company of other Year 11 parents for cocktails

#### **Chess Moves**

The two Killara High chess teams have completed the interschool competition that ran during Term 2. Many schools enter teams and the competition is split into groups of teams in the same area that play each other.

The Junior A team, comprising Ryan Whitelock-Jones, Henry Wu, Srikanth Menon and Kevin Ngai (Year 8) put in a consistent performance and came sixth in their group of eight teams. Henry was the highest scorer.

The Junior B team comprising Mike Bodell, Nima Kermani, Ju Young Lee and Tobias Teh (Year 7) put in

a strong performance and came second in their group of six teams. Ju Young was the highest scorer and undefeated.

We also had a junior team comprising **Victor So (Year 9), Ryan Whitelock-Jones and Michael Kelly (Year 8)** in the Secondary Schools One-Day Tournament on 26<sup>th</sup> June. After a tough start, they came 11th of the 21 teams. Victor was the highest scorer.

Thanks to all the players and the parents who drove them.

**Kym Haines, Chess Coordinator** 

#### **Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme**

#### **Bronze Qualifying Expedition**

20<sup>th</sup> -21<sup>st</sup> August 2011 Great North Walk Final amount owing \$200 to be paid by 29<sup>th</sup> July.

#### **Silver Qualifying Expedition**

2<sup>nd</sup>- 4<sup>th</sup> September 2011 Somerset Outdoor Learning Centre Colo River Final amount owing \$210 to be paid by 5<sup>th</sup> August.



# Working together to improve the School grounds Working Bee Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> August 2011 - 8.15am



Our previous efforts have led to great improvements in the quality of the grounds and landscaping at Killara High School. The results of our labour are literally growing before our eyes.

We particularly need your help to tidy up in preparation for the school's Open Day on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> August.

It is a great occasion to assist KHS and to meet other parents, form and extend friendships and keep fit. We enjoy morning tea refreshments and for those able to stay we finish around midday with a BBQ.



All parents (and families too) are most welcome.

If you can only spare an hour or so we would appreciate your help too.

Please come along.

For further information, contact Richard Frith on 0419 223 127



#### Special Religious Education (SRE) - Term 3-4 Update

Year 7 and 8 fortnightly SRE classes continue as normal.

Year 9 students re-commence fortnightly SRE classes on Friday of Week 2, continuing for the remainder of 2011.

Year 10 have now concluded fortnightly SRE classes for 2011. Students will resume SRE in the form of quarterly seminars in Years 11 and 12.

Matthew Mulready, SRE Coordinator

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#### From the Library

#### **New Fiction Books**

The Children's Book Council of Australia has released the list of books shortlisted for 2011 book of the Year.

On the Older Readers category the titles are as follows:

#### **The Midnight Zoo** by Sonya Hartnett

The book is set in a zoo, two brothers find themselves there and are all by themselves. They meet the animals trapped in the cages. The worlds of the animals in the zoo and the children with nowhere to go, parallel each other.

#### **Graffiti Moon** by Cath Crowley

Lucy is in love with Shadow, a mysterious graffiti artist. Ed thought he was in love with Lucy, until she broke his nose. Dylan loves Daisy, but throwing eggs at her probably wasn't the best way to show it. Jazz and Leo are slowly encircling each other.

An intense and exhilarating 24 hours in the lives of four teenagers on the verge: of adulthood, of HSC, of finding out just who they are, and who they want to be

#### About a Girl by Joanne Horniman

Anna is afraid she must be unlovable - until she meets Flynn. Together, the girls swim, eat banana cake, laugh and love. Some days Flynn is unreachable; other days she's at Anna's door - but when Anna discovers Flynn's secret, she wonders if she knows her at all.

The Life of Teenage Body-snatcher by Doug Macleod Thomas Timewell is sixteen and a gentleman. When he meets a body-snatcher called Plenitude, his whole life changes. He is pursued by cutthroats, a tattooed gypsy with a meat cleaver, and even the Grim Reaper. A black comedy set in England in 1828, The Life of a Teenage Body-Snatcher shows what terrible events can occur when you try to do the right thing.

#### The Piper's Son by Melina Marchetta

Melina Marchetta's brilliant, heart-wrenching new novel takes up the story of the group of friends from her best-selling, much-loved book *Saving Francesca* only this time it's five years later and Thomas Mackee is the one who needs saving.

#### Six Impossible Things by Fiona Wood

Fourteen-year-old nerd-boy Dan Cereill is not quite coping with a reversal of family fortune, moving house, new school hell, a mother with a failing wedding cake business, a just-out gay dad, and an impossible crush on the girl next door. His life is a mess, but for now he's narrowed it down to just six impossible things...

These books are all available from the library and are currently being read by the Year 9 students who will

represent Killara High School at the annual Youth Forum being held at Roseville College this September.

#### Some New Non -Fiction in Detail

#### Jamie's 30 Minute Meals by Jamie Oliver

In his new book, "Jamie's 30-Minute Meals", Jamie proves that, by mastering a few tricks and being organized and focused in the kitchen, it is absolutely possible, and easy, to get a complete meal on the table in the same amount of time you'd normally spend making one dish! The 50 brand-new meal ideas in this book are exciting, varied and seasonal.

#### 100 Mistakes that Changed History by Bill Fawcett

Collected in one volume, here are backfires and blunders that collapsed empires, crashed economies, and altered the course of the world. From the Maginot Line to the Cuban Missile Crisis, history is filled with bad moves and not-so-bright ideas that snowballed into disasters and unintended consequences. This engrossing book looks at one hundred such tipping points. Japan bombs Pearl Harbor. The Caliphs of Baghdad spend themselves into bankruptcy. The Aztecs greet the Conquistadors with open arms. Mexico invites the Americans to Texas-and the Americans never leave. And the rest is history...

#### New Zealand

This beautiful book combines photographs and information texts, helping readers explore the most fascinating parts of New Zealand. Including over 250 inspiring photos, each page spread is accompanied by informative text. It also features a dedicated 20 page atlas section.

#### Anglo Saxons in Britain by Moira Butterfield

'The past is all around us, if we know where to look.' This series takes a look at archaeological, structural and museum evidence from around Britain, allowing readers to build up a picture of what life was like in key historical periods.

#### How to talk to Girls by Jonathan Toussaint

This book gives a realistic picture of the challenges and choices that face boys today when they're talking to girls. Written by a highly experienced counsellor and educator, it provides a clear and informative guide to help boys through obstacles like shyness and awkwardness.

#### Amos Daragon; The Mask Wearer by Bryan Perro

Four masks, sixteen stones of power, a struggle between good and evil. Amos Daragon is one of the chosen. On the day of his birth, his fate was written in golden letters in the great history of heroes. His destiny: to re-establish the balance between the forces of light and darkness.

#### **USBs**

#### The library has quite a collection of lost USBs.

The library staff would be able return them to their owners if students were to either name their USB or create a document which simply says:

#### 'If lost please return to [name of student]'

Could you please assist us by ensuring your child has labelled their USB. Thank you.

Francie Campbell and Christine Sugowdz Teacher-Librarians

#### **Careers Corner**

**Year 10 students** are asked to complete their Work Experience paperwork with Employer Details and hand in to Ms Massey in Careers.

Students who are considering including a **TAFE TVET Course** in their HSC program in Year 11 or 12 next year, should complete an application form available from the Careers office and submit this as soon as possible to the Careers Adviser

**Year 12 UAC 2012 Guides** have arrived. There is a copy for each Yr 12 student. The UAC Guide provides course descriptions, codes and ATAR cut offs for all NSW/ACT Universities. The deadline for entering on time university preferences for 2012 is Friday 30<sup>th</sup> September via the website <a href="www.uac.edu.au">www.uac.edu.au</a>. Collect from the Careers Office.

**UAC International Guides 2012** are also available for International Students. Please collect from the Careers Office. Further information and applications <a href="https://www.uac.edu.au/international/">www.uac.edu.au/international/</a>

#### **NEW Environmental Scholarship Program**

The Australian Geographic Society in conjunction with Bayer Australia has recently announced a new environmental scholarship program. The BAYERboost environmental scholarship is open to all Australian secondary students in Year 11 and 12 interested in a career in environmental science. The scholarship will give students the opportunity to take on a research project in a university or industry setting during the summer holidays. For more information and how to apply, visit the BAYERboost website, <a href="https://www.bayerboost.com.au">www.bayerboost.com.au</a>.

#### **Laing +Simmons Scholarship Program**

Three scholarships will be offered in 2012. The scholarships will comprise: enrolment in the Real Estate Certificate of Registration Course with course fees paid by Laing+Simmons, continued mentoring by a senior member of staff and one of the scholarship winners will also be guaranteed a full time position within the Laing+Simmons Group. Applications close 31<sup>st</sup> August 2011. Contact <u>Lisa.perkins@lsre.com.au</u> for an application or see careers adviser.

#### 2012 Teacher Education Scholarship Program

Support of up to \$28,000 over up to five years is available under the program for students to train in the secondary key learning areas of Mathematics, Science, English and in primary or secondary special education. Closing dates for application is **7**<sup>th</sup> **October 2011.** More information can be found on the 'teach.nsw' website.

**Swim Smart Lindfield** is looking for some suitable trainee staff. Students may be interested in coming after school/and or on Sunday mornings to learn the job of swim teaching children in age from 3-12 years. The prospective teachers would be required to undertake the Austswim Swim Teaching course and a 2 hour CPR course. Please contact Michele Hatch, Swim Smart Swim School Lindfield 0417 481 397

For further information on any of the above please contact the careers office.

Elissa Kesby (relieving) and Fionna Massey Careers Advisers

# All Saints' Church Fete Saturday 13th August 2011

The Killara High School Concert Band will be performing at 2:00pm. Come and support your school as the band performs.

Why not come early and be entertained by the Lane Cove Concert Band (11:30am), the Beaumont Road Primary School dance group (12:30pm) and Concert Band (1pm) and take part in the live auctions (12 noon and 1:30pm).

Enjoy the BBQ lunch and grab a bargain or two at one of the many stalls. There are loads to see and do for both young and old.

All Saints' Church
11 Moore Avenue, West Lindfield

### Communicating with Teens Course Child & Adolescent Parenting

Presented by Northern Sydney Local Health Network

5 week course: Wednesday 24th August 2011 -

7.00-9.30pm.

Venue: Chatswood

Cost: \$150 per person (concession \$125)

Workshop: "Dealing with Teen's Back Chat" - Venue: Chatswood – Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> August,

7.00-9.30pm. Cost: \$40 per person

Enquiries: Child & Adolescent Parenting – Ph 9887 5830

# Parent Forum "One Too Many – Binge Drinking amongst Young People"

Ku-ring-gai Youth Development Service (KYDS) and the Ku-ring-gai Council Youth Services Team will present a seminar on communicating with your teenager on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> August from 6.30 pm to 8.30 pm at Ku-ring-gai Council Chambers.

The forum will focus on:

- The triggers of Binge Drinking
- What alcohol does to adolescent brain development
- · Normal risk taking versus abnormal risk taking
- What can parents do to educate their children and set boundaries
- Society's expectations and peer pressure

Bookings are essential - contact Ku-ring-gai Youth Services on 9424 0837 or email youth@kmc.nsw.gov.au.

For more information on the forum contact KYDS on 9416 9824 or visit www.kyds.org.au/events

Entry is via a gold coin donation and please use rear entrance in Dumaresq Street and take the lift to level 3.

#### **About the Speakers:**

**David Citer** is the Manager of Ku-ring-gai Youth Development Service (KYDS). He has been working as an Adolescent and Family Counsellor for 11 years with organizations including the Ted Noffs Foundation, The Hawkesbury District Health Service and KYDS.

Jane Davidson has been working as a Social Worker and Adolescent Counsellor for the past 13 years with organizations including Youth off the Streets and the Ted Noffs Foundation. Jane has many years experience working with youth and families, couple and relationship counselling, depression and anxiety, post natal depression and drug and alcohol counselling.

#### **Musical Soiree**

Date: Saturday 20th August 2011

Venue: Peter Duly Concert Hall

**Abottsleigh School for Girls** 

Time: 7.30pm

Tickets: \$50.00 (light supper served)

MC for the evening **Mark Scott AO**, Managing Director of the ABC

Artists performing on this evening will be:

**Gerard Willems** – one of Australia's finest concert pianists and leading Beethoven scholars.

**Joshua Tsai** – a pianist, who has taught at Abbotsligh and the Sydney Conservatorium of Music since 1985.

RSVP: 14<sup>th</sup> August – Telephone 9416 9824 or email <a href="mailto:kyds@bigpond.com">kyds@bigpond.com</a>. Please pay via paypal at <a href="mailto:kww.kyds.org.au/funding">www.kyds.org.au/funding</a>

#### Sydney Institute of Marine Science (SIMS)

#### **Harbour Hike**

You're invited to explore your harbour and take a hike on the Northside

#### Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2011 (Fathers' Day)

Challenge Dad, your family and friends, school, community or workmates to take one of the best walks in the world and be part of this great community, environment and fitness event – an easy to moderate 11km hike from under Sydney Harbour Bridge at Kirribilli around the harbor foreshore paths and through Sydney Harbour National Park to Clifton Gardens Reserve, Mosman – and help raise funds for the Sydney Institute of Marine Science's important research and education work.

Resister for the fun community event, learn more about our unique harbor and be in it to win great prizes?

To register and for more information, visit <a href="https://www.harbourhike.com">www.harbourhike.com</a>.

# Free Graduated Licensing Scheme Workshops for Learner Driver Parents in the Ku-ring-gai Council area

An important component of the Graduated Licence Scheme is that all learner drivers must complete a minimum of 120 hours supervised on-road driving experience prior to presenting for their provisional P licence.

The RTA and Ku-ring-gai Council are holding free two hour workshops to offer practical advice to parents and supervisors on how to help learner drivers become safer drivers.

These workshops provide information about:

- Understanding the new laws for L and P licence holders
- Completing the Learner Driver Log Book
- Understanding the benefits of supervised on-road experience
- Supervising learner drivers.

Ku-ring-gai Council will conduct the next workshop on:

## Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> August 2011 at 6.30pm at Ku-ring-gai Council

Early bookings are essential, so phone Council on 9424 0798 now to reserve your place, or email kmc@kmc.nsw.gov.au