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Invitation to Parents

An invitation is extended to
parents to attend a

Sports Awards assembly

Thursday 1st September

8.50am

in the Kerrabee Hall

P&C Meeting Wednesday 17th August 2011

8pm

**Conference Room,
upstairs in C Block**

You are warmly invited to
the next P&C meeting. Find
out what's going on in your
child/ren's school and share
your ideas.

Killara High School ANNUAL OPEN DAY

Monday 22nd August 2011

12noon – 5.00pm

- ❖ Students at work
 - ❖ Classes to visit from 12noon-3pm in all curriculum areas
 - ❖ Individual and group student performances
- Children and families from our local primary schools especially welcome**

Annual Visual Arts Exhibition



Artwork by Ada Chen, Year 12

Opening
Friday 19th August 2011
7pm

Guest Speaker:
Sam Margalit
(Year 12 2009)

Open:

Saturday 20th August - 10am-3pm

Monday 22nd August - 9am-5pm

Tuesday 23rd August - 9am-3pm

Kerrabee Hall

Calendar

August 2011

11	- NSW Futsal Championships (U16 boys and girls)
	- Winter Grade Sport – finals
13	- Concert Band 1 performing at All Saints Church Fete – 2pm
14	- Yr 10 PASS students – Berridale excursion (4 days)
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 rd August
21	- P&C Grounds Working Bee – 8.15am
22	- OPEN DAY – 12noon – 5pm
24	- Yr 12 HSC Drama Practical Performances – Theatre – all day
	- Yr 12 Music Night – Series 2 – Course 2 and Extension students
	- Yr 8 Gala Day
25	- Student Leaders Induction Ceremony
	- Regional Boccia Tournament – Kerrabee Hall
26	- Yr 10 Commerce excursion to Law Courts, Justice and Police Museums
	- Yr 12 Music Night – Series 2 – Course 1 students
29	- Yr 12 D&T HSC Major Works due
	- Yr 10 - Computer Skills test in class
	- Roseville Public School Musicales – evening
30	- “Night at the Movies” – Performing Arts Ensembles concert – 7pm
31	- Student Leadership Camp
	- Chatswood Public School Concert – Kerrabee Hall - evening

September 2011

1	- Stage Band Concert – 7pm
2	- DEAS Silver Qualifying Expedition – Somerset Outdoor Learning Centre – 3 days
5	- Yr 11 Preliminary exams commence
6	- Yr 12 Modern History Excursion – Sydney Jewish Museum – 10am
8	- CHS Athletics carnival (2 days)

Literacy for the 21st Century

Last week a program review team investigated the teaching of literacy across the school. After four and a half days collecting data from lesson observations, document analysis, and interviews with staff, students and parents, the team made a number of recommendations, in draft form. Having had the opportunity to meet many students and staff, talk to parents and observe school operations the team members were unanimous in their recognition of Killara as a wonderful school. Nevertheless this should not permit complacency. There are things we can do better. The final report containing recommendations for action will be provided to the school in coming weeks. Suffice to say there are implications for all teachers' practice and school operations. School planning and development initiatives for at least the next two years will be focused on these recommendations.

The capacities to communicate effectively and clearly (in written and oral modes) and to read and appraise information and its sources are essential to success at school, let alone successful lives post-school. Consistent, regular 'exercise' and development of these capacities across the school's curriculum will be a focus for all teachers in their work with students.

The perpetual flood of information that is immediately accessible to young people in the 21st century requires well developed capacities to evaluate this information and in so doing make wise decisions. In short, strong literacy skills in the 21st century are intertwined with an individual students' capacity to think critically, formulate logical arguments and communicate them effectively.

Implementation of the review recommendations is mandatory. Over the next two years Killara High School will be focusing on teaching practices that support students' literacy for the 21st century. Effective use of information and communications technologies will be part of this focus but not an end in itself. The English faculty will take a lead role in this development project with implications for practice in all faculties.

I thank Ms Tracy Edinburg, parent representative, and Ms Alison Gambino, Head Teacher Mathematics, staff representative on the review team for their contributions. The team was led by Mr Richard Rule, retired Principal and Director of Schools, and also included Mr Eric Jamieson, Principal Plumpton High School and Relieving Director Educational Measurement and School Accountability Directorate; Ms Meredith Ash, Principal, North Sydney Girls High School and Relieving School Education Director; and Dr Kerrie Anne O'Sullivan, Lecturer, Department of Education at Macquarie University.

I also thank the many parents and students who agreed to be interviewed by the review team.

Mark Carter, Principal

Ekuba 2011 - Year 12 Farewell Dinner

A reminder to parents of Year 12 students to get your payment in for tickets for Ekuba as soon as possible.

This is a wonderful occasion for students, parents and teachers to share.

The due date for payment set as 12th August should not deter families whose students are not at school in the Trial exam period. Please make your payment as soon as possible to A Block Accounts, even after this date if necessary.

The Year 12 team

Student Leaders 2011-2012

Over recent weeks students have been participating in nomination and election or interview processes for the five student leadership groups of Killara High School. Each leadership group has a particular focus and role within the school. The level of interest and impressive quality of nominations received from students reinforced the notion that the students of Killara High School are of the highest calibre and are keen to be involved in their school and make a difference, not only within the Killara community, but also in the broader community.

The five Leadership Groups are the **Arts Council** - providing a voice for students in the arts and will actively plan and organize and promote drama, music and dance events during the year; the **Prefects** - representing and promoting the values, achievements and ethos of Killara High School both within the

school and the wider community; the **Social Justice Committee** - the social conscience and awareness raising leadership group of Killara High School; the **Sports Council** - providing a voice for students interested in sports and will actively plan and organise sports events during the year to promote fitness and a healthy lifestyle; and the **Student Representative Council** - representing and promoting the interests and rights of students, working to engender pride, commitment and 'school spirit'.

Congratulations to all the students who have achieved a place in one of the Leadership groups. The Student Leaders Induction assembly will be held on Thursday 25th August 2011.

The students to be inducted into each of the Leadership groups are:

ARTS COUNCIL

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
Abby Constable	Oscar Bertuzzi	Nicholas Barnard	Willis Fell-Gordon	Christine Lee
Rebekah Perlman	Flora Gorrick	Lauryn Benjamin	Tiffany Hurwitz	Bianca Oliphant
Nina Stambach	Tess Marshall	Daniel Brini	Emily Layson	Tany Tan
Rhys Tirado	Celine Tunnicliffe	Rory Wilson	Emma Norrington	Jazmin Weatherall

PREFECTS

Dean Bevitt	Bronte Hall	Ninah Kopel	Jeremy McNamara	Gina Simon
Isobel Brigden	Mitchell Hansen	Cooper Kruize	Esteban Mora	Hannah Tait
James Chung-Gon	Niki Hornsby	Luke Ledger	Nicholas Peterson	Katharine Tame
Caro Derkenne	Skye Jamieson	Suzin Lee	James Powell	Alice Webb
Maggie Farahbakht	Josh Killen	Brian Lee	Jamie Scott	

SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
Young-Hoon Oh	Daniella Csizmadia	Evie Leslie	Curtis Chan	Paolo Arimado
Sachin Shah	Julia Gapon	Srivaths Ramkamur	Estella Holden	Olivia Cary
Tobias Teh	Nicholas Phillis	Zoe Sitas	Mei Iwato	Peter Lin
Frank Wang	Romy Silver	Victor So	Roxie Swart	Neha Mulay
Melissa Xu				

SPORTS COUNCIL

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10
Kate Canao	Kosuke Okayama	Holly Gibbons	Sabina Bertuzzi
Brianna Gibson	Meg Simon	Ella Gibson	Eliza Cepak
Sophinia Lo	Georgia Swinton	Brandon Marsh	Tomer Cohen
Talitha Vermeulen	Tayce Wiggins	Kshitij Prasad	Eliza-Jane Ellis
		Clarissa Yee	Sam MacKay
		Clare Young	

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10
Isabella Baker	Lucy Birtwistle	Ben Koder	Susannah Brown
Tess Hanrahan-Shirley	Lucy Gamaroff	Bowen Lin	Natalie Goh
Laura Morison	Sara Imani	Debbie Lowenstein	Rebeccah Krieger
Stephen Scollay	Emily Pont	Anton Lubbers	Tahlia Mundy
		Guy McNerney	Millie Thompson
		Emily Savage	Gabriella Turner

Killara High School Athletics Carnival

The Killara High school Athletics Carnival was held on the 17th May. We would like to congratulate all the participants who attended the event. The sun was shining and records were falling on a fantastic day at Narrabeen Academy of Sport and Recreation.

Athletics Age Champions 2011

Girls

Age	Girls	Boys
12yrs	Brianna Gibson	Nicholas O'Donohue
13yrs	Georgia Swinton	Ben Mackay
14yrs	Hannah Dawson	James Andreou
15yrs	Ella Gibson	Samuel Mackay
16yrs	Eliza Cepak	Ryan Persson
17yrs+	Emilie Sharp	Robert Gibson

Sporting House Results

1 st – Kimba	2 nd – Caringa
3 rd – Doongara	4 th – Mundara

Record Breakers 2011

Raukura Doyle	13yrs	80m hurdles - 13.48sec
Matthew Sears	13yrs	100m - 12.66sec
Nicholas O'Donohue	12yrs	100m - 13.05
		Long Jump - 4.61m
Romaan Thorpe	17yrs +	1500m - 4:53:81sec
Jessica Young	17yrs +	1500m – 6:14:57sec
Bethany Rodgers	12yrs	800m – 2:57:69
Samuel Mackay	15yrs	Long Jump - 5.70m
Brianna Gibson	12yrs	Triple Jump – 8.51m
		Discus – 27.69m,
Eliza Cepak	16yrs	Discus – 38.50m
		Shot Put -11.76m
Georgia Swinton	13yrs	Javelin - 22.91m
Lachlan Cannell	16yrs	Shot Put – 12.60m
Samantha Bowden	13yrs	Triple Jump – 9.15m

Mock Trial Team Beats Negligence Lawsuit!!

The first elimination round was played against Riverside Girls on 3rd August:

1 st barrister:	Nick Yuen
2 nd barrister:	Alice Webb
Solicitor:	Neha Mulay
Magistrates Associate:	Natalie Udler
1 st Witness:	Brian Yoon
2 nd Witness:	Harrison Schaap

In this round of the NSW Law Society's Mock Trial competition the plaintiff from Riverside Girls wished to become an international underwear model. She was suing Dr Purple played by Brian Yoon for a failure to advise of risks which resulted in the plaintiff incurring damage to her face while getting a face lift.

Nick Yuen was able to make a number of successful objections and used the Civil Liability Act successfully to support his objection. In cross examination he was also able to pressure the plaintiff to admit that she would have had the surgery even though she had not disclosed her issues of nerve damage.

The second witness was Roberta Legs who was a modelling agent. Alice Webb was able to make a number of objections which were argued against but she did an excellent cross examination of the witness being able to establish that Mary did not disclose her predisposition to nerve damage.

Opening and closing addresses by Nick and Alice were excellent and given in a confident and concise manner.

First witness was Dr Purple played by Brian Yoon. Nick was able to refute successfully a number of

objections. Dr Purple was able to tell the court that the plaintiff had not in fact warned him of the nerve issues. Upon cross examination, Dr Purple was able to establish that he followed the procedures for a normal person. He did in fact inform her of the risks. During re-examination, he clearly re-established the fundamentals of our case.



The 2nd witness played by Harrison Schaap gave excellent supportive evidence for our case and under intense pressure he did not waiver.

Natalie Udler performed her Magistrates Associate role with efficiency and accommodated well for the special needs of the vision impaired Magistrate.

Congratulations to the team on their fine win and a special thank you goes to Mr Patten, our coach.

Liesl Williamson and David Browne
Mock Trial Coordinators

Zone Athletics Report

Killara High School had an outstanding result at the Zone Athletics Carnival. Collectively the school finished second overall just behind Pennant Hills High School. This was due to some outstanding individual and team results.

Zone Age Champions

Age	Girls	Boys
12 years	Brianna Gibson	Nicholas O'Donohue
13 years	Raukura Doyle	Ben Mackay
14 years		Brandon Marsh
15 years	Ella Gibson	Sam Mackay

Runners up Age Champions

12 years girls	Bethany Rogers
13 years girls	Samantha Bowden
14 years boys	James Andreou
16 years girls	Eliza Cepak

Our 4x100m relay team featured heavily on the day with the girls 12, 13 and 16 years going on to represent the zone at regional level.

Not to be outdone the boys relay teams were greater in presence with the 12, 13, 14 and 15 years all winning their races.

Individually Killara High School students featured a great deal in most events. Congratulations to both **Eliza Cepak (Year 10)** with a new Zone discus record of 35.90 metres and **Brianna Gibson (Year 7)** with a new Zone discus record of 24.15 metres.

This result is the best performance from the school in many years, we congratulate all of the students who competed at the Zone carnival and we look forward to success of the team at Regional level.

Ben Costantini, PDHPE Faculty



Korobro

An Evening of Dance

Thursday 1st September 2011

7.30pm in the Kerrabee Theatre

Tickets: Adults - \$10; Students/Concession - \$5

Tickets on sale from Monday 22nd August
from Mrs Lam in the House during Recess B



One Show Only!

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 20th August: Nalini (0402 059 359) or nnnaidu@bigpond.com

Enjoy the company of other Year 11 parents for cocktails

Year 8 GATS virtual excursion with NASA Space Centre Houston, Texas

It was 9:30 in the morning on Friday 29th July in Sydney, NSW and in Houston, Texas, it was 6:30 the night before, when students from the Year 8 Gifted and Talented class engaged in a virtual excursion with NASA Space Centre Houston.



Ellie Anderson-Gingold dialled the class into the virtual excursion and we were instantaneously greeted by a NASA education official who was located across the road from Mission Control. The class greeted the official guide from NASA by saying "Hello from Sydney, Australia".

This virtual excursion provided students with a chance to speak to a professional closely associated with the space education program in NASA and gave students the rare chance to have a guided tour of a simulation mock-up of the International Space Station.

This virtual excursion complimented students' exploration of the impacts of space travel on the human body. The Year 8 Gifted and Talented class has been examining Space physiology, specifically the impacts on human bone density and the prevalence of osteoporosis in astronauts as a result of being exposed to near-zero gravity environments. In preparation for this excursion, students had conducted experiments in class exploring this health issue faced by space travellers.

Our NASA guide showed students dehydrated food and drinks, vacuum food bags, toilet and body washing facilities, sleeping quarters and the hazards faced by astronauts as they carry out their experiments on the international Space Station. Students were further shown multimedia presentations accompanied by commentary by the guide regarding the speed of space crafts, the impact on blood flow and water in space.



During the virtual excursion students were asked questions and some were requested to complete experiments to simulate the effects of space travel on the human body.

A lively question and answer session was held towards the end of the excursion and students asked questions concerning the future of the NASA space program, progress on the 'curiosity' program to Mars, the ethics of space junk and the roles of satellites in space.

Our NASA Space centre guide signed off by saluting the Year 8 students and by saying "it's always cool to speak to people in the future", referring to the date and time differences. **Nayoung Song** replied on behalf of the class by formally thanking NASA for their efforts and expertise.

Robin Chand, HSIE Faculty

Working together to improve the School grounds

Working Bee

Sunday 21st 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 22nd 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



Debating Success



Left to right: Bowen Lin, Young Jun Oh, Frank Yu, Debbie Lowenstein, Grace Fitton and Maddy Harsanyi.

There has been some great news from our debating teams in recent weeks. Our Year 10 team has made it through to the regional round of the Premier's Debating Competition. Killara made it through the hard way, defeating Killarney Heights High School in a playoff after both teams finished on equal points in their group. The team debated the proposition "That Australia should accept more refugees into the

country", and on this occasion we took the affirmative side. Killara was able to win the debate due to a more comprehensive argument based on economic, social and ethical considerations. Congratulations to the team of **Tudor Filaret, Hatim Khanbai, Richard Kang and Orvin Atthi**.

Our Year 9 team also had success in their most recent debate, once again against Killarney Heights High. The topic under consideration was "That selective schools should be banned". The team members, **Debbie Lowenstein, Grace Fitton, Young Jun Oh and Maddy Harsanyi** did a great job in presenting a detailed model and comprehensive argument in support of the proposition. Although the team did not progress to the next round, they gained valuable experience this year against teams of older and more experienced debaters. They are sure to be a formidable force in the competition next year.

Congratulations to everyone involved in the debating program this year, and best of luck to the Year 10 team who will be taking on Epping Boys High School in the next round.

Richard Williams, English Faculty

Bitter Sweet Victory

Congratulations to **Lachlan Cannell (Year 11)** who has made the NSW School Boys' Rugby team.

Unfortunately Lachlan sustained a shoulder injury in the last 5 minutes of the Combined High Schools trial match which has sidelined his season for up to 6 months.

The School Boys' side included all the high schools in the NSW school region, which is a fantastic effort.

Lachlan is looking forward to continuing his commitment with the team in other areas. We wish him a speedy recovery and the best of luck in his efforts for his rugby future.



Coles Sports for Schools

KHS is participating in the **Coles Sports for Schools promotion**. If you have any Coles vouchers please have your child drop them into the box outside the PDHPE staffroom and help us acquire some new sporting equipment!

2011 Youth Awards in Literature

Entries from the following students in this year's Mosman Youth Awards in Literature have been shortlisted and/or chosen to be read.

Sophia Jo (Year 9) **Nataysia Barnacoat (Year 9)**
Helena Kertesz (Year 9) **David Wiernik (Year 11)**

A presentation evening will be held on Thursday 18th August 2011 at 6.00pm in the Mosman Youth Development Centre (underneath Mosman Library), The Crescent, Mosman.

Basketball Report

Girls A Grade Basketball Semi-Final

It was a nail-biting semi-final for the Girls A Grade Basketball team this week. Matched up against a highly skilled Cherrybrook side we were out-sized by two of their strongest players.

Thanks to our tough pressure defence, lead by **Georgie Willis (Year 9)**, **Rashna Krishnan and Sophie Chant (Year 10)**, our girls kept the scores close all the way. Three-point baskets in the closing minutes from leading scorers **Bronte Carfino (Year 10)** and **Sunny Xia (Year 9)** gave Killara a lead of 21 – 20. With 10 seconds left on the clock Cherrybrook made a fast break toward an open basket. The crowd stood in anticipation. Then out of nowhere a flying Bronte Carfino swatted the ball away to seal the Killara win.

Congratulations, girls, on a solid team effort, all the best for the finals.

Boys C Grade Basketball Semi-Final

A confident, faultless first half from our Boys C Grade Basketball team secured the win against a fast-paced Carlingford side. An outstanding team performance, with full-court pressure, caught Carlingford napping early on.

James Murrie (Year 9) lead the charge diving on loose balls, fighting for rebounds and getting in the defensive face of whoever came his way. **Tommer Kaye and Leo Wu (Year 9)** controlled the ball, driving and passing to penetrate the Carlingford zone defense. Valuable minutes off the bench from **Ayaki Ito** and **Hirak Das (Year 9)** kept the score ticking over. But it was Leo's slippery control who prevented a surging come-back from a frantic Carlingford side in the dying minutes of the game.

Well done, boys. Next stop - Turramurra.

Linda Seeto and Matt Mulready
Basketball Coaches

Bill Turner Cup Soccer

Congratulations to the Bill Turner Cup Soccer Team who are the Sydney North Division champions for the second year in a row.

The team has shown some outstanding qualities coming back from 2-0 deficit to win against Pennant Hills High School 2-3. The team is held up by a solid defensive line and some quality midfielders.

The team won through to the sixth round in the competition and played against the number one sports

school in NSW, Westfield Sports High School, last Tuesday. Although losing the match 2-1, the team was gallant in defeat.

The team comprises: **Sam Mackay, Alex Mura, Peter Veliotis (Year10), Jacob Bird, Tae Wook Chung, Hirak Das, Harrison Devenish-Mears, Sam McLeod, Ryan Peterson, Kshitij Prasad, Jin Saito, Alessandro Vella (Year 9), James Andreou, Anthony Kalik, Kieran Pain, Nik Pavkovic (Year 8).**

Performing Arts Ensembles Calendar for Semester 2, 2011

Term	Week	Date	Ensemble	Details
Term 3	W1	21 st July	SB1	School assembly
	W4	13 th August	CB1	All Saints Church Fete 2pm - 3pm
	W5	17 th August	CB2 / Dance	Gordon West Primary School Tour
	W7	30 th August	All ensembles involved	"Night at the Movies"
	W8	11 th September	Strings / Orchestra	Sunday concert in Swain Gardens 11.30am
	W9	14 th September	SB1	Lindfield Primary School Tour
	W10	19 th September	CB1	Beaumont Road Primary School Tour
	W10	20 th September	CB2	Killara Primary School Tour
	W10	20 th September	Strings / Orchestra	Lindfield East Primary School Tour
		TBA	TBA	Gordon East Primary School Tour
Term 4		TBA	TBA	Roseville Primary School Tour
	W6	16 th November	All ensembles involved	KHS Concert
	W7	26 th November	SB1	Schools Spectacular
	W9	6 th , 7 th & 8 th December	CB1 / Orchestra	South Coast Tour - to be confirmed
	W10	13 th December	CB2	Darling Harbour
	W10	16 th December	SB1	Awards Day

Woolworths Earn & Learn Program – We Need Your Help!

Our school is taking part in the Woolworths Earn & Learn community program. This year, they are giving away more than \$5 million worth of education resources for primary and secondary schools all over Australia, including ours!

From 18th July to 18th September 2011, Woolworths will give our school one Earn & Learn point for every \$10 you spend in store (excluding the purchase of cigarettes, alcohol and gift cards). Points will automatically appear on your shopping dockets. All you need to do is save those dockets and bring them to school and put them in the special collection box located in A Block Reception. We will be able to track our progress on our points' barometer poster at

school or online at www.woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn.

At the end of the 9-week program, we can redeem our collection of points against a choice of more than 7,000 educational resources. The list is extensive and includes library books, classroom equipment, art & craft materials and much, much more...

There is no limit to the number of points we can collect, so your participation will really make a difference. The more points we earn, the more resources we can order.

Student Representative Council

Deputy Principal's Report

Semester 2 has begun in Killara's usual busy way, with lots of performances, excursions, activities, assessments and schoolwork.

Semester 1 Reports

All students should have received their Semester 1 reports at the end of Term 2. Time should have been spent by students and their families reflecting on, recognizing strengths and weaknesses and planning to work on areas for improvement so that students' yearly report reflects "our best effort". Please discuss your child's report and contact relevant teachers, Head Teachers, Year Advisers, Counsellors and/or Careers Advisers if required.

Student Leadership

We recently held our annual student leadership elections, and our congratulations go to all the students that nominated (and there were a lot!) and especially those students that were successful in gaining places on the Arts Council, Student Representative Council (SRC), Social Justice Committee (SJC), Prefects and Sports Council. Electees will be inducted at the Student Leadership Induction Ceremony to be held on Thursday 25th August, to which parents are also invited. These students will also be participating in a Conference/Training Day on Wednesday 31st August, which will further develop the leadership skills of these fine young people.

Course of Study Preferences

All students in years 8 and 10 have handed in their Expressions of Interest for their course of study preferences for 2012. Year 9 students will be asked shortly to nominate the elective that they would prefer to drop from their studies in 2012.

High Resolves

Recently Year 8 students participated in the second stage of the global citizenship program, High Resolves. Like last time, we hope that the program

helped raise awareness of global issues and what we can do to help. Our thanks go to the leaders from Years 9, 10 and 11 who helped facilitate this program.

"Wrapped with Love" program

Helping others is also the focus of the newly formed Knitting Group. We plan to knit squares according to the ABC's "Wrapped with Love" program, and make as many squares as we can to donate next year at the annual knit-in to help homeless and disadvantaged people. We meet at lunch time on Mondays and Fridays in the Library. Donations of 8 ply wool and size 8 (4mm) needles will be greatly appreciated. Let's see how many squares Killara High can produce.

The School Uniform

Apart from helping others our focus has also been on pride in Killara high School and wearing the uniform correctly. We need students and parents to support our efforts to improve our image in the community by wearing the full school uniform correctly both at school and while travelling to and from school. Let's continue to "do our best in all our endeavours"!

Julie Phelan, Relieving Deputy Principal (Years 8 & 9)



Uniforms - wear the KHS uniform with pride!

Did You Know?

Ryan Whitelock-Jones (Year 8) summited Gurung Rinjani, Indonesia's 2nd highest volcano (3726m) during the July school holidays. This active volcano is on the island of Lombok and it is a 4 day hard trek to reach the summit. The trek also included a night at the crater lake where he swam in the hot springs.

Helena Kertesz (Year 9) is a member of the highly prestigious children's choir "Gondwana Voices". This choir is made up of young singers from around Australia who are selected in a tough audition process. This choir has been asked to perform in the inaugural concert of the Australian World Orchestra to be held at the Opera House on 27th August.

From the Principal's Mailbag

I wanted to let you know that, the students from Killara High School who helped out at our Athletics Carnival recently did a fabulous job. They were very helpful in demonstrating technique to our

students, keeping records and motivating the GEPS students to do their best.

Please pass on my thank you to all involved.

**Jennifer Simmonds, Principal,
Gordon East Public School**

From the Library

We now have five online databases that all staff and students can access! It is called **Ebscohost**, and staff and students can access it at school and at home! There's also a special student interface that assists students in moving around the database. It's called: **ANZ, History & Science Reference Centres via Student Research Interface**. Here's how to access all the databases:

Website address: <http://search.ebscohost.com>

User ID: s9208108

Password: password

Here's what we have:

Australia/New Zealand Reference Centre:

This is a general reference database. Good for students conducting research across all areas and to prepare students for using databases during tertiary study.

- It combines Australasian magazines, newspapers, newswires and reference books.
- It contains leading Australian and New Zealand periodicals and international periodicals in full-text.
- It also contains 80,000 full-text biographies and an image collection of over 450,000 photos maps and flags.
- Also contains content from the Australian Broadcasting Corporation. Also contains full text for leading Australian/New Zealand reference books.

Australia/New Zealand Points of View:

A database designed to support secondary school curriculums in Australia and New Zealand.

- Contains detailed information about 120 current and historical Australasian issues.
- Each topic includes an overview, point (argument) and counterpoint (opposing argument).

- Also provides a *Guide to Critical Analysis*, which helps students evaluate the controversial topics and enhance their ability to think critically and develop their own perspective on the issues and write or debate an effective argument on the topic.

- Provides 400 main essays, leading political magazines from all sides of the political Spectrum, newspapers, radio & TV, news transcripts, primary source documents and reference books.

- Also offers guides for writing position papers, developing arguments, and debating.

Literary Reference Centre:

A database that provides users with a broad spectrum of information on thousands of authors and their works across literary disciplines and timeframes. It is a full-text database that combines information from major respected works, books, literary journals as well as original content from *Ebsco Publishing*.

- Contains full-text for more than 31,000 plot summaries, synopses and work overviews
- Nearly 100,000 articles/essays of literary criticism
- More than 159,000 author biographies
- 450 literary journals
- 632,000 book reviews
- More than 69,000 classic and contemporary poems
- More than 18,000 classic and contemporary short stories
- More than 5,600 author interviews
- More than 8,200 classic texts

History Reference Centre:

A full-text history database designed for secondary schools.

- Contains full-text for more than 1,620 reference books, encyclopaedias and non-fiction books from leading history publishers.
- Contains full-text for more than 150 leading history periodicals.
- The database contains nearly 57,000 historical documents.
- Includes 77,000 biographies of historical figures.
- More than 113,000 historical photos and maps.
- More than 80 hours of historical video.

Science Reference Centre:

A comprehensive research database provides access to a multitude of full-text science-orientated content.

- Contains full text from hundreds of science encyclopaedias, reference books, periodicals, and other sources.
- Topics covered include: biology, chemistry, earth & space science, environmental science, health & medicine, history of science, life science, physics, science & society, science as inquiry, scientists, technology, and wildlife.

New Fiction Books

***My Father's War* by Sophie Masson**

My Father's War is the latest title in the successful and popular *My Australian Story* series. An Australian girl, Annie Cliff, records in her diary a journey she makes with her mother to France, in search of her father, who has not contacted them for months.

Although for almost a century Australian attention to World War I has been focused on the Gallipoli campaign, increasingly historians and the population generally have begun to acknowledge the courage of Anzac troops on the Western Front in France. This is the context for the story Masson's narrator tells.

***Vinnie's War* by David McRobbie**

Starting in London, this is the story of a homeless boy who starts by losing everything, and - through his experience as an evacuee in World War II - finds friendship, vocation and a place to belong. Some fascinating images of posters and advertisements from the era are used as chapter openings,

***Theodore Boone* by John Grisham**

This book is a legal thriller and the first novel by John Grisham for 8-12-year-olds. The central character, Theo Boone is not only the child of two lawyers; he is an aspiring lawyer (or maybe judge) whose friends come to him for legal advice. Theo spends his free time in his own little section of his parents' law office or hanging around down at the courthouse, where he has befriended at least one judge, among various other personnel.

Check out his website at

<http://www.theodoreboone.com>

Nonfiction book

***The Diary of a Young Girl: The Definitive Edition* edited by Otto H. Frank and Mirjam Pressler**

Restored in this Definitive Edition are diary entries that had been omitted from the original edition. These passages, which constitute 30 percent more material, reinforce the fact that Anne was first and foremost a teenage girl, not a remote and flawless symbol. For those who know and love Anne Frank, The Definitive Edition is a chance to discover her anew. For readers who have not yet encountered her, this is the edition to cherish.

Francie Campbell and Christine Sugowdz
Teacher-Librarians

Careers Corner

Open Days

Students are invited to attend the following Open Days:

- Le Cordon Bleu - Thursday 25TH August at 250 Blaxland Road, Ryde. To register visit www.lecordonbleu.com.au
- Macquarie University – 10th September. Register now at openday.mq.edu.au
- National Art School – 20th August. This will be held in the old Darlinghurst Gaol. There will be art demonstrations, activities and guided tours.
- University of Adelaide – 21st August
- International College of Management – 21st August from 10am – 3pm. This institute offers a range of diplomas and pathways to Macquarie University degrees in hospitality, sport, retail, event and tourism management. Register online at www.icms.edu.au

- University of Sydney – Saturday 27th August from 9.30am – 4pm.
- University of Newcastle – Saturday 27th August
- University of Newcastle (Central Coast Campus) – 20th August
- University of Newcastle (Port Macquarie Campus) – 1st September
- JMC – which offers diplomas, associate degrees and degrees in audio engineering and sound production, film and television production, digital media and 3-D animation, popular music and performance and entertainment management
- Canberra Tertiary Open Day – 27th August
- ACU – 3rd September

2012 UNSW Minerals Summer School

This 4-day, \$200 residential school which is being organised by the School of Mining Engineering at UNSW from 9th to 12th January is an ideal opportunity

for students commencing Year 11 and 12 to find out more about a career in the Australian minerals industry. Application forms can be obtained from the careers office.

IT Vacancy for School Leavers

This is available in a computer store in Chatswood. Students interested in applying should email a resume to gregg2002@gmail.com

Interested in being an Actuary?

Get the inside story of what an actuary does, what it's like studying actuarial studies and career options in the field at a special session at Macquarie University's Open Day on 10 September. Register online at www.afas.mq.edu.au/openday

Apprenticeship and Traineeship Expo

This free expo which will be held on 13 September from 4pm – 8pm at the PCYC Performing Arts Centre at corner Edgeworth David and Waitara Avenues, is aimed at students 15 years and older who are keen to meet trades training organisations. Students are encouraged to bring several copies of their resume to the expo. For further information contact Rachelle on 0439041020.

NIDA Information Night

Course information on acting, design, production, props, costume, directing and playwriting will be available at the NIDA Parade Theatre at 215 Anzac Parade Kensington on 23rd August from 7pm – 9pm. Attendees should register at www.nida.edu.au/infonight

Optus Engineering Cadet 2012 Program

Students who complete this three-year program that combines paid, on-the-job training at Optus with study through Lidcombe TAFE, will be employed as Optus Engineers within networks. To apply visit optus.com.au/careers

Hornsby College TVET Open Afternoon

This information afternoon which will be held at Hornsby TAFE on Tuesday 30th August is geared to current Year 10 students who plan to enrol in a TVET course in 2012. There are two sessions: 2.15pm and 4.15pm.

University of Sydney 2012 Elite Athlete Program

A brochure outlining this program is now available from the careers office.

Year 10 Engineering Summit for Young Women

Entitled "So You Think You Can Engineer", this summit is aimed at students interested in finding out more about careers in engineering. Hosted by the University of Wollongong from 10th to 13th January, the cost is \$165. Deadline for applications is 26th August. To find out more visit www.uow.edu.au/future

2011 "Green Light Transport and Logistics Day"

Killara High School

Aimed at developing an understanding of careers in the transport and logistics sector, this event includes trips in the driver's cabin on a locomotive freight, rides in a tug-boat on Botany Bay and behind the scene Qantas tarmac tours. For more information visit www.greenlightday.com.au

Macquarie University Year 10, 11 and 12 "Uni in a Day" Program

Held on 29th September, this program offers school students an opportunity to taste university life. Participants will be able to choose their own subjects, plan their own timetables and see what happens in a normal day on campus. To register a place, log on to www.mq.edu.au/uniinaday.

A Financial Management Course for Young People

"Penny Pinchers – Put it in your Piggy Bank" is a course for young people that will cover budgeting, borrowing, spending wisely and saving. It will be held on 17th and 31st August and 14th and 28th September at Westpac, Turrumurra. To book, contact Claire Reed on 0409 407 635.

Trivett Apprentice Recruitment Program 2012

Trivett, Australia's largest prestige automotive group, is recruiting Year 12 students interested in the following trades:

- Automotive Mechanical Technology (Light Vehicle)
- Automotive Mechanical Technology (Motorcycle)
- Automotive Sales (Specialising in Parts Interpretation)

Students should apply online at www.trivett.com.au/apprenticeships. Deadline is 18th September.

ACU Early Achievers Program

This program looks beyond a student's ATAR and recognises the contribution they have made to their community through volunteering and community service. Applications open on 14th August and close on 14th October. To find out more information visit www.acu.edu.au/eap

Year 11 and 12 Internships in Entertainment

Music People (Pty) Ltd, an events management company, is offering an internship to students interested in event management, music marketing and promotion and public relations and sales. Students should apply by email to Jacqui Cunningham at Jacqui@musicpeople.com.au

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

Colleen Clarke and Fionna Massey
Careers Advisers

Killara Primary School Debating Workshop

As part of the Killara Schools Partnership, a debating workshop was conducted at Killara Primary School on Monday 8th August.

Killara High School debaters – **Tudor Filaret, Hatim Khanbhai (Year 10), Ed Anstee, Phillip Au, Ashley Cleavin, Daniel Ge, Bronte Hall, John Huh, Ethan Lo, Bec Maine, Emma Waight, Joné Wright (Year 11)** shared their expertise and skills with the enthusiastic Year 5 KPS students.





Inter-School Christian Fellowship (ISCF) CAMP

16th - 18th September 2011

\$99 per person

Blue Gum Lodge, Springwood

Killara High, St Ives High, Chatswood High, Willoughby Girls High

Registration closes 2nd Sept - forms available at TAG - Contact Mr Mulready (CAPA staffroom) for further details

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

ENGAGING GENERATION Y

An entertaining and enlightening evening with
MICHAEL McQUEEN

To raise funds for the Young Love Foundation

In an age where young people are exposed to thousands of marketing messages every day, the role of parents, mentors and teachers in providing leadership and boundaries to the adolescents around them is more important than ever before. In this revealing and engaging presentation, Michael McQueen, bestselling author of "The New Rules of Engagement" draws on over 5 years of research and work with teenagers around the world to offer some practical insights and strategies for more effectively bridging the generation gap at home, at school and in the community. An ideal presentation for parent, mentor and community forums, audience members will leave with practical tips for building greater rapport and more open communication with the young people in their lives, particularly in the critical teenage years.

**Wednesday 31st August 2011
7.30pm until 9.30pm**

**Queenwood School for Girls Auditorium
Enter from 47 Mandalong Road, Mosman
Tickets \$25 each**

WWW.TRYBOOKING.COM/SKK

About The Young Love Foundation

The Young Love Foundation is a non-profit organisation which contributes to the health and wellbeing of young people in our community. www.younglove.org.au

Ku-ring-gai Youth Orchestra Concert

KYO, the local, talented community youth orchestra presents a concert "Out of this World" on Sunday 14th August at 3pm at Ravenswood Centenary Auditorium, Henry Street, Gordon.

All welcome. Tickets at door \$20 adult, \$10 concession, \$5 child with afternoon tea included. Details 0413 058 749.

Sydney Institute of Marine Science (SIMS)

Harbour Hike

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

Sunday 4th 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 www.harbourhike.com.



Each week *Single with Children* provides fun and exciting activities for single parents and their children. (Many activities are subsidised or free)

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