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## P&C Meeting

**Wednesday**  
**16<sup>th</sup> May 2012**  
**8pm**

**A Block Common Room**  
**All Welcome**

## Thank You

A big thank you to the Prefects and trumpeters, **Alex Batt (Year 12) and Alex Harper (Year 11)** who attended the various Anzac community services over the last week.

They attended services at the Roseville RSL Club, Gordon East Public School and the Kur-ring-gai Community Anzac Service at St Johns Church, Gordon.

Thank you for giving up your time and presenting exemplary performances at these important occasions.

## KHS Staff Wide Reading Recommendations

As part of our literacy focus throughout the year we wish to encourage students to broaden their reading and encourage reading for pleasure. We believe that reading is a wonderful tool for students who want to develop their ideas imagination and even their vocabulary.

Every few weeks we will be publishing a list of novels, biographies and non-fiction that staff are reading. We hope that students and others note the recommendations and perhaps try some favourite 'reads' of others.

### This week we learn what the HISE Blue faculty staff are reading...

**Jane Rountree**

"One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest"

"Caleb's Crossing" Geraldine Brooks

"State of Wonder" Anne Patchett

"Afterword" Paul Keating

**Steven Gibb**

"The Colour Magic" Terry Prattchett (the first book in "The Discworld" series) Novels produced by "The Black Library", these are set in the Warhammer gaming universe.

**Paula Collins**

"The Book Thief" Marcus Zusak

"All Hell Let Loose – The World at War 1939 – 1945" Max Hastings

A very accessible account of World War II that includes all the big names, famous battles and overwhelming figures and statistics that you would expect, but embeds them around the stories of little people who experienced it. It makes an impact. Every senior student should give it a go.

"Pompeii" Robert Harris is an entertaining book full of villains, heroes and of course, a major volcanic eruption.

**Robin Chand**

"In Defence of History" Richard J Evans. For the history extension student.

A very interesting read regarding the nature of truth in history.

"The Other Side of the Frontier" Henry Reynolds.

"Grapes of Wrath" John Steinbeck

"Waiting for the Barbarians" J.M Coetzee

"1984" George Orwell.

## Did You Know?

**Daniel Parker, Ashleigh Edinburg and Nadav Cohen (Year 12)** have entered the Google Science Fair with Daniel's design and development of a 'Sense & Sight' device to support the independent mobility of vision-impaired people. Search YouTube for Project Sense Sight and you'll find an excellent animation these three Year 12 students have submitted as part of their application. They are hoping the project will be among the 15 shortlisted entries in the global competition that will take them to California in August! Well done Daniel, Ashleigh and Nadav.

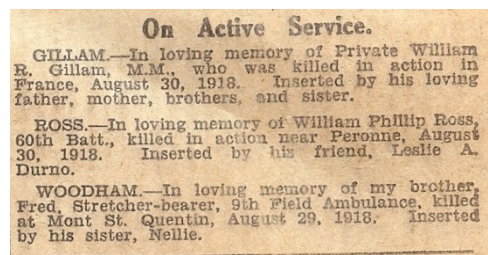
## Calendar

### May 2012

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| 3  | - Grade Sport Finals   |
| 4  | - Yr 8 Geography Excursion (half of Year 8)  |
| 7  | - Yr 12 Work Placement – Week 2<br>- History Excursion (Yr 9 – P3; Yr10 – P4) in Theatre   |
| 8  | - Yr 12 Legal Studies Excursion  |
| 9  | - Student Progress Review Evening – Years 8 to 11 – 4.00-8pm   |
| 11 | - DEAS Bronze Practice Expedition (3 days)   |
| 12 | - PAE North Shore High Schools Music Spectacular Finals Concert  |
| 14 | - Zone Cross Country Carnival<br>- Yr 11 Biology Excursion/Assessment – Bobbin Head  |
| 15 | - Naplan – Yrs 7 and 9<br>- Japanese Sister School visit (3 days)  |
| 16 | - Music and Drama (MAD) Festival (Matinee and Evening)<br>- Naplan – Yrs 7 and 9<br>- Yr 11 Biology Excursion – Bobbin Head<br>- P&C Meeting – 8pm – A Block Common Room |
| 17 | - Music and Drama (MAD) Festival (Matinee and Evening)<br>- Naplan – Yrs 7 and 9   |
| 18 | - Yr 12 SRE Seminar – P1 – Hall<br>Yr 11 SRE Seminar – P2 – Hall   |
| 19 | - Performing Arts Ensemble Workshop – Studio 1 (2 days)  |
| 21 | - Zone Cross Country Carnival<br>- Sydney Writers' Festival – Yr 12 English Ext 2 and Yr 11 English Ext 1<br>- Computer Skills Competition                               |
| 22 | - School Athletics Carnival, Narrabeen Sports Academy  |
| 23 | - Yr 11 "U Turn the Wheel" RYDA Program at HART Driver Training Centre<br>- Yr 12 Biology Excursion – Museum of Human Disease  |
| 24 | - Yr 12 Biology Excursion – Museum of Human Disease  |
| 28 | - Yr 10 Geography Incursion – Sea of Hands<br>- Yr 4 Gifted & Talented Students Visual Arts Program  |
| 29 | - Yr 8 welfare program   |

## In Memoriam: Lance Corporal George Hurley and Lance Corporal William Hurley

ANZAC Day 2012 marks 97 years since the landings at Gallipoli on 25<sup>th</sup> April 1915. For decades following the Great War 1914-1918 the Sydney Morning Herald *In Memoriam* column carried notices remembering the loss of fathers, husbands, sons, and brothers. The Australian War Memorial Roll of Honour records 61 520 deaths resulting from service in the AIF during the Great War. The impact on families was lasting as was the scarring of Australian society. Bill Gamage wrote a seminal work on the influence of the Great War on Australia. It is aptly entitled *The Broken Years*.



Extract from page 11, *Sydney Morning Herald* 29th August 1931. Thirteen years after the end of the Great War the paper still dedicated a section of the *In Memoriam* column to those who had been killed 'On Active Service'. This paper was found during

renovations of a house in Bent Street, Lindfield, in 1950. The new owner of the house had served in the 9<sup>th</sup> Field Ambulance with Fred Woodham. The paper has been preserved for the last 62 years for this reason.

Nearly 100 years later we don't have to look too far to find evidence of Great War loss in the history of this school. On the Memorial Boards in the Kerrabee Centre that list the former students of St Leonards Superior School (Greenwoods), one of Killara's foundation schools, are two names: George Hurley and William Henry Hurley. George, resident of Nisbett Street, North Sydney, enlisted in August 1915 at the age of 22 and was wounded in the head at Pozieres on the Western Front on 27<sup>th</sup> July 1916. He was evacuated to England where he convalesced through September and October. His mother Anne Hurley, a widow living in North Sydney, received a notice from the Army in August indicating George had been wounded but the wounds were not considered life threatening. There was no further correspondence about his condition until after his death on 16<sup>th</sup> October 1916. A week later George's younger brother William enlisted in the AIF. He was aged 21 years and seven months. He survived the horrific Battle of Passchendaele with the 18<sup>th</sup> Battalion through September and October 1917 and then, during one of the last battles in which the Australians were involved on the Western Front, William was severely wounded by a shell blast on 31<sup>st</sup> August 1918. William's right leg was amputated in effort to save his life but he died at 8.45am the following morning in the care of Australian Medical Corp staff.

ANZAC Day commemorations raise our awareness of the cost in human life that the Great War and other conflicts brought (and continue to bring) to Australian families and our society. The distance of time shields us from the grief that we can barely imagine Mrs Hurley endured for the rest of her life. Of her three sons, two perished on the Western Front. A widow for twenty years when William died, she was of humble means (like most others of her generation) and was never able to visit her sons' graves on the other side of the world. One is buried in Norwich, England the other in the Suzanne Communal Cemetery in the Somme Valley, Northern France. We remember these men and former students with whom we are linked through educational heritage, and we reflect on the lingering grief and sadness that burdened this mother and thousands of others who shared such lifelong emotional burdens.

**Mark Carter, Principal**

## Killara Dominates in National Band Championships

After months of intense rehearsing before and after school as well as on weekends, on the 4<sup>th</sup> of April, 70 excited students from Concert Bands 1 and 2 with five teachers made the trip to Sydney Domestic Airport to fly to Melbourne for the Yamaha National Band Championships, to compete against the best junior concert bands from all around Australia.



We took Melbourne by storm, exploring Federation Square, visiting Melbourne museum and the famous Melbourne markets, spending all of our money on local delights such as coffee and gifts for families back in Sydney. We also explored St Kilda to watch the brass bands compete in their marches, and secretly hoping that we could one day be able to do the limbo under the trombones to the beat of a march. We ended each day with a different event, such as bowling, movies and a Band Championship-themed trivia night with focus on our conductors. The Easter Bunny didn't forget about us so far away from home, with all students waking up to Easter eggs outside their rooms on Easter morning.

It wasn't all fun and games, practicing at a local high school and another last-minute (and rather quiet) rehearsal in the dining hall of the hotel we stayed in. And it all came down to one performance on Sunday afternoon at The Sebel Hotel Albert Park. In its first foray into a national competition, Concert Band 2 won its division, competing against three other bands. Concert Band 1 came second by just four points! Congratulations to all band members for the fantastic results!

All of the students would like to thank Ms Phelan and Mrs McNamara who gave up their Easter weekend to assist with supervision and Ms Berry who gave up many hours of her time to make this trip possible. Special thanks also go to the conductors Mrs Bromley and Mr Jones who brought out the best in each musician.



Everyone had a lot of fun on this trip, and cannot wait to better our scores in 2014 in the National Championships on the Gold Coast.

**Rachael Featherstone, Year 12**

## Year 5 GATS Creative Writing

During term 1 the school has been involved in running creative writing development sessions as part of the Gifted and Talented Students' program. Year 5 students have come to Killara High from a number of our partner primary schools including Lindfield Public School, Lindfield East Public School, Killara Public, Roseville Public School and Beaumont Road Public School.

The students had an opportunity to think critically about how narrative is created and which elements are used to create an effective story. The students were exposed to a range of activities including:

- writing a narrative in groups of three using a household item as a stimulus.
- breaking down Roald Dahl's short story 'Lamb to the Slaughter' into its different narrative parts.



- writing a narrative from the perspective of a piece of popcorn picked up by a bird.



- placing a hand into a Mystery Box and feeling its hidden texture as a stimulus for creating a monster story.

While they scribbled down their thoughts furiously and exchanged ideas the boys and girls had opportunities to mingle with other like-minded

students and share their passions for writing stories. A big thank you to Ms Dixon for organising these workshops and we look forward to seeing some of these young literary superstars coming to Killara High School in the future.

**James Purchas, English Faculty**

## Year 8 Poetry

This term Year 8 students have been working on some wonderful poetry. They have been viewing and analysing others' poems then taking the techniques and structures that they have learnt and composed their own. The following two poems were composed in a 'test' environment. Each student had to compose a piece of poetry that moved from reflections of the past to the present. Enjoy!

### Australia – The Land that was Once Paradise

After what seemed like centuries  
I returned to my hometown, Australia.  
Things seemed different, and they were.  
In my day, I ran, barefoot, across the red sand of the desert.  
Like a monkey I would climb up the lush trees  
White paint smeared across my chest and arms and face.  
My ancestors would clap their wooden sticks  
Bang on cow-skin drums and sing happily.  
We would dance around the bonfire, rejoicing to the world.  
I would inhale the salty scent of charcoal damper  
The tantalising pleasure of hot, steamy kangaroo on my tongue was heaven.  
We were happy.  
  
Fast forward centuries, fast forward to today.  
Fast forward to destruction.  
We are ants in a world of giants  
Our legacy, our custom, our beliefs, lost in the wind.  
We are forgotten by humanity.  
Alcoholics are my ancestors now  
These tragedies are not our fault.

They are the fault of the monsters who took over our land.

I look around, my eyes despair at the sight of pollution and ugly buildings.

I hear noisy chaos and honking, tooting, yelling  
Rather than the tribal music of my culture.

What have we become?

**Abby Constable**

### Flying Back

Walking into the plane I think  
About the long hours stretched ahead...  
While I sit in my seat writing I think,  
About the excitement of those years back, in my head  
About when I thought the food was interesting  
In small parcels all packaged up.  
When I'd look down into the fluffy cloud piping  
And hear the quiet murmur of the seated crowd  
And see the perfect smile of the air hostess.  
  
Now even they look tired,  
Just like my eyes, glued onto the screen.  
Onto my ears, the headphones are wired  
And in front I hear a baby screaming.  
Next to me some person reaches over  
Bumping into me to reach an abundant supply  
Of something she uses for cover  
Now I can't seem to remember why  
My wonder of a flight used to reach the sky.  
Now all I can smell is malodorous disinfectant  
And all I can hear is the cry of a child, expectant.

**Julianne Kang**

## Year 7 Parents' Get Together



Do you have a child in Year 7 this year?

Then you are very warmly invited to our Year 7 parents' Social Night.

Join us for a great night of chatting, relaxing, and meeting other Year 7 parents.

**Date:** Friday 25<sup>th</sup> May 2012      **Time:** From 7.00pm

**Place:** Greengate Hotel, Pacific Highway, Killara

**RSVP:** By Monday 21st May - [carol@eklund.com](mailto:carol@eklund.com) or call 0414515820

## 'Oh so near' for Open Boys Touch

It was a case of "so near, yet so far" for the Open Boys' Touch Team who lost a 'heartbreaker' of a game to Balgowlah Boys High School in a Round 3 encounter last Term 1.

A win would have meant a trip to Gosford to challenge the best team in the region but alas it was not to be despite an enormous effort against a school renowned for their touch football ability.

In a fast and furious match where the lead changed a number of times and both schools had numerous chances, it was the opposition team that came away with the victory 5-4.

Once again, 'Killara Pride' was on show with heroics in defence by Reuben Bignell in the middle, not to mention Mitch Hansen who shook off an ankle injury to play a large part in proceedings.

Touch at Killara High has really come a long way in the last few years and I look forward to continuing to coach the boys next year.

The entire team comprises **Jamie Scott (Captain), Mitchell Hansen, Lyle Righetti, Matthew Cary (Year 12), Reuben Bignell, Anthony Newton-Keen, Joel Davis, Thomas Harding and Maleva Tau-Vali (Year 11).**

## Touch Teams have great day out

The boys and girls 9/10 Touch teams made the trip to Manly Vale in the last Wednesday of Term 1 to compete in the 'All Schools' gala day and despite results not going our way, a great day out was had by all.

In an environment where we were competing against specialist touch football schools such as Patrician Brothers, Narrabeen Sports and Abbotsleigh Girls, it was always going to be tough and we were not disappointed. We received several 'lessons' on the day about how you play touch football.

The boys had a draw with Killarney Heights High School in their round 2 fixture, while the girls had to be content with a couple of narrow losses to quality opposition.

Thanks to the parents who provided transport and moral support on the day as well as our referees Toby and Joel, not to mention our coach Tom, who learnt the frustration of sitting on the sideline!

The squads comprise:



**Girls - Jackie Bryant, Claudia Harper, Hannah Bryant, Emily Savage, Holly Gibbons, Clare Young, Cecilia Corney, Arieyl Koithra and Madeleine Harsanyi (Year 10) and Georgia Swinton (Year 9);**

**Boys - Kieran Johnson, Matthew Crawford, Brandon Marsh, Alastair Smith, Richard Swanson (Year 10), Jonathan Bank, Nicholas Druce, Kieran Young, Sam Reimer and Terence Law (Year 9).**

## Volleyball Girls Progress to Round 3

The girls' volleyball team progressed to the third round of the Combined High Schools (CHS) knockout competition with a clinical performance against Ryde Secondary College.

In a match where the opposition were an 'unknown quantity' and turned out to include a state representative, the Killara girls dominated from the outset to win the match in straight sets.

All girls contributed to the victory but our captain, Eliza-Jane Ellis really steadied the ship with some good communication and encouragement for the team any time it was looking a little shaky. Rachel Wessels, Katie Lee, Ariane Krug and Georgia

Swinton have turned out to be excellent finds for the team this year.

Our next fixture is against Riverside Girls High School. This team will be extremely tough opposition but we are confident we can 'do the business' once again for Killara.

The squad comprises **Eliza-Jane Ellis (Captain), Rachel Wessels, Caillin Pollach, Eliza MacKenzie, Rennie So, Geraldine Sullivan, Bronte Carfino, Carman Chan (Year 11), Katie Lee (Year 10), Ariane Krug, Georgia Swinton, Madelaine Cihra (Year 9), Mariana Nikolic (Year 8).**

**Adam Bruckshaw, PDHPE Faculty**

## Online Safety and Cyber-Bullying Forum



On Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2012 a group of students from Killara High School participated in the Online Safety and Cyber-bullying Forum. The forum was chaired by Mr Paul Fletcher MP, Federal Member for Bradfield in his capacity as chair of the Federal Coalition's Online Safety Working Group with Ms Natasha Giggs MP, Federal Member for Solomon in the Northern Territory and Ms Helen

Moreland, advisor to Mr Tony Abbott MP also listening to the students' views.

At the forum students discussed the challenges presented by internet usage and 'digital citizenship' and offered their perspectives on the use of digital technologies and the challenges these posed to social relationships amongst peers. The students provided valuable insights to the members of the working group and suggested the need for government responses to recognise the importance of education in supporting fundamental values of respect and concern for others in the way communication through the use of technology is undertaken and in the regulation of social media.

I would like to thank all students who participated in the forum for their input and time. The visitors commented most favourably on the maturity and wisdom held by the students at the forum.

**Liesl Williamson**

**Student Leadership Coordinator**

## We Have Moved! Student Welfare, Learning Support and Counsellors

The offices of the Head Teacher Welfare, the Learning Support team and Support Teacher Learning Assistance (STLA) and the Counsellors have made a tree change and have left the brisk efficiency of A block for the top floor of the House which is situated on the corner of Koola Avenue and Churchill Avenue. We have made the move in order to consolidate all of our services in conjunction with those of the Stage Head Teachers with whom we work so closely.

We feel that a name change is also appropriate. For many the term "Welfare" has become either meaningless or even negative, so we will all be

known from this point on as **Student Support Services**.

Please feel free to drop in and visit or call and make an appointment to meet with the STLA, Margot Mahoney, who has replaced Rosemary Brown (Ext.108); the School Counsellors, Julia Griffith, Eunice Markham and Serge Boyakovsky (Ext 136) or myself, Jane Rountree, Head Teacher, Student Support (Ext 109). The Stage Head Teachers, Julie Phelan (Stage 4) Ext 119, Liesl Williamson (Stage 5) Ext 129 and Renee Lane (Stage 6) Ext 139, are also available at this location.

**Jane Rountree, Head Teacher Student Support**

## To All Parents and Carers

A reminder to parents and carers that the A Block clinic for the provision of first aid and for students who are unwell has a very limited capacity.

There are only two day beds and as a rule students can only stay in clinic for a short period to rest or to await collection by their parents.

While we understand the difficulties of working parents being able to come and pick up their sons and daughters. If students become ill at school we have little alternative to contacting parents to have children taken home.

If Administration staff are unable to contact parents or they are unable to leave their workplace the school must have the contact numbers for people

who are able to step in and collect students in an emergency. Please check that the numbers that you have provided to the school are appropriate and that the people you have listed are happy to be called upon in that capacity.

Administration staff are placed in a very difficult position if there are no contacts available to help when students are sick, as the school's resources do not allow for a student to spend the day in the school clinic. We would appreciate you checking to ensure that these emergency contact details are accurate and that the person on the end of the telephone is happy to be of assistance.

**Jane Rountree, Head Teacher Student Support**



## Vietnam and Cambodia Community Aid Projects 2012



We wish to thank the students, parents and the friends of Killara High School who are assisting us in raising funds for our community aid projects in Vietnam and Cambodia.

Each year around twenty-five Year 11 students spend a school holiday working in village schools and orphanages refurbishing classrooms and improving playgrounds. Money raised during the school year is taken to Vietnam and Cambodia by the students and their teachers and used to purchase building materials, medical supplies, teaching and learning resources and baby milk formula for the orphanages.

The year 11 students give time out of their busy academic schedules to run cake stalls, chocolate drives, sausage sizzles, school dances and film nights.

Our fundraising target this year is \$5,000.

If you would like to assist us in our fund raising endeavours please contact Jenny Newell, Tel 94983722 or email: [jennifer.newell@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:jennifer.newell@det.nsw.edu.au)

We thank the school and wider community for their generous support.

**Jenny Newell, ESL Faculty**

**David Browne, Head Teacher HSIE Green**

## Performing Arts Ensembles Calendar Term 2 2012

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| 12 <sup>th</sup> May                     | Concert Band 1, Stage Band 1                                      | North Shore Schools Spectacular - Final           |
| 19 <sup>th</sup> – 20 <sup>th</sup> May  | Concert Band 2, Strings/Orchestra, Vocal Ext, Stage Bands 1 and 2 | Proposed workshop day                             |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> June                     | Stage Band 1  | Chatswood Big Band Concert, Chatswood High School |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> June                     | Concert Band 2  | Sydney Eisteddfod                                 |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> June                     | Concert Band 1  | Sydney Eisteddfod                                 |
| 7 <sup>th</sup> June                     | Stage Band 1  | Sydney Eisteddfod                                 |
| 12 <sup>th</sup> June                    | Stage Band 2  | Sydney Eisteddfod                                 |
| 13 <sup>th</sup> June                    | Strings and Orchestra   | Sydney Eisteddfod                                 |
| 15 <sup>th</sup> June                    | Vocal Ensemble  | Sydney Eisteddfod                                 |
| 15 <sup>th</sup> June                    | Vocal Extension   | Sydney Eisteddfod                                 |
| 16 <sup>th</sup> June                    | Stage Band 1  | Yamaha Festival, UTS Ku-ring-gai                  |
| TBA                                      | Stage Band 1  | Darling Harbour Jazz Festival                     |
| 16 <sup>th</sup> – 21 <sup>st</sup> June | Senior Ensembles  | State Music Camp                                  |

## Where Are They Now?

**Madeleine Frith (Year 12 2010)** has been awarded the prestigious Sternberg Family Scholarship for Art Theory/Law at University of NSW. It is a substantial scholarship of \$45,000 which will financially support her through the remaining four years of her combined Law degree, in addition to sponsoring her for travel overseas to work at an international art related organisation. Madeleine is considering taking

up a six month internship in 2014 at the Metropolitan Museum in New York, USA, combined with some studies at Columbia University. She continues to enjoy painting - completing commissioned artworks and exhibiting at various venues, including the America Club in Macquarie Street and this year's Sydney Royal Easter Show at Homebush.

## Year 12 Parents' Social Evening

Year 12 parents had a fantastic time on a perfect autumn evening at the Ekland's home. The ambience was festive and included cocktails with a variety of canapés...all now prepared to face the rest of the year.



## Grounds Working Bee

Waking up on a beautiful Sunday morning and thinking "its Gardening Day at the School"... Do I really want to go? There are a million other things I could be doing with my precious time. But is there???

Make the effort, get out of bed and come along on

**Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2012  
commencing at 815am**

In a short time, your work can transform a garden bed and make a real difference to the "look and feel" of our school. You don't need any experience, just a bit of enthusiasm and an hour or two of your time. All tools and training provided on the day. It is a fun and easy way to contribute to your school community and morning tea is provided.

Four times a year, once each term, the Grounds Working Bee is held to keep Killara High's gardens looking good. Richard Frith, our valiant parent leader, coordinates the morning. So put the **date in your diary NOW** and come along and meet Richard; don't feel shy and we're sure that you will leave with a smile on your face ☺ !!!



PS - Remember, it is your child's school, so they are more than welcome too.

## From the Library

### ANZAC DAY ~ We remember.....

The ANZAC story is a story that unifies and unites Australians – regardless of their age and background. It is a rich inheritance from the past that brings us together and makes us stronger for the future.

The First World War battle that took place at Gallipoli and on the Western Front created the ANZAC legend which is such an integral part of our nation's history and our Australian identity.

The Lion Library will be displaying titles that commemorate this important national event.

### The 2012 Creative Reading Prize

What's *your* Book Pitch? Pitch your favourite books for others to read and love.

Win prizes from the \$40,000 national pool! Entries open 1<sup>st</sup> March and close 31<sup>st</sup> May.

Go to [www.readthis2012.com.au](http://www.readthis2012.com.au) and look for 'the Book Pitch!'

### Don't forget about EbscoHost!

Looking for a current article from a newspaper or journal on a particular subject or person, and want immediate access to what you find?

You can access **EbscoHost** on Killara's intranet and enter the following login details:

User name: s9208108  
Password: password

Choose the general reference area search field to enter your request, or choose a particular field of study and enter your request into that particular search field.



### New non-fiction:

Bernstein, Jeremy. ***Nuclear weapons: What You Need To Know.***

Canon, Zandert and Cannon, Kevin. ***The Stuff of Life: A Graphic Guide to Genetics and DNA.***

Cheshire, Ellen. ***Jane Campion*** (Pocket essential film series)

Howard, Martin. ***Egyptian Pharaohs: 3,000 of Dynastic Rule***

LeBlanc, Michelle and Odell, Colin. ***Jackie Chan*** (Pocket essentials film series)

Peacock, Molly [and others] (editors). ***Poetry in Motion: 100 Poems from the Subways and Buses.***

Wallace, William E. ***Michelangelo: The Artist, The Man, and His Times.***

### New non-fiction in detail:

Ben-Messahel, Salhia. ***Mind the Country: Tim Winton's Fiction***

The first book-length critical study of this prolific, internationally acclaimed writer. It explores themes that have become part of Australian readers' personal experience: the traditional versus the modern, the isolated versus the integrated, the local versus the global, and the spiritual versus the expedient. Dr Ben-Messahel shows how Tim Winton's themes are most forcefully expressed through his vivid characters and stories, and how these stories interact with and comment on each other. Through his love of his of his homeland, Western Australia – its landscapes, seascapes and cities – Winton presents a theatre of the mind, creating scenarios of danger and solitude, self-discovery and creativity.

Gresh, Lois H. ***The Hunger Games Companion.***

This book provides fascinating facts and insights into the series' main themes – the nature of evil, to weaponry and rebellions, to surviving the end of the world.

Hall, Megan Kelley and Jones, Carrie. ***70 authors tell their Stories.***

Today's top authors for teens come together to share their stories about bullying – as silent observers on the sidelines of high school, as victims, and as perpetrators.

Discover how Lauren Kate transformed the feeling of that one mean girl getting under her skin into her first novel, and Lauren Oliver learned to celebrate the ambiguity in her classmates and in herself, and how R.L. Stine turned being the "funny guy" into the best defines against the bullies in his class.

Kirk, Connie Ann. ***Sylvia Plath: A Biography***

The research for this biography of this poet's life utilizes the latest updated scholarship, including new information released in the unabridged journals published in 2000 and the newly accessible Ted Hughes archives. Kirk also provides new insights and perspectives from original interview material with a Plath contemporary who knew her personally. There is also an extensive bibliography of biographical and critical sources provided.

Mawdsley, Evan. ***World War II: A New History***

This is a magisterial new global history of World War II. Beginning in 1937 with the outbreak of the Sino-Japanese War, Evan Mawdsley shows how the origins of World War II lay in a conflict between the old international order and the new, and then traces the globalisation of the conflict as it swept through Asia, Europe and the Middle East. His primary focus is on the war's military and strategic history, though he also examines the political, economic, ideological and cultural factors which influenced the course of events. The war's consequences are examined too, in terms not only of the defeat of the Axis but also of the break-up of colonial empires and the beginning of the Cold War. Includes short stories of the key figures events and battles that shaped the war.

**Karen Jones and Francie Campbell**  
**Teacher-Librarians**

## Careers Corner

### **Institute of Chartered Accountants 2012 Cadetship Evening**

This information session which will be held on 23<sup>rd</sup> May from 4.30pm at the Sydney Convention and Exhibition Centre, provides Year 12 students interested in applying for an accounting cadetship, with an opportunity to engage with over 30 employers and receive tips on the recruitment process. Register at

[www.charteredaccountants.com.au/students](http://www.charteredaccountants.com.au/students).

### **Disability Post-School Options Expo**

Representatives from DEEWR, ADHC, Centrelink, TAFE, universities and providers of Transition-to-Work programs, will offer useful advice to young people with a range of disabilities on how to access resources and support in their quest for tertiary

qualifications. The event is scheduled for Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> June from 12pm – 6pm in the Pavilion Room at the Chatswood Concourse. For further information, phone 9639 7999.

### **UNSW Parent and Student Science Information Night**

Year 11 and 12 students are invited to explore career opportunities in science at this information forum which will be held at the Leighton Hall, John Niland Scientia Building on the Kensington campus of UNSW on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> May from 6.30pm–8.30pm. After a range of presentations on science-related topics there, will be an opportunity to speak with current students and academic staff. Register at [www.science.unsw.edu.au](http://www.science.unsw.edu.au)

## UNSW Year 10 Subject Selection Information Evenings

Because of the popularity of this event, it is being offered on a range of nights in May at various locations around Sydney. The evening will include a formal presentation by the Board of Studies as well as information on the UNSW admissions process, bonus points and degree-specific assumed knowledge. Register at [www.network.unsw.edu.au](http://www.network.unsw.edu.au). After entering "Killara High School", the available May evenings can be found by searching "Year 10".

## Macquarie University Experience Program

This program which concentrates on Science and Technology-based activities is designed to introduce high school students to the Macquarie University campus. The program can be downloaded at [www.mq.edu.au/macquarieexperience](http://www.mq.edu.au/macquarieexperience). To register an interest, email [futurerestudents@mq.edu.au](mailto:futurerestudents@mq.edu.au)

## UMAT 2012

Key dates for UMAT are as follows:

- Registration deadline – 5pm on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> June
- Test date – Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> July
- Results released – late September

Participating universities include:

- University of Adelaide (Medicine, Dental Surgery)
- Flinders University (Clinical Sciences/BMBS, Vision Science)
- Charles Darwin University (Clinical Sciences)
- University of Newcastle/University of New England (Joint Medical Program)
- UNSW (Medicine, Optometry)
- University of Western Sydney (Medicine)
- Bond University (Medicine)
- University of Queensland (Medicine, Dental Science)
- Monash University (Medicine, Physiotherapy)
- La Trobe University (Dentistry, Oral Health Science)
- University of Tasmania (Medicine)
- University of Western Australia (Medicine, Dental Medicine)
- University of Auckland (Medicine)
- University of Otago (Medicine, Medical Laboratory Science, Dental Surgery, Physiotherapy)

Register online at <http://umat.acer.edu.au>

## International Student Admission Test

International students currently studying in Australia and wishing to enrol in a range of Dental, Medicine and Physiotherapy courses will be required to sit the ISAT. Participating institutions include:

- Monash University (Medicine and Physio)
- UNSW (Medicine)

- University of Queensland ((Medicine and Dentistry)
- University of Tasmania (Medicine)
- University of Western Australia (Medicine and Dentistry)
- UWS (Medicine)

Register at <http://isat.acer.edu.au> for the test which runs until 26<sup>th</sup> October. There are currently two practice tests available for purchase on Acer's website.

## Professional Cadetships Australia

This is a reminder that the deadline for the submission of applications for this flexible Year 12 business cadetship course is 9<sup>th</sup> May.

Prospective applicants should visit [www.businesscadetships.com.au](http://www.businesscadetships.com.au) for further information.

## "Your Path to Sydney Uni"

This information session which will be held on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> May in the Whitlam Room at Revesby Workers Club, is geared to answering questions relating to university study including "What can I study?", "What marks do I need to get in?", "How do I apply?" and "How much would it cost?". Guest speakers include Canterbury Bulldogs' Corey Payne who will outline his motivation for attending Sydney Uni. Register at <https://events.sydney.edu.au/office2/getdemo.ei?id=20256&s=7YSOPOEW1>

## PWC Trainee Program Careers Session

Aimed at Year 12 students wishing to combine studies in a Business degree majoring in either Accounting or IT with valuable on-the-job experience, this event will be held on 16 May at the PWC office at Darling Point, Tower 2, 201 Sussex Street Sydney. RSVP by email to [sydneycampusrecruitment@au.pwc.com](mailto:sydneycampusrecruitment@au.pwc.com).

## UNSW Law School Parent and Student Information Evening

This forum, suited to aspiring law students and their parents, will be held on 10<sup>th</sup> May from 5pm – 8pm at UNSW's Law Building on the Kensington Campus. Bookings can be done through [www.law.unsw.edu.au/ps](http://www.law.unsw.edu.au/ps).

## Apprenticeships and Traineeships

A wide range of apprenticeships and traineeships is available at 1300apprentice or the Australian Training Company. Interested students should contact these organisations.

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

**Colleen Clarke and Andrew Chisholm,**  
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**Ku-ring-gai Youth Development Service (KYDS) and  
the Ku-ring-gai Council Youth Services Team**

**present a parent forum on**

**“Body Image”**

**Monday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2012**

**6.30 pm to 8.30 pm (registration from 6.15pm)**

**Ku-ring-gai Council Chambers,  
Level 3, 818 Pacific Highway, Gordon.**

**Guest Speakers:**

**Lydia Jade Turner** is the Managing Director of BodyMatters Australasia. Lydia has previously worked as the School Programs Director and Consultant to The Eating Disorders Foundation (NSW). Her broad experience in the field of eating pathology has included designing and delivering training programs to health professionals; presenting in schools, tertiary institutions, hospitals and community organisations; and providing counselling services.

**Sarah McMahon** is the joint Managing Director of BodyMatters Australasia. Sarah has spent almost 10 years counselling people affected by disordered eating behaviours and facilitating eating disorder support groups in a range of settings, including corporations, public hospitals, non-government organisations and private practices. Sarah was previously employed by The Eating Disorders Foundation and The Butterfly Foundation. In these roles she counselled people affected by eating disorders; provided training and supervision of leaders of eating disorder recovery group; and coordinated a rural project that was undertaken through the eating disorder units at Westmead Hospital and The Children's Hospital at Westmead.

Bookings required - contact Ku-ring-gai Youth Services on 9424 0837 or email [youth@kmc.nsw.gov.au](mailto:youth@kmc.nsw.gov.au).

For more information on the forum contact KYDS on 9416 9824 or visit [www.kyds.org.au/events](http://www.kyds.org.au/events)

Cost \$5

**Dads Coffee Catch Up**

**For Fathers in the Lower North Shore**

Dads Coffee Catch Up is a regular catch up over a hot beverage for dads in the local Lower North Shore area.

- Fathers in the area looking to connect with other fathers.
- Fathers having some degree of difficulty with their relationship, and/or parenting.
- Fathers with a need to discuss fathering and related topics with other men, in a low stress environment.
- Lower North Shore venue near Crows Nest

The group is not for:

- Dads who want one-on-one counselling
- Dads needing immediate crisis help

To make a referral call Centacare and ask for the intake worker 8425 8700

**A Course for Parents Experiencing Conflict  
After Separation**

Parents love their children and want the best for them. However, after separation parenting often gets much tougher.

**Keeping Kids in Mind** is a 5 week course for separated parents who are experiencing on- going conflict. The course is designed to:

- assist parents to see through their children's eyes the experience of parental separation.
- develop greater understanding about how to support their children following family separation.

**Dates:** Term 2 – 2012 (5 Wednesday evenings)  
2<sup>nd</sup> May-30<sup>th</sup> May - 6.30 – 9.00pm

**Venue:** Naremburn Family Centre,  
40 Merrenburn Ave, Naremburn

**Cost:** \$75 (Centrelink Healthcare card rebate available)

**Certificate of Attendance is provided**

**Registration is Essential:** Phone Rebecca Burnett-Smith on 8968 5100 to register. Participants must register, participate in a pre-group interview and pay prior to attending the course.

**Keeping Kids in Mind** is facilitated by qualified and experienced counsellors, mediators and educators.

**Year 9 Automotive Class**



**Pictured from L to R:** Isabella Saraceno, Ben Lapidot, Julian Yang, Matthew Vallance, Tayce Wiggins, Riley Featherstone