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P&C Meeting

Wednesday 15th August 2012 8pm

A Block Common Room

All Welcome

Year 12 Students Ekuba 2012 - Year 12 Farewell Dinner

Invitations have now been sent out to all Year 12 students and their guests for the Ekuba Dinner on Thursday 20th September.

If you have not received your invitation in the post please email Debbie Wilks on <u>dwilks@its.jnj.com</u>.

Acceptance Card and payment must be returned by Friday 10th August.

Artist: Natalie Hendry

Killara High School ANNUAL OPEN DAY

Monday 20th August 2012 12noon – 5.00pm

Students at work

 Classes to visit from 12noon-3pm in all curriculum areas

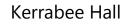
> Individual and group student performances

Children and families from our local primary schools especially welcome

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Annual Visual Arts Exhibition

Opening Night: Friday 17th August 2012 at 7pm



Open:

Saturday 18th August -11am-3pm Monday 20th August -9am-5pm Tuesday 21st August -9am-3pm

Killara High School

Calendar

August 2012

		August 2012
10	-	Stage Band Concert 7 – 9pm
11	-	DEAS Bronze Qualifying
		Expedition (2 days)
	-	Stage Band 2 performing at All
		Saints Church fete,
13	-	Yr 11 Visual Arts Excursion
	-	Yr 9 PASS assisting at Lindfield East PS Athletics Carnival
14	-	Yr 10 Commerce Excursion
	-	Yr 8 History Incursion – Kerrabee Hall
	-	ICAS Mathematics Competition (Year 7)
15	-	P&C Meeting 8 – 9.30pm
	-	ICAS Mathematics competition (Year 8)
17	-	Visual Arts Exhibition Opening
	-	SJC Mufti Day (Supporting Anti- Slavery Advocacy Group)
19	-	Grounds Working Bee 8.15am
20	-	Open Day 12 noon – 5pm
22	-	Yr 8 Gala Day
	-	Yr 12 EES Excursion – Field of Mars
	-	Yr 12 Music Night (Course 1)
24	-	Yr 11 SRE Seminar (P3)
	-	Yr 12 SRE Seminar (P2)
26	-	PASS Ski Excursion (4 days)
27	-	Yr 11 Biology Excursion
	-	Yr 11 (G) Hospitality Work Placement (all week)
28	-	PAE Music Night
29	-	Tertiary Information Evening
		6.30 – 8.30pm
31	-	Yr 7/8 Netball Gala Day
		September 2012
3	-	Yr 11 (L) Hospitality Work Placement (all week)
4	-	Yr 12 Modern History Excursion
	-	Yr 10 Motivational speaker and workshops (all day)
5	-	Korobo Annual Dance Concert 7 – 9pm – Kerrabee Theatre
	-	Student Leadership Conference – Kerrabee Hall
6	-	CHS Athletics Carnival (2 days)
7	-	DEAS Silver Qualifying Expedition
12	-	Yr 7 Gala Day
	-	Yr 9/10 Netball Knockout

14 - Yr 10 Geography Excursion

Sticking to the Knitting



Six Year 8 girls represented the Killara High School community at the ABC 702 Wrapped in Love Knit last week. Thev were among several thousand participants who spent time together at this annual community function hosted by the ABC at its studios in 3rd Ultimo on Friday August. Lunch time

knitting sessions led by Ms Phelan, Head Teacher Stage 4, and Ms Khoo Library Assistant, produced dozens of knitted wool squares, sewn together and finished by some more experience hands, and these in turn became part of the mass of woollen blankets donated for use by more needy folk here and overseas.

The atmosphere of community and the exchange and sense of sharing between knitting 'old hands' and younger enthusiasts was strong and enduring. Our six among knitters were many students from across Sydney who found themselves immersed in a new world of skill, knowledge and collaboration



between young and old. The girls were great company all morning and their exemplary conduct, presentation and quality handiwork were remarked upon by many.

As one experienced knitter remarked, "You must be very proud of them". Indeed! It was a privilege to accompany these students. Special thanks to Ms Phelan and Ms Khoo for all their 'lunchtime' guidance and teaching over recent months.

Conserva Progredere: what does it mean?

The question was asked by the six knitters as we walked back to school from Killara Station. As the girls noted, the Latin hints fairly directly at 'conservation' and 'progress'. It is our ambition to preserve the best of our heritage and practice and look to the future for beneficial change and development – progress. Our involvement in the North Shore Secondary Schools Partnership (NSSSP) is but one example of this ethos in action. **Mark Carter, Principal**

Did You Know?

Congratulations to **Brenna Moore (Year 9)** who was recently selected in the Sydney Netball Academy's Under 15 team. The team is selected from players from all over the Sydney metropolitan area and will be competing in the 15 years Development Weekend in September. Well done, Brenna!

Student Leaders 2012-2013

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 23rd August 2012.

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

ARTS COUNCIL

Year 7 Renee Butler Nadine Dracakis Isobel Middleton	Year 8 Abby Constable Rain Liu Nina Stammbach Rhys Tirado	Year 9 Oscar Bertuzzi Flora Gorrick Tess Marshall Celine Tunnicliffe	Year 10 Nicholas Barnard Daniel Brini Stephen Lee Rory Wilson	Year 11 Karina Bodnaruk Julia Kirkpatrick Emily Layson Emma Norrington Robert Robinson
		PREFECTS		
Robert Ashcroft Charlotte Benson	Tomer Cohen Eliza-Jane Ellis	Estella Holden Alana Jacobs	Alexander Mura David Nouri	Rennie So Roxanna Swart

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Sabina Bertuzzi	Willis Fell-Gordon	Albert Lee
Andrew Birks	Kate Goodwin	Samuel Mackay
Bronte Carfino	James Gowland	Thea Margalit

SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE

Year 7 Lauren Bleach Olivia Charles	Year 8 Madeline Gerber Sam Jacobs	Year 9 Daniella Csizmadia Lily Giles Kiaran Pain	Year 10 Dylan Dunkley Evangeline Leslie Mishaal Baidy	Year 11 Curtis Chan Alice Rapee Parker Chu
Scarlett Cheesman Aroon Parthasarathy	Tobias Teh Frank Weng	Kieran Pain Romy Silver	Michael Reidy Victor So	Mei Iwato

SPORTS COUNCIL

Year 7 Katya Buryak Lachlan Law Nathan Little Hannah Swinton Matthew Tee

Year 8 Brianna Gibson Sophinia Lo Nicholas O'Donohue Talitha Vermeulen Victor Sim Year 9 Stephanie Karefylakis Megan Simon Na Young Song Georgia Swinton Tayce Wiggins Year 10 Jackie Bryant Ella Gibson Meg Hornsby Kshitij Prasad Clarissa Yee

Owen Olthof

Timothy Scollay

Anja Sauer

Year 11 Michael Jones

Gabriella Turner

Nicholas Wilks

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL

Year 7 Angus Teh Sarah Bruggisser Anders Bergersen Year 8 Tess Hanrahan-Shirley Christina Kim Isabella Baker Stephen Scollay Alexis Edinburg Year 9 Lucy Birtwistle Lucy Gamaroff Sara Imani Hannah Allum Year 10

Eric Son Bowen Lin Reuben Lazarus Deborah Lowenstein

Working with our Partnership schools

Late last term Killara High School hosted a workshop for interested staff from across the five schools comprising our NSSSP– Chatswood High School, Ku-ring-gai Creative Arts High School, St Ives High School, Turramurra High School and of course Killara High School.

Exploring opportunities for Working Together, the workshop title has produced a rich source of potential collaboration between the schools. These

Capital Works

The new building, Block F, has been the focus of several meetings with architects and staff visits to other schools with newly constructed facilities for Technological and Applied Studies and Visual Arts. A draft master plan has been prepared that makes provision for the future development of the site are early days. This term teams from each school will be looking at curriculum sharing between two or more schools and shared approaches to communication and provision of services. Each of the five schools has secured a grant of \$50 000 under the Empowering Local Schools National Partnership Program funded by the Commonwealth Government.

Mark Carter, Principal

following the completion of Block F which will be located on the slope between Block E and the House. Plans have yet to be finalised but construction is expected to commence in July 2013. **Mark Carter, Principal**

Law Society of NSW Mock Trial 2012

On 25th July Killara High School students competed in the fifth round of the Mock Trial competition for 2012. Killara had a hard fought battle and only narrowly lost against the Knox Grammar school team.



SMS Notification of Student Absences

The important issue of consistent attendance at school as a key to maximising achievement at school for students has been the subject of several articles in our school newsletter.

I have previously written on our continuing work to support our students in attending school every day, identifying that one of the ways we do this is by maintaining regular communication with parents. To further improve this process, we are now preparing to institute a system of sending text messages to parents notifying them when their child is absent. Parents will be able to respond to this text with a text of explanation which will be sufficient documentation for our roll records. Parents will not need to send in a note of explanation if they provide a return text explanation but may, of course, do so if they choose. The Killara team consisted of **Bec Krieger**, as first barrister, **Ashlee Jaensch**, as second barrister and **Marlene Grobler**, as solicitor. The Killara team represented the prosecution and both barristers articulated their case very well.

Killara's first witness **David Nouri** presented his witness statement perfectly, and kept the Knox team on their toes. Second witness, **Alana Jacobs**, took no prisoners with her witness statement. The role of court officer was ably performed by Albert Lee.

A very big thank you goes to the team's coach again this year, Judge David Patten, whose insights and commitment to the Killara team has been invaluable. A special thank you goes to Alan Hughes, who assisted the Killara team with this case.

While the magistrate awarded the Killara team the case, unfortunately Knox won the round on points. **Duncan Coutts, Mock Trial Coordinator**

The benefits of this notification system are obvious. Parents will be informed of their child's absence early in the day and, where this absence is not with their approval, actions may be taken swiftly to locate the student and encourage them to attend. If a student is notified as being absent and the parent is of the belief that the child is at school, the parent may contact the school to follow up on this. Early response to students choosing to inappropriately absent themselves from school has been demonstrated to have greater impact in remedying the situation long term.

Through this system, a dialogue will be commenced between the appropriate Stage Head Teacher and the parent, focussing on supporting the student in regularly attending school. The system also provides for a streamlined verification of absences and will significantly reduce the time which our administration staff currently spend on following up on rolls.

The cost of this system to the school should be less than the current system of mailouts although we will still provide one mail notification per term of absences for which explanations have not been received. Our administration staff will also be able to redirect some of their time previously spent on maintenance of the rolls towards the continued support of students and staff in other areas.

There is some organisation which needs to take place before this system commences. Obviously, it is essential that the mobile phone numbers which we have recorded are accurate. We recently requested an update of parent contact details. If there have been any further changes to your details, please let us know by phone, 94983722, or email <u>killarah.school@det.nsw.edu.au</u>

Prestigious Award for Killara Graduate

We were recently advised by Peter Garrett, the Federal Minister for School Education, that one of our wonderful Year 12 students from the 2011 cohort, **Joshua Lazarus**, had been awarded a prestigious, national prize for excellence and outstanding achievement in vocational education. Not only did Josh receive a certificate acknowledging this honour but also \$2000.



Josh didn't follow the traditional HSC path. Instead, in Year 10, he opted to incorporate a school-based traineeship in Live Production at the Sydney Convention Centre into his HSC. The spin-off was that in addition to attending classes at Killara High, Josh had to spend a day a week in paid employment at the Sydney Convention Centre as part of its Technical Production crew as well as an afternoon a week at Bradfield College where he obtained a Certificate 3 in Entertainment. Josh's single-minded The Sentral attendance package which we will be using will use the mobile phone number of the mother where there are two parents listed. If you would like a different mobile number to be used, please contact the school.

There may be some "teething" problems as we all get used to the new system and I hope that you will understand if mistakes are made. However, we believe that the benefits to be gained for the welfare and education of our students far outweigh the inconvenience of any errors which are made.

As with all issues, you are invited to contact the school on 94983722 to discuss any concerns which you may have regarding your child's attendance. In the first instance, you should speak to your child's Year Adviser or the Stage Head Teacher for your child – Ms Phelan for Years 7 and 8, Ms Williamson for Years 9 and 10 and Ms Lane for Years 11 and 12 who supervise attendance.

Judith Paszek, Deputy Principal

dedication and excellence in the technical production field was very apparent and the reason he was nominated for the award.



Josh is currently on a gap year which he is spending largely in Israel where he has worked on a farm, helped out at summer camps and will be going to a kibbutz for several months. On his return to Australia Josh has been offered the chance to return to the Sydney Convention Centre as a casual employee where he will continue expanding his expertise in live technical production, an area he identified as early as Year 10 as being something he had a passion for.

Congratulations on your fine achievement, Josh, and good luck.

Colleen Clark, Careers Adviser

Stage Band Concert Friday 10th August at 7.00pm in the Kerrabee Theatre *All welcome*

Working together to improve the School grounds

Grounds Working Bee



Sunday 19th August 2012 - 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 20th 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.



This week we learn what the CAPA faculty are reading...

Gillian Torok	 Ruth Park; <i>Playing Beattie Bow</i> and <i>Harp in the South.</i> Lisa Lutz; <i>Spellman series</i> (The Spellman Files, Curse of the Spellmans)
Fionna Massey	 Ken Follet; <i>Pillars of the Earth</i> Jeremy Webb; <i>Creative Vision</i> (fantastic photographic and digital media book for inspiration and contemporary digital practice in photography!)
Paula Sherras	 Khaled Hosseini; The Kite Runner and A Thousand Splendid Suns (Stories about life in war torn Afghanistan, makes you appreciate where we live!)
Matthew Mulready	- J. K Rowling; The <i>Harry Potter</i> series.

KHS Staff Wide Reading Recommendations

As part of our literacy focus th aim is to encourage students that reading is a wonderful t want to widen their ideas, imag vocabulary.	to read. We believe ool for students who	Every few weeks we will be releasing a list of novels, biographies and non-fiction that teachers in a certain faculty are reading. We hope that students and teachers take these recommendations on board and enjoy some of our favourite books.	
Year 10 Sonnets			
Recently 10E-7 students have been composing their own sonnets in their "Love and War" poetry unit. Below is a small sample of the impressive work they		But even if he falls fighting for what is right He will rise up again as he is the Dark Knight.	
have produced.		Two Faced	Emi Marriage
Well done Year 10!		That smile as sweet	as mountain dew
Josie Tomlinson, English Fa	culty	That hair like honeye	ed milk
The Dark Knight Rises	Jayden Kong	Those eyes that shin That voice as soft as	
Striding through the gloomy night undetected		You've got them helpless on your hook	
Not knowing if he will return ali	/e	Their devotion I can't bear	
Still he searches for crime to be corrected		They always seem to overlook	

The hatred in your glare

They cut me to the bone

But I'm not made of stone

vou're two faced.

Your insults given out like kicks

Your words stab like sharpened sticks

You're a rose wilting fast, your beauty soon replaced

But no-one sees what lurks beneath - you're lovely,

Still he searches for crime to be corrected A duty that only continues to thrive The people know not the man behind the mask Yet in dire need they signal for his aid He is already there, hidden but still on task Evil can't get far from his vengeful crusade But now that changes as he pleads guilty To something he did not do, for Gotham's sake And he grows much older leading to frailty While a mighty enemy starts to wake

Tahiti

Rachael Piech

Over the waves I seem to fly Oblivious to the time that's passing by The longer it takes to get there already Both miles and my love begin to grow steady. With a bright sun, warm sand and cool sea, I'm travelling to where I always want to be. These islands taught me that love is this, and this is love

Something immortal - something from above. The eternal season consumes my mind, But one day waiting at the jetty I find A boat scheduled to take me back home To a dreaded place and a different time zone. Tahiti is where I want to forever stay To cease this empty longing I feel every day.

Year 11 Parents – We Need Your Help! Ekuba 2011 Year 12 Farewell Dinner

Year 11 is hosting the Year 12 Farewell Dinner, known as EKUBA, in the Kerrabee Centre on the evening of Thursday 20th September 2012.

There will be many students, parents and teachers attending the function which is always a very happy occasion. To make the evening a success we need your help from about 10.15am – 2pm setting up, laying the tables, decorating the hall and then later in the evening cleaning up from 9.30pm onwards. We expect to be finished no later than 11.30pm. In previous years with lots of willing helpers the clean up has been done in about half an hour!

The Year 11 hospitality students will also be helping us out and from 5.30pm they will be assisting the caterers, serving food and helping to clean up afterwards. However we also need the help of **Year 11 parents** to ensure the preparations and the function run smoothly.

If you can assist, please email Debbie Wilks on <u>dwilks@its.jnj.com</u>

Thank you from the Ekuba Committee 2012

Multicultural Morning

On Thursday 21st June, eight students from the Year 9 Chinese class visited Turramurra High School to participate in the 'Multicultural Morning' for Year 8 students.



Killara High School is in the fortunate position of offering classes in Chinese from years 7 to 12. We are currently running both Beginners and Continuers Chinese courses in Year 11 while in Year 12 we have students studying both Continuers and Background Speaker courses. As such our students offer an interesting perspective on studying Chinese and were invited by Mrs Doreen Wang, Chinese teacher at Turramurra High School, to speak to students about the value of learning Chinese. Year 9 students prepared and delivered six 20 minute seminars explaining their various motivations for electing Chinese and their enthusiasm for the language and culture.



A common theme was that the opportunities to hear, speak and even read Chinese are readily available in our community. A little language goes a long way and students have discovered that what they have learned in class is easily applied while shopping at the local corner store, making new friends at school or even to meeting a neighbour.

KHS students, Ryan Fitzpatrick, Mollie van Vessem, Emma Johnstone, Yerin Kim, Haruya Kimura, Emily Yau, Han Sul Park and Georgia Frazer represented their school admirably, and I thank them for their contribution. Ruth Charles, LOTE Faculty

Sports Selection Years 9-11

In an effort to improve our systems as well as our communication with parents, the Sports Department, in conjunction with the Administrative Support Staff, are trialing a new system for students to complete their Thursday sport selections. It works in a similar way to how students choose their elective subjects through the 'Edval system'.

You should have already received an email this week directing your child/ward to a website where they can complete their selection, then print off a summary. Parents are then asked to sign the summary, and following this, students are required to return it to the PDHPE staffroom by the nominated date.

Please note that it does take time to get the sports rolls correct and hence students will not be invoiced until the 27th August 2012. Please do not forward any money until this time.

We appreciate your support in this matter.

Please feel free to contact the sports department with any questions you have about this new system or other general sport enquiries.

Ben Costantini, Sports Organiser

Have Your Say – An Invitation to Participate in a Review of the School's Reporting Procedures

The school is conducting a review of our reporting practices and procedures to further our efforts to improve our communication with parents and students. One of our targets for 2012 is to improve all forms of communication with our school community and the feedback which we provide to students and parents to support student achievement can be invaluable. For this reason, we are constantly striving to improve this service.

To this end, I will be leading a panel which will review our reporting practices. This panel comprises Heather Jordan, parent representative, Julie Hughes, School Administration Manager, Steven Gibb, HSIE teacher, and myself.

Over the next few weeks I will be seeking written input from the various stakeholders which will be considered by the panel. During the actual review, students, parents and teachers will be interviewed. Parent participants to be interviewed will be randomly selected and invited to make their contributions. However, the review process also encourages input from all interested parties.

If you would like to make a contribution to this review, please contact the school on 9498 3722 or by email killara-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au and leave your name and contact details.

Judith Paszek, Deputy Principal

Year 12 Parents 2012 Final-Get-Together 18th August at 7:00 pm

Pymble Hotel Bistro http://www.pymblehotel.com.au/

1134 Pacific Highway, Pymble (Parking available in carpark on right, also on Pacific Highway) We have one, last, lucky Door Prize to give away!

Buy your own food & drinks and enjoy mingling with 'old friends' in the special 'Sunken Lounge Area' booked for our momentous occasion



Bring along your favourite Year Get-Together photos! Please feel free to invite other Year 12 parents RSVP by 11th August – Nalini (0402 059 359)



The National Self-Detection Program for Scoliosis (NSDP) 2012

The online discussion forum at Scoliosis Australia (www.scoliosis-australia.org)

Scoliosis (spinal curvature) is an important health problem for adolescent girls and 25 per thousand are at risk of developing a significant curve. Three girls per thousand require active treatment (spinal brace or surgery). Because in the early stages the condition is most often asymptomatic, screening in the age range 11-13 years is a sound preventative health measure. When school screening for scoliosis was abandoned the Spine Society of Australia introduced the self-detection program as a The Spine Society of practical alternative. Australia's policy on the matter is fully explained on their website www.scoliosis-australia.org.

Jane Rountree, Head Teacher Student Support

Careers Corner

<u>Open Days</u>

• Australian International Conservatorium of Music, a private provider offering a range of courses in music performance, production, composition and music theatre and teaching, will have its Open Day from 11am -2pm on Saturday 8th September at 114 Victoria Rd, Rozelle. RSVP at <u>admin@aicm.edu.au</u>

• Bedford College which offers a range of child care and business courses, will open its doors to prospective students on 15th September from 9.30am.

• The International College of Management will hold its Open Day on Sunday 19th August from 10am. It is located at 151 Darley Road, Manly and offers a unique professional Industry Training Program in a range of courses including Business, Event, Hospitality, International Tourism, Property, Retail and Sports Management. Register at www.icms.edu.au/openday

• The Design Centre at Enmore invites prospective students to attend its Open Day on Saturday 8th September from 10am. It is one of Australia's premier design colleges offering qualifications in graphic design, interior design and decoration, jewellery and object design, product design, live production, theatre and events illustration, 3D art and animation and interactive digital media.

• University of Sydney's Conservatorium of Music offers open day attendees the opportunity to get one-on-one advice about audition requirements, listen to a lecture or masterclass, experience a performance and play in one of the SCM's performance ensembles. It will be held on 25th August from 9.30am. For further information visit Sydney.edu.au/music

University of Wollongong Selective Entry Program

Under the guidelines of this new program, high achieving students will be offered a place at UOW prior to sitting their HSC, based on their marks across Years 10, 11 and 12. All students who are offered a place under the Selective Entry Program will have a guaranteed spot in residence on campus. For further information, log on to: selective.uow.edu.au. Students requiring assistance with this process should contact the careers office. Applications close on 15th August.

ADFA Open Day

This event, which will be held at the Defence Force Academy in Canberra on Saturday 25th August from 9am – 4pm, will give attendees a taste of life at the Academy.

Charles Sturt University Principal's Report Entry Program

This early entry program aims to offer academically talented students keen on studying at CSU a place in the course of their choice before ATARs are

released. Email <u>uac@csu.edu.au</u> with "PREP Sydney School Application" in the subject line to request an application form. These should not be downloaded from the university's website. Deadline for submission is 19th September. For further information phone 1800 334 733 or visit <u>www.csu.edu.au/prep</u>.

<u>A Day @ UNSW</u>

Year 10 – 12 students are invited to register for this event which aims to give students a taste of university life. It will be held on Thursday 6th September. All faculties at UNSW will deliver a range of lectures and activities. Interested students should register via <u>www.network.unsw.edu.au</u> -Keyword Day @.

UNSW Bachelor of Information Systems Admissions Scheme

An information session outlining an alternative pathway into the Bachelor of Information Systems will be held at UNSW on Thursday 13th September. It is aimed at students who feel they might not achieve the ATAR required to gain entry to this degree.

Sydney National Careers and Employment Expo

This large, free event which will be held from 30th August to 1st September at the Sydney Olympic Park Showgrounds, will showcase over 25,000sqm of careers information. Register online at www.eoexpo.com.au

Apprenticeship Opportunities

• Vantage Automotive is the provider of the Modern Apprenticeship Program which trains auto apprentices for a range of prestige companies including Jaguar, Renault, Subaru, Audi and Volvo. Students interested in applying for the program should visit <u>www.vantageautomotive.com</u> and follow the "Apply Now" steps. Any student needing assistance with the enrolment process should contact the careers office.

• Trivett, Australia's largest prestige automotive group, is seeking to recruit first year apprentices in the light vehicle, motorcycle and parts areas. Further information and application forms can be found at <u>www.trivett.com.au/apprenticeships</u>. Applications close on 16th September.

• The Australian Training Company is seeking trainees and apprentices in Home and Community Care, Telecommunications, Business and Aged Care. Phone 9704 1599 for more information.

NSW Law Society Legal Secretary Course

Called the Legal Industry's Essential Beginner's Guide, this 2-week online course may be completed either from 3rd-16th September or 5th-18th November at a cost of \$100. On completion, successful candidates will be issued with an industry recognised certificate. For further information contact 9926-0245.

Scholarship Information

NB: All students wishing to apply for a scholarship should request an early reference from home group teachers as some universities require references to be submitted with scholarship applications.

• Bedford College, which offers a range of child care and business diplomas that articulate into university degrees, will hold its scholarship assessments during its Open Day on 15th September.

• Karl von Busse Institute of Design is offering scholarships valued at \$40,000 for 2-year diplomas in Graphic, Fashion and Interior Design. For further information phone 9261 1191.

• Laing and Simmons has a scholarship on offer for students interested in a career in real estate. Applications close on 31st August. For further information phone 9291-7000.

• University of Sydney Scholarship Information and Application Forms are available from the careers office for Merit, Entry and Faculty Scholarships. Deadline for submission is 2nd October.

• A comprehensive guide to scholarships at the University of New England is available from the careers office. UNE offers Equity, Discipline, Residential and Sporting scholarships.

• The Department of Education has up to 300 scholarships on offer for students keen to train in the key secondary learning areas of Maths, Science (Physics), English (particularly in combination with Drama or History) and Special Education. Employment will be in Western and South Western Sydney as well as non-coastal, rural NSW. For further information phone 1300 301 435.

• The EA Ski and Snowboard Internship Program offers Year 12 students an opportunity to obtain paid employment at a top ski resort while completing an internationally recognised ski or snowboard instructing qualification. One scholarship winner will be offered a free place on EA's Ultimate Internship Program for the Winter season in Canada. For further information on how to apply, visit www.easkiandsnowboard.com/aus-schoolsscholarship. Entries close 10th August.

• Avondale College President's Scholarship, valued at \$8,000, is available to students whose

From the Library

<u>Study Centre for Seniors ~ an after school</u> <u>initiative</u>

Killara High School is always looking for ways to enhance the Year 12 learning environment and provide additional support for all HSC students to assist them in meeting their study/work requirements for the HSC. A new strategy is being planned for the beginning of Term 3. ATARs fall in the top 20 per cent of NSW and who demonstrate leadership skills and a record of community service. Application forms are available from the careers office and should be returned to the college by 10th August. Information on other Avondale scholarships can be accessed at <u>www.avondale.edu.au/scholarships</u>

• Le Cordon Bleu has on offer a comprehensive range of culinary scholarships at both Bachelor and Masters levels. Applications can be accessed at <u>www.lecordonbleu.com.au/index.cfm</u> and should be submitted by 8th October.

• Information on scholarships available at Charles Sturt University is available from the careers office.

UNSW's Taste of Electrical Engineering 2012

The School of Electrical and Telecommunications Engineering at UNSW will host two, three-day workshops for talented high school students in Years 10 and 11 in the September school holidays. Interested students with an aptitude for Maths, a passion for Science and a love of problem solving should visit www.eet.unsw.edu.au/tasteofee for further information.

University of Notre Dame's Early Offer Program

This program aims to offer Year 12 students who have demonstrated academic excellence and leadership skills as well as a keen participation in community service, an early place in a course of their choice. Students should be nominated by their school and attend an interview. Application forms are available from the careers office.

Digi-Girls "Business of Design" Course

This two-day program which aims to teach participants website design and how to create a virtual business, is ideal for girls in Years 9, 10 and 11. It will be held at Freshwater Education Centre, Harbord Rd, Harbord at a cost of \$120 from 19th-20th November. Students interested in attending should contact the careers office.

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

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To assist our Year 12 students with their information needs during their HSC year, we are hoping to provide tutors via the university students from either/or the University of Technology - Lindfield campus and Macquarie University. This would be a voluntary collaboration, so it is dependent on the availability of student volunteers. We are proposing the following arrangement:

What: An after-school student centre with tutors to assist Year 12 with their HSC information needs

Where: The Lion Library at Killara High School

When: Tuesdays or Fridays - after school: 3.10-4.30 pm.

Afternoon tea will be provided.

So far we have tutors for the following subjects: English, Mathematics, History and Business Studies.

Ms Campbell, one of our Teacher-Librarians will be co-ordinating this venture.

Please contact her at the Lion Library during school hours for any further information and to express your interest in participating.

<u>New Books</u>

Fiction

Middle School: Get Me Out Of Here! by James Patterson

James Patterson's winning follow-up to the #1New York Times bestseller Middle School, The Worst Years of My Life--which the LA Times called "a perfectly pitched novel"--is another riotous and heart-warming story about living large. After sixth grade, the very worst year of his life, Rafe Khatchadorian thinks he has it made in seventh grade. He's been accepted to art school in the big city and imagines a math-and-history-free fun zone. Wrong! It's more competitive than Rafe ever expected, and to score big in class, he needs to find a way to turn his boring life into the inspiration for a work of art. His method? Operation: Get a Life! Anything he's never done before, he's going to do it, from learning to play poker to going to a modern art museum. But when his newest mission uncovers secrets about the family Rafe's never known, he has to decide if he's ready to have his world turned upside down. (Includes over 100 illustrations.)

Ghost Hunter by Michelle Paver

As winter approaches and Souls' Night draws near, the Eagle Owl Mage holds the clans in the grip of terror. To fulfill his destiny, Torak must seek his lair in the Mountain of Ghosts. He must defy demons and tokoroths, and find his way through the Gorge of the Hidden People. Wolf must overcome terrible grief. Renn must make an agonising decision. And in the final battle against the Soul-Eater, Torak must face the most heart-rending choice of all.

Dreamland by Alyson Noel

Riley Bloom's afterlife is about as good as it gets, except she'll never be a teenager. Riley desperately wants speak to her older sister, Ever, and ask her advice. Ever is still alive and the only way Riley can reach her is to search for Dreamland a place where ghosts can jump into dreams and talk to their loved ones. But when she finally gets there Riley discovers that Dreamland isn't as heavenly as it sounds. In fact, it's a total nightmare.

Whisper by Alyson Noel

A new Riley Bloom novel. This time, Riley might really have bitten off more than she's ready for. After practically begging the Council for a more challenging Soul Catch, she is assigned an actual Roman gladiator, Theocoles, the Pillar of Doom. To get through to him, she is transformed into the beautiful and mature teen she's always wanted to be. With a dream this enchanting, will she ever want to leave?

Non Fiction

Churchill's Bunker: The Secret Headquarters at the Heart of Britain's Victory by Richard Holmes 940.5341 HOL

'This is the room from which I will direct the war,' Churchill declared, shortly after becoming Prime Minister in 1940. It was from these cramped confines that Churchill turned a seemingly inevitable defeat at the hands of the Nazis into a famous victory. Built in 1938 as a temporary refuge in case of air raid attack, this secret bunker became a second home to Churchill - and to large numbers of military personnel and civil servants whose work until now has been largely unsung. Drawing on a fascinating range of original material, including newly available first-hand accounts of the people who lived there, the author Richard Holmes reveals how and why the bunker and its war machine developed: how the inhabitants' lives were transformed; and how their work led to victory. Elegant and illuminating, Churchill's Bunker is a unique exploration of one of the most important sites in British history.

100 Things: What's On Your List? By Sebastian Terry 153.8 TER

Have you ever allowed yourself time to think about what's really important to you? Something you have always dreamed of doing? In a moment of reflection after the loss of a friend, Sebastian Terry's answer is a list of 100 things, the things he's always wanted to do. Sebastian embarks on an incredible adventure which sees him *Get Shot in Colombia, Crash the Red Carpet at the Cannes Film Festival and Cycle Through Cuba -* all in an effort to ensure he lives a life without regrets. Now more than halfway through his list, Sebastian has realised that his journey is part of something so much bigger . . . 100 Things is a humorous, action-packed story for anyone who's ever dreamed about living every day like it was their last.

Christine Sugowdz and Francie Campbell, Teacher-Librarians

Project eyewatch

A new service called to complement or replace Neighbourhood Watch.

Free Community Training Workshop

A free introductory workshop run by the NSW Police, Neighbourhood Watch with the assistance of Kuring-gai Council, and sponsored by the Ku-ring-gai Police & Community Safety Committee

This workshop will provide an introduction into how Facebook is used for crime prevention - a new communication link between the community and the Police.

Friday 24th August 2012, 10am - 12pm Ku-ring-gai Council Chambers, Level 3, 818 Pacific Highway Gordon

Open to anyone in the community, especially those involved with Neighbourhood Watch, or those who would like to learn more about eyewatch for use in their own community organisations.

Five reasons to follow NSW Police on Facebook and attend the training workshop:

1. Find out about crimes in your area

- 2. Get emergency alerts and warnings
- 3. Help police solve and prevent crime
- 4. Ask police for advice or assistance

5. Attend eyewatch meetings

Bookings essential: NHWGordon@gmail.com

Free Seminar for Parents

Body Image and Eating Disorders

Wednesday 15th August, 2012 7-8pm (registration 6.30pm) *Mosman Youth Centre, 30 The Crescent, Mosman*

Many parents report feeling confused about how to foster health when it comes to their kids. On one hand body image campaigns teach us to accept our bodies and love them as they are, on the other, anti-obesity messages teach us that weight loss is a desirable goal. Everyday the media bombards us with a variety of nutritional advice - sugars are 'toxic', carbs are 'in' one minute then 'out' the next, gluten is 'bad.'

It can be difficult navigating these (often) fear mongering and contradictory messages. What we are rarely told is that the risk factors for the development of both eating disorders and obesity are similar. And while the media continues to pit eating disorders against obesity, research shows unhealthy eating practices are becoming the norm amongst teens. This presentation will equip parents with a vital understanding of how to promote health without harming their children in the process.

Presenter: Lydia Jade Turner, Managing Director & Psychotherapist, BodyMatters Australasia

For more information or to register for the seminar please contact 9777 7993 or john.woodward@willoughby.nsw.gov.au.

It has to be cricket with your friends!

This summer we're looking for the next generation of bowlers, batters and catchers. There are lots of ways you can get involved in cricket with your local club, association or indoor centre.

Sign up now with your local club or find out more at playcricket.com.au

St Ives Junior Cricket Club Registrations for Season 2012/13 NOW OPEN

Whether you are new to cricket or a returning player, **register online now** to become a member of the St Ives Junior Cricket Club and enjoy a fun filled summer of cricket for ages 4-16.

Ages 8-16: Under 9 up to Under 16/17 teams play against other North Shore teams on Saturday mornings or afternoons or Sunday depending on the age group.

Girl's cricket is also available and encouraged at St Ives Junior Cricket Club. From around 8 years old, girls can either play with the boys in the NSJCA competition or they can play for St Ives in the Northern Sydney Girl's Cricket Association Twenty-20 competition on Saturday afternoons from 2pm.

For more information or to register online go to www.stivescricket.org.au or contact Rachel Scholefield at admin12@stivescricket.org.au ph: 9011 7524

West Pymble Cricket Club CRICKET SEASON 2012/2013

Senior Players (16+ years) A, B & C grade Junior Players (Under 9 to Under 16)

Registration – West Pymble Shops 11th and 12th August 2012 10 – 2 pm

All age skills and levels welcome Call: 0421 CRIKET Email: wpcc.cricket@hotmail.com Web: wpcc.nsw.cricket.com.au

Ku-ring-gai Lantern Club raising funds for The Royal Institute for Deaf and Blind Children

"Show Time"

With The Police Concert Band

An exciting program of all-time favourites from the world of entertainment

Tickets:	\$20 adults, \$5 school students (Includes free afternoon tea after performance		
Date:	Saturday 18 th August 2012 at 1.30pm		
Place:	Turramurra Uniting Church, Turramurra Avenue, Turramurra		