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P&C Meeting

Wednesday
19th September 2012
8pm

A Block Common Room

All welcome!

Did You Know . . ?

Katie Lee and Bo Jensen (Year 10) competed in the recent NSW Taekwondo Championship and won gold and silver respectively in the technical division.



This Sporting Life

Killara High School athletes have turned in some outstanding performances in recent weeks and months with the highlight being the performances of **Ben Mackay and Hannah Swinton** in the Combined High Schools (CHS) Cross Country carnival.

This followed our students' individual and team successes at Zone and Regional Athletics Carnivals in July and August this year.

The results for the athletics carnivals held in May and subsequent meetings are detailed below.

Killara High Athletics Carnival



The 22nd May was a great day at Narrabeen. The weather was on our side, the students were keen to participate and everyone's spirits were high and motivated to run. Once again we had an increase in the number of competitors which was great to see. Congratulations to all competitors.

The 15 new records for this year are;

Ella Gibson	16yrs 100m Hurdles 18.67 secs
Samantha Bowden	14yrs Hurdles 15.36 secs 14yrs Discus 30.13m 14yrs Triple Jump 9.69m
James Andreau	15yrs 400m 55.14 secs
Nicholas O'Donohue	13yrs 100m 12.59 secs
Stephanie Chandler	15yrs 1500m 5.57.82
Annika Wun	16yrs Triple jump 9.66m
Brianna Gibson	13yrs Discus 31.86m 13yrs Triple Jump 9.42m
Eliza Cepak	17+yrs Discus 38.48m 17+ yrs Shot Put 9.93m
Jayden Burgess	13yrs High Jump 1.54m 13yrs Triple Jump 10.60



The Age Champions are:

Boys	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
12yrs	Felix Bowes	Sota Shibasaki	Mathieu Mingant
13yrs	Jayden Burgess/ Nicholas O'Donohue		Sachin Shah
14yrs	Benjamin Mackay	Adnan Hameed	Joshua Marsh
15yrs	Nicholas Druce	James Andreou	Brandon Marsh
16yrs	Samuel Mackay	Brodie Frost	Richard Swanson
17yrs	Robert Gibson	Ryan Persson	Mitchell Hansen

Calendar

September 2012

- 6 - CHS Athletics Carnival (3 days)
- Yr 8 Gifted & Talented NASAA Virtual Excursion
- 7 - DEAS Silver Qualifying Expedition (3 days)
- 10 - Yr 11 Interview week
- 11 - Korobro Annual Dance Concert
7.30pm – Kerrabee Theatre
- Yr 7/8 All Schools Boys and Girls Touch Football., David Thomas Reserve, Manly Vale
- 12 - Yr 7 Gala Day
- Yr 9/10 Netball Knockout
- 14 - Yr 10 Geography Excursion, Rhodes
- 17 - Yr 7, 8 and 10 Drama Performances (Theatre)
- 19 - Yr 11 Vietnam/Cambodia Excursion commences
- P&C Meeting 8pm – A Block Staff common room
- 20 - Yr 12 Farewell Assembly
- Ekuba – Yr 12 Farewell Dinner for parents and students
- 21 - Last day Term 3

October 2012

- 8 - First day Term 4
- 11 - DEAS Gold Qualifying Expedition (4 days)
- Student Leadership Council Induction Ceremony
- 15 - **HSC commences**
- Yr 7 Science Excursion – Taronga Zoo
- 17 - Leadership Conference
- P&C Meeting 8pm – A Block Staff Common room
- 19 - Yr 8 Geography Excursion (Half of Year only)
- 20 - Roseville Public School Musicales
- 29 - Ryde School Spectacular
- Year 10 Final Assessment Block – 2 weeks

November 2012

- 2 - Yr 11 SRE Seminar (P2)
- 6 - Yr 7 Vaccination – HPV3 and catch-up
- 15 - PAE Music Night – Kerrabee Hall
- 16 - Lindfield PS Music Night

Girls	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
12yrs	Weng Yee Chua	Chelsea Hampton	Freya Jolley
13yrs	Hannah Swinton	Brianna Gibson	Sonia Faragher
14yrs	Georgia Swinton	Samantha Bowden	Na Young Song
15yrs	Hannah Dawson	Patricia Sullivan	Tess Marshall
16yrs	Ella Gibson	Annika Wun	Jackie Bryant
17yrs	Eliza Cepak	Bronte Carfino	Rashna Krishnan

Congratulations to Kimba on being the winning house
We sent a massive team of 130 athletes through to the zone carnival.

Zone Athletics Carnival

Congratulations to all students who competed at the carnival this year at Homebush on 27th June. The day was cold, raining at times and all students must be congratulated on a brilliant performance. I would also like to thank Mr Costantini, Mr Smith and Ms Gartner for doing an outstanding job in getting all students to compete in events and fill in for those students that were away on the day.

The results on the day were outstanding from our school. Congratulations to Pennant Hills for placing 1st on the day. We came a very close 2nd only 14 points behind. Our new motto for Athletics 2013 is “Watch out Pennant Hills, we are coming to get you”

The following relay teams went through to Sydney North.

Girls 12yrs	Girls 13yrs	Girls 17-19yrs
Boys 13yrs	Boys 14yrs	Boys 15yrs

Our Zone Age Champions

13yrs girls	-	Hannah Swinton	-	2 nd
13yrs girls	-	Brianna Gibson	-	3 rd
14yrs girls	-	Samantha Bowden	-	1 st
14yrs girls	-	Georgia Swinton	-	= 2 nd
17+yrs girls	-	Bronte Carfino	-	2 nd
17+yrs girls	-	Eliza Cepak	-	3 rd
13yrs boys	-	Nicholas O'Donohue	-	1 st
13yrs boys	-	Sachin Shah	-	5 th
14yrs boys	-	Ben Mackay	-	4 th
15yrs boys	-	James Andreou	-	1 st
15yrs boys	-	Clayton Carfino	-	4 th
15yrs boys	-	Daniel Soans	-	5 th
16yrs boys	-	Brodie Frost	-	1 st
17+yrs boys	-	Robert Gibson	-	2 nd

Sydney North Athletics Carnival

Over two very cold and rainy days the Ku-ring-gai zone team competed at Homebush on 23rd and 24th August.

The following students competed at the carnival.

Year 7

Lauren Bleach
Weng Yee Chua
Jessika Cooper
James Davis
Sonia Faragher
Robert Hansen
Freya Jolley
Isabella Khatter
Richard Sears
Hannah Swinton

Year 8

Samantha Bowden
Brianna Gibson
Bradley Green
Adnan Hameed
Benjamin Mackay
Nicholas O'Donohue
Bethany Rogers
Sachin Shah
Thomas Vives-Kerl

Year 9

James Andreou
Clayton Carfino
Nicolas Druce
Georgia Swinton
Kieren Young

Year 10

Nicholas Barnard
Alicia Batt
Katie Lee
Brandon Marsh
Stefan Shi
Daniel Soans
Richard Swanson
Sunnie Xia

Year 11

Bronte Carfino
Eliza Cepak
Brodie Frost
Rashna Krishnan
Samuel Mackay
Isabelle Pont

Year 12 - Robert Gibson

It was great to once again see so many Killara students and parents despite the temperature reaching a maximum of 8 degrees.

The Ku-ring-gai zone was once again the winning zone in the Boys, Girls and the overall champions.

In the individual school tally Killara High School placed 2nd to Pennant Hills (again!).

Our outstanding athletes through to Combined High Schools Carnival are:

James Andreou – 400m
Samantha Bowden – Discus
Brianna Gibson – Discus & Shot Put

Eliza Cepak – Discus, Shot Put & Javelin
Samuel Mackay – Long Jump
Benjamin Mackay – 400m & 800m
Nicholas O'Donohue – 200m & 90m Hurdles
Georgia Swinton – Javelin
Hannah Swinton – High Jump & Pentathlon

Our relay teams through to Combined High Schools are:

13yrs Girls – Bethany Rodgers, Brianna Gibson, Sonia Faragher and Hannah Swinton

13yrs Boys – James Davis, Nicholas O'Donohue, Sachin Shah and Richard Sears

14yrs Boys – Thomas Vives-Kerl, Bradley Green, Adnan Hameed and Benjamin Mackay

15yr Boys – Clayton Carfino, James Andreou, Daniel Soans and Kieren Young

We wish all the above athletes the best of luck for the upcoming Combined High Schools carnival on the 6th – 8th September.

Cross Country Carnivals

Sydney North Carnival

The carnival was held in Gosford this year and the students were definitely put on a tough course. They were running through mud, divots and had the wind to contend with. It was a great effort by our entire team. The students managed to get some great results:

13yrs Girls Hannah Swinton – 3rd
14yrs Boys Ben Mackay – 7th
16yrs Girls Claudia Harper – 16th
16yrs Boys James Murrie – 19th

Combined High Schools Carnival

The students who qualified through to the Combined High Schools were **Ben Mackay and Hannah Swinton**.

What an amazing effort from our two athletes!

Ben Mackay placed 37th out of 97 athletes and his Sydney North team also placed 2nd.

Hannah Swinton placed 49th out of 102 athletes.



Congratulations to both athletes on such an outstanding achievement.

Jennifer Downes, Carnival Coordinator

**See our next Newsletter for
CHS and Knock Out Athletics Results**

DEAS Gold Test Expedition – Urban Challenge

The DEAS Gold Practice Urban Challenge will be held on 11th - 14th October 2012. If your son or daughter wishes to attend the above mentioned expedition, students must download the medical and consent form off the Killara High School website (www.killara-h.schools.nsw.edu.au) under "Duke of Edinburgh". They must complete the form and return it to school by Wednesday 19th September 2012 with final payment of \$260.00.

If you have any questions, or concerns please do not hesitate to contact me.

We will meet the students at Watsons Bay on Thursday 11th October at 7.30am and arrive back at Killara Train Station on Sunday 14th October at 3pm. The start and finish locations will be kept secret (to the participants and parents) until they login to the website the night before to download their route planning information.

Kelly Johnson, DEAS Coordinator

Congratulations to our New Student Leaders



On Thursday 23rd August, the Student Leaders for the 2012-13 leadership year were inducted into their positions into the leadership groups which include the Arts Council, the Prefects, the Social Justice Committee (SJC), the Sports Council and the Student Representative Council (SRC).



Elections for these positions occurred earlier this term and it is a great privilege for students to attain a position within the Student Leadership framework at Killara High School.

Each group is now in a process of establishing goals and priorities for the year ahead and will participate in the Student Leadership Conference early next term.

The Student Leaders Induction Ceremony was a wonderful opportunity for family members and the school community to recognise and celebrate a commitment to care for others and greater participation in the life of the school. The outdoor morning tea was especially nice because of the beautiful weather.



We would like to thank the many people who helped make the ceremony so enjoyable including the very talented String Ensemble, the TAS and SASS staff who gave generously of their time to assist with preparations, our hardworking General Assistants and the Student Leadership Coordinators.

If you have any questions regarding the Student Leadership framework, please contact Mrs Liesl Williamson (Coordinator of Student Leadership) or Mrs Judith Paszek (Deputy Principal).

Liesl Williamson
Coordinator of Student Leadership

ATAR Morning Tea for Year 12 Students

On **Thursday 19th December 2012**, our HSC students will be able to obtain their Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR).

On that morning we would like to invite our Year 12 students to come into school to share with us their good news and good fortune or to commiserate and help plan if they are not happy.

We will provide morning tea in the staff common room in A Block and would love to see as many of

our students as possible. This is also helpful for our records as the school does not receive this information.

So, Year 12, it's a date - on Thursday 19th December at 10.30am in the staff common room upstairs in A Block. Come and celebrate with your friends and teachers.

Jane Rountree, Head Teacher Welfare
Renee Lane, Head Teacher Stage 6

Year 8 Medieval Day



It was an ordinary school day- Homegroup as usual- but as the second bell chimed the Year Eights were mysteriously summoned to the Hall, only to discover that were to become historians for the day by studying the medieval world.

As soon as we entered, baffled students became immersed in the fascinating world of the Medieval Europe. We took our seats and soon became rapt in a magical retelling of a story of medieval betrayal, trust, heresy and gruesome torture. Luckily, however, none of us were hung by the wrists over a roaring fire or tried for witchcraft and subjected to horrendous punishments.



After the retelling, we were invited to explore the many traditional medieval swords, helmets and other fascinating artifacts to wear, touch and examine.

We then were split into groups and allocated kingdoms to manage a pasture that was fallow, or

Uniform Shop News

New Volunteer Coordinator Required

The Uniform Shop is looking for a parent volunteer to take over from Blandine Robb as the volunteer coordinator. If you are interested and can spare a couple of hours a week to organize the uniform shop volunteers and would like to know more about what this role entails, please email either me



sown with barley or wheat. In these kingdoms we also learnt the vital skills of the medieval era. These consisted of learning a dance to impress suitors, playing a medieval game called Coup and shooting a medieval bow and arrow. The dance required us to form a circle and imitate the movements of a horse. Coup was a Viking game and was originally played with axes thrown at chunks of wood but we played a slightly less dangerous version.



Finally, archery was part of a squire's training to become a knight and it proved nearly impossible to master, as the arrows needed to hit and stick in a material sack.

The day of activities and training was well worth it, encouraging us to become historians of the medieval era or, for some, to form career aspirations as future knights or international Coup players.

Greta Paget and Melissa Xu, Year 8

(khscp@yahoo.com.au) or Blandine (blandine_robb@yahoo.com). Blandine is happy to provide training and guidance.

Kim McPartlin, Uniform Shop Manager

Tel.No: 0417 929083

Email: khscp@yahoo.com.au

Korobro

One Show Only!

An Evening of Dance

Tuesday 11th September 2012

7.30pm in the Kerrabee Theatre

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

Tickets on sale from Monday 27th August from Mrs Lam in the House
at Recess B and lunchtime

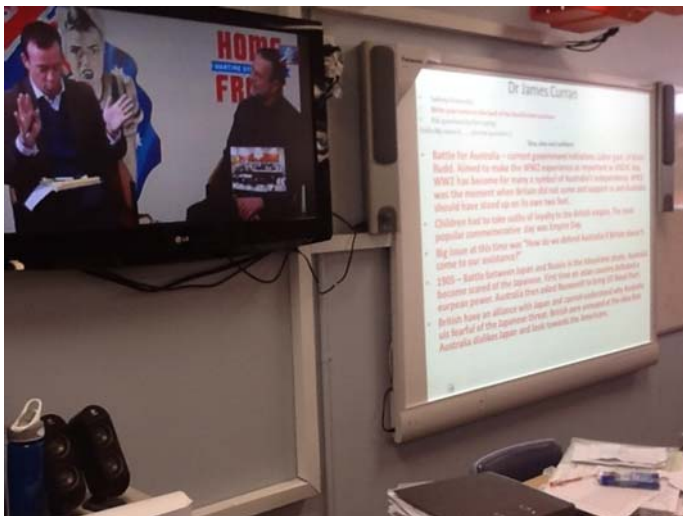
Year 8 Gifted and Talented Class Video Conference

*'Let us fortify ourselves for the grim days of
struggle ahead.'*

John Curtin, 11th November 1941

Politics of War Study

On Monday 23rd July Year 8 GATS class participated in a video conference with Dr James Curran. Dr Curran is a historian who lectures at Sydney University and is an expert on the politics of war. The video conference commenced at 12:30pm and concluded at 1:30pm.



The main focus point of the conference was to explore the changes in the political outlook during the time leading up to, during and after WW2. Dr. Curran and the class explored the reasons why Australia's relationship with Britain changed and conversely, our ties with the United States were strengthened.



Our class got a sense of the pre-World War II context, particularly debates over isolationism, appeasement and the concerns – voiced by many in Canberra in the mid-1930s – over whether Britain could come to Australia's defence.



We were allowed to ask questions throughout the conference and Frank Wang asked this question: "What do you think will be the nature of Australia's relationship with Great Britain, China and the United States of America in the near future?" Dr. Curran replied by saying that we are probably going to move closer to the US. No one will ever know for sure what the future holds.

The class prepared for this video conference by completing some research on the home front in Wartime Sydney from 1939-1945. In this study we analysed why war was declared and the strategies used by the government within propaganda posters.

Sam Van Vliet, Year 8 GATS Class



Performing Arts Ensembles News

Abbey McNamara (Year 8) has been selected to be a part of the Senior State Wind Band.

The Senior State Wind Band and the Junior State Wind Band are formed by the selection of top musicians from across the state. There are 50 students from 38 schools in the State Junior Wind Band and 63 students from 40 High Schools in the State Senior Wind Band.

Performing Arts Ensemble Performance

Thank you to all students, parents and families who came to our Performing Arts Ensemble Performance night on Tuesday 28th August. It was a fabulous concert.

The next PAE performance will be held on **Thursday 15th November 2012.**

Upcoming Performances

8th September	Stage Band 1 - NSSWE Spring Festival	Chatswood Concourse - 4.00-6.30pm
	Concert Band 1 - NSSWE Spring Festival	Chatswood Concourse – 7.00-9.00pm
19th September	Concert Band 1	Primary School Tour (Lindfield East PS)
21st September	Vocal Ensemble	St David's United Church
9th October	Stage Band 2	Primary School Tour (Beaumont Road PS)
20th-21st October	Vocal Ensemble	Massed Choir Performance, Sydney Town Hall
23rd-24th November	Stage Band 1 and auditioned Vocal Extension students	Schools Spectacular, Entertainment Centre

Jacki Berry, PAE Co-ordinator

The Annual Youth Forum

On 29th August, two of our Year 9 students, **Aimee Chevallier** and **Matthew Sinclair**, represented Killara exceptionally well at an annual Youth Forum, held at Ravenswood at Gordon.



Aimee and Matthew were part of a seven-student panel. Other students on the panel were from Ravenswood, Shore and Roseville College. They spoke to an audience of 130 students - as well as staff from these schools - no mean feat!

The panel spoke on the short-listed books for older readers nominated from the Children's Books Council.

They spoke very well, expressing the opinions on the six titles short-listed and the winning book of the year. Even when forum was interrupted for a fire drill - where we all were evacuated to the oval - our students continued on after this disruption very well indeed!

Francie Campbell, Teacher-Librarian

Killara High 'Dolphin Day'



Friday, 10th August was 'Dolphin Day' at Killara High School. The day was a huge success!

A cake stall was held in the canteen and a screening of the documentary, 'The Cove', in the theatre. From both of these events we managed to raise a total of around \$450.

A big thank you to everyone who participated and donated to this wonderful cause. The Earth Institute which works specifically towards stopping the dolphin slaughter in Japan has contacted me personally to thank us for our support.

The money raised is going towards getting as many volunteers as possible to travel and stay in Japan to put pressure on the fishermen to stop the slaughter which occurs on 1st September every year.

A big thank you to everyone who helped by donating or spreading the word!

Hannah Tait, on behalf of the 2011-2012 prefects



Entertainment Books 2012/13

Thank you to all those people who bought an Entertainment Book this year. The sale of the books raised \$650 towards P&C funds and your support is very much appreciated.

My time as a parent at Killara High is coming to a close and so we are looking for someone else to take on the Entertainment Book fundraising role.

There is actually very little work involved (this year most people ordered and paid on line) and there is support and advice available from the Entertainment Book staff. If you are interested in taking over this job to support the fundraising activities of the P&C then please give me a call on 0438 658 223.

Claire Summers, Year 12 parent

TEALS Program

(Program to assist with the Transition of Students with English as an Additional Language into Killara High School)



In order to promote the integration of IEC students who are entering into the Australian high school system for the first time Killara High School has trialled a semester based program to assist with this transition.

In Terms 1 and 3, students participated in a number of workshops aimed at teaching cultural literacy

explicitly and providing students with tools and skills to foster active participation in school life as well as improving mutual understanding and acceptance of differences for Killara High School students. Students learned about the significant differences in educational expectations in Australia and their home countries and were introduced to a great range of extracurricular activities and leadership opportunities at the school. In discussion with their mentors, students explored a variety of topics relevant to school life and learned valuable communication strategies to assist them in their communication with peers and teachers.

After the program students reported that they felt more confident talking to other students who were not in their immediate friendship group and said that they made an increased effort at speaking English.

As one student, who wanted to remain anonymous, said 'The program helped me know how to make friends with other students and how to talk to them'. Many students also felt that they were more likely to talk to their parents about what is going on at school.

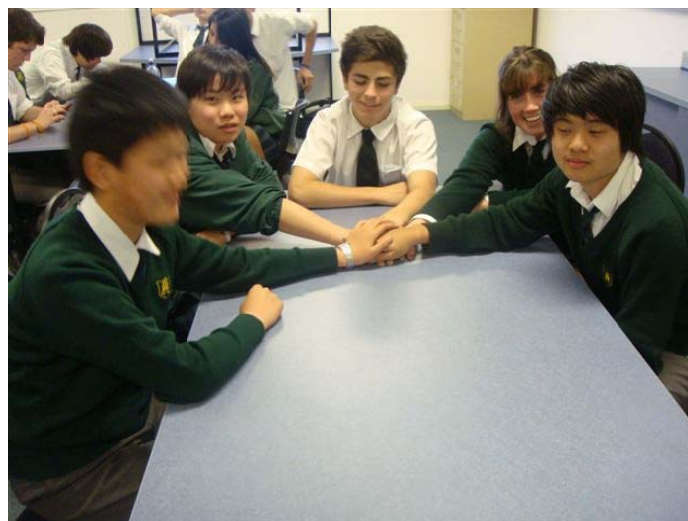
As a result of the TEALS Program, students were reported to have enrolled in the Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme as well as in a variety of school

clubs, claiming they probably would not have done so without the information and encouragement the program provided.

Many students said that they would welcome more opportunities to participate in discussions with their mentors to improve their English and to discuss matters of importance to them in a friendly and relaxed environment.

We hope that with time more students will benefit from this program and become active members in the school community as a result.

Regine Berghofer and Jane Rountree
Program Coordinators



The Student HSC PIN and UAC PIN – What's the Difference?

All HSC students have now received an HSC PIN to log in to [Students Online](#) and also to retrieve their results online or by SMS on 19th December.



The Board of Studies issued all HSC students with their HSC PIN on a handy card (see accompanying image) attached to a letter in April this year.

Students Online (studentonline.bos.nsw.edu.au) is a website designed specifically for HSC students, with information, tips and tools to assist them in their study throughout the year.

There is also a personal account section called 'My Details', which students log into with their HSC PIN and Student Number. 'My Details' is where they can check their personal HSC status including:

- enrolment and contact details
- personal HSC exam timetable
- assessment ranks (available after the written exams)
- HSC results (December)

Students are also able to submit or update their email address to get HSC information and to help if they lose or forget their HSC PIN. They can also register now to receive their HSC results by SMS on 14th December.

The Universities Admissions Centre (UAC) recently issued all HSC students with a UAC PIN, which they need to use when applying to study in 2013 at UAC participating institutions. Visit the UAC website www.uac.edu.au for more information and a range of Frequently Asked Questions about applying through UAC.

Jane Rountree, Head Teacher Welfare

Northern Sydney Symphonic Wind Ensemble

Spring Music Concert

The Concourse Concert Hall, Chatswood

Friday 7th and Saturday 8th September 2012

All NSSWE ensembles and stage bands, plus special guests from schools from across Northern Sydney. A festival of symphonic wind, jazz, film and popular music performed by some of the best school-age musicians in Sydney

Concert Times:

Friday 7th September – evening 7pm Saturday 8th September – matinee 1pm and evening 7pm
Stick around for free jazz in the Concourse forecourt, 3pm-6pm

Tickets and Booking Information:

\$19.50 adults and \$15 concessions (booking & transaction fees apply); Ticketek.com.au (search for NSSWE)

Performing Arts Centre on The Concourse, Chatswood

Visit: www.theconcourse.com.au; In person: The Concourse Box Office 9am-6pm M-F; Phone: 1300 795 012

Parent Forum

An invitation is extended to all parents of students accessing the Northern Sydney Region's Student Services Programs to attend an information sharing meeting with other parents and regional representatives.

Guest speaker for this meeting will be Julia Griffith, District Guidance Officer. Julia will be presenting on anxiety at times of transition during schooling – especially from primary to high school.

From the Library

Did you know....

- **Cabbage-tree hats** really exist and are made from cabbage trees, officially called *Livistona australis*. In the 19th century it was common for enterprising stockmen, swagmen and people who worked in the harsh Australian sun, to weave a broad-brimmed hat from the leaves of the tree.
- **Cane toad racing**: there is a competition which has become something of a tourist attraction in Queensland, where the cane toad is rapidly becoming a plague of major proportions. The methodology is simple. A number of cane toads, usually with ribbons around their ugly necks, are placed under an inverted plastic bucket in the centre of a circle. People bet on their favourite cane toad which they identify by the colour of their ribbon. The bucket is lifted up, the toads head in all directions, and the first toad to cross the outer circle in its bid to escape wins the race. Many of the funds raised are used for worthy local causes.
- **Cherry Ripe**: A uniquely Australian chocolate bar with a centre of cherries and coconut and a covering of dark chocolate. It is Australia's oldest and most loved chocolate bar.

For more little interesting bits of information like these above from Bruce Elder's ***The A-Z Australian Facts, Myths & Legends*** book, come to the Lion Library!

New Non-Fiction:

Colburn, Marta. *The Republic of Yemen: Development Challenges in the 21st Century*

Stradling, Jan. *More Than a Game: When Sport and History Collide*

WORLD Football Records 2011

Non-Fiction in detail:

Griffiths, Tom. *Slicing the Silence: Voyaging to Antarctica*

In the summer of 2002-03, acclaimed writer and historian Tom Griffiths voyages the Southern ocean to Antarctica. He was with the first Australian ship to 'slice the silence' of a year, arriving at Casey Station

Date: 14th September 2012

Time: 10.00am to 12.00 noon

Venue: Lindfield East Public School Hall
90 Tryon Road, East Lindfield

For more information, please contact Chris Watts – Student Services Coordinator, on 9987 3908 or email christine.watts@det.nsw.edu.au

to deliver the new team of 'winterers' and take away the old. In this book, Griffiths interweaves his own diary entries with essays that explore the human history of the mysterious continent of ice. Earlier stories of science, politics, exploration and love weave through and deepen the author's own experience. It is inspired by a landscape where the laws of chemistry and physics – and indeed the power of metaphysics – dominate. *Slicing the Silence* is a book about travelling in time, travelling into oneself, and travelling to the end of the earth. [Winner of the 2007 Queensland Premier's Literary Award and the 2008 Prime Minister's Prize for Australian History.]

New Fiction:

Handford, Martin. *Where's Wally? The Wonder Book*

King, Donna. *Balancing Act*

Lake, Nick. *Blood Ninja*

Muchamore, Robert. *People's Republic*

Stroud, Jonathan. *Batimaeus: The King of Solomon*

New Fiction in detail:

Hall, Rodney. *Silence [fictions]*

To find God, a 'client' prepares to be buried alive...A Korean woman quietly puts the finishing touches to tidying her employer's house – hoping to shame the Japanese invader...Choirboys wait wordlessly for their cue – shut up high inside the dome of Florence cathedral....

Richly evoking images through historical figures and otherworldly imagery, this moving and playful collection of fiction explores the many facets of silence, each connected by a web of echoes.

Twice winner of the Miles Franklin Literary Award, Australian writer Rodney Hall is a storytelling tour de force.

Moorhouse, Frank. *Cold Light*

It is 1950, the League of Nations has collapsed and the United Nations has rejected all those who worked and fought for the League. Edith Campbell Berry, who joined the league in Geneva before the war is out of a job. She comes back to Australia to live in Canberra.

Edith now has ambitions to become Australia's first female ambassador, but while she waits for a call from on high, she gets caught up in the planning of the national capital and the dream that it should be 'a city like no other'. This novel can also be read as a companion to the earlier Edith novels *Grand Days* and *Dark Palace*.

Rose, Peter. *Crimson Crop*.

This is Peter Rose's fifth volume of poetry. Vulnerability, ardency, the dark tenacity of grief - this collection links affection and death, efflorescence and senescence, audacious moments of intimacy with elegiac alienation.

Karen Jones and Francie Campbell
Teacher-Librarians

Lindfield Public School Kindergarten Class of 2000

"WHERE ARE THEY NOW"
REUNION

Inviting all Parents, Teachers, Friends and Students who attended Lindfield Primary School and who are doing their **HSC in 2012**



Venue: Greengate Hotel – Heritage Room and Balcony

Date: Saturday 15th December, 2012

Time: 6pm – 11pm

Cost: \$45pp (includes canapés and welcome drink)

Cash Bar, Open Mic, Speeches, Memorabilia, music, and photos

RSVP Interest to Julia Franklin:

Julia@whitespaceevents.com.au or 0416 192 892

International Day of Peace

The 55th session of the General Assembly of the United Nations designated **21st September** as

International Day of Peace.

The "**Peace Bell**" at the United Nations Building in New York is rung on this day at 12 noon, and churches and schools are encouraged to ring bells at midday on 21 September to draw attention to the need for peace.

You are invited to join an **Interfaith Prayer Service** on the International Day of Peace (Friday 21st September 2012) at 11am

at St David's Uniting Church Main Hall,
454 Pacific Highway, Lindfield
(cnr Pacific Hwy & Provincial Rd)

Representatives from Aboriginal, Baha'i, Brahmakumaris, Buddhist, Christian, Hindu, Islamic, Jain, Jewish, Mandaean, Sikh, Sufi, Unitarian and Zoroastrian Communities will offer prayers for peace, and there will be time for silent reflection.

Light refreshments will follow the service.

For further information contact Rev Dr Manas Ghosh on 9416 2746 or at mnghosh@people.net.au

Ku-ring-gai Police and Community Safety Committee presents a FREE Seminar

"Parent Survival Strategies for Teaching Young Drivers"

An in depth seminar for parents/supervising drivers and young drivers

When: Monday 24th September 2012

Time: 6.00pm for 6.30pm till 8.30pm

Where: Level 3, Ku-ring-gai Council Chambers, 818 Pacific Highway, Gordon.
(Access Via Rear Entrance – off Dumaresq Street – take lift to Level 3)

Light Refreshments available

Keynote Presenter, Jeff McDougall, has 34 years of experience in the training and education of young drivers; a member of the Ku-ring-gai Police and Community Safety Committee; Immediate Past President, Australian Driver Trainer's Association [NSW]; Executive Committee Member of Australasian College of Road Safety and former Managing Director of Trent Driving School

Jeff will discuss the Vital Aspects of WHAT PARENTS NEED TO KNOW when teaching a young driver.

Bookings are essential -please phone Carroll on 0405 558 660 or email carroll.howe@gmail.com asap to reserve your seat.

Ku-ring-gai Youth Development Service (KYDS) and the Ku-ring-gai Council Youth Services Team

present a parent forum on

"Safe Partying"

Monday 17th September 2012

6.30 pm to 8.30 pm (registration from 6.15pm)

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

Bookings are essential - contact Ku-ring-gai Youth Services on 9424 0837 or email

youth@kmc.nsw.gov.au (entry fee is via a \$5.00 donation to KYDS)

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

Free Seminar for Parents

Sexualisation of Young People

Wednesday, 26th September, 2012

7.00pm-8.00pm (registration 6.30pm)

Ros Crichton Pavilion,
North Sydney Council Chambers
200 Miller Street, North Sydney

Nina Funnell is a freelance journalist and social commentator who writes regularly for *The Sydney Morning Herald*, *The Melbourne Age* and *The National Times*. Nina appears regularly on ABC radio's Life Matters program and Channel Ten's Breakfast show.

Nina currently sits on the Premiers Council on Preventing Violence against Women, the National Children's and Youth Law Centre Board, the NSW Rape Crisis Centre Board and the expert advisory board to the NSW Commission for Children and Young People.

Nina's current research looks at cyber bullying, sexting and the ways in which young people are incorporating social media and digital technology into their dating, courtship and other relationship practices

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

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Come join on us on our fun filled commando camp where you will climb a rock face, jump off the power fan, crawl through the commando course and many more outdoor activities.

Our 3 nights/ 4 days residential camp is held on site at Vision Valley Conference and Recreation Centre, Arcadia.

Date: Tue 2nd to Fri 5th October 2012

Cost: \$350 per person - all meals, accommodation and adventure activities included

How to book? Visit our School Holiday Camps web page (www.visionvalley.com.au), download a booking form and return it to us as soon as possible.

Adventure Day Camp

Our Adventure Day Camps run from 8.30am to 5.00pm and are ideal for the working parent these school holidays. Day camps are packed full of fun and adventure, and are designed to promote confidence and give every child the chance to grow.

Date: Wed 26th September 2012 and Tue 2nd October 2012

Cost: \$75 per person (single day)

(Multiple person discount are available)

How to book? Visit our School Holiday Camps web page (www.visionvalley.com.au), download a booking form and return it to as soon as possible

Are you struggling with a teenager who answers back? "BACKCHAT"

A free 2.5 hour workshop for parents and carers of teenagers that includes:

- Learning how to restore a respectful and positive relationship between you and your teenager
- Understanding what it's like being a teenager today
- Learning how to talk so they will listen and how to listen so they will talk

When: Wednesday 19th September 2012

Time: 6.30 - 8.30pm.

Venue: Mosman Youth Centre, 30 The Crescent opposite Allan Border Oval, under Mosman Library

Cost: Free

Tea and biscuits provided

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL!

To make a booking call 8425 8700 and ask for the intake worker, or email

nareburnfamilyservice@dbb.org.au

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