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Are you 14 years of age and interested in joining the Duke of Edinburgh's Award program?

Information Evening for students and parents

Tuesday 1st April 2014

6pm

C Block Conference room

Background information can be obtained from the Killara High School Web site:

<http://www.killara-h.schools.nsw.edu.au/curriculum-activities/curriculum-enrichment/duke-of-edinburgh-s-award-scheme>

"A Lesson Like No Other"

This term I returned from an amazing holiday in Nepal to my school in Sydney. I found myself pondering what life would be like if I lived in Karkineta, a remote village in Nepal's west.

Visiting the school in Karkineta was an experience I will never forget and taught me one of the greatest lessons in life... How lucky I am! It is now clear to me how super privileged I am to go to school in Killara.

As soon as we were in sight, climbing up the hill towards the school, children gathered outside to watch us. We walked in the front gate to a welcome like no other, all 700 children lined up to make a tunnel for us as



we were greeted by the Principal and the teachers. 700 pairs of eyes watched and 700 pairs of hands waved. After being given a flower necklace and a scarf, I walked through the tunnel whilst children my age put flower petals in my hands. We were like complete strangers from an unknown world and surely we did not deserve such a welcome? I cannot imagine an Australian school putting on such a greeting. I felt honoured but I also felt undeserving and was

saddened by the dirty faces that looked at me with shining eyes. I was lost for words and overwhelmed, I had never felt so out of place in my life but I know that this welcoming school environment taught me an invaluable lesson... to be grateful for the opportunities which have been, and will always be, available to me in Australia and the small things in life.

The Principal took us to his office where each of his staff introduced themselves and I noticed that through the wooden bars on the glassless windows children watched. We were then shown around the school.

I looked into a Year 7 classroom and sitting there on the dusty floor and on dusty benches at dusty tables, dusty girls and boys my age had their lesson in the dark classroom with few resources.



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Calendar

MARCH 2014

- 21 - Yr 8 plus Leadership Groups – Incursion – Guest Speaker from Beyond Water
- 22 - Performing Arts Ensembles Residential Music Camp (2 days)
- 25 - Korean Parents Information Night – 6pm, A Block Common Room
- 26 - Yr 11 Mock Interviews
- 28 - DEAS Silver Practice Expedition (3 days)
 - SJC World's Greatest Shave Events
- 31 - KHS Athletics Carnival

APRIL 2014

- 1 - DEAS Bronze Information Evening – 6pm – C Block Conference Room
 - Yr 11 Studies of Religion excursion – Great Synagogue, St Mary's and St Andrew's Cathedrals
 - School Clean Up Day – Senior Leadership Council initiative
 - Chinese Parents Information Night – 6pm, A Block Common Room
- 4 - SRC Mufti Day
- 5 - Model United Nations (2 days)
 - PAE North Shore Schools Spectacular – 7pm Chatswood RSL
- 6 - CHS Swimming Carnival (3 days)
- 7 - Yr 12 Construction Work Placement (all week)
 - Yr 12 Hospitality Work Placement (all week)
- 9 - Student Progress Review Meeting – Yrs 7 and 11
 - KHS Cross Country Carnival
- 10 - ANZAC Assembly
- 11 - Arts Council Talent Quest
 - Last day of Term 1
- 28 - School Development Day
- 29 - Term 2 commences for students

MAY 2014

- 2 - DEAS Bronze Practice Expedition (3 days)
- 5 - Yrs 9 & 10 History Incursion
- 6 - Yr 7 Blue Mountains Excursion (Group 1)
 - Yr 12 Drama Excursion to Riverside Theatre
 - Yr 11 Biology Excursion to Gibberagong (Group 1)

“A Lesson Like No Other” continued

Never before did I think for one second that this was what I would be seeing, and standing in the doorway I thought of how grateful I am for my school and education.



Feeling empathy as they do not even have a classroom with lights, I walked out into the playground, a brown dusty yard smaller than a soccer field. Children ran around and played and what made me smile was a group of girls playing happily with nothing but some leaves tied together. As we walked out of the school followed by many children, I felt ashamed and uncomfortable knowing what I take for granted and I walked up the street in silence.

That evening I thought to myself, what would it be like to live and go to school in Karkineta? Each day walking up the steep mountainside in the chilly morning air, and starting lessons in a classroom cramped with my whole year struggling to see in the dim light. At lunchtime simply playing with leaf bundles... But I felt stupid to think I could be content without a full stomach, clean uniform and iPhone.

It still confuses me how many of us in Sydney have almost everything but are still not content, while people in Nepal have near to no belongings and can be happy. But I think it is the people they love and not the belongings they have that makes them happy.

In life we don't really need phones or the TV or anything other than something really valuable - having the ones we love around us. I question whether we deserve or need many of the material things in our lives when we take them all for granted.

Karkineta School opened my eyes and has shown me just how privileged I am. It was a lesson like no other.

Indira Courtness, Year 8

Uniform Shop

Come and buy your winter uniform!

The uniform shop will be open two extra days for your convenience to buy your winter uniform.

Wednesday 2nd and Wednesday 9th April 2014 - 8am - 12pm

It will also be open on Tuesdays all term as normal.

Student Progress Review Meetings 2014

Each year Killara High School schedules three student progress review meetings when parents can speak with teachers about their child's learning progress before too much of the year has passed.

We have scheduled the first Student Progress Review meeting session for Years 7 and 11 at the end of Term 1 on **Wednesday 9th April – Term 1 Week 11**

We hope parents can take advantage of this opportunity to discuss with teachers their children's progress to date.

Interview Bookings

On 21st March, parents of students in Years 7 and 11 will be receiving an email invitation allowing them access to the computerized booking system. This will enable parents to indicate their availability for a meeting and to indicate which of their child's teachers they would like to see. This access will close on 26th March.

Interviews between parents and the nominated teachers will then be scheduled between the hours of 3.30pm and 8.00pm taking into account parent and teacher availability.

The schedule of interviews will be open for parent access on 4th April so that parents may print out their schedule. Some limited adjustments of appointments may be possible depending on the availability of teachers. This access will close again on 8th April at 3pm.

PLEASE NOTE –

- The system does not notify you of your appointment schedule. You must log on between 4th - 8th April to download your interview appointments.

- The venue for all interviews will be the Kerrabee Centre hall. Signs around the walls of the hall will indicate course/ faculty locations and signs on tables will indicate locations of individual teachers.

- **Interviews are of five minutes duration. Parents and teachers are asked to restrict their discussion to that time in fairness to all families seeking interviews. If teachers and/or parents feel the need to discuss matters further, another mutually convenient time should be arranged.**

- Interviews must be prearranged. To drop in on the off chance of speaking to a teacher can prove very frustrating to those with appointments and such requests may not be able to be accommodated. Please give consideration to the needs of other parents and the staff during these evenings.

Please take advantage of these opportunities to meet with the school staff to discuss your child's progress. Year Advisers, a School Counsellor, Careers Adviser and the Learning and Support Teacher will also be present. A translation service can also be made available through the school. Please notify the office by email (Killara-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au) if you require this service. You will need to indicate language required and approximate times of interviews.

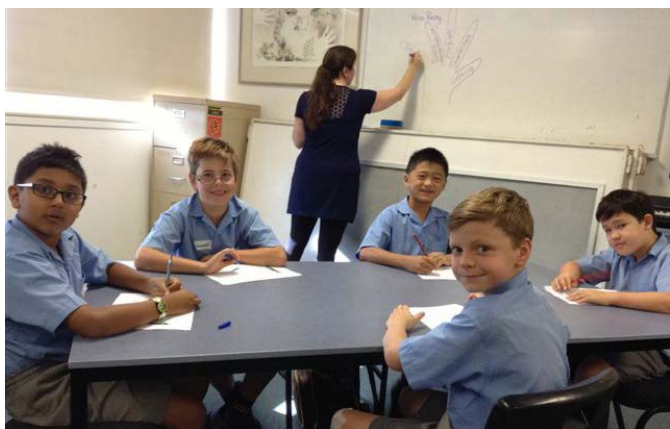
The Student Progress Review Meetings scheduled for Term 2 are:

Years 9 and 12 - Monday 19th May (Week 4)

Years 8 and 10 - Tuesday 17th June (Week 8).

**Carla Marchesin, Alison Gambino,
Liesl Williamson (Relieving), Deputy Principals**

Gifted and Talented Creative Writers



Year 5 students from **Roseville** and **Gordon East Public Schools** enjoyed their creative writing workshop with Ms Loveday Sharpington-Recny on Monday 10th March.

They learnt the essentials of all good stories and shared their exciting ideas with their group. This was a group that excelled at lateral thinking to come up with fun ideas for their individual stories.



Their group mime performances of their favourite fairy tale were very engaging and had us in fits of laughter.

What wonderful students attend our local schools!

**Ann Dixon,
Killara Schools Partnership Coordinator**

Where Are They Now? – Brush with Fame

On 6th March we received a visit from one of our ex-students **Nicole Laird (Year 12, 2010)**. She is a very tall girl and hopes to represent Australia at the Olympics on the Beach Volleyball team in 2016 at Rio de Janeiro. She is really looking forward to playing on Copacabana Beach in Brazil.



Currently she is training and playing full-time in the Australian Beach Volleyball team with another fellow Killara ex-student **Maria Fe Artacho Del-Solar (Year 12, 2011)**.

They are playing on the World Tour to qualify for the 2016 Olympic Games.

Since she left school she moved to Adelaide to train full-time as an athlete. She has competed in World Junior Championship and Senior World Tour events living off her prizemoney and scholarship money.



She started playing indoor volleyball and beach volleyball at school in Year 9. We wish both ex-students well in their chosen sport now and into the future.

Karen Jones
Teacher-Librarian

Clean up Australia Day at KHS 2014

Killara High School will be supporting the Clean Up Australia Day 2014 campaign by holding a playground clean up. This event aims to develop an appreciation of the impacts of pollution on the environment.

This event will require all students to assist in the collection of rubbish around the school grounds on **Tuesday 1st April 2014**. Each grade will be allocated a site to clean around the school grounds at the end of lunch for an **additional 10 minutes**

with teacher supervision. Rubber gloves will be offered to students at this time. If your child has allergies towards wearing rubber gloves they should not participate in the collection of rubbish, however, they should remain with their year group in their specified location. All students will remain within school grounds during this 10-minute activity.

Robin Chand
Stage 5 Head Teacher (Relieving)

NEW PAE DANCE GROUP

JUNIOR BOYS HIP HOP

Try outs at lunch time on Thursday 20th March
in the Studio, C Block

NO experience necessary - come and have a look

For more information and details please see Mrs Berry
in the CAPA Staffroom or
Email Jacqueline.berry@det.nsw.edu.au



National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN)

Notes regarding the NAPLAN program were issued this week to all students in Years 7 and 9 via homegroup. The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) will be completed by all students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 in all government and non-government schools. NAPLAN has the support of all State and Territory Education Ministers and will assess the literacy and numeracy learning of students in all Australian schools.

The results of the tests will provide important information to schools about what each student can do, and will be used to support teaching and learning programs. Parents will receive a report indicating their child's level of achievement. Each student's level of achievement will be reported against the national minimum standard.

Background information (student name, gender, date of birth, language background and Aboriginality) will be collected as part of the National Assessment Program. This information is treated confidentially and held securely to ensure that every student's right to privacy is maintained.

The tests will be conducted across Australia for all students from 13th – 15th May 2014:

Tuesday 13th May – Language Conventions (Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar) **and Writing.**

Wednesday 14th May – Reading

Thursday 15th May – Numeracy (Number, Algebra, function and pattern; Chance and data; Measurement and Space)

In the Numeracy tests students do not require any measuring tools such as rulers or protractors. In Years 7 and 9 there will be two Numeracy tests: one where a calculator is allowed and one where calculators are not used. For the calculator test, the student should use the calculator that they currently use at school.

Please call Ms Phelan, Head Teacher Stage 4, Mr Robin Chand, Head Teacher Stage 5 (relieving) or Mrs Liesl Williamson, Deputy Principal (relieving) if you would like further information about your child's participation in NAPLAN.

Additional information can be found at:

http://www.nap.edu.au/NAPLAN/Parent_Carer_support/index.html and
<http://www.naplanforparentsnsw.com.au>



Textiles Club in 2014: Softies for Mirabel.

Last year Ms Walsh from the TAS faculty established a new lunchtime group for students sharing an interest in textiles and design. Together we made fabric crayon rolls that we placed into the Christmas hampers that the school collected for the Salvation Army. The students in the group all indicated that they would like to be involved in the group again this year, and that the focus should remain on charity based projects.

So this year we have a new project – *Softies for Mirabel*.

Softies for Mirabel is an annual handmade toy drive. This year is the 8th annual Softies for Mirabel Foundation.

The Mirabel Foundation was established in 1988 to assist children who have been orphaned or abandoned due to illicit drug use and are now in the care of extended family (kinship care). Mirabel

supports children aged 0-17 years and works at restoring a child's sense of worth, belonging and hope for the future in order to help them reach their full potential as adults.

At Christmas, the Mirabel Foundation collects handmade *softies*, and personally matches each toy to a Mirabel child.

This year in Textiles Club, we're learning how to design and produce our own unique *softies* which will be carefully packaged up and sent to the Mirabel Foundation later in the year.

Everyone is welcome to join us in making softies in B02 during lunchtime on Wednesdays!

If you're interested in reading more about the Mirabel foundation, please visit
www.mirabelfoundation.org.au

Update from the Social Justice Committee (SJC)



On Friday 28th February, the SJC held a mufti day in order to raise money for the Save the Children Campaign. This is an international foundation that speaks up for children's rights, and works hard to protect children from harm and help them access quality education and health services. At the moment they are focussing on giving aid to children who are victims of the Civil War in Syria, and providing money for their health care, food and education. Killara High School raised an amazing \$1450 for this cause! So a massive thanks to everyone who donated.

Another event coming up organised by the SJC is the World's Greatest Shave. This is a great cause that raises money to research and find better treatments and cures for leukaemia, lymphomas,

myeloma and related blood disorders. There are a couple of ways people can get involved.

Firstly we are looking for brave students and teachers to shave their head! If this is you please see Mr LeRougetel in the H.S.I.E Green staffroom.

Secondly we are looking for donations. You can donate to the people shaving their head over the next few weeks or you can get involved on the day. There will be hair spraying, a BBQ, cold drinks and donation boxes for you to donate money to this worthy cause.

The event will be held at the school on **Friday 28th March** (week 9). All the money goes to an amazing cause, so please be generous! If you would like any more information see one of the SJC members or Miss Tomlinson (English) or Mr LeRougetel.

Maddie Gerber, Year 10.

Did You Know?

Petrus Kwan (Year 12) has been accepted into the prestigious "Live the Life" a 2-day residential program offered by The Sydney Hotel School together with InterContinental Sydney to be held on Tuesday and Wednesday 23rd April with view to a career in Hotel Management.

This program is only offered to 15 students each year in NSW.

Congratulations Petrus and we look forward to your future report on this wonderful opportunity!

Jordan Hare (Year 11) has successfully auditioned for the 2014 NSW Public Schools Senior Drama Ensemble. This ensemble is a select group of gifted and talented student actors from Year 11.

Congratulations, Jordan!

Knockout Sport's Stunning Start

It has been an amazing start for the Killara High Knockout teams in the Combined High Schools competition of 2014, with all but one team posting victories in the first round of their respective competitions.

Boys' Touch, Boys' and Girls' Volleyball, Boys' and Girls' Tennis, Boys' and Girls' Basketball, Boys' Cricket and Girls' Soccer all prevailed in their first round against other schools in the Sydney North Region.

The results have signalled the best start in years for Killara High School in the state knockout and have been the results of hours of training which have taken place for most of the teams.

Mr James and Mr Hudson have done a great job with the cricket team. They have held a number of training sessions on Friday mornings which have paid dividends. With a number of Year 11 students unavailable due to exams, the team which took the field was quite young, but dedication and drive won the day. **Ehsen Shaikh (Year 8)** claimed 5 wickets whilst **James Simpson (Year 10)**.

Mr Mulready is in his rookie year coaching the girls' basketball team but that did not stop him and his charges from defeating Kincumber in their first game.



It has also been a long time coming for Mr Bruckshaw and the boys' volleyball team who posted their first win in over 5 years against Asquith Boys High School.

We have even been winning the tight matches of late which seem to have gone against us in the past. Both the boys' touch and the girls' soccer teams needed extra time to take down their opponents. In boys' touch, **Kieren Young (Year 11)** scored with

the final play of the match to force it into a drop off and then it was over to the captain, **Nathan Davis (Year 10)** to seal the deal with a try. In the girls' soccer match **Holly Gibbons (Year 12)** beat 3 or 4 defenders to claim an extra time golden goal against Pittwater High.

All teams are now in the process of organising their next matches which will take place over the next couple of weeks. Good luck to all teams.

I would like to thank all teachers who immerse themselves in Knockout sport at Killara High, especially those who are outside the PE staff.

Adam Bruckshaw, PDHPE Teacher

Report on the Zone Swimming Carnival

The roar of the crowd was immense, the smell of chlorine infuriated the nostrils. From the grandstands the whole pool could be seen, a whole 50 metres of pure history. Swimmers became champions, champions became legends, and the whole world watched them. This was the world stage.

"Swimmers, to your marks!" The first race of the day was about to begin. The young swimmers of backstroke hopped into the water.

"On your marks!"

Everyone hoisted themselves up and tucked themselves into the blocks.

Rrghhhhh!

The buzzer sounded and they were off! Smooth slide-ins followed by flops rung around the area, the incompetent struggled as the elites sped ahead.

The crowd was crazy to kick-start the day. Screams emanated from the mouths of all, for a whole two minutes until the race ended. Killara had won...the first race. Many races followed, the 100metre backstroke the 50metre... Breaststroke was after and everybody was ready to 'strut their stuff'. Cherrybrook High took the 12 year girls, the rest a muddle of every other school.



The first shock horror to Killara happened in the 12 year boys' 50 metre breaststroke. A disqualification!!!! Mr Bruckshaw roared in anger, "How unfair!". But the judges had made their decision; the young man had done an illegal dolphin-kick before his pullout.

In shame he got out of the pool and waddled off to the change rooms, making his statement of giving up forever.

The breaststroke heats ended and the organisers called for a break. The points were tallied and ribbons were awarded. Overall school placings were also announced.

"In 8th place, Ku-ring-gai Creative Arts".

"7th goes to Galston".

"6th to Pennant Hills".

"5th to Turramurra"

"4th is St Ives" chuckles of, "at least we're not 'snives' emerged from the crowd".

"3rd..... Chatswood"

Mr Bruckshaw was on the edge of his seat, Killara had never been placed before the relays.

"In second place we have....." Killara and Cherrybrook were itching with volume.

"Cherrybrook". Killara burst out in applause and cheers as they realised they were winning. But it wasn't the end yet. Freestyle followed the 100 metre and 50 metre going half-half between the two top schools, no one else had a chance anymore.

The carnival then hit a low and the butterfly and medley heats were swum after lunch. Another point score was awarded and Killara was just holding on by 10 points.

Finally the races of the day were on. The 12 years boys shot off the blocks. Killara was already down, there was no "twelve" team.

Through vicious races the lead changed back and forth.... Killara...Cherrybrook... Killara...Cherrybrook

The 17 years plus boys touched in and it was finally over.

Minutes of silence passed as the points were tallied for the last time.

"8th Ku-ring-gai...7th...6th...3rd Pennant Hills"

"2nd ... Everyone held their breath...." 830 points to 845 points, "KILLARA".

Cherrybrook wining year after year, exploded with roars, Killara sighed.

Killara hadn't won this time, but they vowed that one day they WOULD beat Cherrybrook.

Rhys Tirado, Year 10

The 2014 Killara High School Athletics Carnival



When: Monday 31st March 2014 (Term 1, Week 10)

Where: Sydney Academy of Sports, Wakehurst Parkway, Narrabeen

Who: All students and teachers of Killara High School. Parents are also more than welcome to attend

Why: To get involved in the spirit of competition OR to make the Zone athletics team OR to earn points for your house... the list goes on!

How: Students travel to and from the venue by bus. Two buses will leave the school at 8.45am with the remainder leaving at 9.00am and returning to school in time for the normal school bus departures

Extra information:

- Students wishing to enter the first events - 12 yrs boys and girls and the 13 yrs girls Hurdles along with the 17 yrs 1500m should catch one of the 8.45am buses.
- **Students are to dress in** P.E. uniform or their house colours. Doongara– Blue, Mundara– Green, Caringa– Yellow, Kimba– Red.
- Students are required to bring a hat and apply sunscreen prior and during to the event.



SRC Cake Stall

On Tuesday 25th February 2014, the SRC organised a cake stall to raise funds for the Krazy Koszi Klimb, which is supporting young people with cerebral palsy.

The Krazy Koszi Klimb involved participants climbing Mount Kosciusko, including Killara High School Year 12 student Jack Hanrahan-Shirley and his family.

The money we raised will help buy more sporting equipment for the Cerebral Palsy Alliance.



The SRC sold a large variety of cakes, cupcakes, cookies and slices at bargain prices homemade by our very own council members. This event was a huge success, raising over \$450 with nothing left over to be sold!

Thank you to all the members of Killara High School who supported this fundraising event.

Kieren Young
SRC President



PARENT INFORMATION NIGHT FOR KOREAN PARENTS

Please join us for this useful information night. **An interpreter** will be present on the night to assist as required.

Tuesday 25th March 2014
6pm-8pm

Staff Common Room in A Block
Killara High School, Koola Avenue, Killara

Topics covered include how the education system and Australian schools operate, school expectations, support available to new students and subject choice.

Refreshments will be provided.

RSVP: 9498 3722 (Killara HS) OR send the slip below to the school by Friday 21st March

I will be attending the **Korean** Parents Information Night on **Tuesday 25th March 2014**.

Family Name: _____

Child's name: _____

Academic year: _____

Number of people attending: _____

PARENT INFORMATION NIGHT FOR CHINESE PARENTS

Please join us for this useful information night. **An interpreter** will be present on the night to assist as required.

Tuesday 1st April 2014
6pm-8pm

Staff Common Room in A Block
Killara High School, Koola Avenue, Killara

Topics covered include how the education system and Australian schools operate, school expectations, support available to new students and subject choice.

Refreshments will be provided.

RSVP: 9498 3722 (Killara HS) OR send the slip below to the school by Friday 28th March

I will be attending the **Chinese** Parents Information Night on **Tuesday 1st April 2014**.

Family Name: _____

Child's name: _____

Academic year: _____

Number of people attending: _____

CROSS COUNTRY



Date: **Wednesday 9th April**
(Term 1, Week 11)

Venue: **Koola Park**

PERIOD 1 – ALL YEAR 7

PERIOD 2 – YEAR 8 & 9 - COMPETITORS ONLY **

PERIOD 3 – YEAR 10, 11 & 12 - COMPETITORS ONLY **

** Students must have run a qualifying time in PDHPE lessons or had a discussion about it with their PDHPE teacher.

The course distance is determined by your age.

Distances:	<u>Boys</u>	<u>Girls</u>
	12yrs - 3km	12yrs - 3km
	13yrs - 3km	13yrs - 3km
	14yrs - 4km	14yrs - 3km
	15yrs - 4km	15yrs - 3km
	16yrs - 6km	16yrs - 4km
	17yrs - 6km	17yrs - 4km
	18yrs - 6km	18yrs - 4km

All competitors must be in **PDHPE** uniform.

GET INVOLVED!!!!!!

General Assistant Position Available at Killara High School

The school is in urgent need of a General Assistant (GA) to work five days a week on a casual basis, possibly for all of 2014.

The duties of the GA include light handyman tasks, setting up the hall for assemblies, exams, etc., organising contractors for maintenance and a range of other tasks.

If interested, please phone Carla Marchesin, Deputy Principal, for more details on 9498 3722.

Calling For Interpreting Skills in Korean

We are looking for a Korean parent with **interpreting skills in the Korean language** to assist at the Korean Parent Information night next **Tuesday 25th March.**

If you are willing and able to help, please **contact Silvia Kinloch, ESL Coordinator**, no later than Friday 21st March.

Performing Arts Calendar

Term 1, 2014			
Week			
8	22 nd -23 rd March	All Ensembles	PAE Camp 2014
10	5 th April	CB's SB's	North Shore Schools Spectacular/Chatswood RSL 7pm
11	10 th April	Vocal ensembles	School Anzac Ceremony
Holidays	16 th -20 th April	CB1 & CB2	National Band Championships - Brisbane
Week	Term 2		
2	6 th May	Vocals rehearsals	In Concert Rehearsal Salvation Army
2	10 th May	TBA	North Shore Schools Spectacular/Chatswood H S
4	19 th May	Vocals rehearsals/concert	In Concert Sydney Town Hall
4	20 th May	CB1	Primary Schools LEPS
5	1 st June	Vocals	Sydney Eisteddfod
6	14 th June	Vocals	Sydney Eisteddfod
7	11 th & 12 th June	Strings / Vocals	MADD Festival
8	16 th June	CB2	Sydney Eisteddfod
8	17 th June	CB1	Sydney Eisteddfod
8	18 th June	SB1 & SB2	Sydney Eisteddfod
8	19 th June	Strings	Sydney Eisteddfod
	17 th & 20 th June	Dance	Sydney North Dance Festival

From the Library

Attention All History Lovers!

The Ku-ring-gai Local Historical Society is looking for anyone with a love of history to assist in researching local soldiers who served in armed conflicts. This research is for an upcoming book with a chapter on local memorials.

The Society would like our students in our school community to be involved in researching some soldier profiles!

This is the brief: To research and write about soldiers in the armed conflicts of war. The names of particular soldiers will be given to interested students.

The deadline for these profiles is the **end of October 2014**. There are nearly 450 soldiers to research, so there is plenty of work!

All help is welcome particularly from students who love history. All submissions will be edited and reviewed by the Society's sub-committee, but your name will be listed as contributors at the end of each volume. (They hope to write a three-volume work).

Interested? Contact Ms Campbell, the Teacher-Librarian, on either Tuesdays or Fridays.

Non-fiction in detail:

Baldino, Daniel (editor). ***Spooked: The Truth About Intelligence in Australia***

Is ASIO unaccountable? Is the money we spend on security worth it? Is cyber-terrorism an urgent threat? Are our spied up to the job, and how do we know anyway as we only hear about their failures? Is *WikiLeaks* good for human rights? Are we trading our privacy for a false sense of security? A prominent group of writers lay bare the fact about spying and security in post-9/11 Australia.

Bisley, Steve. ***Stillways: A Memoir***

Coming of age in a simpler time, Australian actor Steve Bisley was a larrikin, happy-go-lucky kid. Growing up on a farm called *Stillways*, cut from virgin scrub at the end of a lake, young Steve sees the world around him with clear, open innocent eyes. He brings it all vividly to life: the scent of wood smoke in the mornings; kids giggling at the bus stop; their money knotted into their hankies; the thrill of sneaking in to watch the stripper and the boxers at the local show; the comfort of a dog's unquestioning devotion; falling in love; hurting, and learning about the ways of the world. But woven through the sunlit memories are darker threads: a father's private pain, a mother who'd do anything to protect her children, and a young boy irrevocably marked by his father's rage.

New fiction:

Disher, Garry. ***Bitter Wash Road***

Fielding, Helen. ***Bridget Jones: Mad About the Boy***

Iggulden, Conn. ***Emperor: the Death of Kings***

Iggulden, Conn. ***Emperor: The Field of Swords***

Tolkien, J.R. ***Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of The Ring***

Patterson, James. ***Cross My Heart***

New fiction in detail:

Atkinson, Kate. ***Life After Life***.

What if you had the chance to live your life again and again, until you finally got it right? During a snowstorm in England in 1910, a baby is born and dies before she can take her first breath. During a snowstorm in England in 1910, a baby is born and lives to tell the tale. What if there were second chances? And third chance? In fact an infinite number of chances to save your life? Would you eventually be able to save the world from its own inevitable destiny? And would you even want to?

Eggers, Dave. ***The Circle***.

When Mae Holland is hired to work for the Circle, the world's most powerful internet company, she feels she's been given the opportunity of a lifetime. The Circle, run out of a sprawling California campus, links users' personal emails, social media, banking and purchasing with their universal operating system, resulting in one online banking identity and a new age of civility and transparency. As Mae tours the open-plan office spaces, the towering glass dining facilities, the cosy dorms for those who spend nights at work, she is thrilled with the company's modernity and activity. There are parties that last through the night, there are famous musicians playing on the lawn, there are athletic activities and clubs and brunches. Mae can't believe her luck, her great fortune to work for the most influential company in the world – even as life beyond the campus grows distant, even as a strange encounter with a colleague leaves her shaken, even as her role at the Circle becomes increasingly public.

What begins as the captivating story of one woman's ambition and idealism soon becomes a heart-racing novel of suspense, raising questions about memory, history, privacy, democracy, and the limits of human knowledge.

Elton, Ben. ***Two Brothers***.

Two babies are born. Two brothers. United and indivisible, sharing everything. Twins in all but blood. As Germany marches towards its Nazi Armageddon, the ties of family, friendship and love are tested to the very limits of endurance. And the brothers are faced with an imaginable choice....Which one of them will survive?

Fu, Kim. ***For today I Am a Boy: A Unique and Mesmerising Story***

At birth, Peter had been given the Chinese name Juan Chuan, 'Powerful King'. The exalted only son in the middle of three daughters, Peter was the one who would finally embody his immigrant father's ideal of power and masculinity. But Peter has different dreams: he is certain he is a girl.

Muchamore, Robert. ***Man vs Beast***. (Cherub series) Every day thousands of animals die in laboratory experiments. Some say these experiments provide essential scientific knowledge, while others commit acts of extreme violence in order to stop them. James and Lauren Adams are stuck in the middle. They're 'Cherub' agents. Trained professionals with one essential advantage: adults never suspect that children are spying on them.

Munro, Alice. ***Dear Life***.

A collection of stories. Moments of change, chance encounters, the twist of fate that leads a person to a new way of thinking or being: the stories in this collection build to form a radiant, indelible portrait of

just how dangerous and strange ordinary life can be. Winner of the Nobel Prize in Literature 2013. Winner of the Man Booker International Prize.

Tan, Amy. ***The Valley of Amazement***

Violet Minturn grows up in Shanghai's most exclusive courtesan house, the striking and wilful daughter of its American mistress. In 1912, when the Emperor is deposed and celebrations rock the city, a cruel act of deception separates Violet from her mother. Forced to become a courtesan, Violet determines to master the arts that will make her one of the most desired women in Shanghai. In this new way of life, romance is an illusion and seduction nothing more than a transaction; but she can never relinquish her hope of finding truth in love. Spanning fifty years and two continents, this is a deeply evocative narrative of a fateful family history. With her characteristic wisdom, grace and humour, Amy Tan conjures a story of the inheritance of love, its mysteries and betrayals, its power and truth.

Karen Jones and Francie Campbell
Teacher-Librarians

Careers Corner

Professional Cadetships Australia 2014 Cadetship Programs

Business Cadetship applications are now open and close: Wed 14th May

Engineering and Technology Cadetship applications open: Mon 28th April

Engineering and Technology Cadetship applications close: Fri 13th June

PCA offers cadetships in Business, Engineering and Technology for Year 12 students who will be attending University in 2015. Students interested in applying should contact the careers office and visit <http://www.businesscadetships.com.au/>

University of Sydney HSC Preparation Courses

University of Sydney offers HSC Preparation Courses throughout the year for a range of subjects, including Biology, Mathematics, Economics, Physics, and more. The University also offers a free downloadable guide on how to cope with the HSC. It is available at <http://cce.sydney.edu.au/courses/HSC>

University of Notre Dame - Bachelor of Medicine/Bachelor of Surgery Information Session

This will be held on Sunday 23rd March from 12.00pm – 2.00pm at 160 Oxford St, Darlinghurst. It will be possible to speak to current students and staff, learn about the course content and admission process. For more information visit <http://www.nd.edu.au/events/sydney/mbbs-course-info>

Macquarie University "Study Without Stress" Information Evening

Macquarie University's Australian Hearing Hub is the venue for this free information evening which will be

held on Thursday 27th March from 5.30pm – 7pm to discuss stress management techniques in relation to preparation for the HSC. Learn how to help create a study-life balance at home or in school. Visit <http://www.mq.edu.au/about/events/view/study-without-stress-information-evening/> for further information.

Discover Nursing and Midwifery at UTS

These will be held on a range of dates and at various campuses:

- Midwifery City Campus, 5.30pm–7.00pm: Tuesday 8th April
- Nursing City Campus, 5.30pm–7.00pm: Thursday 12th June, Tuesday 1st July, Thursday 10th July
- Nursing Ku-ring-gai Campus, 5.30pm–7.00pm: Wednesday 2nd July

Prospective students, friends and parents are invited to one of the interactive workshops to discover Nursing or Midwifery. More information can be accessed at <http://www.uts.edu.au/future-students/health/about-health/events-and-brochures/discover-sessions>

UTS Bachelor of Information Technology Co-operative Scholarship Program

Applications for this scholarship open on Monday 28 April. This program provides students with \$15,500 per year of study and two six month, full-time industry placements with sponsor organisations.

To apply, log on to:

<http://www.uts.edu.au/future-students/information-technology/it-undergraduate/bit-co-op-how-apply>

College Week Live

College Week Live is a free online college fair which features several hundred colleges and universities worldwide. Visitors to the website can watch presentations, participate in live videos and chats without having to physically attend the university or college. Visit <http://www.collegeweeklive.com/>

Australian Maritime College 2014 Course Guide

The 2014 AMC course guide available online or in hard copy (by completing an enquiry form), outlines all courses offered at AMC and provides general details about the college. It can be accessed at <https://www.amc.edu.au/amc-course-guide>

Defence Force Work Experience Program

Placements around Australia for high school students are now advertised online at <http://www.defence.gov.au/workexperience/>. Any student wishing to do work experience at the Defence Force should visit this site.

Girls Experience Industry Day

Are you interested in making things? Do you enjoy Maths and Science or Business Studies? Are you interested in working with people? If so you may want to attend this event organised by the National Association of Women in Operations on 14th April. Register at:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/sBTRMRGM>

The Hotel School Sydney Information Evening

This event which will be held on 3rd April aims to give attendees an in-depth understanding of the qualities of the Hotel School's Bachelor of Business in Hotel Management. If you are interested in attending, visit www.hotelschool.scu.edu.au and register at infoevening@scu.edu.au

UNSW: Health Careers Kit 2013

This document, developed by UNSW, contains information about going to university, allied health as well as medicine and nursing programs, at a range of universities. Visit:

<http://web.unsw.edu.au/rcshealthcareers2013>

Defence Force Hot Jobs

Two exciting opportunities have opened up in the army. If you are interested in becoming an admin clerk visit:

<http://www.defencejobs.gov.au/army/jobs/AdministrationClerk>.

If being a Telecommunications Technician is appealing, follow the links at

<http://www.defencejobs.gov.au/army/jobs/telecommunicationstechnician/>

Cambridge University Information Evening

Details about the application process to study at Cambridge University will be outlined at this event which will be held at PLC Croydon from 1.30pm – 3pm on Saturday 12th April. RSVP by 31st March to icroshaw@plc.nsw.edu.au

Study in the USA: An information evening

This will be held in the Packer Theatre at Ascham School on Monday 24th March from 5.30pm to 7.30pm. RSVP to <http://www.trybooking.com/78015>

Interested in a career in teaching?

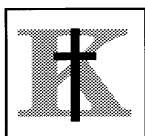
Along with the Teacher Education Scholarship program (www.teach.nsw.edu.au/scholarships), a range of teaching cadetships, internships and rural scholarship opportunities were offered at the end of 2013. For more information, visit www.teach.nsw.edu.au and www.teach.nsw.edu.au/teachrural. Next round of the scholarship programs will open in May 2014.

Launch of Industry Women Central website

The Construction & Property Services Industry Skills Council is pleased to announce the official launch of the website Industry Women Central. IWC is the place for women in, or looking to enter, the construction and property services industries to collaborate, share ideas and find out information on upcoming events and opportunities. It also provides information on education scholarships, mentor programs, speaking opportunities, award programs, career advancement, board and committee opportunities and much more. The web address is www.industrywomencentral.com.au

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

Colleen Clarke and Rosemary Brown
Careers Advisers



Killara District Christian Education Association Inc.

Commencement Service

2:00pm Sunday 6th April

All Saints Air Force Memorial, Church Moore Avenue West Lindfield

Followed by the Annual General Meeting at 3.15pm

Parents and supporters of Protestant Scripture are most welcome

Refreshments will be served between the service and the AGM

Alcohol fuelled violence in our community

**FREE
EVENT**

Essential new information for parents, professionals and local services covering:

- Alcohol issues in Australian society – what can we realistically do?
- Teenagers and alcohol

Featuring Paul Dillon – keynote speaker and bestselling author of *Teenagers Alcohol and Drugs*. Regarded as a key social commentator, Paul is a nationally recognised drug education specialist with 25 years experience in the field.

The night will be hosted by David Citer, Manager of the KYDS Youth Development Service.

Q&A panel featuring NSW Police, NSW Health and other industry professionals to provide insight and answer your questions.

When: Tuesday 25 March 6.45pm-9pm
Where: Hornsby RSL (main showroom)
 4 High Street Hornsby
 (Hornsby RSL supports local community initiatives)
RSVP: Please call Paul Stuart on 9477 8729 or email pstuart@nsm.com.au











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A problem shared is a problem halved

is a voluntary group offering support for via regular meetings. The group is run by [unclear] to discuss and learn from others with ADHD in order to best help parents and kids alike.

The Northern Beaches ADHD Support Group caters for parents of children or teenagers with ADHD and aims to provide a supportive environment.

WORKSHOP FOR YEARS 10-12

"HSC STUDY SKILLS FOR STUDENTS WITH ADHD"

with Sharon Bramble from Alert Learning

tor of the ALERT Learning Program: a multisensory skills-based system of tory and kinesthetic learners, has been successfully piloted in a number of age based, whole school and NAPLAN - indicating vast improvements. The licit system is currently in the final stages of a four-year trial in a Western Sydney state high school where its skills and strategies are ng implemented across the curriculum in science, history, social sciences, ESL and English. Sharon has a private practice in which she tects and teaches students K-12 that range from severely disabled to gifted through the use of specific multisensory methods. Sharon consults with, and teaches parents, enabling them to enhance their children's learning and retention. The success of Sharon's ALERT Learning Program is its structured multisensory simplicity.

Sharon Bramble is a speaker, Educational Consultant and cre literacy acquisition. The program, which caters for visual, audi primary schools across the state with Base data - individual, st exp bel men also

id this year. The focus will be rting texts. We will look at

The workshop will focus on understanding components of the National Curriculum, which is being implementa looking at how multisensory strategies improve retention and can be applied to deconstructing and construa

31st March 2014 @ 6.30-8.00pm

The Pittwater RSL, Main Sail Room, Mona Vale Road (corner of Foley Street), Mona Vale

Ticket reservations essential via: <http://www.eventbrite.com.au/org/4222746751>

Register on Eventbrite

facebook

https://www.facebook.com/BeachesADHDsupport
nbadhdsupportgroup@hotmail.com



Lindfield Rotary Club FUNRUN



SUNDAY 6 APRIL 2014

Roseville Park

Clanville Rd, Roseville

5km run/walk

starts at 8am

10 km run

starts at 8.15am

Enquiries: lindfieldrotaryfunrun@hotmail.com

For more info and to register online, visit:

www.lindfieldrotaryfunrun.org.au

Parenting Programs

Child & Adolescent Parenting

WHAT'S ON IN TERM 2 - COURSES/WORKSHOPS FOR PARENTS/CARERS

Tuning in to Teens Course

Skills to communicate with your teenagers so that you understand each other better & are able to build positive relationships.

- ★ Understanding teenagers today & communication skills
- ★ Emotional intelligence skills
- ★ How to prevent behaviour problems & conflict resolution

Chatswood 5 wks/2.5hrs (19/5 - 23/6, 7.00-9.30pm)

Dealing with Teen's Backchat Workshop

- ★ Learn how to restore a respectful & positive relationship with your teenager
- ★ Understand what it is like being a teenager today
- ★ Learn how to talk so that they listen & how to listen so that they talk to you

Chatswood (12/5, 7.00-9.30pm)

Tuning in to Kids Course - Chatswood (22/5 - 19/6)

Triple P (Positive Parenting Program) Course- Chatswood (14/5 - 25/6)

NEW

Communicating with Kids Workshop (based on PET)-Chatswood (18/6)

WORKSHOPS ON REQUEST FOR PARENTS/CARERS OF TEENS - 9887 5830

- ★ Dealing with Teen's Back Chat
- ★ Transition to High School
- ★ Triple P Seminar Series (Teens)

- ★ Resilient Kids
- ★ Bully Busting Workshop

OTHER WORKSHOPS ON REQUEST (2-2.5 hours)

- ★ Understanding Your Toddler/Discipline & Tantrums
- ★ Tucker without Tantrums/Toilet Training
- ★ Speech & Language Development/Sleep
- ★ Triple P (PPP) Seminar Series (1-12 years)

- ★ Older Sibling - New Baby
- ★ Transition to School
- ★ Grand Parenting
- ★ Communicating with Kids

Enquiries: Child & Adolescent Parenting 9887 5830

www.nslhd.health.nsw.gov.au/services/CAP



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Dads and their children
Benefit from time together