The Growth of Wonder

“Equipped with his five senses, man explores the Universe around him and calls the adventure Science”

- Edwin Hubble

At its heart, science is the expression of wonder. Science is a question. It is the exercise of exploration and discovery. Science also has the useful habit of keeping us alive and can employ us in all manner of useful endeavour.

The world uses scientists in areas such as sustainable food and energy production, health, bio-technology, engineering and environmental management, to name but a few. Many Kingsmen will be working in scientific jobs in these areas that haven’t been invented yet. This is a tad bit scary and a touch difficult to prepare for. For this reason we need to foster curiosity, problem-solving and adaptability when we teach Science.

Boys are keen on science. It appeals to their liking to sizzle things and get into the gizzards of things. They can fiddle and find out things. They can measure and test things. They can create things, and even more deliciously, they can destroy things and do a variety of things that make a mess. Science is action-based, interesting and practical. It is subject made for boys.

We are on a mission to foster excellence in science education. We are building a Science Centre that is going to be visually stunning and great news for a Science Department that, quite rightly, is rather ‘over’ its current facilities. At the core of the new building will be classrooms, most of which will be teaching spaces that incorporate laboratory facilities. The 18 laboratories will be equipped with state-of-the-art resources, including demonstration benches and camera facilities to record and display experiments.

In addition, there will be break out areas and facilities for individual experiments. The classrooms will be supported by extensive preparation areas, storage areas and facilities for staff. There will also be significant space set aside for displays and scientific exhibitions. Look for your son’s work here. The new Science Centre will also feature a central display space and atrium. This spectacular area will bring natural light into the centre of the building and house some mega-sized scientific thingamajigs.

One of the most exciting features of the proposed Science Centre is the inclusion of two research laboratories – the first time a research precinct will be embedded within an Australian secondary school. This facility will allow cutting-edge research to be undertaken in partnership with universities and the commercial world. Our goal is not only to learn about science, but to contribute to scientific knowledge. The research facility will keep the School at the forefront of scientific thinking.

All we need to do is pay for it! Already we have attracted some great financial support, but we need more help. Please respond positively to our appeal to fund our new Science Centre. For generations, King’s has been enriched by the sacrificial giving by parents to projects that enhance their son’s learning. It is now our turn – and by accepting this invitation, you will contribute to the growth of wonder at King’s.

Dr Tim Hawkes
SUBMISSION OF ARTICLES

Please note that all submissions must be forwarded to Susan MacDonald by 4.00pm on the Tuesday preceding the publication date. (For reference – please see the following publication schedule.) Suitable items with minimal formatting and of no more than half an A4 page should be emailed to srm@kings.edu.au. Please note that this includes Membership forms, Dinner invitations and the like.

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Susan MacDonald
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YEAR 12 VALETE DINNER

Please note that invitations to the Year 12 Valete Dinner have been sent.
If you have not received your invitation, please advise Michelle White at mwhite@kings.edu.au.

The dinner will be held on
Friday, 21 September 2012 at
Le Montage Event Centre
38 Frazer Street, Lilyfield
(in the Sarah Grand Ballroom)

RSVP will be required by Friday, 24 August 2012
together with a completed response form and payment.

Michelle White
Valete Dinner Coordinator

Tailor made Dinner Suits

The Braeside Shop can organize made to measure dinner suits suitable for all formal occasions.
Our tailor visits the Braeside Shop every Friday at 1.00pm during Term time. The suit is made from a fine wool blend fabric and the cost is $365.00.
Please telephone the Shop directly to make an appointment – 9683 8463. If you would like to place an order please see the tailor before 31 August 2012.

Silver Duke of Edinburgh Expedition

The expedition will be riding mountain bikes in the Southern Highlands around Kangaroo Valley and Morton National Park.
Departure will be early on Friday 21 September, heading to Fitzroy Falls, then we will cycle to the Kangaroo River, camping at Bendeela Camping Ground on Friday and Saturday nights. We will return to School on Sunday 23 September.
Interested? Email kbs@kings.edu.au

The King’s Camera needs you …
The King’s Camera is the adult community choir of The King’s School.
We would love to hear from any keen singers – especially males!
No experience necessary – just a love of singing!
Rehearsals take place each Wednesday during term time.
7:30-8:45pm
For further details please contact Jonathan Todhunter at jpt@kings.edu.au or on 9683 8602

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Citius, Altius, Fortius . . . . Faster, Higher, Stronger
As millions around the world focus their attention upon the greatest sporting show on Earth – the Olympic Games – I believe it to be an opportune time to cast a few reflections. The media is saturated with reports of athletic triumphs and disasters and unlike the sentiments expressed by Rudyard Kipling, it is apparent we are unable to treat those two imposters just the same.

Our nation saddles our athletes with great expectations and some competitors have fuelled this with talk of the great feats they will achieve. We are a country of a mere 22.7 million people competing against nations of over 1 billion. To show little respect for the ability of our competitors is somewhat arrogant and a certain recipe for disappointment.

Sport is a key ingredient of our broad educational program that we offer at King’s as we believe it offers many social, physical and psychological benefits. The founder of the modern Olympic movement, Baron Pierre de Coubertin, was an educationalist at heart and sought to embody much of the education philosophy surrounding games of the British Public Schools in the objectives of the Olympics.

The philosophy underpinning the Olympic Games, Olympism is described by the IOC as ‘a philosophy of life; exalting and combining in a balanced whole the qualities of body, will and mind. Blending sport with culture and education, Olympism seeks to create a way of life based on the joy of effort, the educational value of good example, social responsibility and respect for universal fundamental ethical principles’. Such a vision for sport possesses the values that should be the foundation for all sport, particularly in schools.

The Olympic Games endeavour to build a better world through sport and develop desirable personal and social characteristics in people. The athletes at centre stage can be an inspiration and role models for the youth of the world.

I believe we have evidenced some wonderful educational lessons, both of positive and negative behaviours from some athletes at the London Games. There have been outstanding examples of great sportsmanship, courage, perseverance and mutual respect, just as there have been displays of arrogance, selfishness and an inability to accept defeat with graciousness. In recent days we have witnessed two outstanding examples of great sportsmanship and grace and it is the lessons from these that I wish to focus upon.

The gold medal sprint race between two fierce rivals of the velodrome saw Anna Meares (Australia) matched against the defending Olympic Champion, Victoria Pendleton (Great Britain). The Australian won the sprint Gold inflicting a second disappointment upon her rival. What was wonderful to see was the manner in which Pendleton accepted this defeat. She raised her rival’s hand in victory, hugged Meares and told her she deserved it and that she was a great champion. A sentiment that brought Meares to tears. Pendleton had the grace and perspective to think of her rival, not just of herself and her personal disappointment. Too often we see athletes so self-obsessed that they are oblivious of the achievement of others and cry or sulk if a Gold medal has eluded them.

Pendleton’s grace was echoed on the same evening on the track by the US competitor in the 100 metres Women’s Hurdles. As the Australian World Champion, Sally Pearson, set a new Olympic record defeating the American reigning Olympic Champion, Dawn Harper, by .02 of a second, the American clapped and rushed to hug Pearson. Harper’s smile and joy for her rival and her personal success of winning a Silver medal revealed that she understands the true magnitude of her achievement and that she appreciates the true spirit of the Olympic movement.

As de Coubertin declared: “The most important thing in the Olympic Games is not to win but to take part, just as the most important thing in life is not the triumph but the struggle. The essential thing is not to have conquered but to have fought well”. If such a credo could underpin the approach to all sport played, it would enable sport to be a far greater positive educational tool.

The great Australian sprinter, Raelene Boyle, offered valuable perspective upon the tears and disappointment she expressed as a young woman on the dais at Munich in 1972 when she was presented with her Silver medals. She said she would love to reach back to her younger self to "put
my arm around her shoulders and tell her not to worry’. If you’re not happy with a Silver or Bronze medal, then you haven’t got a grasp of what you have achieved.

These are valuable lessons and magnificent examples of true sportsmanship and grace. In playing sport we must never lose perspective of the reasons why we compete and of the social and educational objectives that we wish to achieve. The joy of competition, the love of the game, the friendships forged, the values of sportsmanship and respect for our fellow man must underpin all that we strive for in Sport. We should be most grateful that athletes such as Pendleton and Harper have afforded us such a pertinent reminder.

**REVISED TERM DATES 2013**

Confirmation that the revised term dates for 2013 are:

**Term 1**
Wednesday 30 January to Thursday 11 April
(Camps Week – Friday 5 April to Thursday 11 April)

**Term 2**
Tuesday 30 April to Friday 21 June

**Term 3**
Tuesday 16 July to Friday 20 September
(Years 11/12)
Thursday 19 September (Years 7-10)

**Term 4**
Wednesday 9 October to Thursday 5 December

Dates listed are the first and last teaching days for each term. Boarders are to be at School by 8.00pm the night prior to the start of each term.

*The School expects all holiday leave to be taken during School vacation time.*

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**The Silver Games**

If countries were ranked on how many silver medals they had won, then we would be up there with the super powers. Australia seems to be having a silver games. In the pool itself we won only one gold medal, but six silvers.

James Magnussen was beaten by .01 second into second place and when interviewed was very withdrawn after all he had been through with the relays. Emily Seebohm was in tears as she was trying to be happy but felt she had let down her coach and her parents by coming second. In a later interview after she had composed herself, she said she was happy to receive a medal but still disappointed and commented that “…no-one goes to the Olympics wanting to get second!”

That was not the case for Christian Sprenger who won a silver medal in the 100metres breaststroke. He was over the moon with his achievement. He was hoping just to make the finals and he said he was “stoked to get a medal” and thanked his family for being so good to him.

A lot of the tension seems to be media driven. When an athlete wins silver (or loses the gold!) they are often asked if they are disappointed or how could they have done one better. Australian long jumper, Mitchell Watt, after winning a silver medal told the media to “wake up” and that he was proud to have won silver. “I think people need to start understanding that it is not easy to win an Olympic gold medal and there is absolutely nothing wrong with a silver medal.”

Is it an achievement to win a silver medal? Should we be happy or sad? I suppose it all depends on your expectation. If you went in thinking you were going to win gold then you would be disappointed but if you never expected a medal you would be ecstatic with silver. Expectation counts for a lot.

At times we set ourselves unrealistic expectations and are disappointed with the outcome and other times we are surprised by how well things turned out. We should strive to set realistic expectations for ourselves and our children and be content with whatever the outcome. Remember, “godliness with contentment is great gain” (1 Timothy 6:6).

**Rev Stephen Edwards**

chaplain@kings.edu.au
**Winter Appeal**

Thank you for the generous support of the Anglicare Winter Appeal. We collected over 60 boxes of goodies which will now find their way into needy homes.

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**Confirmation**

Confirmation is for Boarders, Day Boys and the King’s community.

Confirmation is an opportunity for a person to publicly declare his faith in Jesus. The Confirmation Service will be held on Thursday, 20 September at 7.00pm in the School Chapel.

Both Boarders and Day Boys from Year 9 and above are eligible to be confirmed. Even family members may consider being confirmed - Mums, Dads, brothers and sisters are all welcome.

In regards to preparation, the Boarders, we will meet commencing Thursday, 16 August from 8.00-9.00pm for the remainder of the term.

Day Boys and other people interested will begin their preparation on Sunday, 19 August from 4.30-5.45pm at the Chapel and the following four consecutive Sundays. Confirmees are welcome to stay on for Church@theChapel at 6.00pm.

If anyone is interested, please contact Rev Stephen Edwards 9683 8414 or chaplain@kings.edu.au for an information sheet and application form.

**Rev Stephen Edwards**

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**Travel Home for Boarders – End of Term 3**

Boarders requiring travel home for the Term 3 holidays and/or return for the start of Term 4 are requested to advise their travel requirements by Thursday 23 August, which is the cut-off date for bookings.

The buses will depart on the morning of Friday 21 September and return on Monday 8 October. Note that Year 12 students and those Year 11 students staying for the Year 12 Graduation on Friday 21 September will need to make their own travel arrangements for the end of term.

Parents may contact the School direct to advise their son’s travel requirements, by contacting Mr Max Yates, School Transport Officer, phone 9683 8411 or email transport@kings.edu.au.
DIRECTOR OF STUDIES

Curriculum Matters
Academic Tips No. 10
12 Most Striking Tendencies of Creative People

Last edition, I presented 12 Most Innovative Tips to Get into Your Creative Flow. This edition, I want to follow this up with looking at the characteristics, the traits, that creative people may possess. Does this sound like you?

Ever wonder what makes those wacky, creative types tick? How is it that some people seem to come up with all kinds of interesting, original work while the rest of us trudge along in our daily routines?

Here are some suggestions posted on a blog, found at: http://12most.com/2012/03/13/12-striking-tendencies-creative-people/

Creative people are different because they operate a little differently. They:

1. Are easily bored
A short attention span isn’t always a good thing but it can indicate that the creative person has grasped one concept and is ready to go on to the next one.

2. Are willing to take risks
Fearlessness is absolutely necessary for creating original work because of the possibility of rejection. Anything new requires a bit of change and most of us don’t care for change that much.

3. Don’t like rules
Rules, to the creative person, are indeed made to be broken. They are created for us by other people, generally to control a process; the creative person needs freedom in order to work.

4. Ask “what if…”
Seeing new possibilities is a little risky, because it means that something will change and some sort of action will have to be taken. Curiosity is probably the single most important trait of creative people.

5. Make lots of mistakes
A photographer doesn’t just take one shot and a composer doesn’t just write down a fully realized symphony. Creation is a long process, involving lots of errors along the way. A lot goes in the rubbish.

6. Collaborate
The hermit artist, alone in his garret, is a romantic notion but not always an accurate one. Comedians, musicians, painters, chefs all get a little better by sharing with others in their fields.

7. Are generous
Truly creative people aren’t afraid to give away their hard-earned knowledge. The chef can give you the recipe because he knows you won’t make it like he does anyway.

8. Are independent
Stepping off the beaten path may be scary but creative people do it. Children actually do this very well but are eventually trained to follow the crowd.

9. Experiment
Combining things that don’t normally go together can result in brilliance or a giant mess. Trial and error are necessary to the creative process.

10. Motivate themselves
There does seem to be a spark that creative people share, an urgent need to make things. They are willing to run the inherent risks of doing something new in order to get a new result.

11. Work hard
This is probably the most overlooked trait of creative people. People who don’t consider themselves to be creative assume that people who are creative are magical, that ideas just pop into their heads effortlessly. Experienced creative people have developed processes and discipline that make it look easy. See Outliers by Malcolm Gladwell – the 10,000 hour rule.

12. Aren’t alone
The good news is that it is possible for everyone to be creative. There are creative accountants, creative cooks, creative teachers, creative babysitters. Any profession or any hobby can be made into a creative pursuit by embracing and using creative traits. Do you consider yourself creative? (Say yes!) Finding something you’re really passionate about will help you take a chance and might just result in something wildly creative.

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Subject Choice Forms 2013

Year 11: The Year 12 (2013) form needs to be completed and returned to tutors by Wednesday 5 September (one week after End of Preliminary Course Exams).

Curriculum Matters
To keep up to date with the latest curriculum information, including the parent Teacher PowerPoint presentations given by me for Years 12, 11 and 10, go to: https://intranet.kings.edu.au/curriculum/index.htm

Clive Logan
The Olympics at The King’s School

It is timely to reflect on those Old Boys who have competed at the Olympic Games over the years.

The first Kingsman to attend was Frank Bede Smith (‘03). The 1908 Games were also held in London and Frank, who played in the 1st XV for three seasons 1901-1903 and in the GPS 1st XV for the final two, was a member of the Australian Rugby team that won gold at the IV Olympiad.

Old Boys have long been representing their country in Rowing. In the 1912 Games, Robert Waley (‘02) and Jack Ryrie (‘05) both rowed in the men’s VIII, Robert as the cox. Although not successful on that occasion, Robert particularly, continued to row and was a successful coach. Ted Bromley (‘24) a member of the coxless IV at the London 1948 Olympics, continued to row into his 80’s and today the Bromley Trust grants assist many young rowers to travel away to represent NSW and Australia.

Somewhat of a maverick, Stuart Mackenzie (‘54) is remembered fondly by school contemporaries and those he later coached. An outstanding sportsman at school, Stuart was a member of the 1st Shooting, Senior Athletics, 1st XV and 1st VIII in his final year. 1954 also saw him as Captain of Shooting, Captain of Boats, the recipient of the Verge Cup and playing GPS 1st XV. At age 19 he qualified for the Melbourne Olympics in 1956 in the single sculls and led the race up until the last 100 metres when he was overpowered by the Russian, Vyascheslav Ivanov having to be content with the silver medal. The following year Stuart became the first Australian to win a European Championship and in 1958 won gold at the Empire Games in the single sculls and silver in the double sculls. He successfully won the Henley Diamond Sculls six times consecutively from 1957-62, however, illness forced him to withdraw from the 1960 Olympic Games.

Robert Paver (‘70) was the youngest Australian athlete at the fateful Munich Olympics when he was a member of the coxed VIII, a feat he repeated in Montreal four years later.

In more recent times Alastair Gordon (‘94) won silver in the Sydney 2000 games as a member of the VIII as the School hosted some Police and the volunteers from the Rural Bush Fire Brigade. Nicholas Hudson (‘01) was this year’s official reserve for the VIII and was joined by Sam Loch (‘01) and Matthew Ryan (‘02) who rowed last week in London in the coxed VIII final. In 2008 they were joined by fellow Old Boy, Marty Rabjohns (‘96) in Beijing.

Glenn Kable (‘80) was controversially omitted from the 2000 Australian Olympic Shooting team for the Trap. Extensive family business connections allowed him to compete in both the 2004 and 2008 Olympics for Fiji as a member of the Trap team. This year he won the Australian National Olympic Trap title in Sydney and so for the third time will represent Fiji at the Olympic Games.

Another competitor at the 1956 games was Wyatt Thompson (‘43) who competed in the Equestrian events which were held in Stockholm, Sweden. He came a creditable 14th in the Men’s Three Day Event, the team coming 4th overall. In 2008 Wyatt published Trailblazers, a book retelling the experiences of the team as they prepared for the Games, the first Australians to ever compete in the equestrian events.

Over the coming years we will watch with interest to see who next joins the ranks of The King’s School Olympians.

Jenny Pearce
Archivist

Parents' Association and Boarder Parents’ Committee Combined Meeting

The next Meeting of these groups will be a combined event on Friday 17 August at 5.00pm in the Governors’ Room.

All parents are welcome to attend.

The Minutes of the June Parents’ Association Meeting are available on the School’s Intranet.
The CLL celebrates August and Reading
The Australian Year of Reading.
Go to www.love2read.org.au/index.cfm for amazing ideas and don’t forget to celebrate the Reading Hour on August 25. Check out the Year 8 Visual Arts Students ‘Zines – imaginative stories from around the world. Get excited! Get involved with the KOALA Competition. Contact Mrs Thomson for details mat@kings.edu.au

National Science Week’s Ignite your imagination!
Go to http://www.scienceweek.net.au/ and don’t forget to check the intranet for Science Week activities. Who will come out of the TKS Science Time Machine? Check out the Energy Evolution display of great new books!

The Australian Year of the Farmer.


Champions Read
Champions read, choose a book.
Champions read, take a look.
We can do what champions do; we can all be champions too.
Champions read, let’s read a book.
Champions love a challenge, champions persevere.
Champions try their hardest. Let’s give them a cheer. Yeah!

Are you ready, are you ready, are you ready let’s see?
Are you ready to go to the library?
Find a book that you love, things you need to know.
Are you ready, are you ready, are you ready let’s go ……!

Facebook.com; Have you liked The King’s School?
Are you one of the 900 million active users of Facebook? Have you ‘liked’ www.facebook.TheKingsSchool? At King’s we encourage our community to stay connected and encourage the responsible use of online social networks. Our growing presence on Facebook means that this is now one of your best places to access unique content, updates and images of everything that’s happening here at School. If you haven’t visited us on Facebook, get online and check out our page now. Online now is the latest information on the new Science Centre and The King’s Spring Festival (25-26 August 2012).

If you like what you see, ‘Like’ the posts to share the spirit of King’s with your family and friends.
CAREERS

The King’s School / Tara School Careers and Tertiary Awareness Night
Monday 13 August at 7.00pm-8 30pm
Westwalk, The King’s School
Over 40 Universities Colleges and Major Employers will be represented
Parents welcome. Students dress - School uniform

Macquarie University in a Day
A great initiative from our partner University
Going to university is a big change from high school so Macquarie University’s Uni in a Day allows students to taste some of what university life has in store for them.

On Thursday 27 September, Year 10, 11 and 12 students can experience a day in the life of a uni student and ask questions about what University is all about. Students will be able to choose their own subjects, plan their timetable and see what happens in a normal day on campus.

They will get to:
• take advantage of our first class facilities
• learn from award winning teachers and researchers
• see why our students have outstanding graduate outcomes and employability
• enjoy our beautiful and vibrant campus
• discover why Macquarie is Australia’s best modern university

Registrations for this year’s Uni in a Day are open.
Information at 9850 7250 or uninaday@mq.edu.au

University and College Open Days
Open Days are informative and entertaining, as students and staff make every effort to attract the next generation to their campus.

Australian Catholic University
North Sydney Sat 1 September, 9.00am-4.00pm
ANU and University of Canberra
Saturday 25 August, 9.00am-4.00pm
International College of Management Manly
Sunday 19 August 10.00-2.00pm
Macquarie University
Saturday 8 September, 10.00am-4.00pm
University of New South Wales
Saturday 1 September, 9.00am-4.00pm

University of Newcastle Callaghan Campus
Saturday 25 August, 10.00am-4.00pm
University of Sydney
Saturday 25 August, 9.00am-4.00pm
University of Technology
Broadway - Saturday 25 August, 9.00am-4.00pm
Kuring-gai - Saturday 1 September
University of Western Sydney –Parramatta
Sunday 26 August 10.00am-4.00pm
University of Wollongong
For personalised tours call 1300367869

Meet the Business Leader – for Years 10 and 11
The Chartered Accountants Meet the Business Leader event is a chance to meet with young professionals from a wide range of industries and in various roles, and gain an insight into their real life experiences.

Firms attending:
Ernst & Young, PwC, Lend Lease, KPMG, Nexia Court & Co, Deloitte, Taylor Woodings, UTS, Moore Stephens, UNSW and HLB Mann Judd.

Panel Speakers:
PKF, PwC, Unilever and GE

Keynote Speaker:
Andrea Culligan (Telstra’s Businesswoman of the Year) from The Unimail Group.

Event details:
Wednesday 22 August 2012, from 4:30pm
The Institute of Chartered Accountants
Level 1, 33 Erskine Street, Sydney
Registration:

Macquarie Law School Information Evening
Wednesday 22 August, 6.00pm-8.00pm
• law programs, units and requirements
• industry connections and internships
• exchange opportunities
• extra-curricular activities

Register now for our information evening

Michael Gordon mcg@kings.edu.au
PREPARATORY SCHOOL

From the Prep School …

Changes
Lots more will be said between now and Christmas, but now that news of the impending departure of Diana and me from King’s has gone public let me make these initial comments …

Diana and I both love King’s! We’ve had fourteen wonderful years of living and working here. We deeply value our relationships with the boys, the parents and the staff. My partnership with the Headmaster has been a particular source of joy and delight, and through his unfailing encouragement and support many exciting developments have occurred in the Prep over the past few years.

Many of you will know that our own sons (now adults) came through King’s - and they loved it here too! They count themselves as proud ex-Kingsmen. There is a saying ‘You can take the boy out of King’s, but you can never take King’s out of the boy’. Well, the Dalleywater family members very much feel like that! King’s will always be in our hearts and will be a precious part of our memories.

But this is a good stage of career and of life for us to make this move. Fourteen years of leading the Prep School is one thing: twenty-four or more would be quite another! Therefore I believe it will be a positive and enriching development for King’s and for me that I use my bag of tricks (such as it is!) in another school. I feel truly blessed to have been appointed as the Principal of Loquat Valley Anglican Preparatory School, Bayview. Diana and I are purchasing a home in that area - but Diana will continue to work here, as an assistant with K-2.

A few days ago I talked with the Prep boys about life and learning being full of changes. We have all experienced big changes in our lives. Indeed you and your sons underwent significant change when you became part of the King’s School community. Also many King’s families have managed the challenge of moving home or changing workplace. Such changes are enriching, if somewhat daunting! Managing change positively is a skill we strive to imbue in the boys. Indeed it is part of the PYP philosophy.

The Dalleywaters’ move from King’s will certainly bring heartache for us as well as joy. It will be far from easy to say farewell to this wonderful community. But we strongly believe that this is what God wants us to do … and that He will add his blessing, at both Loquat Valley and The King’s School.

I know that God will continue to bless King’s and will provide just the right person to be the new Head of the Preparatory School, who will lead King’s Prep on the next stage of its exciting journey.

King’s School Art Show and Spring Festival … 24 – 26 August
Don’t miss out on being part of the 33rd King’s School Art Show and Spring Festival! Many of you know and love the Show, and will enjoy re-visiting old haunts and re-connecting with old friends. For those who have not yet experienced a King’s School Art Show … come and join us! You’ll love it! (See flyer elsewhere in the Herald.)

PYP Exhibition
Thursday and Friday of this week marked a very special milestone in the learning journey of Year 6, namely the PYP (Primary Years Program) Exhibition.

The Exhibition marks the culmination of much of the boys’ learning. It requires them to apply the skills and understandings they have acquired through the PYP over the years. In effect the Exhibition is both a celebration and a demonstration of learning. It is also very authentic - that is, it is what the boys themselves make of it.

It was very heartening to see the boys create effective displays about their learning and to communicate so articulately about it. Many of them had interviewed various people as primary sources for research. One such person wrote to the School about the three Year 6 boys who interviewed him:

“They presented smartly, were polite and, more importantly from my perspective, they had taken time to consider the issue they were researching. They asked intelligent questions (significantly better than some Sydney media) and by their answers to my enquiries, showed they had a good grasp of the issues surrounding discrimination. If these young men reflect the ethos of Kings then it’s a fine place.”

Such feedback is a wonderful tonic for any Head of School! It’s also a credit to the boys themselves and to their teachers.

Keith Dalleywater
**Prep Athletics Carnival**

Perfect weather was produced for both days of the Athletics carnivals in 2012. Beautiful sunny skies helped improve to quality of the grounds for competitors and spectators.

The 58th Athletics Carnival worked perfectly with all boys completing their trials last term and being allocated events for the day. The Infants boys also had their chance to perform for their House. Many of the boys displayed big smiles, waving to parents as they worked their way along the strait.

Thank you to the staff for their efforts in keeping everything to time for the day. To Heather Mallet for preparing the program and to the grounds staff for some early starts in getting the grounds prepared.

I would also like to announce **Gus Grinham** as the Prep Athletics Captain for 2012. Congratulations to Thomas House for winning the Carnival this year, with Stiles coming second followed by Blaxland and Harrison Houses.

Congratulations to the following age champions:

**U9**

- Louis Pash
- Morgan Bamford

**U10**

- George Poolman
- Luke Irving (Runner up)

**U11**

- Jordan Williams
- Alexander Rothwell and Charlie Farrington (Runners up)

**U12**

- Tom Macqueen
- Luke Go (Runner up)

**Special mention**

Jordan Williams broke the record for the Under 11 100m event with a time of 14.19sec which had existed since 1993. Jordan also equalled the Under 11 High Jump with a jump of 140cm from 1998. Well done Jordan.

**Grass Roots Rugby at King’s**

On Tuesday 7 August the Senior 1st and 2nd XV invited the Prep 1st and 2nd XV to join them in a training session on the White Oval.

Being able to train on the main oval at King’s is a great opportunity and is one the Prep boys will not forget.

The Prep boys were quite nervous in meeting the giants of the senior rugby. Most only get the chance to watch them from the fence each weekend and these boys were actually training alongside them.

After a bit of touch football to warm up, the teams split into groups with their counterparts to learn some new tricks. It was terrific to see the senior boys taking the time and initiative to help the next group of Kingsmen along.

I would like to thank the coaches and players of the 1st and 2nd XV for their time and enthusiasm they passed onto the Prep boys.

**Phill Rogers**

Prep Sportsmaster

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**Brain Tumour Awareness**

The School was shocked and saddened last year with the news that Justin Matthews (Year 12 2011) had contracted brain cancer. Justin has made slow, but significant improvements since then and was recently invited to speak at the opening of Brain Tumour Awareness Week. (Please use this link for a short Channel 7 news story about Justin http://au.prime7.yahoo.com/n1/video/-/watch/29224077/find-a-cure).

A fundraising dinner to assist toward finding a cure is being organized by John and Jan Lang (parents of Elliott – Year 12 2011) and all are invited to attend.

Please contact them on thelang2@bigpond.com for more information. Information and booking – www.trybooking.com/BPPS
**DIRECTOR OF MUSIC**

**Visiting International Cellist**  
American cellist Michael Haber will be conducting a full-day workshop and masterclass with advanced musicians and ensembles next Tuesday at King’s. Mr Haber, who is a graduate of Harvard and Indiana Universities, and was a member of The Cleveland Orchestra under George Szell. He has performed under the famous Pablo Casals and in many orchestras. He has served on the faculties of Oberlin College, Indiana University, The New England Conservatory, the Eastman School of Music and Boston University. Both The London Times and the New York Times have praised Mr Haber’s performances.

**HSC Recital Evening – all invited**  
Don’t miss this fabulous evening when HSC Music students showcase their performances.

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**RUGBY**

Well at last it has arrived, the start of the GPS rugby season. With the last of the trials being completed against Scots College, the season kicked off with the opening round away fixtures against Shore College.

The games were preceded with the annual Rugby Club function at the Westin Hotel on Friday 27 July where the 1st and 2nd XV players were presented to the 430 strong audience at a fabulous function.

The Rugby Club can be very proud of their efforts in putting together a lunch that both raised considerable dollars for the development of our rugby program, as well as entertaining the room of supporters. With what can only be described as the funniest rugby speaker that has spoken at our functions, Eric Rush blew every one away with his stories and humour and I am sure he guaranteed that everyone who attended will be back next year.

**Round 1**

The following day saw mixed results on the field. We recorded victories in the 13As, 16As and 2nd XV matches, with our 15As recording a draw. The 14As, 3rds and 1st XV were defeated in closely contested games with the 1st XV going down in the last two minutes of the match 19-15.

It was a disappointing loss, as even though we didn’t play anywhere near our potential we were still able to hit the lead late in the game, only for Shore to score a late try to steal victory away from us. We had some moments of attacking brilliance, but generally lacked cohesion as a team, which cost us in the end. **Fergus Lee-Warner** and **Lachlan Strachan** continued their fine seasons with strong games and as always **Lalakai Foketi** looked dangerous every time he touched the ball.

By comparison the 2nd XV looked to be a finely tuned machine in the way they systematically deposed Shore. They played at speed controlling the breakdown to recycle the ball quickly and unleash their attacking backline. **Charlie Friend** had an outstanding game at 5/8, scoring 18 points in the 38-7 victory. He was well supported in the back by **Rory Davis** who scored a superb individual try with his kick and chase effort. In the forwards, **Rob Black** was outstanding in his ball carries, whilst **Sam Connor** was a constant threat to Shore’s breakdown possession.

The 3rd XV came up against a slick Shore side, and even though they were in the game at half time when the score was 0-0, they failed to contain their opponent’s backline eventually losing 21-7.

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**Australian Music Day**

Nine Year 11 elective music students spent a day at MLC School on Friday with about 10 other schools. The day was devoted to Australian composition, the processes behind composing (particularly as it relates to the Board of Studies requirements) and music technology. It was a stimulating experience as the boys listened to recognised composers, Paul Stanhope, James Humberstone and film music composer Christopher Gordon (Mao’s Last Dancer).

**Barry Walmsley**
The 16As had a great result in defeating the highly fancied Shore team 15-5. With their forward pack leading the way, they dominated possession and ruthlessly took the game to their opponents. It was hard to pick out individuals who starred on the day, as they played as a team, but James Kane continued his stellar year at full back and the back row of Ballantyne, Taylor and Moore were relentless in their work at the breakdown.

Congratulations must go to the 15Es who recorded their first victory of the year winning 29-0.

**Round 2**

The second round of the competition saw The King’s School host the powerful Newington College. Of the 33 games played, we won 20, drew 1 and lost 12. Once again we had some good victories across our A team results, with the 13As, 14As and 16As winning their fixtures with only the 15As going down in a close result.

Special mention to the 14As team who, in beating Newington 20-12, inflicted the first ever defeat against what is described as the strongest team in their age group. Up against a much bigger team, they showed that if you are committed in your performance and play as a team, you can beat any opposition.

Whilst mentioning commitment, I must praise the 13s age group with their efforts this year, in the way they trained and played the game. The 13As-Cs have had a wonderful season to date, only losing 5 out of the total 29 games played between them. However, it is the bottom end of the age group who have really improved and last Saturday saw victories in the 13Es, Fs and Gs.

In the premiership competitions of the 1st, 2nd and 3rd, we once again finished with mixed results. The 3rd XV improved greatly from the previous week’s performance to record a 17-17 draw. They had their opportunities to take the game but just failed to grab them when they were on offer.

The 2nd XV continued their winning ways with a fought 18-10 victory over a strong Newington side. Not their strongest performance of the year but they showed great defensive qualities against a much bigger side and when their chances came, they took them. Rory Davis once again produced a superb individual kick and chase try that set up the victory.

The 1st XV were up against the likely favourites of the competition, and a Newington team that is clearly the biggest in the competition. The game was a good spectacle of rugby with both sides showing great attack throughout the match, however, it was our lapses in concentration in defence that cost us dearly, with Newington capitalising on our errors to record a 36-27 victory. Max Wylie had a great attacking game scoring three tries, whilst Harry Randell’s return from injury certainly made a huge difference with his deadly defence.

We have started the season with two defeats in our chase for the premiership, however, there is too much class in this team for them not to bounce back in the next few matches to put their premiership aspirations back on track and I am confident that they will still be in the hunt for the title.

The 1st and 2nd XV have byes this weekend, but we will be playing a visiting English School, Epsom College, next Tuesday on the White Oval, with our 16As playing at 2.00pm and our 1st/2nd XV playing at 3.15pm.

We are still desperately chasing billets for our overseas visitors and if anyone can offer two nights’ accommodation next Monday and Tuesday evenings, it would be greatly appreciated. If you can assist, please contact me on 0423 578 837 at any time.

**Stephen James**

Master in Charge

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**CRICKET**

TKS Cricket Club

The next Meeting of the Cricket Club will be held on Monday 13 August at 7.30pm in the Harrisford Room, Gowan Brae.

All parents with boys playing cricket are encouraged to attend.

Peter Tugwell  pta@bigpond.net.au  0418 453 429
FOOTBALL

GPS Season Kicks Off
Craig Foster was guest speaker at The King’s Football Club Season Launch and delivered a rousing address to the players of the 1st and 2nd XI on the imminent start of the GPS competition. The boys and parents were captivated by his insights into some of the legendary moments from Socceroo history. Given the hard work the boys have invested to get to this stage, it was poignant that he highlighted the unseen dedication and practice many of the players put in to enable them to achieve their dream of playing for their country.

Joe Schirripa (Captain of Football ‘00) presented the boys with their competition jerseys and enjoyed taking part in a training session with the 1st and 2nd XI. It was great to see players from many King’s football teams, as well as a number of Old Boys. My thanks to the Football Club Committee for organising a very entertaining evening.

GPS Round 1 v SHORE
Players, parents and coaches made the trip to Northbridge for the first round of competition fixtures. The hosts put in some strong performances and it was pleasing to note in a number of games the never-say-die attitude of the King’s players who competed right up to the final whistle.

The 13Bs continued to show improvement and held on determinedly to their early lead to end up as 2-1 victors, with strong performances from Yanni Tzakos, and Adesh Soni in goal. The 13Ds enjoyed the biggest winning margin of the day of 6-0 and team of the day had to be from the 7ths who showed tremendous character and sportsmanship in a very physical encounter to finish up as 5-1 winners and draw the effusive praise of their coach, Mrs Gresham, for the humility they showed in victory. Particular praise to Kai Le who led the boys with great maturity and courage.

Both the 1st and 2nd XI suffered disappointing defeats. The 2nd XI Coach, Mr Gordon writes:

Having defeated the same side 5-0 in the trials complacency was always likely to be a problem. Playing with the slope and wind advantage in the first half King’s looked to force the issue but had difficulty in keeping possession playing in congested areas of the field. King’s had several chances to open the scoring but lacked composure in front of goal. Shore had their chances also and Ian Paver was called upon to intercept a number of opposition through passes. Shore immediately looked more positive in the 2nd half and King’s were forced to defend for long spells. Eventually Shore took the lead after some poor marking in the penalty area. King’s responded well but there wasn’t enough penetration. Possession was lost at vital times and Shore did a good job of slowing the game down and frustrating the King’s attack. Ian Paver saved a penalty to ensure the score remained 1-0 but King’s had few real chances to equalize – Man of the Match went to Will Tugwell for a solid performance in the centre of defence.

Coaches Denyer and Nurcombe were not unduly worried about the 2-0 scoreline at half-time; both goals coming from some simple errors in defence and the pace and off-the-ball movement of the Shore strikers. King’s had a number of chances that were squandered and the scores at the break could have easily been level. The 1st delivered a much-improved performance in the second half, playing some neat football and stretching the opposition. David Burdis latched on to a quality through ball from Man of the Match Matt Hooke to make the score 2-1. Despite the majority of possession, the boys were unable to force another and Shore caught them on the break and again on the final whistle to finish with a scoreline of 4-1.

GPS Round 2 v Newington
Back to the training ground for many teams to prepare to face Newington College. Newington always churn out teams that are technically very able and competitive so it was a big challenge that faced the sky blue and white teams on a beautiful winter’s day on the football fields. The 7th XI won again in convincing fashion and a number of teams did very well to hold their opponents to a draw including the 4ths and 6ths. A special mention to the 15Cs who fought extremely hard to protect their lead, ending up as 2-1 victors. Other teams didn’t fare so well and learned the importance of not letting teams like Newington have space in which to play.

The 2nd XI started in a much more positive fashion and having beaten Newington comfortably in the trial games. King’s pressured the Newington defence, which began to falter before relief was found in the form of the half time whistle. The boys started the second half as they finished the first with Ben Safari bossing the midfield with energetic tackling and an assured touch. Whilst Newington came back briefly they never really threatened and a 0-0 draw was played out to earn our first points of the season.

The 1st XI spoke of the need to raise their intensity on the pitch and did not disappoint. Newington boast the Sydney FC head coach as their 1st XI...
coach and the boys were wary of a typically dangerous and sharp opposition. The King’s boys played with concentration and discipline and turned in a near faultless performance. Mitch Healy, playing his first game since a nasty ligament injury sustained on tour, was commanding in defence and has never looked better. Matt Hooke continues to grow into a fantastic wing-back and troubled the Newington defence with some marauding runs. Just after the six minute mark, a through ball was chased by Reuben Vijayakumaran who showed characteristic perseverance to win the ball and bundle it past the goal keeper. 1-0 King’s. This rattled Newington and shortly afterwards, Harry Connery found himself with the ball and unmarked in the penalty box and showed great composure to fire it into the back of the net to make it two. The opposition were now definitely upset and took their frustration out on the King’s players. Despite their best efforts I was very proud of the way our boys kept their concentration and focused on the task at hand. The manner in which they took the game to the opposition and played with intensity as a team was particularly pleasing.

The second half saw a fired up Newington pull back an equalizer from a long throw and it was game on again. The work rate shown by David Burdis up front and Ryley Mclaughlin in midfield was exemplary and ensured Newington never settled. King’s pushed forward and won a free kick that was converted by the flying forehead of Ryan O’Keefe after a textbook training ground set piece. 3-1. Newington were awarded a penalty soon afterwards and had the opportunity to close the gap only to see their striker step up to blast the ball harmlessly high and wide. Harry Connery then caused the masses stood on the Wanderers’ Bank to hold their collective breath after unknowingly trampling a curious kookaburra. No one fancied the chances for the stunned avian visitor before a large sigh of relief confirmed it was just shocked (that Harry was quick enough to stand on it or that it wasn’t permanently maimed) as it flew away to enjoy the game from a safer vantage point. A larger sigh of relief followed 6sixminutes from the end, when O’Keefe’s second – a toe poke past the keeper from close range, earned him Man of the Match. The best performance of the year without a doubt, and a performance that shows just what this team is capable of.

Cup run comes to an end
The following Monday evening saw fate conspire for King’s to face Newington again in the semi-final of the CIS cup. Whilst Newington were unchanged, four of the King’s Year 12 boys were busy studying for their impending HSC trial exams. The great strength of our squad this year allowed some of our 2nd the chance to shine in their places. It couldn’t have started worse with King’s conceding a soft goal after 42 seconds! We feared that we were about to be on the end of a Newington backlash. The goal seemed to settle our boys and they started playing with more composure and followed the game plan. Zac Croker was unfortunate to not win a penalty when a decision was made to award an indirect free kick in the penalty area instead of a penalty.

King’s were able to repel all Newington attacks with James Shepherd turning in a solid performance in goal and Will Tugwell showing pace and commitment in the centre of defence. Benz Janwong had the ball in the net and enjoyed hero status for a moment, only for the goal to be rightly disallowed for a foul on the goalkeeper. Despite their best efforts, the boys succumbed to a 1-0 defeat. This was not a bad result given the circumstances and it was pleasing to see so many of our younger players stepping up to the mark when they needed to in such a competent manner.

Tim Nurcombe
Master in Charge

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**The King’s School Football Club**

cordially invites all TKS Football players, parents and coaches to attend the

**Annual Football End of Season Dinner**

The Epping Club
45 Rawson St, Epping
Saturday 15 September 2012 – 6.30pm for 7.15pm

**RSVP by Thursday 10 September to**
Colleen Bracken
The King’s School
PO Box 1 Parramatta 2124
Phone: 9683 8697 Fax: 9683 8577
UPCOMING EVENTS

King's Equestrian invites all parents, students and any families interested in joining the team to

Drinks and Nibbles at the Thomas Memorial Pavilion
5.30pm, Friday 7 September 2012

An informal gathering to recognise the efforts of those from the 2012 team and an opportunity for interested boys and parents to find out more about what’s on offer with King’s Equestrian.

RSVP to Karl Sebire, Equestrian Coordinator by Monday, 3 September - ksebire@kings.edu.au or 0422 934 994

Save the Date!

The Harvest Table
Friday 9 November
From 6.30pm

In celebration of the Year of the Farmer, King’s is proud to host The Harvest Table dinner.

All are welcome to an evening showcasing the very best that Australia has to offer in gourmet food and wine.

Tickets and further information available at the News & Events page at www.kings.edu.au from 31 August 2012

Introducing The King’s Spring Festival
25–26 August 2012

Now in its 33rd year, The King’s Art Show is an established and highly respected event on the School calendar. This year, the Artshow Opening Night and Gala Cocktail Party will be held on Friday, 24 August. Visit www.artshow.kings.edu.au to download a ticket booking form.

Over the years, the Art Show weekend has grown to include the spring market, food stalls and cafe, carnival rides and the All British Car Rally (Sunday only). This year, the weekend will be promoted as The King’s Spring Festival and will be further expanded to include a Farmyard (featuring an animal nursery, farm machinery showcase, little diggers plantings), live entertainment with daily kids shows (all weekend) from Bananas in Pyjamas, performances by King’s musicians through the weekend and the kids’ science show. There really is something for everyone!

Our promotion of the event will also be expanded to include radio advertising on Mix 106.5 with the Street Team joining us here at King’s on Saturday, 25 August for a live cross along with merchandise giveaways.

For the details of what’s on and when, visit www.kings.edu.au. We look forward to seeing you at the King’s Spring Festival.
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## PARENTS’ ASSOCIATION

**Passing Out Parade Luncheon**

Thanks to the 87 families of the Year of 2013 who assisted in some way toward the Passing Out Parade Lunch for the Year 12 Cadets. This is a fantastic response!

Thanks to Jodie Read for coordinating the event on behalf of The Parents’ Association.

Thanks to Jane Dhittal and Lina Patel for making the fantastic and delicious TKS slouch hat cake.