Dining@King’s

I like my food. A lot! I developed a liking for food when I was a boarder at King’s Rochester. This is probably why I was excited by the move to outsource our catering to Alliance Catering - a company well-versed in catering at the very highest level.

Introducing a new provider was never going to be easy in a School like King’s. We are a complex and conservative place, and issues have arisen. However, in general, the move has been a success.

We are still working on portion sizes (we are a boys’ school) consistency of standard (there needs to be a settled ’A’ team in the kitchen) and dining hall queues. There are a few other things to sort out as well, but most issues are now being repaired.

The Alliance team has thought up some great ways to add to our dining pleasure. This has been augmented by some good ideas from staff and boys. Changes include:

1) Expanding the size of the Food Committee to include more boys.
2) Reducing the chances of food running out by requiring day-boys to book in for breakfast and dinner.
3) Installing toasters at breakfast allowing boys to toast bread themselves.
4) Adding an extra hot option at breakfast.
5) Having the menus reviewed by the Menu Committee.

We are also looking at:

1) Having a ‘boarder’s choice week’ where the boarders choose what they have on their evening menu for each day of one week each term.
2) Introducing an informal meal rating system to give immediate feedback to Alliance.
3) Ensuring that each meal is nutritionally evaluated by external agencies.
4) Allowing boys to self-serve whenever possible and to have seconds when required.

Already, morning tea for staff and boarders has improved significantly and our soups are now made with fresh produce rather than the powdered product of yester year. Some of the new menus have also been a raging success. We need to record these so we have can have more of them.

If any parent or Kingsman has any further ideas on how we might improve the dining experience at King’s, I invite them to send their suggestions by email to Mr Powys, our Director of Boarding, at mnp@kings.edu.au.

The School and Alliance look forward to working together to put in place a catering service that is second to none.

With warm good wishes,

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, as per below.

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, function invitations and the like.

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PARENTS’ ASSOCIATION

Upcoming Meeting
The September meeting of the Parents’ Association will be held on Wednesday, 17 September at 7.00pm in the Governors’ Room.

All parents are invited to attend.

Felicity Findlay
President

WOMEN’S DINNER

Ticket Sales Now Open
The 2014 Women’s Dinner Committee is pleased to advise that we are now accepting bookings for

The Annual Women’s Dinner
Friday, 7 November 2014
The King’s School Trophy Room
Tickets are $75.00 per head

5.30pm
Browse our exclusive TKS community markets whilst enjoying pre-dinner drinks and canapés
7.00pm
Enjoy a sit down dinner with entertainment from The King’s School Senior Choir followed by our guest speaker

We are delighted that iconic journalist, Geraldine Doogue, will be speaking to us on ‘Power and Australian Women’. Geraldine will present insights from her brand new book, The Climb which features interviews with leading women across various sectors of Australian life. Geraldine will explore some of our contemporary values - what do we mean by 'success' and 'authority'? With a career path that has seen her climb to celebrity status in her chosen field, Geraldine will be familiar to us as the host of ABC TV’s Compass program and ABC Radio National’s influential Saturday Extra. For distinguished service to the community and media on issues involving ethics, values, religion and social change, in 2003 she was appointed an Officer of the Order of Australia.

In her typically warm and engaging style, Geraldine will include reflections from her own personal journey.

We are pleased to advise that funds raised from this event will assist the Thomas Kelly Youth Foundation in its vision to address alcohol-related violence.

Online bookings: http://www.trybooking.com/FUHP (30c transaction fee). Booking close 24 October 2014 Please book early to avoid disappointment as numbers are strictly limited!

Enquiries: Fiona Morley faimorley@gmail.com
Market stall bookings: Catherine Marsh marshjandc@gmail.com
A Celebration of Music, Art and Technology
The past week has witnessed a magnificent celebration of cultural excellence featuring the Annual Gala Music Concert, Exhibitions of our Year 12 major works in Visual Arts and Industrial Arts, and a wonderful Languages Day.

On Thursday 28 August, the Music School showcased the gifts of our many talented boys in ensemble and solo work in the Annual Gala Concert held in Futter Hall before an enthusiastic audience of over 650. Performances ranged from solos by Richard Kwon, James Spittaler, Oscar Han and Dan Thompson, to small ensemble items, including the Piano Trio (Alan Zhu, Phillip Huo, Ken He), Clarinet Trio (HD Tang, Eric Kong, Ryan Quck), Braxton Jones’ Brass Ensemble, and the Cello Ensemble, to larger ensembles including the Symphonic Concert Band, Drum Line, Senior Choir and Senior Big Band. We also had a special guest appearance by the Dynasty Drum Line (a professional group of drummers) along with performance of a new piece, commissioned from Paul Jarman by the Preparatory School Choir and Orchestra.

The following Friday evening saw the Visual Art and Industrial Art Departments host their annual exhibition evenings. Visual Arts celebrated the diverse and exciting final Higher School Certificate “Bodies of Work” where each unique work revealed the interests and insights of the sixteen Year 12 students through their selected media. Works included highly refined pencil drawings, painting, photography, sculpture, digital design, instillation works and mixed media all of which were greatly appreciated by the large audience of viewers on the evening. Special mention to Jim Lee winner of this year’s Eric Labour Prize for Visual Arts whose acrylic painting The Ambassadors is an appropriation of 1553 work by Hans Holbein by the same title. The prize for excellence in Creative Arts, the John Firth-Smith Prize has been awarded this year to Curt Stockl for his exceptional pencil drawing “the Great HAR1” depicting an astronaut on the moon.

Running concurrently with the Visual Arts exhibition was the Industrial Arts HSC Major Works display. Once again the quality and scale of the works was amazing and the evening was extremely well received by a great number of the School community. This year’s display of impressive projects were produced by the largest ever class to study Industrial and Design and Technology at the School.

The range and diversity of projects was immense; from beautifully crafted furniture, a variety of trailers and farm machinery to a fashionable men’s suit. Congratulations to our prize winners who were:

- **Industrial Technology Timber**  
  Mitch Donn

- **Industrial Technology Metal**  
  Forbes Boydell

- **Design and Technology**  
  Liam Cavanagh-Downs

- **Owen Williamson Prize for Craftsmanship**  
  William Li

We must also acknowledge the dedication and immense skill of our talented teaching staff who have inspired and toiled to guide our boys to achieve their potential. To our Industrial Arts Department Mr Scott Hoppitt, Mr Wally Taresenko, Mr Nick Green, Mr Brian Davey and the Department Head, Mr Simon McMahon. To our Head of Visual Arts, Mr Phill Trick and our Music Staff Ms Joyce Kojevnikov, Mr Phill Beverley and Mrs Karen Walmsley, and our Director of Music Mr Barry Walmsley. The School and its boys are most fortunate to have you.

1974 Christian Old Boys
Our week concluded with the most special visit to the School by a number of Christian Old Boys from the Class of 1974, who shared their journey to Christ and the Gospel with the School. Their presence and ménage was moving for many boys and indeed for our guests as they reconnected with their Alma Mater forty years on. I was delighted to reconnect with Sven Straarup who was my House Captain when in Year 8 of Bishop Barker. Sven, a Lieutenant Colonel in the Danish Army, businessman and Pastor gave an inspirational address in chapel where Marty Woods lead us in prayer and John Anderson, the former Deputy Prime Minister, read from the Gospel.

Along with Don Coles and Adrian Lane our Old Boys visited many classes where they shared their journey discussing how Christ has impacted their lives. They were greatly impressed with our boys’ warmth and openness. Each was delighted by their experience engaging with the boys. The School is immensely grateful to each of our Old Boy visitors for their warm, sincere and heartfelt support for the Christian mission of the School. Thank you.

Andrew Parry
Dangerous Idea No. 2

Christians believed that God created the world. We are not told exactly how he created it. Genesis 1 is not a scientific account, as the Bible’s aim was to tell us more about who created the world rather than how it was created.

Scientific theories have varied over the years as to how the world was created. Some of these have been opposed to a Christian viewpoint while some fit within a Christian framework. For many years scientist believed that the world was eternal. Yet with the arrival of the “Big Bang” Theory many scientists had to change their point of view and declare that the world did have a beginning (which the Bible had been saying all along, that is God is eternal and not the world). It would seem that God has left us a huge challenge in trying to work out how he created the world. Who knows what theory we will be talking about in 50 years time as science continues to develop, but the main point is that whatever theory we hold, we must give praise and thanks to God who created it (Revelation 4:11). Just because we do not know exactly how God created the world does not mean that we cannot believe that God did it!

So why is believing in a creator God so dangerous? Because it causes us to look outside of ourselves and to be reliant on another. Some will not want to think of a being greater than themselves. Yes I have my intelligence, my world to discover and investigate and to learn – but I have more. I have a personal God who is in control of this world, who keeps things running, who wants me to look after the world under his authority, who wants to give me knowledge and guidance and direction. God has a purpose for this world and it is to bring all things under his Son, Jesus Christ (Ephesians 1:10). Simply put – the knowledge of a creator God makes all the difference. We are not here to do as we please but we are responsible to the one who has given it all to us. It is little wonder that many want to reject the creator God because he has every right to make a call on our lives.

Rev Stephen Edwards
chaplain@kings.edu.au

Student Representative Council

World Vision 40 Hour Famine

The student community continues to be incredibly generous in both fundraising and giving. Our boys have supported many charities this year and have demonstrated a clear commitment towards making a difference in the lives of others less fortunate.

This year we had 70 boys participate in the World Vision 40 Hour Famine, with boys giving up something of personal value to them – including technology, food, beds, speech and furniture – for 40 hours. Along with this, the SRC set a goal to raise $5,000 to help in the fight against hunger in Rwanda. Our boys very quickly sailed past our goal to raise $12,296.58 which has been an absolutely fantastic effort by all involved.

Special mention must go to Riley Bloxham, Pravin Chanmugam and Connor Jephcott who each raised more than $1,000 for this worthwhile cause.

All 40 Hour Famine participants have been treated to an SRC BBQ to thank them for their efforts.

Please visit the 40 Hour Famine web page https://40hf2014.everydayhero.com/au/thekingsschool

Brendan Stewart
Coordinator
Academic Integrity

The Board of Studies, Teaching and Educational Standards (BOSTES) takes academic integrity very seriously. Students in all schools participate in the HSC All My Own Work online program before they are enrolled in the Year 11 Preliminary Course. According to BOSTES “The HSC: All My Own Work program is designed to help Higher School Certificate students to follow the principles and practices of good scholarship. This includes understanding and valuing ethical practices when locating and using information as part of their HSC studies.”

BOSTES defines Malpractice to be “any activity that allows you to gain an unfair advantage over other students”. Malpractice can take many forms including failure to acknowledge sources, presenting another’s work as though it was your own, plagiarism and cheating.

All schools are required to register with BOSTES any cases of malpractice in HSC assessment tasks.

At King’s, like all schools, there are occasionally cases of malpractice where students are awarded zero. These more often than not involve students in the junior years. Clearly the best way to combat malpractice is by positively educating students in doing what is right. One of our aims at King’s is to foster the value of integrity. We teach about the importance ethics, honesty and fairness. Our Academic Integrity and Malpractice Policy is available on the Curriculum Matters page of iLearn, (https://ilearn.kings.edu.au/send.php?id=18886), found on the right side under the heading “Policies”.

As the primary role model for your son’s values you, as parents, can assist the School by keeping ethical issues such as academic integrity in the mind of your son as he completes assessment tasks.

Parents can help by:

- Clarifying your expectations for your son’s behaviour.
- Helping your son to develop a personal code of ethics.
- Discussing moral issues as a family.
- Ensuring your son understands the rules at School and the penalties for breaking them.
- Reading and discussing the School’s Academic Integrity and Malpractice Policy.

- Being realistic about your expectations for your son based on his abilities, always expecting him to do his best.
- Encouraging your son to ‘come clean’ and take the consequences rather than lie.

Our hope is that as a team, parents and teachers, as we sow seeds of honesty and integrity in the lives of our young men they will carry these attributes for life.

Justin Walkden Brown
Books Books Books…
and more books are constantly being added to the CLL collection. Often the books purchased are fulfilling requests from the boys, or to support a new topic in a subject. Recently, some wonderful books on Shakespeare have been added to the collection. Given the integration of Shakespeare and his plays across the English curriculum, these books are timely.

Bolinda is another service that allows the boys to download e-books and audiobooks. What a great resource this is, as the number of e-books and audiobooks available is increasing each year.

Check with your son. How is his wider reading coming along? The Term 3 holidays loom and as always, this is a great time for him to embed himself into some wider reading and to add his review to his DEAR page in iLearn. The King’s School takes seriously the role of wider reading in your son’s life and continues to support this area by ensuring resources continue to grow, both in print and digitally.

storyLines
As Term 3 move towards its end, so does our Year 7 and 8 storyLines classes. Under the direction of Mrs Marita Thomson, we have enjoyed helping your son think differently on a range of topics including the act of memory in bringing about so many amazing stories; stories from the voices of characters living in diverse cultural areas, the spell of mythology, and the intrigue of swashbucklers and pirates along with the power of poetry.

Some of our Year 7 storyLines classes are busily preparing their booktrailers for the purpose of persuading their classmates to read their chosen book. The buzz in the classroom is wonderful as the boys take to the challenge, knowing that the best five from each of the classes involved will be showcased.

KOALA Awards
During a storyLines session, the boys from Mr Symons’ Year 8 English class focussed on the upcoming KOALA Awards. They presented their reviews on the shortlisted books and during the session, they voted for their favourite shortlisted books, as well as submitting their choice on the KOALA site at http://www.koalansw.org.au/. But they will have to wait until November 12 to find out if their choice is the outright winner! The Awards Ceremony will be held at Newington College.

The King’s School Junior and Senior Book Clubs are a great way for the boys to get involved in lively discussions of books they choose. Check out the activity on the iLearn Book Club site at https://ilearn.kings.edu.au/homepage/8327. Encourage your son to see Mrs Thomson in the CLL for more information on how to join.

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- A play of unlikely heroes.

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Dining Hall Matters
We are now in the eighth week of catering under Alliance and it is timely to reflect on progress to date as well as some of the concerns that have been raised. Feedback is vital to the School in managing the contract with Alliance, so please keep it coming! (We need to acknowledge the positives as well as highlighting any negatives.) There have been a number of positive initiatives in the Dining Hall over the past seven weeks. For example:

- Serving a substantial snack at recess to all boarders, five days per week, has been well received.
- Utilising the Dining Hall for Boarders’ Morning Tea has improved the experience for all.
- Introduction of a booking and charging system for day boys attending breakfast and dinner has reduced the length of queues and ensured that there is plenty of food prepared for all diners.
- Provision of toasters at breakfast has been a welcome change.

I acknowledge that there have also been concerns:

- Portions were too small at times and seconds were not always available.
- Queues have been rather long on occasions.
- A perception that the food was initially very good, but that the quality dropped mid term.
- The meat content of some meals was regarded as inadequate.
- A second hot option was needed at breakfast.

Please be assured that all these concerns have now been discussed with Alliance who have responded appropriately. Consequently, I can report that:

- Initial portion sizes have been increased and seconds will be available at all meals on request (but waste is always discouraged.)
- Late meals have been increased in portion size.
- Breakfast will always include two hot options. Thursday and Saturday breakfast will be particularly substantial.
- Menus for the rest of the term have been re-written to reflect the feedback received to date.
- All menus will be submitted in advance for approval by the School.
- Each boarding house will have the opportunity to nominate a favourite dinner meal before the end of this term (via its representative on the Food Committee).

The Food Committee will play an increasing role in providing feedback to Alliance. To this end, it has been expanded to include two more students from the SRC.

The Food Committee members are:

Mr Malcolm Powys Chair & Director of Boarding
Mr Martin Dulke Alliance Site Manager/ Executive Chef
Ms Kimberley Groves Alliance Functions Co-ordinator
Mr Symon Moth Alliance Operations Manager
Mr Max Yates General Duties Master
Jackson Lee Year 12 GB
George Philip Year 12 WAD
Nick Jackman Year 12 WIC
Connor Jephcott Year 11 BBH
Harrison Chapman Year 11 BAH
Charles Kensit Year 10 BRF
Wallace To Year 10 WAD
Kieran Jayasekera Year 10 WIC
Archer Holz Year 9 WAD
Charlie Lowe Year 7 GB

This committee will have its final meeting for the term on Monday, 15 September. Please ensure your feedback is communicated, either by emailing me directly (mnp@kings.edu.au), or communicating with one of the members above.

Safer Drivers’ Course
About a dozen students enjoyed the Safer Drivers’ Course held at King’s last Sunday, 31 August.

Boarder Parents’ Roundup
This significant gathering of boarding parents will be held this Saturday, 6 September in a marquee above the White Oval between 12 noon and 2.00pm (just before the 1st XV play Shore at Home). Do plan to attend and enjoy the company of other boarding families if you can. A BBQ lunch will be served.

Boarders’ Activities
Mr Scott Bluzmanis, the Activities Co-ordinator, is planning a voluntary group outing for boarders on Sunday, 13 September to attend the Western Sydney Rams game at Pirtek Stadium in Parramatta. If your son is interested in attending, he just needs to contact Mr Bluzmanis to sign up.

All Year 12 boarders will attend their annual excursion to Balmoral Beach on Wednesday, 17 September. This is a non-teaching day prior to their graduation and is always a great day out that the boys and the staff enjoy thoroughly.

Malcolm Powys
**LIFE EDUCATION**

**Year 11 Leadership Process.**
Over the past few days, Dr Parry and I have had the pleasure to speak with many boys in Year 11 about their leadership aspirations at the school. One of the great things about the quality of boys at The King’s School is that there are so many outstanding candidates, far more than there are positions of leadership available. This is also a challenge as there are many wonderful young men who for a variety of reasons may not get the opportunity to shine in this role. At The King's School we try to engender in all boys an awareness that leadership in the 21st century is about far more than obtaining a position of responsibility or building a profile on a resume which helps with employment prospects. Instead, leadership is a philosophy, a way of conducting oneself, putting the needs of others first. This approach reflects our notion of servant leadership where the true value of leadership positions and behaviours lies in enriching the experience of others. Therefore, any experience should be looked at an opportunity to demonstrate true leadership, whether that be as a School Monitor, in the classroom, through community outreach or in the simple manner that one treats members of a community.

The appointment process of Student Leaders at Year 11 going into Year 12 is a rigorous one which involves boys applying for consideration, the compiling of detailed feedback from Housemasters before teaching staff and peers are able to vote on candidates. This approach creates a very broad perspective of every student who applies for the position of School Monitor. This year, the TKS Class of 2015 offered over 120 candidates who had the courage and commitment to present themselves for this extensive form of evaluation. This requires confidence and a willingness to hear about areas one may be deficient in. Yet feedback is an essential part of further self-development. Whilst many worthy candidates missed out on interview, all boys are encouraged to continually view their leadership development as a journey rather than a destination and continually apply themselves in the service of others in their House, the Corps and the many other areas that exist at King’s. A truly great school is one where all students view themselves as leaders, regardless of their role, position or place and this is my hope for the Class of 2015.

Well done to the boys who put such great thought and reflection into their applications.

**Father Son Kokoda Trek**
An intrepid group of fathers and sons, joined by staff members Mr Kavanagh, Mr Idstein and Mr Rob Hilliard will depart in the forthcoming break to undertake the arduous challenges of the Kokoda Track. Regular readers of the *Herald* will remember this expedition being advertised last year and the interest from our community was particularly strong. Many of the boarders and staff going on the trek have been regular morning attendees at the gym and often seen tracking through the bushland around Parramatta Lake. This preparation work should ensure that they are in peak condition for what will be the experience of a lifetime in just a few short weeks and we wish them well on their journey. I was fortunate enough to walk the track some four years ago with my brother and some friends and it remains with me daily as a reminder of the service and sacrifice of the Australian soldiers who fought in PNG.

If my own experience is anything to go by, these fathers and sons will share some poignant and unforgettable moments during the hike. It would be great to run another of these programs, perhaps including the mothers next time, in coming years so please feel free to contact me to register any interest.

Dr Steven Middleton
sjm@kings.edu.au
ARTICLE SNIPPET

This week, 75 years ago the world was once again embroiled in conflict and so this Archive Snippet turns to the School Magazine to find out what was happening on the home front at The King’s School.

The School was the recipient of the Dose Shield. The what? I hear you say. The Royal Life Saving Society held an annual competition for Schools throughout the State and the Captain and Vice Captain of Life Saving, the Buckland twins JR and RA (TKS 1931-39) received the Shield on behalf of the School. Staff member in charge of this activity was MHJ Moray, himself an Old Boy (1936). JR Buckland subsequently joined the RANR and was reported missing - his date of death eventually being recorded as 1 December 1942.

The Prep boys in Old Government House suffered “aerial attacks “ from an invasion of moths that they fought off by flicking garters, we are told, until the “commander in chief” (Housemaster Stiles) ordered the hostilities to cease.

In this day and age where most boys have multiple devices all requiring a charger, it is hard to believe that the new wireless donated to School House Baker by Mr AC Williams (TKS 1937-42) required the monitors to swap their study with the house library so the wireless could be plugged into a power point.

A major uniform change took place in second semester 1939 with the introduction of the blue shirt. Called the “ranger style, it was considered smart and comfortable, allowing a more relaxed style at school and were introduced as an alternative to the starched white collared shirt that accompanied the grey jacket. It wasn’t long before “Robbo” Robertson drew attention to the new fashion statement.

So while it was difficult to ignore that once again young Old Boys were volunteering for service, and the list of volunteers and casualties grew ever longer, for the boys at School in 1939 daily life continued as it had done the year before but it would not be too long before the war impacted every day school life at The King’s School as it did everywhere.

Jenny Pearce

CAREERS

University Admissions 2015

The following is a transcript of an email that was recently sent to all Year 12 students:

This email is to alert you all to two very important aspects of your 2015 University application. The first area relates to Bonus Points, and the need to be pro-active. Bonus Points generally fall into two categories; namely those that are automatic and those that require you to lodge a form with an individual University. Automatic bonus points include those awarded based on residence and those awarded for certain Band Achievement in the HSC. When it comes to other Bonus Points that relate to extra-curricula involvement, achievements, etc – this is a virtual “pandora’s box”. Please be aware that every University is different. What one University may offer, another will ignore. You need to visit the website of every University that you have listed as a preference and determine if they award these bonus points. If they do, then there will be some type of form that you will need to lodge directly with that University. Bonus points are not lodged via School or through UAC. The golden rule when it comes to bonus points is to open your eyes and investigate. Explore all of the Universities that you are applying to and see what they are offering, and what you have to do to let them know about your skills. Watch out for deadlines!

The second area to think about relates to the Schools Recommendation Scheme (SRS). The SRS provides the possibility of an early offer to current Year 12 students based on criteria other to or in addition to ATAR. The participating SRS Universities are – ANU, Charles Sturt, La Trobe, Macquarie Uni, Southern Cross, University of Canberra, University of New England, UTS and UWS.

Offers are made based on the first preference as at midnight Tuesday 2 December. Different selection criteria are used by the various Universities. There is no application fee involved and applications are made via the UAC site, after you have lodged your main application. Applications close the same time as on-time applications - 30 September.

Applicants will be asked to answer three questions and can list awards and achievements, from Years 11 and 12. The School will then be asked to complete your application. Offers are made via the UAC website on 4 December. SRS only applies to courses
nominated by institution. To find out if your choices are included in SRS, visit the websites of the University you intend to place as your first preference. There is now full range of resources for the SRS on the UAC website at www.uac.edu.au/srs/

Please be advised that some Universities may still have their own Early Entry Scheme in addition to SRS. Again this is best determined by close examination of University websites.

Year 12 Stress Management
If thoughts of ATARS and post School options are getting everybody (parents included!) down, I would encourage the viewing of an excellent video put together by students at Bond University – https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=x4IHCwY838s&feature=youtu.be

University Open Days
The season for University Open days has arrived. Students have been emailed a sheet containing the dates of Open Days or they can pick one up from outside the Careers room in the CLL. Students should be advised that it is wise to check the websites of those University Open Days they are interested in, as some Universities require students to register.

HSC Revision Lectures
The School for Excellence is holding HSC revision lectures in the upcoming School holidays. For more information visit www.tsfx.com.au. Brochures are also available outside the Careers room. They are also holding the final “Mastering the Exams” lecture for the year on Sunday 31 August at Sydney University. This lecture is valued at over $200, but is free of charge to students (a $10 donation on the day to the Fred Hollows Foundation is expected).

Job Opportunity
Dick Smith is offering Casual Employment in the Christmas Holidays. Contact Mr Attard.

Year 12 Work Experience 2015
Year 11 Non-Corps students are reminded that your Work Experience placement for 2015 needs to be sorted out by the end of this year. If you need any assistance with this -such as finding previous employers that have accepted King’s students – please come and see me. A comprehensive and certified RSA/RCG/Barista training course is also available during the Work Experience week. If interested please send me an email and your name will be added to the provisional list.

Tax File Numbers
The Australian Taxation Office, with the cooperation of schools, offers students aged 13 years or over the opportunity to apply for a tax file number through school. Applying for a TFN through school is easier because students do not need to show identifying documentation to the ATO. Students need a TFN for employment, applying for Centrelink benefits, opening a bank account or deferring university fees. TFN Application forms are available from outside the Careers room. Year 12 students are reminded that Tax File Numbers are much easier to obtain through School – time is running out.

Upcoming Careers/New Events
Visit the Careers page on iLearn to access current Careers news and events.

MHS Careers News
A reminder that the School subscribes to an outstanding careers service which allows students and parents to be kept up to date with Careers News and Events. To access this information go to the website www.mhscareers.net and then - login with: “student” or “parent” and the password: “14cairus”. On the website, have a look at the News Pages and Events Calendar and the many other useful careers pages.

Careers Room
Open every day, from 7.30am and during lunch. Senior students are also welcome during study periods in the CLL. Year 12 students (especially at this time) are reminded that I am only an email away. Students are encouraged to explore the tables outside the Careers room. These contain useful materials that are there for students to take as they please.

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**PREPARATORARY SCHOOL**

Enhancing the Learning Facilities for our Prep Boys

I am delighted to announce some exciting news! The School Council has approved a program of renovation of eight of the Prep School classrooms – our current Year 3, 5 and 6 classroom spaces and associated ‘breakout’ and small group areas. These areas were originally built around 30 years ago and they have served us wonderfully well. However, it is timely that they are updated to meet the needs of contemporary pedagogical practices.

Teaching practices 30 years ago were very much content focused and largely structured on the teacher as the expert sharing the prescribed knowledge and skills with students. Desk formations often reflected the approach and were organised into set rows or similar arrangements. Direct instruction was the main approach adopted in schools during this period. Whilst this approach still has its value and application in certain learning tasks, today’s pedagogy utilises a much more collaborative approach to learning with significant IT access, where student centred inquiry is one of the guiding principles for learning. Therefore, more flexible and larger learning spaces are required to meet these needs.

The renovated classrooms will be expanded to absorb the current verandah areas and classroom office spaces will also be redesigned to be included in the whole classroom plan. Custom built joinery will be fitted to the front of each classroom and will house the interactive whiteboards, lockable recharging stations for laptops, dedicated storage areas and white board units on which to write. Greater use of natural light will be made in the design and increased display space will be included for showcasing student learning. Some smaller adjoining workroom areas will be redesigned so that they can be utilised more flexibly and allow better visibility of students working in these areas. The Year 3 classrooms will also house the student lockers. Overall, the plan provides greater learning space and flexibility, whilst vastly improving the look and feel of the classrooms and adjoining areas.

The work will begin in the coming holiday period and will conclude by the start of Term 1, 2015. To enable this timeline to be achieved and to minimise disruption, the Year 3 classes will move to the large shared learning spaces of the downstairs Inquiry Learning Centre (ILC) towards the end of this term. They will occupy this area throughout most of Term 4. The work will then transfer to the Year 6 area and this will begin during the second last week of Term 4 when the Year 6 students will be away at Enterprise Camp. Upon their return, the Year 6 boys will occupy the downstairs ILC area for the final week of the year.

The School Council has also approved for the renovation of the Senior Master’s Cottage, situated at the end of the Prep turning circle, to create the new Pre-Kindergarten Classroom for 2015. The building is ideally located close to the Prep School and has access to expansive outdoor learning spaces. Inside, the building will be remodelled to allow for large open spaces and facilities where different learning centres and activities can be established. It promises to be a beautiful learning environment for our youngest Kingsmen who will join us next year.

This means, that the other class areas for 2015 will remain as they are currently organised. The Year 4 classes will not move to the classroom area beside the Prep dam and swimming pool as first proposed.

It is indeed, an exciting time for the Prep School. Whilst there will be a few challenges to deal with while construction is in operation, the timeline for completion is narrow. We are very fortunate to have excellent learning facilities and space which can be used flexibly, so that the impact of this development can be minimised. The new developments will provide wonderful facilities in which the learning can flourish for our boys for years to come.

Snow Sports Success

The King’s Prep Snow Sports Team have enjoyed their most successful season on record this year with eight students winning places through to the Nationals to be held in two weeks’ time. As a school, the cumulative points allowed us to take out fourth position in the State overall in skiing and second in cross country skiing. These are stunning results!

We congratulate all the boys for representing us so finely at the State Championships and wish the boys every success at the National Championships.
Alpine Division 4 - Bronze Medal
Luke Irving, Ben Irving, Callum Taylor, Joshua Keepkie

Alpine Division 5 – 13th place
Orlando Denton, Gus van Aanholt, Edward Selig, Cooper Smith

Skier Cross Division 4 – Bronze Medal
Luke Irving, Ben Irving, Callum Taylor

Skier Cross Division 5 – Bronze Medal
Orlando Denton, Edward Selig, Gus van Aanholt

Moguls Division 4 – 11th place
Luke Irving, Ben Irving, Noah Bradford

Cross Country Freestyle Division 4 – 25th place
Noah Bradford, Jake Turner, Todd Potter

Cross Country Relay Division 4 – 11th place
Noah Bradford, Todd Potter, Jake Turner

Cross Country Freestyle Division 5 – Silver Medal
Orlando Denton, Bryn Potter, Gus van Aanholt

Cross Country Relay Division 5 – Gold Medal
Orlando Denton, Bryn Potter, Gus van Aanholt.

As a school, we pass on our heartfelt thanks to Jo Grinham for the marvellous work that she has done in co-ordinating the Prep School Snow Sports Team. She has devoted many hours in administration and communication, and provided wonderful pastoral support for the boys and their families.

Peter Allison

**FOOTBALL**

Parents Football Committee

13th September
End of Season Presentation Dinner
The Epping Club
Cost $75.00
6.30PM for 7.00PM Start

Peter Denyer
Master in Charge

Please support the School’s initiative tomorrow!
Bins available on the School’s fields and inside the fence on the JS White Oval.

“Boots for Kids”

Donate your boots here.

Please tap the dirt off them first and tie the boots together.
RUGBY

After what had been the driest winter in memory the rain finally arrived over the last fortnight affecting many games and training. Our fixture against Newington was dramatically shortened with only 20 games being played. We were successful in ten of these matches and losing the others, to see the fixtures split on the day 50/50.

The 1st XV game was certainly a match we could have won as the boys were well prepared for an opponent who relishes playing in the wet. King’s started well and after an early penalty goal, led 3 nil only for Newington to bounce back quickly to take the lead 7-3. With the forward pack leading the way, the 1st XV took the game to Newington, applying pressure in defence and on the stroke of half time, that pressure was converted when a dropped ball from the Newington backs saw Monty Campbell kick through to score next to the post and King’s led 10-7 at the break. Unfortunately we were unable to keep the pressure on Newington in the second stanza and with some poor options taken by our backline, Newington quickly pounced, scoring 3 tries in 8 minutes to lead 26-10. This was the final score in a game that should have been a lot closer than it ended up.

The 2nd XV’s match against Newington was another polished performance on the back of their six consecutive victories. They raced away to a 14 nil lead through two tries from set piece plays from Daniel Poletto and James Ferguson. They went to a 19-nil lead when Jack Goode used his speed to score a blistering individual effort. Newington hit back and again scored on the bell to cut the margin to 19-14; however, the 2nds were never threatened and indeed had two or three tries disallowed in the convincing win.

For only the second time this year in the GPS Premiership rounds, the 3rd XV played with the rest of the King’s team. They certainly enjoyed the day, running out convincing winners 55-10. They ignored the wet conditions to play some blistering rugby, with James Coore and Sam Porter, the two wingers, scoring 3 tries each. Peter Fenwicke led the forwards superbly with some powerful running and his domination of the lineouts.

The 16As came up against the powerful Newington team, who had lost to them by one point in the earlier rounds. They started brilliantly with an early try to Charlie Steele-Park and led 7-0; however, Newington came back and led 10-7 well into the second half, but a penalty from Sean Anese saw the game tied up with ten minutes to go. Unfortunately Newington had a chance late in the game to score out wide and took it to win 15-10. It was a high standard fixture and to their credit, the 16As even though they lost, were gallant in defeat.

In the other As fixtures, King’s had some great wins. The 15As were up against a very big Newington team and were very ‘pumped’ for the battle. From the outset they took to their bigger opponents and with their back row dominating the breakdown and the midfield backs tackling and running with aggression, Newington couldn’t hold them out with King’s winning 18-7.

The 14As recorded another victory, winning 19-0, in a game they controlled from the outset. The 14As aren’t the biggest team in the competition and I would say they have the best defensive system and once again they held their opponents to zero with some bruising defence.

The 13As played in the worst conditions of the day going down 7-19. They started slowing and were down 19-0 at half time, but certainly lifted in the second half to keep their opponents scoreless whilst scoring the only try of the half.

Last Saturday, the school ventured out to Joeys which is always regarded as the toughest fixtures of the year. With rain falling for most of the day, games were played in very slippery conditions with 31 games being contested and King’s winning 4 and drawing 1. However, of those games we won or drew, three of those teams were A teams. The 16As had another classic match against Joeys, having drawn their first round fixture. Both teams ripped into each other in a very entertaining game on the main ground and it looked as though the first round game result was to be repeated after scores were locked up 10-10 with thirty seconds to go. However, a late penalty awarded to King’s, saw Sean Anese step up to take an impossible kick into the wind from the touch line. Looking next to no chance to kick it, he defied the odds to slot the penalty kick over the black dot for a memorable victory to win 13-10.

The 15As had a memorable draw against a very big and powerful Joey’s opponent. In slippery conditions, the 15As kept the ball close to the ruck all day and their forwards did the rest. Falling behind late in the game, they never gave up and indeed had the better of the second half, so it was rewarding that they kicked a penalty on the bell to draw the match 15 all.

Our 14As have only lost one game all year and it was against Joeys in the round 1 clash, so they were up for a big game. As has been the case all year, their defence was again outstanding restricting Joeys to only one try in the 12-7 victory.
Special mention to the 16Cs team who were undefeated leading into last Saturday’s fixtures. They unfortunately went down 17-7 but had their chances and certainly took it to the fancied opponents.

In the GPS fixtures the 1st, 2nd and 3rd XV all tasted defeat. The 3rd XV have played some very good rugby over the last two weeks and their effort on Saturday was nearly the best of the season. They never took a backward step and got themselves back into the game with a fabulous solo 50 metre try to James Williams on the stroke of half time. They indeed had the chance to win the game on the bell but the penalty just slid past the upright to go down 12-10.

With the two leaders in the 2nd XV premiership coming together, an exciting game was on the cards and this was the case last Saturday. Joeys started well and with an error in judgement in the King’s backline, they led 7-nil. King’s hit back to a forward led try to Toby Moore to see the scores locked up. Joeys again skipped away in the second half to lead 19-7 but a try to Cameron Mullen with four minutes to play set up an exciting finish. King’s had an opportunity after 20 phases of play to score on the bell, but an error just centimetres from the try line was the final play, seeing King’s lose a great game of rugby 19-14. They now lead the competition by a point and a victory against the third place Shore will still see them win the premiership outright.

Playing Joeys for the last time at Joeys is always a special occasion for the Year 12 players, so we were expecting a pumped up performance from the boys. Unfortunately, we started slowly and Joeys raced to a 19-0 lead. The boys then got back into the match with some better defensive pressure, resulting in Daniel Macqueen’s good individual try and on the back of some faultless kicking from Chris Orpen, the score was 19-13 at half time.

The boys felt that they had a good chance to snatch victory in the second half, but unfortunately, some poor defensive decisions out wide cost us any chance with the 1st XV eventually losing 20-33.

This week sees the conclusion to the 2014 season with the school hosting Shore at King’s on the Old Boys’ Homecoming weekend and we look forward to all teams finishing the season on a positive note.

Stephen James
Master in Charge
## Saturday 6 September – Friday 19 September

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The Thwarting of Baron Bolligrew

presented by
The King’s School and Tara

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The King’s School
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Telephone Enquiries (Monday to Friday)
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7:30 am – 12:00 pm
boxoffice@kings.edu.au

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Student Name

Student Number

House

Mailing Address

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☐ A cheque for $_________ is on/issued, payable to The King’s School.

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