From the Principal

I extend a warm “welcome back” to all students and families to Term 3. All NSW public schools are currently beginning the next planning cycle. A new system is being implemented for the 2015 – 2017 Strategic Plan. We seek the active involvement of our entire community in determining our strategic priorities for the next three years, and beyond. At a conference I attended during the vacation we were encouraged at every turn to dream for our school, and I ask you to have this in mind when completing your survey. Killara High School is a highly successful secondary school, and like all organisations, also has the potential to improve. Our plan must reflect the direction we want our school to take. Within the next week all families will be sent a survey. Please consider taking even just a few minutes to complete it. Also, bear in mind, in the words of Simon Sinek and others, when Martin Luther King addressed hundreds of thousands of Americans in Washington about his vision of equality, he did not say “I have a plan”.

As always, there is news of achievement to report. We received news on the last day of Term 2 that our Athletics Team had placed equal first with Cherrybrook Technology High School at the Zone Carnival. Congratulations to all our athletes and Mr Adam Bruckshaw, our Carnivals Organiser. Culturally we have had the opportunity to see high quality music and drama performances at the MADD Evenings, the Year 12 HSC Music Evening and the Year 11 production, Benevolent, which was written, produced and acted by students. Additionally, our Dance Ensemble performed strongly in the Sydney North Dance Festival, and we enjoyed the Year 11 Visual Arts Archibald-style exhibition of portraits. Our Concert and Stage Bands continued to bring glory to themselves and the school in the Sydney Eisteddfod and our Stage 4 debating teams have won the first round of the Premier’s Debating Challenge.

On Sunday 22 June we held a second Term 2 working bee to take advantage of the good weather. A great deal of pruning and weeding was done to tidy up existing garden beds. Thank you to Richard Frith for his leadership of these events, and to all who attended on the day. We are hoping to carry out some extensive work during late winter and spring, and we would be grateful for your assistance at our next working bee.

Best wishes for a happy and productive Term 3.

Jane Dennett
Principal

Next P&C Meeting
The next P&C meeting will be held on:

Wednesday
20th August 2014
In the
A Block Common Room
Put this date in your diary and come along to find out what is happening behind the scenes at Killara High School – your school!

Notice to Parents
Aerosol cans are prohibited at Killara High School

Working Bee Thanks:
Mark Wui
Richard Frith
Mike McLeod
Caet Perterson
Olivia Chan
Anton Lubbers (Snr)
Jane & Bruce Dennett
Maria Lackerdis
Michael, Angus & Nicholas Teh
Shirley Zhang
Tracey & Marc Stammbach
Alan Gardiner
Carla Marchesin
Geoff Taylor
Calendar

**JULY 2014**
- 28 - Yr 12 HSC Trial exams (all week)
- 30 NSW Schools Boccia KO
- 31 Futsal State Championships

**AUGUST 2014**
- 4 - Yr 12 HSC Trial Exams
- 8 - Yr 7 Gala Day
- 12 - Yr 8 Gala Day
  - Yr 12 Drama Performance
  - 6pm-10pm
- 13 - Yr 9 Commerce Incursion
- 15 - Sports Council Mufti Day
  - Visual Arts Exhibition Opening
  - Night 6pm – 8pm
- 16 - Visual Arts Exhibition 11am – 3pm
- 17 P&C Grounds Working Bee
  - 8.15am – 12pm
- 18 - HSC Drama Exam practical week
  - Visual Arts Exhibition 9am – 5pm
  - Open Day 12noon – 5pm
- 19 Visual Arts Exhibition 9am – 3pm
- Yr 12 Music Night Series 2
- 20 Yr 12 Careers Expo
- P&C Meeting - 8pm – A Block
- 26 Yr 8 KYDS Program
- 27 Yr 11 Biology Excursion
- 28 Day 1 Robocup Robotics Competition – UNSW Robotics Club Teams
- 29 Yr 10 Geography Excursion
  - School Tour: 9am – 10.30am
  - Day 2 Robocup Robotics Competition – UNSW Robotics Club Teams
- 30 LEPS Trivia Night

**SEPTEMBER 2014**
- 2 Yr 7 Archibald Excursion
- Yr 11 Biology Excursion
- 3 UNSW Roadshow
- 4 Yr 7 Archibald Excursion
  - CHS Athletics Carnival
- 5 CHS Athletics Carnival
  - Stewart House Excursion
- 11 PAE Concert – 7pm
- 18 Yr 12 Farewell Assembly
  - Ekuba
  - Yr 12 Picnic

Deputy Principals’ Report

Welcome back to Semester 2. Year 12 students will by now have commenced their HSC Trial Examinations. Students have been working up to this event for some time now and hopefully are fully prepared. At this time it is common for parents and carers to see their child more worried and you may be concerned for your child’s wellbeing. It is an important time.

The staff at Killara High School have endeavoured to prepare all students for this event. This culminated recently in a breakfast for Year 12 on July 17th which allowed the students to come together socially and for them to see that as a school, we appreciate the enormity of the Trial HSC Examinations.

Parents and carers may like to check the HSC Trial Examination Timetable and Responsibilities and Procedures on our website at: [http://www.killara-h.schools.nsw.edu.au/years/year-12/notifications-permission-notes](http://www.killara-h.schools.nsw.edu.au/years/year-12/notifications-permission-notes)

These exams are to be undertaken in full school uniform. We appreciate your support in having students meet this expectation. Students are also not permitted to bring their bags into the Exam Centre during the HSC Trials and as such, we recommend that all valuable items be left at home because bags will NOT be supervised. We wish all Year 12 well at this important time.

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Alison Gambino, Carla Marchesin and Liesl Williamson
Deputy Principals

A Note for Parents, Especially of Year 10 Students

We are delighted to welcome back to school one of our Year 10 students who has been absent from school since last year. Viki has had a long course of treatment which has included chemotherapy and surgery so it is no mean feat to get back to school this quickly. While getting back to normal is the most important thing for Viki right now there are some things that we as a community have to think about.

Of course we want this to be a healthy and safe transition back to school so we would ask the co-operation of parents to keep students who are sick or contagious at home. A weakened immune system is one of the barriers that will have to be overcome so please notify us if there is any danger of infectious diseases being spread at school.

Thank you for your co-operation.

Jane Rountree
HT Student Welfare
Primary School Debating Workshops

During Term 2, a number of Killara High School students from Years 9 to 11 travelled to local primary schools in order to pass on their expertise in the highly competitive field of debating. KHS students were able to take on the role of classroom teacher for 90 minutes, guiding younger students from Gordon East, Lindfield and Lindfield East Public schools through a range of challenging activities designed to increase skill and confidence in speaking and arguing in front of an audience.

It was very pleasing to see how much the primary school students enjoyed the workshops, but even more satisfying was to see how much confidence and maturity our Killara High students displayed. I am sure that all of them will have gained a great deal from the leadership roles they took on for these workshops. I would like to thank the following students for participating in these workshops, and for their dedication to Killara High's debating competitions over the year:

Year 11
Kieran Pain
April Young
Emma Johnstone
Jacqui Frauenfelder
Kieren Young
Sureesha Mosquera

Year 10
Annie Li
Jada Anderson
Sam Bowden
Chloe Thomas
Kelly Choo
Sophinia Lo

Year 9
Matthew Lee
Jack Rumbelow
Aidan Whitfield
Olivia Charles
Elissa Zhang

Richard Williams
English Teacher

ESL Oral Communication Program – Year 7

This program is devised to assist students whose first language is not English to develop communication skills for more effective participation in mainstream Australian social and educational activities. It is mainly practical, based firmly on the premise that students learn best by doing. Individual and group activities cover a range of areas, including:

ORAL AND NON-VERBAL COMMUNICATION (conversation, informal and formal speaking, preparing and delivering an effective speech, etc.)

ANALYSIS AND ORAL INTERPRETATION OF DIFFERENT TEXT TYPES prose, poetry, drama, and non-fictional writing e.g. news articles, speeches, reports, etc.)

INDIVIDUAL AND GROUP PRESENTATIONS
The program aims to stimulate creative learning and develop self-confidence.

Time: Thursdays 3.15pm to 4.15pm
Dates: 9 consecutive Thursdays commencing 24th July and concluding 18th September
Venue: Kerrabee Theatre, Killara High School
Cost: Nil

Participating students must have written consent from a parent or carer.

For further details, contact:
Raj Ramburuth
ESL Department Head
Rajmoon.Ramburuth@det.nsw.edu.au

Christine Cigana
English Faculty
christine.cigana@det.nsw.edu.au
Grounds Working Bee

Waking up on a beautiful Sunday morning and thinking “It’s Gardening Day at the School ... Do I really want to go? There are a million other things I could be doing with my precious time.” But are there?

Make the effort, get out of bed and come along on

Sunday 17th August 2014
commencing at 8.15am

In a short time, your work can transform a garden bed and make a real difference to the “look and feel” of our school. You don’t need any experience, just a bit of enthusiasm and an hour or two of your time. All tools and training provided on the day. It is a fun and easy way to contribute to your school community and morning tea is provided.

Four times a year, once each term, the Grounds Working Bee is held to keep Killara High’s gardens looking good. So put the date in your diary NOW and come along and meet Richard; don’t feel shy and we’re sure that you will leave with a smile on your face 😊!

PS - Remember, it is your child’s school, so they are more than welcome too.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Adam Zalums who won a gold medal in the Moguls competition at the Interschools Snowsports competition held at Thredbo during the winter vacation.

Adam also competed in SkierX, where he placed fifth against a field of 60 skiers. In both events, Adam now qualifies to compete at the NSW State Competition scheduled for mid-August.

The Interschool Snowsports competitions are held in the Snowy Mountains during school vacations. Kids of all ages and skill levels are encouraged to participate.

The school coordinator for Killara High School is Peter Zalums, (pzalums@yahoo.com.au). Please contact Peter directly if you are interested in getting more information on this year’s competition and plans for next year.


Good luck Adam in the State Competition.

Canteen

WE NEED YOU – hordes of cold, hungry students approaching...It has been a busy start to the term as winter finally arrived. Students were most eager to devour as much hot food as the canteen was able to prepare.

The prices are very reasonable since the canteen relies almost entirely on volunteers. The two Canteen Supervisors, Carolyn and Pam, achieve amazing results by relying on parent volunteers and old, temperamental ovens- a big thank you to you all.

Despite food prices increasing from our suppliers, we have been able to hold most prices steady except for garlic bread which is now $1.20 and hot chicken rolls now $3.00.

We really need more volunteers to help because if there are not enough helpers, we cannot make as much food, plus the students are waiting in long lines to be served.

The day you volunteer, you arrive about 9am and prepare the hot and cold rolls then wrap them in foil or plastic. There is usually time for a quick cup of tea before you serve the students at Recess A then Recess B. After Recess B, we usually make any extra rolls we need, eat a quick lunch, restock the shelves then serve again at lunch. Depending on the day, you would leave at around 2pm.

However, even if you are only able to volunteer for part of the morning, you are very welcome as we always need help serving.

Since we run on minimum staff, if you are rostered on for a certain day, and are unable to make it, please phone Carolyn or Pam so they can try to replace you.

The Canteen telephone is 9498 6740 and Carolyn’s home number is 9416 2551.

Denise Gamaroff
Canteen Co-Ordinator
Student Representative Council (SRC) Report

On Wednesday the 16th of July, the SRC held a successful Battle of P.R.I.D.E. event. This consisted of lunchtime activities in which teachers went up against the students in a variety of novelty events. In games such as Connect Four, Giant Jenga, Precision Throwing, Arm Wrestling and Table Tennis, the teachers unleashed a competitive persona that we have not witnessed within classroom perimeters.

Our students battled for the illustrious prize of a longer lunchtime but the teachers proved too strong. A notable mention must be made of Mr Constantini, who surprisingly dominated the table tennis arena, leading the teachers to a superior display, winning 39-11 of the table tennis battles. Arm Wrestling provided the students a foundation of everlasting boasting rights but again the teachers proved too strong, prevailing with a 14-2 victory.

The intellectual game of Giant Jenga gave our students a brief twinkling of hope as we successfully proved to be the victors winning 4-2. The amusing novelty of Connect Four delivered a close battle with the teachers edging out our students 9-8 respectively. Our last event of Precision Throwing, a popular activity of meticulousness and accuracy in which the students proved too strong for the teachers winning 15-13. The overall score of this event was 77-40 in favour of the teachers. Regardless of the result, the day was extremely successful and the SRC would like to thank all the students and teachers for participating in this event and for demonstrating Killara Pride!

Kieren Young
SRC President

Performing Arts Ensemble Calendar

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Congratulations to outstanding music students

Camille Penrose of Year 7 who has been selected as a Feature Vocalist at Schools Spectacular 2014.

Jordan Hare of Year 11 who has been selected as a Backing Vocalist at Schools Spectacular 2014.

Performing Arts Ensemble

Congratulations to Stage Band 1 and Concert Band 1 for coming 3rd at Sydney Eisteddfod last term.

Date for Your Diary:

* Please note change of date and venue

NSS High Five Careers Expo

WEDNESDAY 20TH AUGUST 2014

6:00 - 8:30PM

AT CHATSWOOD HIGH SCHOOL

BOOK WEEK IS COMING in AUGUST!

The theme is: Connect to reading!

We are running a poster competition with lots of prizes for the best poster – either in print form or digital form, with the idea to place them on the digital screens around our school during Book Week! Can you help! I need as many creations from as many students as possible!

Here’s the details:

- Poster in print or digital form – must have the words CONNECT TO READING as the theme and those words included
- Poster submitted by: Friday 15th August 2014

Prizes will be awarded for the best posters! See Ms Campbell, in the library for more details.

New fiction:

French, Jackie. I am Juliet

Everyone knows the story of Juliet Capulet and her love for Romeo. The star-crossed lovers from the warring Capulet and Montague families of Verona whose love was doomed. But who was this girl Juliet?

Gordon, Kate. Writing Clementine.

You said that we could write anything we wanted. The first thing that came into our minds. Blue fish, red fish, green fish….Clementine Darcy is floundering. She wants to be the kind of fish who

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swims to the swish of her own fins – upstream, not simply carried along by the current.

Harry, Pip. **Head of the river.**
It’s the most elite school sporting event in the country. Nine rowers, 2000 gruelling metres and once change for glory in the ultimate team sport. Sit forward….ROW.

Larbalestier, Justine. **Razorhurst**

Masson, Sophie. **The crystal heart.**
When Kasper joins the elite guard watching over a dangerous prisoner in a tower, he believes he is protecting his country from a powerful witch. Until one day he discovers the prisoners is a beautiful princess – Izolda of Night – who is condemned by a prophecy to die on her eighteenth birthday. Kasper decides to help her escape. But their hiding place won’t remain secret forever. Will they find their happily ever after?

Nieman, Christie. **As stars fall**

Sloan, Holly Goldberg. **Counting by 7s.**
Willow Chance is a twelve-year-old genius, obsessed with nature and diagnosing medical conditions, who finds it comforting to count by 7s.

Vawter, Vince. **Paperboy.**

**Non-fiction:**
The FOOD book: a journey though the great cuisines of the world

Gilbert, Martin. **Israel: a history** (Rev & updated)

Gorton, Lisa (ed.) **The best Australian poems**

Svensen, Henrik. **The end is nigh: a history of natural disasters**

**Non-fiction in detail:**
Belguin, Gilles and Morel, Dominque. **The forbidden city – centre of imperial China.**
The famous Forbidden City in Beijing, founded in 1405, is one of the greatest royal palaces in the world: a magnificent complex of residences, temples and courts. Seat of the great Ming dynasty of Chinese emperors. This book takes the reader on a tour, and examines it artworks, its history and its elaborate ceremonies reveals the world of imperial China over five centuries.

Belsey, Catherine. **Romeo and Juliet: language & writing**
Focuses on language – both understand and enjoying Shakespeare’s complex dramatic language and expanding your own critical vocabulary, as you respond to his plays.

Gawthorpe, Ann. **Write your life story and get it published.**
Capture, write down and share your own life stories. This book will help you access forgotten memories, find your voice and tell the world your story. Includes: exercises and examples to get you writing; guidance on the practicalities of researching your story; insight from a prize-winning professional writer; learn the ins and outs of the publishing industry; discover more with online articles and links.

Sykes, Helen (ed.) **A love of ideas**
How can we look to the future with optimism and courage, when so many problems seem insurmountable? This book draws together the proposals of a diversity of thinkers and their solutions to the difficulties we face. Young award-winning writers are also presented in the second part of this book. Some of the issues covered are: health; nutrition; families; education; environment; and democracy.

Some of the articles that are of note are:

- Giles-Corti, Billie. **Using soft and smart power to create a healthy, liveable and sustainable city**
- Schwartz, Steven. **Higher education: beyond the bottom line**
- Scott, Dorothy. **From children as consumers to children as contributors?**
- Water, Lea. **Balancing the curriculum: teaching gratitude, hope and resilience**
- Rickards, Lauren. **Our environment: damaged and endangered by human egoism and error**
- Wiseman, John. **Imagine 2033 – how we achieved a rapid transition to a just, healthy, and sustainable post-carbon society**
- Jaspan, Andrew. **A brief journey in search of trusted information**
- Smith, Jane. **Is the future of democracy safe in the hands on the under-30s?**
Tennis Programs Term 3 2014

- Students are given a structured program to assess improvement areas for their tennis
- Trophies and prizes awarded in last week

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- All fees now include 10% GST
- Payment Methods: Cheque, cash, direct deposit: - Direct Deposit is our preferred method
- Account Name; Match Point Tennis, BSB: 062195, ACC: 10233345 (please state your full name) Cheques to be made out to Match Point Tennis and can be posted to PO Box 370, Turramurra 2074. Please write your child’s name on the back of the cheque.
- Programs are held at the Killara High school tennis courts, bottom of the school
- Book through Scott Murray 0413451453
*Ask Scott to arrange times

All Saints Air Force
Memorial Church Fete
11 Moore Ave, West Lindfield

Saturday 9th August
9am to 3pm

The Annual Fete at All Saints Anglican Church is coming again and the Killara High School band is performing again. Last year the performance was fantastic. Come along this year and support the band as they perform. While there why not grab a bargain, enjoy live entertainment from local dance groups, the Beaumont Road PS and Turrumburra bands, sample great food, and even take part in the live auction. It is a great day not to be missed.
A REWARDING VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY
Do you have some time available approximately once a fortnight?

If so, you can make a big difference!

Be part of a Community Visitors Scheme

Spend a little time with an elderly person, either chatting or playing a game.
It can be a very rewarding experience.
If you would like to find out more please call Greig or Sharon at KOPWA Ltd 9412 0284
or email communityservices@kopwa.org.au

Friendship Volunteers Wanted
Do you have an hour a week to be a mate? Compeer friendship volunteers provide social support to people in their community who are isolated because of difficulties with the mental health. Go for a walk, visit a local museum or catch up for a cuppa. Your friendship can make a big difference to your new friend’s self-esteem and quality of life, and help reduce the stigma and isolation associated with mental illness. Training and ongoing support is provided. Volunteers aged 25-75 currently needed.

Contact Amy on 9413 3091 or Compeer.NorthernSydney@vinnies.org.au
Or visit the website www.compeer.org.au for more information

Back Chat
This is a 2.5 hour workshop for parents and carers of teenagers that includes:
- Learning how to restore a respectful and positive relationship between you and your teenager
- Understanding what it’s like being a teenager today
- Learning how to talk so they will listen and how to listen so they will talk

When: Thursday 14th August – 8:30-8:45pm
Where: Lane Cove Library, Library Walk, Lane Cove
Who: Presented by Northern Sydney Local Health District Child and Adolescent Parenting in partnership with Lane Cove Council and CatholicCare Naremburn
Cost: Free

Places are limited so BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL!
To make a booking call 8325 8700 and ask for the intake worker, or email: naremburnfamilyservice@dbb.org.au
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