



**James Craig
Sailing on
Sydney Harbour
March 7th
Reserve now!**

**Scholarships for
2016--applications
close on 9th Feb.**

**Highland Gathering
Meeting 4th Feb.
5:30 pm Library**

**Friend of Junior
School Meeting
9th Feb. @ 7pm**

**TSS P&F
Committee Mtg.
11th Feb., 5:30 pm
Library**

**Pavilion Committee
12th Feb., 5:30 pm
Library**

**Friends of Pipes
& Drums AGM
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**New Uniform Shop
House**

**Photos around
the school on
first day back**

Vale

Mr Tim Richards



It is with regret that we advise that Mr Tim Richards, former Headmaster of The Scots School Bathurst, passed away in January.

Mr Richards was Headmaster of The Scots School Bathurst from 2008 to 2010. Prior to this he served with distinction as Sporting Coach (Cricket and Rugby), Chemistry Teacher, Boarding House Master and Deputy Headmaster over a 30-year period from 1980. In his work in the Boarding House and the school he was always supported by his wife Joy.

Mr Richard's children Ben (1998), Claire (2002) and Sally (2004) all attended The Scots School.

Our thoughts and prayers are with the family at this difficult time.



From the Headmaster . . .

I am delighted to welcome everyone back to The Scots School. Most students seemed very pleased to be back and it is good to get another academic year underway.

Students make a school and I am very pleased that our student numbers are growing strongly with 299 students from Kindergarten to Year 12 being the best enrolment numbers since 2005. There are 89 students in the Junior School at Bathurst, 11 at the Lithgow Campus and 199 students in the Secondary School. There are 80 boarders or 40% of the Senior School. The breakdown of girls to boys is 47.5% girls and 52.5% boys K-12. Our numbers in pre-Kindergarten are

also very strong.

I particularly welcome the more than 50 new students to the School. I wish them all the best as they make new friends and settle in to what is a very special place. It was a great delight to meet with all new students and parents for lunch and the New Students' Assembly on Wednesday. I extend a very warm welcome to all of our new students, parents and teachers.

I wish to welcome the following new staff and announce senior responsibilities:

Mr Anthony Roohan is the new Coordinator of Junior School. He was Deputy Head K-10 and Coordinator of Primary at St Joseph's Oberon. He replaces **Mrs Kerry Robinson** in this position who will take on the role of Learning Support Coordinator across both the Junior School and Senior School along with some class room teaching.

Mr Paul McDonald replaces Mr Nick Dawes as a Mathematics Teacher and Stage 5 Coordinator. He is a very experienced Senior General Mathematics Teacher from St Stanislaus' College. He is a highly regarded teacher with a tremendous capacity to engage students in the love of Mathematics.

Ms Rachel Hughes is the new Head of Mathematics and Director of Administration and steps down from her role as Stage 4 Coordinator.

Mr Tom van Gend is the new Director of Student Welfare and will take over as Stage 4 Coordinator.

Mrs Anne-Maree Adamson will continue to teach French in the Junior School but will also teach French to Year 7.

Mrs Melinda Hadley and her husband Justin replace Belinda Galvin as Head of Girls' Boarding in Galloway House whilst Belinda takes a year's leave. Melinda is an Information Officer with Bathurst Regional Council. Justin is a Detective Sergeant with the NSW Police Force.

Mrs Belinda Lesh and Mrs Laura Ioannides are the new nursing sisters in the Health Centre. They will job share five week days a fortnight and the weekends. Mrs Kerriane Thomson continues in her role for the other five week days a fortnight.

Congratulations to our Year 12 from last year for their success in the HSC. We are pleased with their results both at the very top with 23% of the candidates achieving Band 6 results and many wonderful stories of students who applied themselves and were successful in reaching their goal of an apprenticeship, GAP School placement overseas or university entry.

The School Commencement Service, on the first day, was an excellent way to begin our year. This service allows us to give thanks to God for all we enjoy at The Scots School and to be challenged about the year ahead. I would like to thank the School chaplain, Mr Samuel Gittins, for his leadership of this service.

I wish to thank the broad School community for your prayers, thoughts and support of the three families who experienced the loss of loved ones in the last few weeks.

Mr Tim Richards was a teacher at The Scots School for 33 years with a broad range of senior responsibilities including Headmaster from 2008-2010. His funeral was attended by many present and past students, families, staff and educational colleagues from other schools.

Mr Shayn Rodham, father of Jess (Year 9), Tom (Year 7) and younger brother Brady passed away following an accident with a motor vehicle whilst riding a motor bike on Mount Panorama. Jess was also injured in the accident but is out of hospital and back at school part time. I wish to thank all the school families who supported Nadene and the children. We were honoured and privileged to host the funeral in the Aikman Hall last Tuesday with 420 family and friends in attendance. I wish to thank the School Chaplain, Samuel Gittins, for his leadership of the Funeral Service to mourn Shayn's loss and celebrate his life.

Our thoughts are also with Rev Tim Abbey (Member of the School Board and Minister at Bathurst Presbyterian) and Leonie Abbey as they mourn the loss of Leonie's mother after a long illness.

I wish everyone a great start to the year.

Have a good week.

David Gates

Front Driveway Drop Off and Pick Up

***Stop only on RIGHT SIDE OF DRIVE**

***5 minutes stop to drop off or pick up children**

***Pre-Kinder parents to collect children on the back drive after 3pm to avoid congestion on the Front Drive**

***Do not park on crossings**

and

***Please be sure to use the crossing when walking with your children.**

***If you need more than 5 minutes, please park on the back drive**



Walk with the children, hold their hand and use the crossing.

From the Deputy Head . . .

I welcome all Scots families back to school for 2015. The staff and myself are really looking forward to a busy, fulfilling and productive year working with our wonderful children at Scots. If you are new to the school, I urge you to ask questions and seek help whenever you are unsure. A quick email to:

reception@scots.nsw.edu.au

Stage 4 (Years 7&8): tvangend@scots.nsw.edu.au

Stage 5 (Years 9&10): pmcdonald@scots.nsw.edu.au

Stage 6 (Years 11&12): lfleming@scots.nsw.edu.au
will elicit a prompt response.

School Photos

Wednesday, 4th February will be School Photos Day. I am collecting a list of all families desirous of having a family photograph in addition to the individual student photographs. A whole school photograph will be taken at 1:40 p.m. on Wednesday, 4th February. Students should be immaculately attired in full town leave uniform (long trousers for boys, black stockings for girls, blazers and hats required) on Wednesday, 4th February.

I issue advance notice to families of the Year 7-12 Swimming Carnival to be held Friday, 13th February. Parents and Carers are warmly invited to be present on the day.

YEAR 12

I extend my best wishes to our Year 12 students. I repeat the procedure pertaining to Assessment Tasks:

- all tasks must be handed in at 9:00 am on the due date
- in the event of illness or misadventure a phone call email to the classroom teacher or myself must be received prior to 9:00 am on the due date
- documentary evidence will be required for all cases of illness or misadventure

Year 12 parents/carers should have received a letter detailing the procedure for career planning appointments with myself. Please avail yourselves of the earliest opportunity of making these appointments with Mrs Shillabeer.

The appointment period will be for dates between 16th March and 10th June (except during school holidays). Appointments begin at 3:40 p.m. and will be a maximum of 2-hour duration. We ask that you kindly adhere to this 2-hour limit. There will be a small number of appointments available during the school day from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm.

Mrs Lynne Fleming
Deputy Head/Director of Teaching & Learning

To Ponder . . .

Welcome to another year of adventure and learning at The Scots School! I hope that you have had a chance to rest and catch up with loved ones. With all adventures such as our year ahead there are circumstances that will be a challenge to all of us.

¹ *O Lord, I have come to you for protection;
don't let me be disgraced.*

² *Save me and rescue me,
for you do what is right.
Turn your ear to listen to me,
and set me free.*

³ *Be my rock of safety
where I can always hide.*

*Give the order to save me,
for you are my rock and my fortress.*

⁴ *My God, rescue me from the power of the wicked,
from the clutches of cruel oppressors.*

⁵ *O Lord, you alone are my hope.
I've trusted you, O Lord, from childhood.*

⁶ *Yes, you have been with me from birth;
from my mother's womb you have cared for me.
No wonder I am always praising you!*

Psalms 71:1-6 (NLT-SE)

The Psalmist calls upon God to be his place of safety and this confidence is born of God's past saving works and in the hope He provides for the future.

. . . Chaplain

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The Scots School Bathurst Old Boys & Girls Association
Invites you to join us aboard

The James Craig Tall Ship on Sydney Harbour

We invite you to join us for an afternoon of fun and relaxation on Sydney Harbour. It will be a wonderful way to reunite with old friends. The afternoon will include 1hr of meet and greet followed by 3 hours aboard the James Craig. But that's not all...

Guest Speaker will be Mark Ella – Wallaby Legend

Saturday 7 March 2015

Harbour Cruise onboard The James Craig Tall Ship
12 Midday – 4pm

Tickets \$195 each. Tickets are available from 9am Monday
12th January 2015 through The Scots School, Bathurst office:
02 6331 2766 or email reception@scots.nsw.edu.au

Bank details for payment BSB: 062 504

Account: 1009 2712

Ref: Your name – James Craig Event

The James Craig Tall Ship – located at Sydney Heritage Fleet
Wharf 7, 5B Pirrama Rd, Pyrmont Sydney

Please note: the maximum carrying capacity for the ship is 180 and early indications suggest tickets will sell very quickly, as you would expect!

Lunch with drinks (soft drink, water, beer and wine) will all be provided.

BOOK
NOW!



Young Life Bathurst will once again be a presence at The Scots School during 2015. A weekly club will be held in Aikman Hall on **Tuesday evenings beginning on February 10th**. This club will be at no cost to those who attend. There will be live music, games, skits and more.

Young Life Australia is a non-profit Christian organisation that has been mentoring and building resilience in young people in social settings and providing leadership, guidance and mentoring at high schools and with young people in the community for almost 40 years in Australia.

Young Life seeks to instil a sense of purpose, meaning and values in teenagers to grow resilience academically, emotionally and socially. This is achieved by giving young people the opportunity to connect with adults who model the love of Jesus Christ. Young Life leaders share a short talk about Jesus and the bible each week at club.

Young Life also runs various day and camping trips throughout the term, which any young person is invited to attend.

If you have any further questions about Young Life at Scots, please do not hesitate to contact Josh Petrie: **M:** 0431 843 535 **E:** joshp@younglife.org.au

MEETINGS COMING UP

Friends of the Pipes and Drums Annual General Meeting

Please be advised that the AGM for the Friends of The Pipes and Drums will be on **Sunday, 1st March at 11.00 am** (following the Chapel Service and morning tea) . Parents of students in the Band are encouraged to attend . Contact Lynda Ireland 0408675642 for more information if required.

Highland Gathering Meeting

5:30pm **4th February, School Library**

TSS P&F Committee Meeting

5:30pm, **11th February, School Library**

Pavilion Committee Meeting

5:30pm, **12th February, School Library**

JUNIOR SCHOOL

The first **Friends of the Junior School** meeting will be on

Monday 9th February 2015 @7pm,

in the meeting room behind the Main Admin Block.

If you need any further information please contact Georgia Yordanoff:

gyordanoff@bigpond.com

ALL WELCOME!

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Please contact Mrs
Lynda Ireland for full
information and an
application form.**

BOARDING NEWS:

Boarder Parent's email contacts please:

If you would like to be added to the boarder parent's email contact list, could you please email Kath Harley (Secretary Boarders P&F) on pretty.view@bigpond.com

This will keep you up to date with boarder news and happenings!

MUSIC ENSEMBLES:

Monday, 8am Stage Band

Monday, 3:30 pm Concert Ensemble & Strings

Tuesday, 8am - Vocal Ensemble

No Music Practice rooms available on Fridays.

All private lessons begin this week (2nd Feb.)

First Day Back - 2015



Junior boys looking very sharp in their perfect uniforms.

The whole school assembled for Chapel on day one.





Above: Mrs Inglis gets everyone in the spirit on Day 1.

Meeting Mr Roohan for the first time



Welcome to our Kindergarten class, pictured here with Mrs Jennie White.



Junior School News . . .

Welcome back

Welcome back! What an exciting week it has been in the Junior School. It was wonderful to meet many of the new Kindergarten students and their parents at our welcome lunch on Wednesday along with many of our other new families joining us in 2015. I'm doing my best to remember all of your names but I think I'll need some help. It was equally exciting to meet all of the students for the first time on Thursday. The students were looking very smart in their uniform and were eager to begin their first day of their new year. I look forward to working closely with you and your child's teacher as they progress through the Junior School.

Junior School Staffing

Staff for 2015 will be as follows:

Kindergarten- Mrs Jennie White

Year 1-Mrs Sarah Milligan

Year 2- Mrs Lyn Inglis

Stage 2- Mr Hugh Hunter

Stage 3- Mr Anthony Roohan

French and Release: Mrs Anne-Marie Adamson

Junior School Office Hours and Uniform Shop

Mrs Weal will be available in the Junior School Office on Monday- Thursday between 8:30 and 12noon. She will then be available in the uniform shop between 1pm and 3:30pm on these days. On Friday Mrs Weal will be in the uniform shop from 8:30- 9:00 before returning to the Junior School Office.

Parent Information Night

Next Tuesday 3rd February you are welcomed and encouraged to attend our Parent Information Sessions. At these sessions your child's teacher will inform you all about life in their new class. Sessions will be held in your child's classroom. Times are as follows:

Year 1: 4:45pm

Year 2: 4:45pm

Stage 2: 5:30pm

Stage 3: 6pm

Friends of Junior School

The first meeting for the year will be held on Monday 9th February commencing at 7:00 pm in the meeting room behind the main admin block. We look forward to seeing many new faces and welcoming you to this very supportive group. We thank the friends of the Junior School for providing a lovely morning tea to welcome new families last Thursday as children participated in the commencement service.

Chapel and Assembly

Students will attend weekly chapel services on Wednesday at 10:55am and our weekly assembly will be held on Friday at 9am both in the Performing Arts Centre.

School Photos

Our school photos will be taken on Wednesday morning. Please ensure that children are looking smart in full school uniform for the photos.

Front Drive Traffic

Parents are asked to ensure that they do not park on the front drive for more than 5 minutes whilst picking up children in the afternoon around 3:20pm as this will ease congestion and allow buses to pick up and depart safely. If you wish to stay at the school longer we ask that you use the back drive. Please reinforce with your children the importance of using the pedestrian crossing and of course model that behaviour by always using them yourself. Please see full details of on Page 3 of this *Highlander*.

Mr Anthony Roohan

Pre-Kindergarten Highlander Week 8

Pre-Kindergarten Highlander -Week 2

Welcome- We would like to welcome all of our families for 2015. The children had a fantastic two days last week and have started to settle well into the daily routines. They are enjoying making new friends and playing in the Pre-Kindergarten environment. An information pack will be sent home this week, so please take the time to read through everything provided. The Pre-Kindergarten staff are looking forward to a wonderful year of learning and fun experiences ahead with your children.

Learning Program- Last week we were focusing on a colour theme each day and playing lots of games for children to get to know each other. For the next two weeks we will be looking at the topic of 'All About Me' where the children will be talking about their favourite foods, pets, families and exploring their identity with eye and hair colour. Each student will complete a self portrait to hang in the classroom.

Allergies- This year in Pre-Kindergarten we have some students who have allergies. It is very important that families use the hand sanitizer (there are two located in the rooms) each morning on entry to the Pre-Kindergarten rooms. We have also explained to the children that we do not share food in our lunch boxes. Please remember that we are a nut free school.



Secondary Sport . . . Week 2/Term 1

Welcome Back

We hope that everyone had a relaxing holiday. Our sports program resumes with training and matches this week. The 1st XI cricket was the only team with a match in Week 1 (31st Jan vs St Pauls at TSS).

Holiday Cricket vs Shore

On Saturday the 24th a team of Scots boys took on a visiting Shore team in a Twenty-20 cricket match. Scots bowled first and restricted Shore to 109 runs. The pick of the bowlers were Luke Newman and Connor Behrendt. Aiden Telfer took three catches. In reply our boys could only manage 85 runs with the loss of 5 wickets. Tight bowling and very good fielding from the Shore boys made scoring difficult. Patrick Harris made 29 runs and John Mair 25 not out. The match was a good way for some of our boys to start thinking about cricket and training after the long break experienced during the holidays. We would like to thank the boys for playing and for the support given from the parents.

Rowing Rowing Success

Ashleigh Brooking (Y11) and Maya Brooking (Y7) competed last Saturday in the Pymble Ladies College Regatta, rowing for The Scots School Bathurst. Ashleigh achieved a 1st place in Open Schoolgirl Single Scull whilst Maya took a 4th place in Year 8 Schoolgirl Single Scull. Congratulations to both girls.



Upcoming Sport Events

Friday 13th February TSS Secondary Inter House Swimming Carnival (9.00 – 3.30pm)

Friday 27th February WAS Secondary Swimming Carnival

Wednesday 11th March ISA Secondary Swimming Carnival

Mr. Justin Adams (Sportsmaster) jadams@scots.nsw.edu.au

The Scots School, Bathurst		Week 1 Term 1				
Summer Sport Schedule		Friday 30th Nov and Saturday 31st Jan 2015				
Sport/Team	Coach	Date	Opposition	Time	Venue	Transport Details
Basketball	Please refer to the following website for draws and results - http://www.bathurst.basketball.net.au					
Scots 1st V (Black)	Mr. Hayward	06/02/15	Lets get Tropical	6.15pm	Court 1	Please confirm bus times with your coach and on noticeboard outside the library
Scots 2nd V (Razors)		Mr. Hayward	06/02/15	SK	7.45pm	Court 1
Scots Lions	Mr. Ben Slater/Mrs. Davis		06/02/15	Goon Squad	4.00pm	Court 3
Scots 1st V (Girls)	Ms. Hughes	06/02/15	Coyotes	4.45pm	Court 4	
Scots 2nd V Blue (Girls)	Ms. Hughes	06/02/15		Pink Flames	4.00pm	Court 1
Scots Slammers	Miss Elise Woods/Mrs. Davis	06/02/15		ASC Bronze	4.45pm	Court 2
Cricket	Please refer to the following website for draws, results and season statistics - http://scotsbathurst.nsw.cricket.com.au/					
1st XI	Mr. Adams/Mr. Mair	07/02/15	St Patricks College	9.30am	Scots Main Oval	Nil
2nd XI	Mr. Scott Howe/ Mr Maher		07/02/15	Rugby Union Gold	8.20am	Scots Lee St Oval
Nil						
13s	Mr. Harris	07/02/15	ASC Red	8.20am	Stiles Oval ASC	Mr. Harris
8.00am						
Scots 1 (7s)	Mrs. White	07/02/15	RU Mitchel Marsh	8.20am	Brookemoore	Nil
Scots 2 (7s)	Mrs. Inglis	07/02/15	St Pats Blue	8.20am	Police Paddock	Nil
Tennis	Mr. Doney	07/02/15	Stannies 1	8.30am	Stannies	Mr Doney 8.00am
Touch	Mr. Coyte	07/02/15	All Saints	8.30am	All Saints	Mr Coyte 8.00am

Cricket . . .

FIRST ELEVEN CRICKET REPORT

In a very disappointing commencement to the “business” end of the season the First Eleven were defeated by a depleted St. Paul’s Grammar last Saturday, and accordingly have relinquished the crucial top of the ladder position. After losing the toss and being sent in to bat, the First Eleven could only manage a meagre 85. Hugh Lennon top scored with 22. Once again several batsmen got themselves out through impatience and/or indiscreet shot selection, evidenced by the fact we were only able to bat for 33 of our allotted 50 overs. At this level batsmen should rarely be dismissed by being bowled, yet several of our batsmen got themselves out in this manner with an ill founded desire to “hit across the line”. Many of our batsmen will have to examine their technique during training this week and start work at “playing in the V” if we are to be a competitive force in the competition from here on. Hopefully our poor performance is simply due to lack of training over the holiday break !!!!!

Despite taking some early wickets our total was never really defendable. Our opponents adopted a far more disciplined and thoughtful approach in their time at the crease, providing a useful model for some of our batsmen to replicate in future innings.

Next week we play St. Patricks at Scots.

Mr Brian Mair (Coach)