**Homestay Required -- please help!**

Scots has 13 visiting students who require a billet on the **weekend of March 3rd and 4th (this coming weekend).** These Junior School students are keen to visit with an Australian family and practice their English speaking skills.

Please contact Jenny Donnelly on 6331-2766 if you are able to provide a homestay for a student.

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**P&F Meeting**

We will be holding our Term 1 P&F meeting this Wednesday evening 29th, in the school library, commencing at 7.00.

All welcome.

**Highland Gathering Meeting**

There will be a Highland Gathering meeting in the Library this Tuesday, 28th February at 7.00pm.

Anyone who is interested in helping at the Highland Gathering, is very welcome to attend.

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**Pipes & Drums New Zealand Tour**

The band’s tour to NZ is only a few days away – just the last minute packing to do before leaving in the wee small hours next Sunday morning. The band and supporters will be away for a week with rehearsals, cultural & sightseeing activities planned before two days of competition at the New Zealand Pipe Band Championships. We will be based at Tauranga in the Bay of Plenty region on the east coast of the north island.

Many thanks to Gill MacKenzie, Geoff Haywood & Denise Garland for all the work that goes into planning and organizing a tour, to Karin LeRoux for her financial organisation, Lynda Ireland for organising the tour shirts and keeping us all on track.

We are very grateful for the financial support received from **Centennial Coal Lithgow, Raine & Horne Bathurst** and **Bathurst Mowerland**, the new sock tops being knitted by **Sue Longmore** and the bus to/from Sydney supplied by **Paul & Sharon Newman (Newman’s Bus Company)**.

We are looking forward to a fun and exciting week with fabulous pipes and drums music from our own Scots School Pipes and Drums and many other bands.

**Reminders for Tour Members:**
- Bags (<10kg) will be weighed in at the Band Room on Friday after band practice or Saturday at 12noon. They can then be left in the band room and will be packed onto the bus.
- Meet at Scots at 2.30am on Sunday 4th, bus leaves at 3am.

*Liz Lennon
On behalf of FOPD*
From the Headmaster . . .

Our first Parent Weekend for the year was a great success and provided an excellent opportunity to meet and welcome new families to the school. Thank you to all the parents who made the effort to contribute and commit to this important weekend. There were a number of excellent activities including the Swap Meet for Year 7 parents where they swapped places with their children in class on Friday afternoon, the String Ensemble Concert on Friday night, the Junior School Family Fun Day on Saturday, the Boarders’ Dinner on Saturday night and the Chapel Service on Sunday. All these events allow for the building of a strong sense of community, something that characterizes this school.

The Chapel Service was a particularly special occasion with the late Ken Field honoured for his outstanding contribution to the School Board for the last 9 years. It was good to welcome Delma Field along with family, friends and Board members for the special tribute and prayer presented by the Chairman of the School Board and the School Chaplain. I would also like to thank Mr Gittins for his very thoughtful message and preparation for the Chapel Service.

The Saturday of the Parent Weekend also doubled as the Scholarship Testing Day for entry for 2013 which means that there were many prospective students and parents visiting on the Friday for Year 7 2013 Experience Day and on the Saturday for scholarship testing. It was good to welcome so many prospective students and parents and to be part of the school tour conducted by Mrs Megan Johnstone. Thank you to Megan for her excellent organisation and to the senior staff who greeted families and presented at the Information Sessions. Thank you also to all current parents who generously endorse our school to people you meet. Almost every scholarship interview I conduct tells me that one of our current or past parents has recommended the school to them. I encourage all our parents to speak positively about this school in your communities in order to build our numbers further.

The School Board welcomed two new members at its last meeting who are both current parents of the school. They are Mr Michael Inwood and Mrs Alison Brown. The Board is now made up of the following people in addition to the two new members: Chairman - Mr Colin Langford, Vice Chair – Mrs Shevahn Telfser, Rev Tim Abbey, Mr Tim Gilchrist, Mr Jim Grant, Mr David Mills, Mrs Jenni Stone and Mrs Robyn White.

Congratulations to the First XI Cricket Team for their very strong win against St Patrick’s College Strathfield. They finished third in the competition and travel to Chevalier College Bowral for their semi-final next Saturday. We wish them all the best.

I would also like to wish The Pipes and Drums all the best for their New Zealand Tour commencing next Sunday. They have been working very hard in preparation and are looking forward to competing and also enjoying the cultural experience. Thank you to Mr Gil McKenzie, Mrs Garland and Mr Hayward along with the committee members and parents for all your hard work.

The first Parents and Friends Meeting for the year will be held this Wednesday night at 7pm in the School Library. Please look to be involved in either the P & F or one of its subgroups.

Have a great week…

David Gates
**From the Deputy Head . . .**

I wish to thank all of our students for their extraordinary effort and contribution over Friday, Saturday and Sunday. In my opinion the school never looked better than on Saturday with all sporting ovals in use, and our facilities on display.

We welcomed many potential future students as a result of the scholarship and recruitment process.

Our next big event is the Highland Gathering which is always a wonderful event to bring the entire school community together. The Highland Gathering is on Sunday, 25th March.

*Mrs Lynne Fleming  
Deputy Head*

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**MUSIC NOTES**

- Well done to all members of the String Ensemble who performed so well at the Concert last

**Friday night in the Performing Arts Centre.**

- Rehearsals this week are at the usual times:
  - CONCERT ENSEMBLE/ORCHESTRA - Monday 3.30-5pm
  - Musical – Vocals- Tuesday Morning 8am
  - Drama - Wednesday 8.15am
  - STAGE BAND - Thursday 8am

**STRING ENSEMBLE- Friday 8am**

- WEEK 6 – NO REHEARSALS FOR ALL MUSIC ENSEMBLES – DUE TO Pipes and Drums New Zealand Tour and Mrs Garland will be absent.
- All Private lessons in Week 6 as normal except
  - Strings- NO lessons with Mr Newell on Friday 9th March

*Mrs Denise Garland  
Director of Performing Arts*

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**This week in History.**

This week has been very historical in terms of history. We went back many years to see what happened in this week. First in 1589 Henry IV was crowned king of France, this occurred as King Henry III was assassinated and he did not have any children which meant Henry IV ascended to the throne.

Also during this week in 1933 the Nazis set fire to the German Parliament building. A Berlin fire station was notified that the German Parliament building was ablaze, however, by the time the police and fire fighters arrived the main Chamber of Deputies was engulfed in flames. This was used as evidence by the Nazis that the communists were planning a plot against the government. Consequently many communists were arrested. The Nazis then became the only party in parliament.

In 1992 Tiger Woods aged just sixteen defended his U.S Junior Amateur championship, becoming the first multiple winner. This started the career of one of the best golfers ever, Tiger Woods. All these events happened in this week of history.

*J Mair & J Gates*

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**School Shop**

STOCK ARRIVED AT UNIFORM SHOP
- Black Rugby Shorts
- School Rugby Jumpers
- Plus
- Track Jackets, Track Pants in some sizes.

School jumpers have arrived in all sizes

SHOP HOURS:
- Monday & Friday - 8.30am – 11am & 1pm – 2pm
- Wednesday - 8.30am – 11am
- Tuesday & Thursday - 1pm – 2pm
The date is fast approaching for the first school camp of the year. Year 7 in week 9, 26th March to 29th March, will be heading to the Great Aussie Bush Camp which is situated on the Mid North Coast near Hawkes Nest.

The camp will be run over four days/three nights, Monday to Thursday, with accommodation in huts, full catering and transport to and from the site being by coach. A range of activities will be undertaken which are designed to build confidence and cooperation amongst the group. A number of the Year 11 Peer Support Leaders will also be attending the camp to further build on the program which has been running at school this term. There will also be time for a Dolphin Cruise on the waters of Port Stephens.

The only special equipment needed, which boarders may not have at school at the present time, will be a torch and sleeping bag. A note outlining the camp in more detail will be emailed to parents and a hard copy given to students sometime in the coming week when final arrangements and costing have been completed.

Mr G Hayward
Camp Coordinator

CALENDAR

Tue 28 WAS Hockey Trials @ KWS (tbc)
WAS Boys Touch Trials @ KWS (tbc)
Wed 29 TSS P&F Meeting - 7:00 pm

MARCH
Thu 1 HICES Debating Rnd 1
Fri 2-Sun 4 Mudgee Show
Sat 3 ISA Cricket Finals
Sun 4 Sun 11 Pipe Band New Zealand Tour
Tue 6-Wed 7 NSW All Schools Triathlon Penrith
Tue 6 HSC Simulated Area of Study Day
Wed 7 AICES Boys Basketball @ Castle Hill
Thu 8 Y11 Ryda at Mt Panorama
Sat 10 Blayney Show
Thu 15 AICES Girls Basketball @ Castle Hill
Fri 16-Sat 17 Lithgow Show
Fri 16 ISA Swimming Carnival (Snr)@ SOPAC
Tue 20 TSS (Snr) Cross-Country
Wed 21 AICES 16’s Hockey @ Bathurst
Thu 22 K-12 Chapel
Fri 23 Yrs 10 & 12 Parent/Teacher Interviews
Year 10 Info.Talk 5:30 pm Year 12 Info. Talk 6:00 pm
Sat 24 Rugby & Netball Trials (tbc)

Term 2

Years 8, 9, 10 Boarders Return 4pm
Sun 22-Tue 24 Years 8-10 Camp
Mon 23 Staff Development Day 8:30 am
Yrs 7/11/12 Boarders Return after 4pm
Years 7&11 Parent/Teacher Interviews
Year 7 Information Talk 5:30 pm
Year 11 Information Talk 6:00 pm
Tue 24 Classes Commence 9:00 am
Wed 25 ANZAC DAY
Fri 27-Sun29 Bathurst Show
Sat 28 Rugby Trials v Redfield/Cranbrook (tbc)

Tue 3-Mon 9 Cattle at Sydney Royal Show
Wed 4 Year 12 examinations conclude
Classes Cease 3:30 pm/Boarders Depart - End Term 1
Sun 8-Tue 10 Sheep at Sydney Royal Show
Sat 21 WAS Netball Trials 15s/Opens @KWS

Please note return date for Years 8-9-10

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THE 21ST HIGHLAND GATHERING – SUNDAY 25TH MARCH 2012

More Trash & Treasure needed…
Do you have any old bikes you want to get rid of? Drop them off outside the Uniform Shop on the verandah or the maintenance area (just after the dining hall) as you drive past. Leave things on any day up until the Highland Gathering.

We would also like furniture, kitchen equipment, bric-a-brac, clothing in good condition (especially kids), sporting equipment, toys, tools, paintings...

CAN YOU bake a batch or two of scones for the Yr 5 & 6 Devonshire Tea stall? Please let Gillian Gates know at g.r.gates-hopper@hotmail.com

CLEANED OUT the bookshelves, CD or DVD Cabinet yet? You can drop off books/DVDs outside the Uniform Shop on the verandah or the maintenance area (just after the dining hall) as you drive past. You can leave items on any day up until the Highland Gathering.

DIG UP and divide some of your overgrown garden plants or pot some cuttings from the garden. We would also like any vegetable garden produce, cut bunches of herbs... Please drop off on the morning of the Highland Gathering.

Please contact Mark & Jenny Morrison for further information at mjjjjg_5@hotmail.com
To Ponder . . .

So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them ... Gen 1:27 (ESV)

Why is my child valuable? It’s a foolish question; there is no question that they hold inestimable value, but why? Not everyone agrees; many children are conceived the wrong gender, with the wrong genetic makeup, into the wrong socio-cultural demographic and are thence abandoned or not allowed a chance at life.

In the Bible the very first thing we are told about ourselves is that we are made in the image of God. This means that every child has intrinsic value!

“My child you are precious because of something that can never be changed,
“God loves you and made you to be like Him,
“God knows what He’s doing; trust that He hasn’t made a mistake when He made you,
“No matter what you look like, you are beautiful,
“No matter what you achieve, you are a part of God’s great handiwork,
“No matter what hurtful things people breathe into your life, it is God who has breathed His life into you,
“The year’s God gives you may be many or few, but all of them are a gift from He who loves you.”

. . . Chaplain
Highlander
Family Fun Day
The Family Fun Day on Saturday was very well attended by families from Pre Kindergarten to Year 6. The weather was summery and everyone enjoyed the barbecue lunch provided by the Friends of the Junior School. The children enjoyed cricket and T-Ball games on the oval, tumbling down the grassy slopes and having fun with hoops, balls and frisbees. The highlight of the afternoon was the Tug O War championships which saw everyone pulling together!

HICES Swimming
Our swimming team will attend the HICES Swimming Carnival at Homebush on Thursday. We wish them well and are looking forward to some excellent performances following our warm up carnival at Kinross last week.

Swimming Training
The HICES team will train on Tuesday morning at 9am. There will be no after school training on Wednesday afternoon this week.

Swimming Lessons
Notes have gone home today with details of swimming lessons to be conducted before the end of term.

Year 6 Experience Day
From all reports and observations the Year 6 students had a wonderful time in the Senior School on Friday. They were particularly good ambassadors for Scots as they went out of their way to welcome new students and make new friends. This was also an excellent opportunity for the Year 5 students to experience some leadership roles. They did this with maturity and enthusiasm.

German Culture Lessons and Pen Pals
Miss Gauder was delighted with the letters written to the Pen Pals in Germany and these have now been posted, along with a DVD introducing each person and some interesting songs and games. Stage2 learnt about the seasons in Germany this week and Celebrations and Holidays will be this week’s focus.

Stage 2 and 3 Excursion
An overnight excursion has been organised for the students in Stage 2 and 3 to Hill End on the 22nd and 23rd of March. This will be a part of their studies in HSIE on National Parks and Gold. Information will go home this week.

Congratulations
*To Angus Crozier who competed in the Little Athletics Zone Championships at Kiama last weekend. He gained a third in the 1500m and a sixth in the 800m earning him a place in the State Championships.

*To Andrew Knox who achieved an excellent placing in the triathlon at Huskisson last weekend.

*To Belinda Kidd who was crowned Junior Show Girl at the Oberon Show. Belinda is pictured below.

*To Gaby Boshier, Genevieve Gates, Isabella Retallack and Elizabeth Woodhouse for playing in the Senior School String Ensemble at the Performing Arts Concert on Friday Night.

It is wonderful to see our students achieving well in their endeavours outside the school and we are always pleased and proud to learn about their successes.

BOOK CLUB
Congratulations to everyone who supported Book Club for term 1. We had a really great order and strong support from every class. Well done! All orders have been placed and you should receive them back this week. Your teachers
have earned lots of rewards and looking at how they can spend them. Thank you for your support. 

Lynda Scott  
Book Club Coordinator

Winter Sport  
We are in the process of determining how we can best run our winter sport program with maximum participation. A note asking for interest and information was sent out today; please return it to school as soon as possible so that decisions can be made.

At assembly this week, Stage 1 received the class cup for their work on positive classroom routines. Baxter Fitzgerald was noticeably steady and well mannered and will be looking after Scotty this week.

Mrs Kerry Robinson

Bathurst Pre-Kindergarten News… Term 1 Week 5.

Sounds Program  
This week Pre-Prep will be continuing with their exciting sounds program. Our next sound is “m”. Our rhyme is Many mice munching m,m,m… and in Letterland we will meet Munching Mike. For craft expect to see some mice, mermaids, mushrooms, miffy, mum, monkey and even Mickey Mouse and much more.

Thank You.  
A big” thank you” to all the parents who have already sent in boxes of tissues for the year. We hope to eliminate the spread of germs as much as possible by encouraging the children to wipe their noses frequently.

Library Bags  
Children need to bring their Library bags on Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays. They do not require a Library bag on the days we attend the Bathurst City Library as we do not borrow books on this occasion.

Ice Blocks  
Ice Blocks are sold on Monday, Wednesday and Fridays by the Year 6 students. Please sticky tape 50c into your child’s lunchbox if you would like them to purchase an ice block on these days.

New Student Reports  
A report about how well your child has settled into the routines of Pre-Kindergarten will be issued to all students during week 7. So far we have found the children loving the program and following the routines well. If your child seems tired this is normal for the beginning of the year and they will soon be used to the structure and days of attendance.

Bathurst City Library Visit  
This Thursday will be our first visit to the Bathurst City Library for Story Time. This is a lovely program for the children with stories, music and craft. We will travel via the Scots School bus so please ensure you have returned your child’s permission slip.
JUNIOR SCHOOL SWIMMING 2012…

First there was cheering!
Lithgow School News . . .

Lithgow Hospital Visit

On Tuesday 7th February K-6 students visited the Lithgow Hospital. We were expertly led on a tour by Elise Southall who allowed us to visit the emergency department, Imaging where we learnt about the CT machine, we were dressed in our theatre attire before we were able to visit a theatre room, we then saw the high dependency unit, walked VERY quietly through the ward, saw the kitchens, therapy pool and met the diabetic nurse, who donated a story book about diabetes to the school.

It was a wonderful excursion and we would like to take the opportunity to thank the staff of the Lithgow Hospital for their wonderful hospitality, it was really appreciated.

Don’t we all look great!!

And the band marches .....................
Lithgow City Band Visit

On Tuesday 7th February, students were visited by the Lithgow City band members Billy, Pippa and Mr White. They played a variety of brass instruments, had us march to the music, after careful cleaning allowed us to try playing brass instruments and invited us to join the band.

Lessons are held on Tuesday afternoons from 4-5 p.m. Notes have been sent home to students, however, if you require more information please see Mrs Pringle.
Senior School Sport . . .

Secondary School Sports Bulletin Week 5 Term 1

A HUGE Weekend of Sport

Anyone who was not at school last Saturday morning really missed out on seeing the luxury that we have at Scots with our school sports facilities being utilized to the max! We had three cricket matches on the three ovals, the tennis courts being used for the WAS Singles Champs and the Old Boys oval and old top oval being used by the girls WAS touch competition and trials. We are extremely blessed to have such good quality sports facilities and must thank the maintenance staff in particular for their preparation of the ovals. We also thank the students for their co-operation and participation in the sporting events and applaud them for their presentation of the sports uniform and sportsmanship. We also thank the many parents that lent their support on Saturday.

1st XI Cricket through to finals

Congratulations to the 1st XI for securing a place in the finals with a very pleasing and comprehensive victory over St Pats on the weekend. Winning the toss and batting first the boys started poorly losing our openers cheaply. Ben Spence (59) and Cameron Chew (64) put on an excellent partnership demonstrating mature and patient cricket skills which steadied the ship. Further contributions from Jack Ogilvy (12), Kieran Ball (16), James Tresidder (11*) and the fact that we were able to accumulate maximum sundries by batting out the 50 overs gave us a healthy total of 201. The St Pats boys struggled to make a start and lost early wickets through some good bowling from our openers Isaac Watt (2 for 28), Jock Sinclair (3 for 15). Cameron Chew also demonstrated his skills with the ball collecting 4 for 23. The most pleasing aspect of the win was the team work and support that the boys showed to each other throughout the match. Our fielding continues to improve and some great catches were held by Zac Gates, Oscar Sobalriov, Jack Ogilvy, Kieran Ball and Jock Sinclair. St Pats were dismissed for 89 which was less than half our score giving us maximum points for the round. We managed to finish 3rd in the ISA Division three competition and our opponents for the semi final will be Chevalier College which will be played in Bowral next Saturday. Congratulations boys, best of luck next week.

Wet Weather

This summer has been a shocker for washed out Saturdays. All known cancellations will be announced on 2BS 1503 on the AM band from 7.00am.

Cricket Website and BDJCA Washout number


Students and parents can check whether Bathurst junior cricket matches have been cancelled by calling 0488462726.

Winter Sport Choices

Last week winter sports choices were recorded. Students and parents can expect to have sent home a thorough outline of the requirements for each sport in coming weeks which will need to be signed by the parent and include details of the season, medical history information and a risk warning for each sport.

Upcoming sport events

28/02 WAS Boys and Girls Hockey Trials and WAS Boys Touch Trials (KWS)

7/03 AICES Boys Basketball (Castle Hill Sports Stadium)

15/03 AICES Girls Basketball (Snake Pit, Wollongong)

16/03 ISA Swimming (SOPAC, Homebush)

21/03 AICES 15s and Under Girls Hockey (Bathurst)

27/03 TSS Inter house Cross Country

Mr. Justin Adams (Sportsmaster)

jadams@scots.nsw.edu.au

Parents Kristina Powell, Matt Woods, Helen Woods, Kath Harley, Donna George enjoyed the Senior Swimming Carnival in Week 2.
### The Scots School Summer Sport Weekly Schedule 2012

#### Term 1 Week 5

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| Cricket   | 1st XI        | Mr. Maher, Mr. Adams | 25/02 | Chevalier College | 10.00am | Chevalier |
|           | 14s           | Mr. Mair          | 25/02 | Stannies Blue     | 8.15am  | Stannies (Gavin) |
|           | 12s           | Miss. Hughes      | 25/02 | St Pats Blue 12s  | 8.15am  | TSS, Lee St Oval |

| Tennis    | WAS Squad     | Mr. Matus        | 25/02 | WAS Doubles Champs | 8.30am  | TSS Courts (Jnr/Int) |
| Touch     | Jnr/Snr       | Mr. Coyte        | 03/03 | TBC               |         |                     |

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**Senior School Swimming Carnival 2012...**

An historic moment! The first swimming carnival race in our new school pool -- 2012.
TOUCH RUGBY . . .

Scots Juniors vs. All Saints
Scots Seniors vs. Kinross

We were able to play two non-competition games for played who were not involved in WAS trials. They were played in good spirits and Matilda Ryan scored an excellent try -- her second for the year.

It was a very successful Gala Day. We have very close games. All the students played very well and although the WAS team is not finalised as yet, we have a number of girls nominated. As soon as the team is announced, the girls will be notified. I congratulate all the girls on how they conducted themselves in welcoming the visiting schools and their good sportsmanship throughout the games.

Scoring:
Juniors: Scots 2 to All Saints 0
Scots 2 to Kinross 3
Seniors: Scots 3 to All Saints 3
Scots 1 to Kinross 2

Junior WAS Swimming

Last Wednesday the 22nd of February a small but dedicated squad of Junior School swimmers travelled to Kinross School in Orange to compete at the annual WAS Swimming Carnival.

We not only looked the part but we swam our best. We are very proud to have returned to Scots with a stash of ribbons and personal best times! This carnival is the forerunner to the HICES swimming carnival that will be held at Homebush this Thursday, 1st March. It is a fantastic opportunity for our junior swimmers to compete against other schools and fine tune their race tactics. We are immensely proud of our very young swimmers who didn’t hesitate to dive in and swim their hardest. Our more experienced swimmers collected first, second and third placing in many of their events.

Thank you also to our many wonderful families who managed to take time off from busy schedules to come and cheer our team on.

Mr Travis and Mrs Inglis

Bathurst Junior Rugby 2012 season

Bathurst Bulldogs U’13’s & Bathurst Burrs U’7’s, 9’s & 11’s will be holding their 2011 season registration nights on Friday 2nd & 9th March.

If you are thinking about it, just do it!!

On the night we will also be taking expressions of interest for U15’s & 17’s players in the hope of fielding sides in the 2012 season.

Registration will be from 5:00pm to 6:30pm
Friday 2nd & 9th March 2011
Anne Ashwood Rugby Park
Hereford Street, Bathurst

TENNIS . . .

WAS Tennis Singles Finals

The tennis season is drawing to a close with the Singles finals last Saturday and the Doubles next Saturday. At the end of the competition the Senior division were placed fourth, the Intermediates were third as were the Juniors.

Maddie Miller with the aid of some sideline encouragement won the Plate competition in the senior division. Lachlan Conyers faced a very tough draw and was knocked out in the second round.

The competition was too strong for our Intermediate players, Jack Bird and Hayden Callan.

The Junior Division of Meg Booth and Emma Harley played well but also found the competition too strong.

Well done guys, we now look forward to next week. A big thankyou to Dan Cousins one of the Gappies for looking after the junior and intermediates finals at Scots whilst I was at the Rylstone show.

Peter Matus (Coach)
**TSS Razors vs. Stannies**
The boys played a very tight game where the score was fluctuating the whole game but at the last few minutes the boys just let their guard down for a couple of seconds and Stannies scored some crucial point on us that we were unable to get back.

final Score: TSS 21 to Stannies 23

*by Nathan Warton*

**Scots Cobras v. Scorpions**
A good win by the team showing good defence and attack throughout the game. It is good to see the boys showing more patience in offence and not rushing down the court and just throwing the ball at the basket.

*Mr Geoff Hayward (Coach)*

**Scots Lions v. Animals**
It was always going to be a tough game as the Animals are the top of the Division 1 ladder. Early on it looked like an easy win for the Animals as they pulled out a comfortable lead. But with determined effort and tight defence, the Lions started to shut down the opposition’s shooting opportunities and fought back to make it a two point game for the majority of the time. With five minutes to go, the Animals called a tie out which showed we were really applying pressure and upsetting their game plan. Unfortunately for us they were able to just keep ahead but a great effort by the team.

Final score: Animals 35 to Lions 30

*Mr Geoff Hayward (Coach)*

**TSS Gumption vs. Blue Tongue Lizards**
The last time these two teams met, Gumption were defeated by over 50 points. However, in this very entertaining game, Scots remained composed against a very strong team. There was some excellent team work, with all players contributing a resounding effort. Final score: 36-10 loss.

*B.Christie (Coach)*

**TSS Turnips vs. Gladiators**
This was the highest scoring game in Division 5 Boys on Friday Night. The Gladiators, currently in second position on the ladder, dominated the first half and looked like they could run away with an easy win. However, the Turnips rallied in the last 10 minutes to bring the scores level. Final score: 37-all.

*B.Christie (Coach)*

**Meerkats vs. Crunchy Munchies**
Meerkats ran away with another victory this Friday against the Crunchy Munchies. In a very defensive game, the girls worked as a team to pull out a 30-20 victory. Pip Shephard and Nastasia Reynolds had many scoring chances because of their quickness to be the first to get the rebound. Michelle Fairall showed great hustle working with Tegan Brunton and Alice Gates in a constant effort to get the ball. Jessica Morrison was our aggressive defender (as always) who worked well with Natalie Bowels (with 2 baskets) sprinting up the court to set up Ellie Fricker (with 6) and Emma Harley (with 7) for their game winning baskets.

Every player showed amazing hustle and teamwork this week. We are excited for our few last games of the season.

*Ms Layla Leard (Coach)*
Congratulations to the First XI, who have made it to the Semi-finals, which will be played Saturday 3rd March at Chevalier College, Bowral. Mr. Adams will advise departure times for the bus to Bowral on Saturday. There will be room on the bus for a few parents if any would like to come down to support the team.

Thinking positively, WHEN we make Grand Final on 10th March, I will have an important family function that day and will not be able to attend. It would be greatly appreciated if a some parents could be at the Grand Final to assist with scoring and assisting Mr. Adams.

Congratulations are in order to Ben Spence, who is the top runs scorer in ISA Division 3. Cameron Chew is close behind him in third place. Stuart Marshall and Oscar Sobalirrov are in the top 20, and Kieran Ball, Jack Ogilvy, Nathan Gervasoni and Jock Sinclair have all made the top 50.

In bowling, Jock Sinclair leads the statistics for the competition so far. Isaac Watt and Cameron Chew respectively are in 5th and 6th place.

Mr. A. Maher
Team Manager, First XI

First XI v. St Pat’s 2nd XI
Another fantastic game by the first XI on the weekend. Needing a good game to secure a spot in the finals, the boys came out and batted exceptionally well. Cam Chew got a fantastic 64 that provided the backbone of the innings. For the first time this season our middle order and tail finally clicked and blasted us from 160 in the 44th over to 201 by the 50th.

Bowling tight lines and defending the gaps, we managed to bowl St Pat’s out for just 89 in the 35th over. This was possible due to Isaac Watt (2-28-10), Cam Chew (4-23-71) and Jock Sinclair (3-15-10) who made plenty of chances to get wickets. Hopefully we can take this momentum into the finals and really take it to the top teams.

Scoring:
Ben Spence 59
Cam Chew 64
Isaac Watt 2-18-10
Jock Sinclair 3-15-10
Cam Chew 4-23-72

Best players/performances:
Cameron Chew (64 runs, 4 wickets for 23 runs off 7.2 overs)

Scots won by 112 runs.
Coaches Mr Adams, Mr Lovell, Mr Maher

by Ben Spence

UNDER 14 CRICKET REPORT
The Under 14’s played 2 matches over the past week, a deferred match --v- competition leaders Rugby Union and a “friendly” --v- Blayney last Saturday (Blayney had forfeited this two day fixture as they had been unable to field a team).

In our match --v- Rugby Union, we won the toss and batted reaching 9 for 99 at the end of our 25 overs. This was a little disappointing as at after 15 overs we were 3 for 72, after a partnership of 65 between JonoGates(38) and John Mair(19). In reply Rugby Union staggered early on at 3 for 6, then 4 for 20. Great early pressure was applied by ZacTelfser who ended with 2 for 5, Zac was well supported by Hikari as both bowled with hostility and purpose. After 20 overs R.U. were still struggling at 5 for 72, but eventually passed our total with 4 balls remaining. Once again poor catching cost us dearly, with 7 or 8 chances being “grassed”. In a 25 over match (in fact ANY match) teams can’t expect to essentially give opponents two innings and expect to win.

In our second match --v- Blayney we recorded a comfortable victory. Batting first we scored 3 for 145, with Jono Gates (43) Luke Newman (29 no) JohnMair (22) and Hugh Lennon (15) the major contributors. In reply Blayney batted well to reach 3 for 90 at the end of their allocated overs, as we took the opportunity to ensure all players had a bowl. It was good to be able to offer JontyBoshier and Cal Behrendt the opportunity to play and also thanks to Tom Fitzsimmons and Jack Bird who covered absences.

Next week we play SSC in a match which will determine who reaches the final.

Mr B.J. Mair (Coach)

U13’s Cricket v. St Pat’s White
The match resumed with St Pats 1-103. Jason Corliss was excellent in the field, securing two run outs and hitting the stumps a third time. Ned Dawson took a wicket and St Pats finished 4-190. With only 4 wickets the run chase was always going to be difficult. Our focus was to bat out the 20 overs and not give St Pats the opportunity to attempt an outright victory. Hamish Andrews and Jimmy Scott did well to last 12 overs before the loss of a wicket. Our innings finished with a wicket in the last over -- all out for 84.

Result: 1st innings loss
Scoring: Ned Dawson (18); Hamish Andrews (13); Wes Standfield bowling figures 0 for 10; Sean Grabham bowling figures 1 for 15; Ned Dawson bowling figures 1 for 7; Jason Corliss - 2 run outs.

Ms Rachel Hughes (Coach)

by Ben Spence