To Ponder . . .
“Here is a man who went home justified, rather than the other. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted.”
... Luke 18:14 (ESV)

Who is it that is justified? To be in right relationship with God is simple, it’s found in dependant trust. When we live in an age where our productivity and our capacity to spend can define our worth it can be very hard to recognise that humble dependence on God is our greatest need.

. . . Chaplain

End of School Year
Bus Arrangements

There will be no late bus on Tuesday, 6th December.

No buses on Wednesday, 7th December.
Day students are to be transported to Bathurst Memorial Entertainment Centre by parents/carers to arrive by 10:30 a.m.

The Scots School Christmas Carols Tuesday 6 - 7:30pm, 6th December
Grab the tinsel and warm up the voices for items, carols and traditional readings. Weather permitting you’ll need to bring a fold up chair or picnic rug to enjoy the lawn outside the Performing Arts Centre. In the case of rain we’ll bring the Aikman Hall roof down instead!

The music department under the guidance of Mrs Garland has been working hard as have many student groups and their teachers as they prepare items so I’m confident of a wonderful time as we listen to items or join in with the carols.

Look forward to seeing you and yours!

Regards,
Mr Gittins
Chaplain

DECEMBER 2
Matinee 11am and Twilight 6pm
Golden Tickets: $6 (includes a donation to Pink Ribbon Charities.)

HIGHLAND GATHERING MEETING
There will be a Highland Gathering meeting held to plan for 2012 in the Library this Wednesday 30th at 7.00pm.
Anyone who is interested in helping at the Highland Gathering, is very welcome to attend.
FROM THE HEADMASTER . . .

The pool has water in it and should be available for swimming before the end of term. This is fantastic news for our students because it will be available for PE, sport, recreational swimming and learn to swim programs next year. Squad swimming programs should be operational over the summer holidays and during next year with further detail to be announced in the final Highlander next week. Students who wish to avail themselves of Squad Swimming by an accredited swimming coach will need to contact the coach once details are finalised and announced.

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Congratulations to the Housemasters and student leaders for the involvement of all students in the House Drama Festival on Friday. It was clear that a great deal of work had occurred in preparation and that a lot of fun was had by all as well. The four presentations were entertaining for the audience with Browning House winning a close context.

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I am really looking forward to the Prep School’s production of Charlie and the Chocolate Factory this Friday with a matinee at 11am and another show at 6pm. The students have been rehearsing very well in preparation and it should be a good show.

The Lithgow Campus has their Christmas Concert on Friday 2 December and their Christmas Chapel Service on Monday 5 December. Parents are encouraged to attend and I look forward to being part of both occasions.

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Parents are invited and encouraged to attend the Cadet Ceremonial Parade on Tuesday 6 December at 4.30pm followed by the Carol Service at 6pm. These will be fantastic whole school occasions prior to Speech Day and Presentation of Prizes on Wednesday 7 December. I look forward to seeing many of you at these occasions.

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Year 10 Reports have been posted and the others will follow very shortly. Please take the time to read through the reports with your children and use it as a positive learning experience. Praise and encourage the successes and work positively with areas which may need encouragement and improvement. Don’t place unrealistic pressure or expectations on your children but expect a good work ethic and attitude to their studies in forming goals for next year. Try to focus on the teacher comments and areas of improvement and comments about work habits and effort rather than just the grades.

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Scholarships for 2013 are now open with the early bird discount for those who apply by 16 December. The final date for applications is 6 February 2012 with testing on 25 February, 2012. The whole process has been moved forward by the testing agency for all schools. The process of applying for a scholarship involves completing an application on line, an interview with the Headmaster and Deputy Head and the scholarship testing.

The Scots School offers a broad range of scholarships including Academic, Allrounder, Music, Highland Dancing, Agriculture and Boarding Scholarships from Year 5 to Year 11. Please let people know and encourage them to go online on the Scots School website and follow the links.

Have a good week.
David Gates
FROM THE DEPUTY HEAD . . .

Week 8 (beginning 28th November)
Monday, 28th November
   Drama performance K-11 “Solid State Circus”
Thursday, 1st December
   Year 10 Day Out
Friday, 2nd December
   Ceremonial Parade Practice 9-10:30
   Douglas Shield Cricket 10:30 onwards
   Charlie 11:00 Years 7&8

Week 9 (beginning 5th December)
Monday, 5th December
   SPEECH DAY REHEARSALS.
   These rehearsals are vital.
   Ceremonial Parade Practice 11:00-12:30
   Music Rehearsals 1:30 - 4:00 p.m.

Tuesday, 6th December
   Lunch at 12:30 p.m.
   Senior Awards Assembly beginning at 1:00 p.m.
   Ceremonial Parade 4:30 p.m.
   Carol Service 6:00 p.m.

There will be no late bus on Tuesday.

Wednesday, 7th December
   Day students are expected at Bathurst Memorial Entertainment Centre (own transportation
   arrangements) by 10:30 a.m.
   Boarding students are bussed downtown to BMEC at 10:15 a.m.
   All students are dismissed from BMEC into the care of their parents at the conclusion of the
   ceremony, which is followed by lunch.

Mrs Lynne Fleming

Deputy Head/Director of Teaching & Learning
The Board and Headmaster of
The Scots School Bathurst & Lithgow

invite
Parents & Family
to the

Annual Speech Day
&
Presentation of Prizes

to be held at
The Bathurst Memorial Entertainment Centre
Wednesday, 7th December 2011
10:30am for 11:00am

Guest Speaker
Mr Allan Shaw
Chief Executive to AHISA

Al fresco in the Vineyard at McGrath Winery
The Bobby McCloughan Appeal
Burke’s Lane, Brewongle
3rd December 2011 -- 2:00 p.m.

Come relax and enjoy an afternoon of fine wine, food and entertainment to support the Bobby McCloughan Appeal. Bobby has been diagnosed with leukaemia and it has been necessary for Bobby to travel to Germany for life saving treatment.
Enjoy cool climate wines, canapés from The La Famiglia Cafe and entertainment by Senior Cabrales (local musicians Roger Hargraves, Bruce Cameron and Jim McWhinnie) playing a distinctive style featuring music from Northwest Spain and France.

Tickets $30 which includes wine tasting, canapés and entertainment or $33 per head if travelling on the bus. (A bus will depart from the Court House at 1:30 pm for the vineyard. Return trip departs 4:00 pm. Limited numbers.
Tickets at Stop and Rock (61 William St.; 6331-3841)
All monies raised will be donated to Bobby’s Appeal.
Enquiries: Terry Sadler 0417 686 176
Year 7 to 12

TEXTBOOK ORDER FORMS FOR 2012 ARE NOW AVAILABLE ON THE SCHOOL WEBSITE

www.scots.nsw.edu.au

Orders and payment for 2012 Text books must be made to Endeavour Education by Monday 12th December
Text Book order forms for Year 7 to Year 12 can be found on the school website under the Curriculum Link > Secondary 7 To 12

SUMMER HOLIDAY CAMPS

Crusaders are running 24 awesome Christian camps for kids in school yrs. 3-12 this summer.
Activities include: waterskiing, wakeboarding, whitewater rafting, craft, dirt biking, horse riding, BMX, surfing, sailing, wrestle roll, campfires, wide games, laserzone, water fights, Bible talks, abseiling, archery, rock climbing, movie nights, go-karting, treasure hunts, volleyball, swimming, bobsledding, canoeing and paint wars.

For a free brochure or more information visit www.crucamps.com.au or call (02) 9874 8933.

‘CRU Camps’ is a division of the Crusader Union of Australia which has over 80 years’ experience running safe, Christian camps for kids.

Scots Scholarships

SCHOLARSHIP PROCESS TIMEFRAME CHANGE!!

Scholarship Applications for 2013 are now available and are online only.
Go to www.scots.nsw.edu.au > Enrolments > Scholarships

PSP for Year 5 & 6 2013 or CSTP for Year 7 to 11 2013.
APPLICATIONS MUST BE COMPLETE BY FEBRUARY 6th 2012
Testing day is February 25th 2012.
House Drama Festival 2011
Uniform Pool Opening Times

Term 4, 2011
f& 24 November 2011: 3.30 pm – 5 pm
This is Year 7 Experience Day, but anyone else is welcome.

Term 1, 2012
** The Uniform pool will be open for the week before school commences (23–25 and 27 January), 10am – 3 pm each day (except afternoon only on Monday). Appointments are recommended and may be made through the school office (6331 5655). If you require access outside these times please let me know.

**The Uniform pool will also be open on the day before school starts 10 am – 4 pm. This is mainly for the benefit of boarder families, but anyone else is welcome.

** Parent Weekend: open 10.45 am after Chapel.

Contributions to the Uniform Pool
** The Uniform pool accepts contributions either as donations or percentage return to the donor. We request that all items are in reasonable condition, laundered, mended if necessary and belong to the current uniform requirements. Please complete the details slip available through the School Shop or email me for a copy, and enclose with the uniform in a closed bag which may be delivered to the School Shop or the Uniform Pool when open.

** The Uniform Pool currently has a large range of most uniform requirements except the new sports uniform of which there are a few items. Lots of cricket gear (except the new shirt), some backpacks and lots of standard uniform items.

** It is possible to access the Uniform Pool at any time that the School Shop is open – Kathy Weal kindly opens up and helps with any choices you make.

Genevieve Spence
P&F Treasurer
genevieve.m.spence@gmail.com
Ahh, the mo is moving towards maturity! But remember it’s not just to hide an unfortunate face but for a good cause! Considering that 1 in 3 men will be diagnosed with cancer in their lifetime and every hour more than 5 men die prematurely in Australia from potentially preventable illnesses why is it that one-third of men have not seen a doctor in the past year with 10% not seeing one for five years? Please support Movember as it raises health awareness in the men of this country. Open http://mobro.co/SGittins and click on ‘Donate’ to support my efforts to raise funds for this worthy cause.

The next time I post an update on the mo it will be the final curtain, ...or should I say rug, as Movember comes to a close at the end of this month.

Till next week, Mo. Gittins
Preparatory School

Events This Week
Mon 28  Solid State Circus
Tue 29  Charlie rehearsal – after school
Wed 30  Charlie rehearsal – after school
Thu 01  Charlie Dress Rehearsal – after lunch
Fri 02  Charlie and the Chocolate Factory Performance

Upcoming Events – Next Week
Mon 05  Year 6 Dinner
Tue 06  Awards Assembly, Year 6 Activities Day, Ceremonial Parade & Carols
Wed 07  Speech Day

Invitation

The Scots School invites you to attend the Awards Assembly and Leaders Induction. 9.15am Tuesday December 6 in the Aikman Hall.

Please feel to join us for Morning Tea after the Assembly

The assembly will be followed by Year 6 Activity Day

Orientation Days
Year 6 students attended the Year 7 2012 Experience Day on Thursday 24 Nov in the Senior School. It was great to see the students mix with others from all over – South Korea, the Northern Territory, the far west of NSW, Oberon, Blayney and Bathurst.

They look like a great bunch of kids and have already begun to make some good friendships. Special thanks to the Year 11 leaders who helped out on the day to make everyone welcome.

Friends of Prep
Thanks to all those who helped out with the Bunnings BBQ on Sunday.

The next is December 11. If you are able to help put please let Mrs Sally Rosin know. Thanks.

Charlie and the Chocolate Factory
There will be Rehearsals in School Monday & Thursday. After School on Tuesday and Wednesday – 3.30-4.30. Our final rehearsal will be a dress rehearsal on Thursday after lunch

Reminder about costume requirements. It is simply a coloured shirt according to Stage. Each student should wear their black short sports shorts with runners and the coloured shirt as below;

| Kindergarten   | VERUCA SALT  | – Red T-shirt. |
| Stage 1        | AUGUSTUS GLOOP | – Green T-Shirt. |
| Stage 2        | VIOLET BEAUREGARDE | – Blue T-Shirt. |
| Stage 3        | MIKE TEEVEE  | – White T-shirt. |

Dark or light doesn’t matter although we would prefer plain or predominately in the allocated colour – thank you.

Thanks to all who have wrapped boxes to become ‘chocolate bars’ please return wrapped boxes by Tuesday Nov 29. Thanks
If anyone else has paddles we can borrow for the Boiled Lolly Yacht that would be much appreciated.

**Tickets Now Available – Last Days**
Charlie hits the stage for one day only. Tickets for the Matinee (11) and Twilight Shows (6) now available from the Prep School Office.

Twilight show tickets are selling fast. Still some spaces left for the Matinee.

Get your Golden Ticket only $6 each per ticket.  
*A donation from each ticket goes to Pink Ribbon charities.*

DECEMBER 2
Matinee 11am
Twilight 6pm
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Pre-Prep . . .

Charlie and the Chocolate Factory
Friday, 2nd December
All children have been busy preparing for our concert. Children have all made their own props and performance hats at school. We look forward to seeing our families in the audience for what should be an exciting concert.

This week’s theme if Christmas! Children will be enjoying Christmas crafts, songs and rhymes.

LAST DAY OF SCHOOL
A reminder that our last day of school is Tuesday, 6th December.

The Scots School Christmas Carols Service
Our annual Christmas Carols Service will be held on the lawn in front of the Performing Arts Centre. The concert starts at 6:00 p.m. All pre-prep children are asked to wear their school uniforms and will be given a special Christmas t-shirt to wear for our performance.

Pre-Prep Staff would like to take this opportunity to thank all our families for supporting us in what has been a wonderful year full of learning and social growth for our children.

We wish you all a very happy and safe Christmas season.

Pre-Prep Staff
Last Week of Sport

This is the final week of the sport for the year. All sports will train on Tuesday. Basketball, touch and tennis players will contest some internal based games/matches, the 14s cricket team has a game on Tuesday afternoon and cricket training for the 12s and 1st XI will be as normal on Tuesday and Thursday with the 1st XI playing on Friday and the 12s finishing off their game on Saturday morning.

We thank all students for their efforts with sport this year and wish them a relaxing, safe and enjoyable holiday. We encourage them to remain active and try to keep fit so that they are ready to get stuck into their sport again at the start of next year.

Shaun Brown Cricket camps

NSW country cricket camps will be in Bathurst on January 23rd and 24th. Information flyers will be distributed to players this week. Coaches include Len Pascoe, and West Indian Corey Collimore. If the booking form did not make it home check out the website, www.cricketcoaching.com.au or call 1800 351415

Cricket Website


Upcoming sport events

02/12 Douglas Shield Cricket Round 2 – 1st XI versus Kinross Wolaroi – Scots Main Oval

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

**Scots Turnips**

On Friday the Turnips took the court with great enthusiasm as they fought a tough game. Ben Druitt and Eric Kristensen-Tulip displayed fantastic shooting accuracy and Brad’s brilliant lay-ups kept the team in the game. They were well supported by Hikari and Luke who made unbelievable interceptions right throughout the game, giving the Turnips the ball and making opportunities to close the gap of the score. Ben Nunan and Sam Potter in defence kept the opposition on their toes, making it even harder for the opposition to score. Unfortunately the final was a close loss. Well done to the Turnips as they played a great game where they never gave up and worked well as a team. Unfortunately the final was a close loss.

*Jess McGrath*  
*Sports Prefect*

Basketball sports report Friday 25th November

**Scots Gumption vs. Custard Crew**

**70-25 Loss**

Gumption played a tops game of basketball on Friday night, with many more baskets being scored than ever before. However, the opposition were very skilled, experienced and good at getting the ball into the basket. Mostly the opposition points were scored from very fast breaks, while the Gumption tried in vain to catch them. Scots worked well as a team, with some delightful passing and reassuring baskets. Ben McGrath played a strong game, getting many rebounds and points while Oliver, despite a digital injury got many rebounds and was very useful in attack. Isaac Wester and Jason Corliss played some excellent defensive beeball and Jack Morrison showed composure and skill while in possession. Jesse Wells and Isaac Wester both found themselves again and again in good court position, often catching a stray pass from the opposition. Sean Grabham showed leadership, coordinating some fast breaks while Anthony, in his last game played superbly, shooting baskets from in the middle of the melee under the basket and creating many opportunities from steals.

*Mr Christie*

**Jaguars V Pumas**

The last round of the term was another intense match up for the Jaguars with fellow Scots team the Pumas. The first half began with the Pumas taking the initiative and posting first points. The Jaguars rapidly responded with consistent pressure leading to baskets from Ashleigh Fenton, Laura Pollard, Sally Nicholls and Anne Christie, to take a 10-4 lead into half time. The second half began with more defensive pressure from the Jaguars through Charlotte Inwood and Kerrie Kwok while Melanie Hudson, Jamarra Newman and Megan White provided the necessary support play to send Arianna Wood, Anne Christie, Laura Pollard and Sally Nicholls to the basket and seal the win 22-8.

**Lionesses V ASC Firsts**

Still smarting from their previous loss to the ASC Firsts, the Scots Lionesses were keen to make their presence felt in this their next meeting with their rivals. Despite this motivation however, the Lionesses began slowly, enabling the ASC Firsts to draw first blood and pull away to a 14-3 lead with baskets from Jessica McGrath accounting for the Lionesses points. Determined to fight back, the Lionesses pounced in the second half with baskets to Ruby Hackfath, Jessica MCGrath, Maddison Hohnberg and Caitlin McDermid narrowing ASC Firsts’ lead to just 6 points. Relentless defence from Brooke Andrew and Mollie Harley kept ASC Firsts honest and the Lionesses clawed at the lead right up to the final whistle, going down by a respectable 8 points.

*Mrs Angela Davis*  
*(Coach)*