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Highland Gathering
What a great weekend at Scots!

Easter Hat Parade

Coming Soon

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To Ponder . . .

The Comrade God

THOU who dost dwell in depths of timeless being,
Watching the years as moments passing by,
Seeing the things that lie beyond our seeing,
Constant, unchanged, as aeons dawn and die;

Thou who canst count the stars upon their courses.
Holding them all in the hollow of Thy hand,
Lord of the world with its myriad of forces
Seeing the hills as single grains of sand;

Art Thou so great that this our bitter crying
Sounds in Thine ears like sorrow of a child?
Hast Thou looked down on centuries of sighing,
And, like a heartless mother, only smiled?

Since in Thy sight to-day is as to-morrow,
And while we strive Thy victory is won,
Hast Thou no tears to shed upon our sorrow?
Art Thou a staring splendour like the sun?

Dost Thou not heed the helpless sparrow's falling?
Canst Thou not see the tears that women weep?
Canst Thou not hear Thy little children calling?
Dost Thou not watch above them as they sleep?

Then, O my God, Thou art too great to love me,
Since Thou dost reign beyond the reach of tears,
Calm and serene as the cruel stars above me,
High and remote from human hopes and fears.

Only in Him can I find home to hide me,
Who on the Cross was slain to rise again;
Only with Him, my Comrade God, beside me,
Can I go forth to war with sin and pain.

G. A. Studdert Kennedy

Scots School Relay for Life Teams Need Your Sponsorship Please

The Scots School will have three teams for Relay for life. Parents can donate or sponsor the teams online on the following site http://relay.cancercouncil.com.au/2011/bathurst_2011

The names of the three teams are:
- Blue Spotted Turtles
- BRP Fireflies
- Purple Panthers

The Relay is on Saturday and Sunday 2 - 3 April, starting 3:45pm at the Bathurst Showgrounds.

Please support the teams in their fundraising efforts. We need one or two parent volunteers per team to help supervise the children throughout the night and to help set up tents for the teams. The team captains will supply their team members with a list of things to take.

For any queries or to volunteer to help please contact myself, Karin Le Roux on 0428859898 or e-mail Sanbonani@bigpond.com

Mrs Betty Ives opened The Highland Gathering
From the Headmaster ...

The Highland Gathering on Sunday was a fabulous day where the Scots School community came together in a wonderful way. I particularly wish to acknowledge and thank the Highland Gathering Committee for their tremendous hard work and planning over the last few months to enable such a huge event to be organized. I also wish to thank the parents, students and staff who organised stalls and activities, put up tents and did a great deal more besides, often behind the scenes, to ensure the success of such a large undertaking.

One of the great things about Scots is its tremendous sense of community and the commitment of so many people to this school. Such an example of commitment is a wonderful example to our children in terms of what it means to be part of a community and to give generously for the greater good. This is part of the important character mission of The Scots School which prepares our students for a life of service beyond school.

There were many highlights for me in what was my first Highland Gathering. Here are just a few:

- The castle was a perfect backdrop for the Pipes and Drum Bands and the amphitheatre provided by the slope around the main oval provide a natural place for stalls and spectator viewing on what was a glorious autumn day.
- The Ceilidh on Saturday evening, organised by the Friends of the Pipes and Drums, allowed for an informal evening where the pipers and drummers performed in front of the castle whilst the audience enjoyed a BBQ or picnic in a very relaxed atmosphere.
- Our own Pipes and Drums under the leadership of Gil McKenzie represented the school admirably to gain third place in their category of competition.
- The Highland Dancing competition presented an excellent exhibition of skill with Scots well represented and doing well and Mrs Karly Kelly instrumental in the organisation of the event.
- The Equestrian Show Jumping was a great day with over 200 rounds of showjumping completed. Many schools participated from Bathurst, Orange, Lithgow, Warren, Nyngan, Mudgee and Condobolin. Our students both presented and represented the school with outstanding enthusiasm.
- Another highlight for me was the mass bands performing together at the closing presentation and the role of our cadets in the Flag Raising Ceremony. (photo on next page)
I was also delighted to be able to share the day with Mrs Betty Ives, the Chieftain for the 2011 Highland Gathering. Mrs Ives is a highly distinguished person who worked at The Scots School for 35 years, mostly in the role as Headmaster’s Secretary. It was a real joy to see the way she was so warmly greeted by many Old Boys who remembered her very fondly from the days when Scots was a boys’ school only.

Thank you to everyone involved in such a great day.

In other news - Mrs Dawes took the School Cattle Team of 13 animals and 22 students to the Blayney Show on Saturday. We had our 11 steers that are being prepared for Sydney Royal and 2 of our stud Limousins. The School had great success taking out Grand Champion Female Limousin and Grand Champion Bull.

There were 63 entrants in Paraders. We had 8 make the regional final and 3 of those (Alice Godwin, Laura Pollard and Hugh Lennon) made the state final meaning they represent our region at Sydney Royal Show. This is very prestigious.

In the Junior Judging Jack Rowlandson, Jess McGrath and Lachie Dawes made the final and had to do a speech. Lachie Dawes ended up placing 2nd and Jack Rowlandson 3rd.

Winter sport began on Saturday with Netball playing matches against St Pauls Grammar with great success, along with their usual local competition. This meant some girls playing two or three matches on the day. The boys played trial Rugby matches also against St Pauls with the 14s and 15s enjoying very strong wins to begin their season.

The two girls’ basketball teams playing the Summer Competition semi-finals on Friday night played very well but unfortunately went down. Well done on a successful season.

Have a great week…

David Gates

From the Deputy Head . . .

I congratulate our students on their excellent participation and presentation at the Highland Gathering on the weekend. It was spendid to see the enthusiasm and pride you all take in your school on this importatant event in our school calendar. Well done!

Years 8 & 10 Parent/Teacher Interviews

Wednesday, 27th April

Parent/Teacher interviews will be held for Years 8 and 10 on the staff development day, Wednesday 27th April at the start of Term 2. Because all students in these years will be involved in camp activities during the last wee of Term 1, appointment slips will be issued to students on Monday, 28th March. The procedure for appointments is as follows:

- Interviews will be held in the Library, commencing at 3:00 p.m. and concluding at 7:30 p.m.
- Interviews are of 10 minutes’ duration. Parents who have issues which require longer discussions are asked to book appointments at another time.
- Students will be issued with appointment timetables on Monday, 28th March.
- Students must approach their subject teachers to book in a time for each subject.
- Booking sheets will be collected on Thursday, 31st March, photocopied and returned to students to be given to their parents. A copy will be available on the Library desk as parents arrive.
- An information talk for parents of Year 8 will take place at 5:30 p.m. in Room 25.
- An information talk for parents of Year 10 will take place at 6:00 p.m. in Room 25.

If you have any questions regarding appointments, Mrs Shillabeer will be available during the first week of school holidays (11-15 April) to help you. Her direct telephone number is 6333-4711 or leave a message with reception on 6331-2766.

Mrs Lynne Fleming
Deputy Head
Highland Gathering

Thank you BBQ Helpers . . .
To the Prep School Parents and Year 7 Parents – a huge thank you for your generous time and assistance at the Highland Gathering **BBQ stall**. Thanks for your help, it is greatly appreciated. We had a busy but fun time with you all.

Thanks again. Scott and Ursula Crozier

Our excellent cooks kept the food ready for the hundreds of hungry visitors on Sunday

**Lost:**
A pair of prescription glasses was lost at the Highland Gathering (possibly near the area for Highland Dancing). If found, please bring to Mrs Shillabeer.

Emma Martin (Yr 7) with her grandmother Mrs Kaye Martin (former board member).

**Vintage Cars ... Dodge-em Cars ...** a raging fire demonstration put out by our O’Connell and Eglinton Rural Fire Service volunteers ... visits from family and friends -- **All part of an excellent day the the 2011 Highland Gathering!** Thanks for helping make the day a great success.
Friends of Rugby

Thanks to all those who helped on the barbecue at the trial game on the weekend. It was successful financially and an enjoyable day’s rugby.

Meeting Notice -- Election of Officers

We will hold a meeting to elect office bearers and discuss activities for the year ahead on Tuesday, 5th April at 6:30 in the Library. Anybody who is interested but unable to attend, please contact me on 0432 870 719 or email rodney.mcphee@bigpond.com and we can make arrangements.

Uniform Shop

The school shop has black & gold golf umbrellas for sale at $20 each.

Secondary School Calendar

MARCH
Mar 29-Apr 8 Year 12 Examinations

APRIL
Sat 2 Rugby Trials v ASC @ TSS
Netball Trials v ASC @ TSS
Mon 4-Wed 6 Cadet Camp – Marrangaroo
Year 7 Camp
Thu 7 Cadet Dining In Night
Fri 8 Classes Cease 3:20 pm– End Term 1

Ives House kept the fairy floss machine busy for the many customers throughout the day.

The Drama department clowns entertained with their antics.

Headmaster David Gates and Clan Chieftain Mrs Betty Ives presented prizes to the winning bands.

Year 12 students Elliott Chew and Saranne Weekes getting their last chance to make fairy floss for the gathering. Elliott’s creative faces were a hit with the young customers.

See other Highland Gathering photos on the school website later this week:
www.scots.nsw.edu.au
Prep School

Highland Gathering
What a fantastic day the Highland Gathering 2011 was. Thanks to all families who contributed in so many ways to the event.

Please don’t forget to pick up and pay for your apron if you haven’t done so already – thanks!

Parent Teacher Interviews
Bathurst Campus Parent Teacher Interviews will be held in the Library next Monday April 4 3.30-6.30. Please call Reception 6331 2766 to book a time with your child’s teacher. And don’t forget the P&F meeting immediately following.

Prep P&F + AGM APRIL 4
Bathurst Campus Prep P&F Annual General Meeting will be held Monday 4 April, 7pm in the Library Seminar Room after Parent / Teacher interviews. Please mark the date in your diary: we’d love you to attend and to have a say in the contribution the P&F make to the life of the Preparatory School.

Easter Egg Guessing Competition
For the last two weeks of Term 1 we will be running an Easter Egg Guessing Competition in conjunction with our Easter Hat Parade. The basket of eggs will be in Pre-Prep from Monday for children to guess how many eggs are in the basket. Each guess will cost 50 cents and the child who guesses correctly or closest will win the basket and be announced at the Easter Hat Parade.

Vannida
Thank you to all of the families and children who made donations over the last two weeks to our World Vision Sponsor Child in Cambodia. I am very pleased to announce that we raised nearly $200 that will be sent directly. It is such a wonderful thing to be proud of and really appreciated with the needs being so great in that part of the country. Thank you for all of the support.

Up-Coming Events –

TSS = Whole School Pr = Prep
Bx = Bathurst Lx = Lithgow

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Thu 31 Mar Lx Hartley excursion
Mon 4 Apr Lx Chapel at Bowensfels
Mon 4 Apr PR Parent Teacher Interviews 3.30-6.30 Library
Mon 4 Apr Bx Prep P&F 7pm
Fri 8 Apr PR Cross Country & Easter Hats

Sport and Cocurricular

Notices
Cross Country
See notice above for the Cross Country
K-6 Marketing & Promotion
Focus Group this Friday
Please don’t forget to RSVP to the Focus group this Friday or request a market research survey from Mrs Johnstone.
Email mjohnstone@scots.nsw.edu.au
Phone 6331 2766
Text 0428 620 693

Up Coming Events
Easter Hat Parade & Cross Country
Friday April 8 – last day of Term One will be a huge day for the Prep and Pre-Prep. Students from P-2 will be involved in the Easter Hat parade and P-6 in the Cross Country to follow. These are great activities for lots of the family to be involved in Mums, Dads, Grandmas & Grandpas! So invite them along. Morning Tea will be served between the Easter Hats and the Cross Country at McKibbon Oval.

PROJECT HOPE; just believe inc. is a charity founded right here in Bathurst to help orphans and underprivileged children in Kenya. These children have nothing and need our help just as much as those in recent news suffering through disasters here in Australia and in other areas of the world. In just 6 weeks, two Bathurst families, along with the local villagers in Makindu, built a school using funds raised right here. Some of our local schools have already been involved and we would welcome others to support us. We would like to invite you to ‘Postcards from Makindu’, a casual afternoon tea get-together at Walshaw Hall on Saturday 9th April at 2pm. You will be entertained by Colin and his African drums and view a power point presentation of the work going on in Makindu. Artwork inspired by the Project will be available for sale. To cover outstanding costs in Makindu and continue the Project we need your help, so please consider coming along with your friends to support us.
RSVP Carla 0409814647
Bathurst Pre-Prep

Term 1 - Week 9.

Sounds Program
This week Pre-Prep will continue with their sounds program. Our next sound is “f”. Our Letterland rhyme is Fat Frog fishing f,f,f … and in Letterland we will meet Firefighter Fred. For craft we will be making Fire Engines, Firemen, fish, frogs, foxes, flowers, fairies and fingers and many more exciting things.

Highland Gathering
This Sunday the 27th of March is our annual School Highland Gathering. It is a wonderful day for family and friends to visit our school and participate in all of the wonderful activities and stalls on offer. As you know the children have been working very hard to make beautiful BBQ Aprons, which will be sold on the day. The cost is $15 for each child’s apron and if you can’t make it on Sunday they will be available from the classroom next week.

Bathurst Fire Station Visit
This Thursday we will be attending our last excursion for the Term. We will be visiting the Bathurst Fire Station where we will learn all the very important safety issues related to fire. Each year we find this a valuable excursion for the children and link it in with the sound f. Please ensure your permission slips have been returned to your child’s teacher by Wednesday.

Easter Hat Parade
Pre-Prep children have started learning songs and dances for our Easter Hat Parade. The songs mainly focus on the story of Easter which includes Jesus dying on the cross and then coming alive again. We then have some songs about Easter Eggs and Hot Cross buns. The children are also learning some dances, and will start making their hats here at school this week.

All children are invited to attend our Easter Hat Parade on the last day of Term even if Friday is not their normal day of attendance. Please keep the morning free… Friday, 8th April at 9:00am.

Cross Country Competition
Commencing at the conclusion of the Easter Hat Parade Morning Tea will be the Cross Country Competition for Pre-Prep to Year 6. This will be held on the McKibbben Oval and Pre-Prep entrants will be running one lap around this oval. These special activities for the last day will conclude at lunch time.

Vacation Care
There will be a Vacation Care Program independently run in the Pre-Prep rooms during the coming holidays. There is a booking form and information sheet on the sign in table if you would like to book your child in for any days.

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Red Box for Notes
Just inside the front door at the sign in table we have placed a Red Box for you to put any notes, permission slips or money. The teachers can then sort them later in the day. This may assist if you are dropping your child in a hurry and your teacher is busy.

School Holidays
The last day of Term is Friday, 8th April when all the children are invited to attend our Easter Hat Parade and Cross Country Carnival. School resumes for Term 2 on Thursday, 28th April

**Annie’s Ice Cream Excursion**

Last Monday Pre-Prep were treated to a visit to Annie’s Ice-Cream Parlour. We learnt our ice-cream was made. We then had a walking tour of Bathurst’s beautiful parks. We found a possum in a tree, learnt about the eternal flame inside the Carillion, walked through the fernery and begonia house, fed the ducks and had a ride in our very own Scots School bus. Check out some of the photos in the Highlander.

**Coming up…**

Bathurst Fire Station  Week 9 - Thursday, 31st March
Easter Hat Parade Week 10 - Friday, 8th March

Everyone loved Annie’s Ice Cream Parlour and our visit to Machattie Park

**Easter PARADE**

the morning of Friday, 8th April.

Check out these photos on the Scots Website
www.scots.nsw.edu.au or
sign up to receive your copy in colour by email.
Just send your email address to scots@scots.nsw.edu.au
THE SCOTS SCHOOL VACATION CARE

MONDAY 11TH - THURSDAY 21ST APRIL 2011

Welcome: The Term 1 School Holidays should be a fun time with Easter themes and lots of exciting activities. These holidays sees the return of Caja Newman, who will be assisting Alex Hallahan in coordinating the program.

Venue: The Scots Preparatory Building, Cooerwull House. Enter via the side gate into the Pre Prep room.

Phone No.: 6331 2766 for contact during program

Mobile Nos.: Alex 0421 246 666
             Caja 0418 865 513 (Coordinating from 11th-18th April)

Cost: $40 per day or $25 per half day (up to 4 hours)

Times: 8.30 am – 5:30 pm weekdays. Extended opening times can be arranged prior to booking.

Ages: 3 to 12 years (Year 6) (children must already be attending pre school)

Cancellations Ring the Scots School Vacation Care to avoid charges on 6331 2766. Parents must speak to a Vacation Care staff member directly to cancel any bookings.

PARENTS PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

Payment: Parents will be invoiced weekly. Cancellations must be notified before 9am on the day by phoning the Scots School and speaking with a Vacation Care staff member. Fees will be charged for bookings without notice of cancellation, this includes illness and absences.

Payment Method: Please pay cash to the Vacation Care Staff and obtain a receipt. You may either pay daily or when invoiced at the end of the week.

CCB: Family assistance is available for all families where applicable. A receipt will be given on receipt of payment. A copy of this receipt and your invoice is to be provided to the Family Assistance Office when you claim Child Care Benefit.
THE SCOTS SCHOOL VACATION CARE PROGRAM

APRIL 2011

Requirements each day include Morning/Afternoon tea, Lunch, extra drink, shoes and a hat.

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THE SCOTS SCHOOL VACATION CARE PROGRAM

Booking Form

Phone or fax booking forms to Fax Number: 6333 4795 phone: Scots School 6331 2766, Caja 0418 865 513 and Alex 0421 246 666.

Parent’s name: ____________________________ Contact Number: __________________________

Address: __________________________________________

Suburb/Town: __________________________ Postcode: __________________________

Name of child/children: __________________________

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GOOD FRIDAY CLOSED
Sport at Scots . . .

Secondary School Sports Bulletin Week 9 Term 1

TSS Secondary Cross Country
Last week the TSS secondary school Inter House cross country races were contested on the school grounds. The track was heavy underfoot due to recent rain falls and the thick grass cover on many parts of the course made it a tough run this year. There were some excellent performances and some closely contested age divisions. The results are as follows.

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<td>Lachlan Dawes</td>
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<td>Maddison Hohnberg</td>
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<td>Cameron Chew</td>
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<td>Georgie Simcock/Elyse Owens</td>
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<td>Zachary Gates</td>
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<td>Millann Henderson</td>
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<td>Horace Hou</td>
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ACIES Hockey Championships
Last Monday Meg Booth, Eliza Crozier and Jessica Morrison were members of the WAS under 16s Girls Hockey team that won the AICES Championships held in Bathurst. The undefeated WAS team played against two other AICES associations, NASSA and HRIS. Meg gained selection in the AICES team which will now trial for the NSWCIS 16s team on the 6th of April. Well done girls and good luck Meg.

St Pauls Rugby and Netball Trials
Last weekend was the first time that we had a combined boys and girls school sport trial. The newly painted netball court in the sportsbarn provided a real treat for the girls. The matches were mostly closely contested despite many girls playing two and sometimes three matches on the day due to town competition commitments and as we had a few girls out with the Blayney show. We were fortunate enough to record wins in all four games. A huge thank you must go to Miss Hughes who umpired the 1st VII game and helped co-ordinate two of the games in the afternoon.

The rugby matches were also played in good spirit on the Old Boys Oval. Our junior boys teams (14s and 15s) were able to come away with two wins. Our 1st XV were out matched this week which was a little disappointing as the boys and Mr. Bailey have been working hard in the off season in preparation. We look forward to the teams’ improvement as the pre-season progresses.

CIS Swimming
We received news late last week that two Scot students have gained selection into the ISA swimming team to compete at the NSWCIS championships in late April. Zachery Telfser has qualified for 7 events which is totally amazing and a well earned reward for all the hard training that he has done this season. Kaitlin Wright has also gained selection in the 50m breaststroke which I believe makes this year her 6th consecutive year of ISA selection. Again another amazing achievement and one well deserved. Congratulations and good luck!

Upcoming Sport Events
Key sport dates for this term...

- 2nd April  Rugby Trials vs. All Saints (ASC)
- 6th April  NSWCIS Under 16s Hockey Trials

Next term...

- 28th & 29th April  NSWCIS Swimming
- 3rd May  AICES Open and 15s Touch Championships
- 5th May  AICES Open Soccer Championships
- 9th May  AICES Open Hockey Championships
- 10th May  AICES 15s Netball Championships
- 16th May  WAS Cross Country (TSS)

Mr. Justin Adams (Sportsmaster)
Rugby...

The 1st XV played their first trial game against SPGS. Not the best start to the year with a loss to a spirited and committed SPGS team. The game was won and lost in the forwards with SPGS dominating the breakdown and pushing us off the ball and continually losing possession. We never had a chance for the backline to get the ball and show their talents. Obviously this week in training, ball security and possession will be our key area to focus on so we can retain the ball and allow our backs to move the ball.

Sound performances from Dylan Brown, Brenton Gibson, Ryan Johnson, Evan Moon and Jock Sinclair. Keep your heads high boys and stay committed, we will work hard this week and demonstrate a better performance against ASC this weekend.

Millaine Longmore and Jae Lee who were injured in the game on Saturday are both fine and will begin play again next term.

Mr Duane Bailey

Iori Hashida kicking for the 15’s
Prep Netball
On Saturday the Scots’ Cubs played against the Oberon Snow Angels. The girls all defended and passed the ball well. Bethany Mitchell and Genevieve Gates demonstrated great goal shooting skills and they were strongly supported by the rest of the team. The Cubs won 2:7.

It was a challenging game for the Lionesses who played the GJ Hot Shots. The girls worked well together to maintain their lead. Our strong defence and excellent goal shooting lead to a rewarding victory for the Lionesses. I am very proud of the self control and sportsmanship demonstrated by all of the girls. The final score was 7:16 (win).

Mrs Milligan

1st VII vs. Raine and Horne (19th March)
The girls played a very good first game for the season. They were clean with their defence and played some very good phases in the match. Unfortunately a spate of errors in the third quarter allowed the opponents to score numerous consecutive goals. Stepping and poor passing let us down in the end. A great effort considering we are playing up a division this year.

Mr. Adams

1st VII vs. St Pauls
The errors from last week’s game seemed a distant memory as all girls improved their efficiency with the ball. Our drive for the ball was much better resulting in fewer poor passes and steps. The shooters worked much better together and as a result improve their accuracy and percentages. A much improved team effort and a well earned win.

1st VII vs. Collegian Gawjus Girls
This was a difficult match in the heat of the day particularly going down a player in the 1st quarter due to injury. The girl’s playing combinations were upset with by the necessary positional changes allowing the opposition to kick clear on the scoreboard. Despite the loss the signs of improvement were evident and the standard of play was first class.

2nd VII vs. St Pauls
A great match girls. We were behind after the first quarter but pulled in together and played some fluent netball. Our defence was very strong and we thank Abbey O’Connell for filling in for us in goal defence.

Ellie Fricker also played for the team this week and proved a real asset with some very accurate shooting. In the final quarter we were able to maintain good court pressure in defence which turned over possession to us regularly. Our centre court was then able to transfer the ball forward to the shooters who finished off with style.

2nd VII vs. Oberon
Our fitness was a telling factor in this match as the girls were showing signs of fatigue from the game played earlier in the morning. We thank Libby Worthington and Mel Hudson for putting themselves forward to fill in for the absent showgoers. The Oberon team established a small lead during the second quarter which we were just unable to pull back.

Mr Adams (Coach of 1st VII and 2nd VII)

14’s Netball Scots vs. ASC
This week Scots 14s played All Saints College in a very close game. All our shooters Ashley, Daisy, Michelle and Nastasia scored goals. Emma, Pip and Mack looked after the team’s defence against some fierce opposition. Bronte, Daisy and Michelle all played well in attack and ensured the shooters had a real chance of scoring. In Ashley’s first game for the 14s, she has not only scored but also formed effective partnerships with the other attack players. Nastasia excellet as Goal Attack this week in her new position!

Special mention to Michelle, Ashley and Mrs Gallwey for helping with clubhouse duty. It was very much appreciated on a very busy weekend.

Player of the week Nastasia Reynolds.

Mrs Michell Simcock (Coach)

Highland Dancing...

Michelle Fairall (Year 7) received a 3rd place in her trophy dance and the Restricted Premier Encouragement Award at the Highland Gathering on Sunday. A photo of Michelle appears along with the Headmaster’s column. Congratulations Michelle!
And the Rugby season begins . . . TSS 15’s vs. St Paul’s
Along with 18 other NSW riders, Alice Godwin has been selected to join the Equestrian Australia NSW Saddlehorse Senior Development Squad for 2011. This selection was made after submission of her results and photos in show riding, dressage, interschools and eventing. During the year she will be coached at Squad Days in Sydney and Canberra by EA elite coaches Les Friend and Joanne Prestwidge. This will be a great opportunity for Alice to train with elite show riders and have expert instruction during the year. This is an extraordinary achievement and we are very proud to call Alice one of our own!

We are also very grateful to the school for allowing the Equestrian team to flourish and for our students to be able to participate in such activities. Without the Equiskills program and the Summer Sport equestrian program riders like Alice would have no chance in qualifying for such prestigious squads. The students now have the opportunity to ‘get out there’ not only to represent our school but also to follow their dreams and passion in the saddle in a very demanding Olympic sport.