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To Ponder . . .

And he said to them, “When you pray, say:
   Father, hallowed be your name.
   Your kingdom come.
   Give us each day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone who is indebted to us.
   And lead us not into temptation.

... Jesus teaching his followers to pray in Luke 11:1-4

In the extra time I was able to spend with my children, I was recently struck afresh by the awesome reality it is to be a father both in its trepidation and wonder. Jesus addresses the unfathomable immense creative power of the universe the same way a little child addresses her father.

Our God is bigger that we think, not only in His magnitude but also because he is so very near his children. What a privilege to call our creator ‘daddy’.

... Chaplain

Help with Health - Allergy Awareness!!

The Scots School policy:
* No peanuts or nuts
* No peanut butter sandwiches
* No Nutella

We have several students with severe allergies to nuts/peanuts, who can experience a reaction even being near someone else eating these items. Please be aware when preparing lunches and help make our school a safe environment for these students.

-- Sister

The Royal Bathurst Show is on this weekend! Don’t forget you are more than welcome to drop in to The Scots School Tent for a cup of tea – The School tent will be in the same location as last year – near the cattle lawns and animal nursery. See you there!

Are your details current?

Parents, please remember to include the school when notifying contacts of changes in address, telephone or email. They are, of course, very important should we need to reach you in an emergency. Thanks!

Find your diary or calendar and save the date:

The Highland Jazz Night . . . is back.

Saturday May 21st, 2011

Celebrating the musical talent of The Scots School
From the Headmaster ...

I welcome all students back to school after a well earned holiday following a very busy Term 1. Term 2 began with the ANZAC Services and I wish to thank the School Pipes and Drums and Cadet Corps for their contributions both in the Bathurst ANZAC Services and others in the region. I also wish to thank the students who marched on ANZAC Day for representing the School so well.

Term 2 began in earnest on Thursday but all academic staff were involved in a very enriching Staff Development Day on Wednesday. The day had three components. Firstly we were updated by Ms Leesa Baker from the Asthma Foundation on the causes and treatment for asthma. Secondly, Mrs Jane Cameron, Principal of Glenroi Public School in Orange presented a very inspiring and challenging address on her experience in building community, changing culture and the important drivers of education today. She particularly challenged the staff to have a very clear understanding of why they do what they do and reinforced the need to underpin all aspects of teaching from this perspective. The third session involved staff working in faculty areas on planning for the term. Staff Development Days are vital professional days for our teachers. Following this, teachers of students in Years 8 and 10 had Parent/Teacher interviews to complete a very busy and worthwhile day to begin the term.

The Scots Agriculture students with their teachers, Mrs Libby Dawes and Mr Peter Matus, enjoyed extraordinary success at the Royal Easter Show during the holidays. Both the Cattle and Sheep were announced most successful school exhibits but even the full list of outstanding results doesn’t do justice to the extraordinary achievement and sense of excitement that was evident at the show at the time. I wish to acknowledge the tremendous work of Mr Matus and Mrs Dawes and the fabulous parental support which enabled our students to achieve these results. A summary of the results is as follows:

- 1st in class 1 of the Trade Steer and Champion Trade Steer with our Limousin Steer ‘Little Red’ (paraded by Jess McGrath)
- 1st in Class 3 (Heavyweight School Steer) and Champion School Steer with our Limousin Steer ‘Big Red’ (paraded by Laura Pollard)
- 1st in Class 10 (Heavyweight School Steer) with our Limousin Steer ‘Teddy’ (paraded by Laura Wright)
- 1st and 3rd in class 11 (Heavyweight open steer) – 1st with our Murray Grey steer ‘Murray’ (paraded by Annabelle Townsend) and 3rd with our Limousin Steer ‘Jimmy’ (paraded by Edith Lennon)
- 5th in class 12 (Heavyweight open steer) with our Limousin Steer ‘Archie’ (paraded by Alice Godwin)
- 3rd in class 13 (Heavyweight open steer) with our Limousin Steer ‘Liquorice’ (paraded by Annabel Shepard)
- Highly Commended in class 13 (Heavyweight open steer) with our Speckle Park Steer ‘Speckle’ (paraded by Sally Nicholls)
- Champion Heavyweight Open Steer with our Murray Grey (paraded by Annabelle Townsend)
- GRAND CHAMPION STEER FOR 2011 with Limousin Steer ‘Big Red’ (paraded by Laura Pollard)

The cattle were also very successful in the carcass section the following week. Well done Cattle team!

Ten Year 9 Agriculture students and a similar number of parents joined Mr Matus to exhibit the TSS Border Leicester and Poll Dorset sheep as well as assisting other studs to exhibit their sheep. The sheep being exhibited need to be bred by the exhibiting stud. This makes the competition very tough for small studs like ours as the competition includes studs, which join up to 900 ewes allowing them a huge selection pool.

A ram on loan that had been purchased for $11,000 sired the Scots Border Leicester sheep. The school’s sheep gained 13 ribbons including champions and the most successful school exhibitor.
Robbie Hayward was placed 3rd, Brooke Andrews 5th and Hugh McKay 7th in the junior handlers’ competition in extremely tough competition, which included some very, experienced handlers.

Last Thursday and Friday three students represented Scots and the ISA at the NSW Combined Independent Schools Swimming Championships at Homebush. Kaitlin Wright (Year 12), Felicity Walker (Year 9) and Zac Telfser (Year 8) performed very well indeed at this very strong level of competition. Zac Telfser competed in seven events. He has qualified for the NSW All Schools next week in the 100m Backstroke and also swam a National qualifying time for the 200m Backstroke for his age group.

Andrew Knox (Year 4) competed in the CSU 10km Fun Run on Sunday with his mother Lisa Knox with the purpose to raise money for the Cancer Foundation. He completed the 10km event in 55 minutes and so far has raised in excess of $600 in sponsorship. If you would like to contribute to support Andrew’s effort for a good cause please contact Andrew directly or through the Preparatory School Office. Well Done Andrew and Lisa.

David Gates
It is a great pleasure to be back at school following my short period of long service leave. Longstanding families at our school will be pleased to know that I attended the lovely wedding of Miss Belinda Deane-Butcher, a former staff member, late last week. It was indeed a happy occasion.

Many students will be involved in activities at the upcoming Bathurst Show, to be held Friday, Saturday and Sunday (6-8 May). I congratulate students involved in and I urge them to liaise with their sports coaches regarding matching their sporting and show commitments. At Scots we pride ourselves on the opportunities provided to students, and sometimes this means negotiating competing and/or complimentary agendas.

Scholarship Weekend
On the scholarship examinations will be held in the Aikman Hall commencing at 8:30 a.m. sharp. This examination is part of a sequence of information and orientation sessions:
* Thursday, 12th May- Year 7(2012) Information Evening commencing at 5:00 p.m.
* Friday, 13th May-Year 7 (2012) Experience Day
* Saturday, 14th May Information Sessions and School Tours commencing at 9:00 for parents during the scholarship examinations

Year 12 Reports
Teachers are currently involved in the preparation of Year 12 Half-Yearly reports due for dispatch Friday, 6th May. Students should take careful note of teacher comments, particularly suggestions for improvement in examination and study technique. Remember that there are 18 weeks of instruction left for Year 12.

I urge parents to make early contact with Mrs Shillabeer to arrange their ATAR simulation appointments with myself. I wish to interview each student in Year 12 with their families this term to best plan their support needs. Interviews will take place Monday through to Friday 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Uniform
The cold weather is upon us. I seek parental/carer support in the labelling of all items of school uniform. Some students need an urgent hair cut. The consistent and excellent presentation of school uniform is integral to the maintenance of school reputation and student self-esteem.

Mrs Lynne Fleming
Deputy Head

National Youth Science Forum
Invitation to Year 11 Students
Students currently in Year 11 are invited to apply for selection to the 2012 National Youth Science Forum which will be held in January 2012 at the Australian National University in Canberra. Students will receive hands-on experience in real projects with top research scientists and engineers from industry and major research institutions. In addition, throughout 2012 participants are offered further seminars in other cities plus the chance to seek a place in one of eight International Youth Science programs.

Apply online at www.nysf.edu.au
Applications close 31 May 2011
Interested students can obtain a copy of the brochure from Mrs Shillabeer.

Speech and Drama Classes with Mrs Boshier.
Speech and Drama Classes with Mrs Boshier. . . will commence this week. There are still a couple of vacancies left. If anyone is interested in commencing Speech and Drama, please contact Belinda Boshier on 0409 158 085

Careers . . .
Teaching Career? Year 12 students who would like to visit CSU to explore a teaching careers My Day, please return your registration form to Mrs Fleming.

UNSW Law School Parent & Student Information Evening – Thursday 12 May
UNSW Law School is inviting Year 11 and 12 students, their parents and careers advisors to a night of information and insights into what studying law is really like.

When: Thursday 12 May 2011, 6-8pm
Where: The Law Building, UNSW Kensington Campus
Places are limited and registration is essential at www.law.unsw.edu.au

Job Guides have been distributed to all Year 12 students.

2012 Directory Undergraduate (a preliminary guide to university courses) is available for borrowing in the Library (8 copies available).

Coming up -- University Facts Day -- 26th May
Our Scots School cattle team headed off to Sydney Royal on the first Monday of the holidays. We had a great team of 11 steers and thought they would be quite competitive at the show. Little did we realise how competitive!! Monday night saw us arrive, unload, set up and then off to bed.

Up early Tuesday for weighing and scanning. ‘Little Red’ (prepared by Jess McGrath and Jack Rowlandson) and ‘Ralph’ (prepared by Kristen McAndrew and Michael Hubbard) our trade steers were up first. Little Red scanned perfectly but was a little heavy for the strict Woolworths Market Specifications and Ralph scanned well but was a little light. Our pure bred steers were next and all except for one of our Limos, ‘Bundy’ (prepared by Rebecca George, Chelsea McKay and Alistair Fisher) fell within the market specifications which was great. Bundy unfortunately became ill about a month before the show but this did not stop the continual smile on Bec’s face throughout the show.

Later on Tuesday Stan Hill Teams were selected (these are 3 animals from each breed that are selected for a Breed Team event on the hook). ‘Murray’ our Murray Grey (prepared by Annabelle Townsend and Brooke Andrew) was selected as well as ‘Gus’ our Hereford (prepared by Lachie Dawes and Hugh Lennon). Our Limousins were not selected which was a surprise to many of us and many of the public but little did the selectors know what a mistake they had made!

Wednesday started off even earlier and we had 3 animals to be shown. Little Red and Ralph were in the Trade Section. Little Red was in the first heat and was awarded First Place. Unfortunately Ralph did not get a place. Little Red, perfectly paraded by Jess McGrath went into the final and was awarded Champion Trade Steer. The team erupted in joy and celebration!

After we all came down from such a high, ‘Ace’ our Heavyweight School Steer (prepared by Laura Pollard, Rachel Hibbins, Natalie Bowles) went out into his class and was awarded First Place in the Heavyweight School Steer Class. He then went out into the final and to make an already good day great, he was awarded Champion School Steer. Again the team was so excited as was Terry Denniss who is the breeder of the steer. After many photos and interviews with The Land Newspaper we all spent the afternoon washing and preparing for Thursday’s huge day.

Thursday saw our remaining 8 steers shown. First we had ‘Murray’ enter the Middleweight class 10 and on a hat trick he was also awarded First Place. Following the remainder of the Middleweight classes Annabelle Townsend took him out for the final and he was awarded Middleweight Champion Steer!!! 3 classes and 3 Champions – What a show!!

Trying to contain ourselves our other steers were yet to be exhibited. ‘Teddy’ (prepared by Laura Wright and Jess McKenzie) entered Class 11 and yes, another First Place and ‘Bundy’ (prepared by Edith Lennon and Kanja LeRoux) was awarded Third Place. ‘Archie’ (prepared by Alice Godwin and India Toole) came 5th in his class, ‘Licorice’ (prepared by Annabel Shepard and Georgie Simcock) was awarded Third Place and ‘Speckle’ (prepared by Sally Nicholls and Emma Boland) achieved a Highly Commended. A swag of ribbons so far!!
Then the big event - the decision for Grand Champion. Our **Champion School Steer** Ace and our **Middleweight Champion Steer**. Murray made up 2 of the 4 in the class (the others were the Lightweight and Heavyweight Champions). This was a proud moment for the team. It did not take the judge long but the **Grand Champion Steer of the 2011 Sydney Royal Easter Show was awarded to The Scots Schools Steer Ace- a Limousin steer bred by Jordensprings Limousins.** With tears of joy we all celebrated with much excitement and then were overrun with media (which was again exciting!!).

The auction was up next and our prices were amazing. The Scots School topped the sale with the sale of Ace – he received $9.60 a kg!! A whopping $5500 dollars. Murray received $7.40 and Teddy, whose proceeds were donated to The Leukaemia Foundation made $6.60/kg. These prices were truly amazing!!

Cattle were then put on the truck and with pride I watched the majority of our students do this with maturity and professionalism. Georgie and Sally did fall apart, but it is difficult not to when a bond between them and the animal has been developed over such a long time.

Carcase presentation was next and our results continued to bloom. We received the following awards:

- **Reserve Champion School Carcase - Ace**
- **Champion Heavyweight Carcase - Bundy**
- 6 Silver Medals
- All steers were in the top 5 of their classes!!!
- **Eve Cullen Trophy for Most Successful Exhibitor – a very prestigious award!!**

My final words for this show go to the team of 2011:

Well what a week!! In the past 18 years I do not think I have ever had such a great week at Sydney Royal. To each and every one of you, both parents and students thanks for your contribution, support, hard work and team spirit you all displayed. Although each of the kids are allocated an animal I try to make sure it is a ‘team’ activity. Achieving the 3 Champions and then Grand Champion was not just an achievement for the parader but for the entire team. The kids have worked with these animals tirelessly since last September and all deserve the joy of this success. This was followed up by outstanding carcase awards.

So to all of you THANKS from the bottom of my heart!!! Winning is great but seeing the kids smiles, laughter and tears of joy makes my job all worthwhile. Seeing Laura Wright come out crying and hugging me whilst saying I am SO happy, seeing Janine and Ian Pollard beaming with pride of Laura, seeing Mary Rose with tears in her eyes as Murray won Champion, seeing Jess’s face of surprise when her animal won and hearing the team jump for joy and squeal each time we got a champion and then Grand is something that I wish I could see and feel every year. They are a special group of kids and there was one moment whilst at the show when everyone was hugging, crying and laughing with joy that I felt I wished I could stop the moment and hold onto it!! (A bit mushy hey!!). When we had the team photo at the end and the kids all yelled out Scots are Winners I truly felt they meant it holey and soley!!! What lucky kids they are to go to our school and have the bond they do with their friends and their school. I am lucky to be a part of that!

So please know that the 2011 show and team will be one that I will NEVER forget!!

**Some special thanks must go to:**

Terry and Bev Denniss, Trent Johnstone, Llandillo Poll Herefords, Six Star Speckle Park, Leigh and Linda Scott - without their support in donating us such wonderful animals we would be lost!!

Peter Rebaux (our farm hand) - he does so much behind the scenes and is a much part of this team as you and i!

Megan Johnstone - for her continual support whilst at the show and telling me to breath when I forget!!

Megan Dunsford, Christian Allen and Andrew Kelly - for ‘fitting the steers’ for us!
Casual Boarding

Parents, please be advised that if your child needs to stay in Boarding for a casual night you need to follow the steps as listed below.
1. A form needs to be collected from the office or it can be obtained on the website.
2. The form needs to be returned to the office, 4 days notice needs to be given.
3. The form then goes to Mr. Bailey or Mrs Travers for approval.
4. Cost of stay is then charged to your account.
Please follow these steps to allow staffing needs to be met and that your child is approved to enter boarding.

Bursar’s Office

Term 2-2011 Performing Arts Rehearsals and Performances

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Ten Year 9 Agriculture students and their parents have returned from our most successful showing of the Schools Stud Sheep at Sydney Royal.

Sheep bred from the School’s Border Leicester and Poll Dorset sheep studs were awarded 18 ribbons, including most successful school exhibitor in the Meat Sheep Section. The school bred all the sheep, with the Border Leicesters sired by a ram on loan that had been purchased for $11,000. The Year 9 students prepared and exhibited the sheep at the show.

Other exhibitors were grateful for the enthusiastic help of our students in exhibiting their stock including Texels, White Suffolks and Southdowns.

In the meat sheep junior handling competition Robbie Hayward was placed 3rd, Brooke Andrew 5th and Hugh McKay 7th. A great result in very difficult and more experienced competition.

Our students also acted as handlers in the state finals of the meat sheep junior judging competition. This was a great opportunity and will improve their junior judging skills.

The show went very smoothly and successfully due to the enthusiasm of the students and the wonderful support and encouragement of their parents.

This Friday and Saturday is the Royal Bathurst Show. A full contingent of Year 9 Agriculture students will be exhibiting a team of thirty-two sheep on Friday and competing in the Junior Judging competitions on Saturday.

Peter Matus
The lanterns gave a thoughtful effect in the pre-dawn mist on Anzac Day at O'Connell.
The Scots School Cadet Unit ANZAC DAY - Bathurst March

The Scots School Pipes and Drums and Cadet Unit lead the march to the Carillon on ANZAC Day, followed by Scots students and the Returned Service personnel. This is always an important and moving occasion in our school calendar each year.

More photos on the school website later this week.
**Prep School**

**Cross-Country Fundraiser**
Could any child who raised money from the Cross Country please return it by Friday 6th May. So far we are up to $500. Well done to those who have brought their money in.

Don’t Forget
Mother’s Day Celebration this Thursday, 5th May. Always an enjoyable morning for our students to share with their mums.

**Prep Preparatory Speech and Drama** classes will commence this term on Wednesdays. If anyone is interested, please contact Belinda Boshier on 0409 158 085 for further details.

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**Double Helix Science Club**
All of the workshops and excursions must be booked by paying in advance to: Russ Warfield, 235 Piper Street, Bathurst NSW 2795. The Australian Fossil and Mineral Museum is the place where the workshops are held, but it does not take bookings or payments for the Double Helix Club.

**May**
- Sunday May 22nd Special Effects: AFMM 11am $15.00
- June
  - Sunday June 26th Slime: AFMM at 11 a.m. $15.00

**July**
- Sunday July 31st Jet Car Racers: AFMM 11am $15.00

A Date for your Diary ...
- September Sunday, Sept., 18th Purple-Copper Butterflies excursion. No cost.
  - A very experienced “science and environment” presenter will be present.
  - Leave Bathurst Courthouse at 9:30 a.m. to go to Williamson’s Springs - near Bathurst. People with space in their cars may take students who have no transport.

**Up-Coming Events –**

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Welcome back to all of our families. We hope that you all had a wonderful Easter break and are ready for a busy Term 2!

Sounds Program
This week we will continue our learning with the letter ‘d’. Our song is ‘Dolphins diving d,d,d’ and in Letterland we will meet Dippy Duck. Look forward to seeing some donkey’s, dolphins, ducks, Dads and lots more.

School Hats
As you are aware the students must wear their school hats for all outdoor activities during Terms 1 and 4. During Terms 2 and 3 it is not compulsory but please be mindful that we still have sunny days while the children are playing outside, so it would be helpful to pack them at these times.

Sommerville Museum
On Tuesday 10th, May Pre-Prep will be attending a visit to the Dinosaur Museum. Further details outlining this excursion will be sent home in a note this week.

Mother’s Day Morning Tea
On Thursday 5th, May Pre-Prep along with the Prep School are hosting a special Morning Tea for our Mums in the school dining hall. The invitations have been sent home for all student who attend on a Thursday, so please ensure that you return the RSVP to your child’s teacher asap for catering purposes.

Bathurst City Library Visit
Our next visit to the Town Library for Term 2 will be on Thursday 26th, May. Travel will be via the Scots School bus.
**Sport at Scots...**

Secondary School Sports Bulletin Week 2 Term 2

**NSWCIS Hockey Trials**
During the last week of last term Meg Booth represented AICES at the NSWCIS 15s Hockey trials. The AICES girls did quite well on the day and Meg played very well considering it was so early in the season. Unfortunately she did not gain selection but she has the chance again next year due to her age.

**NSWCIS Swimming**
Last Friday Kaitlin Wright, Zachery Telfser and Felicity Walker represented ISA at the NSWCIS swimming championships. All three swimmers did exceptionally well. Kaitlin visited Homebush for the CIS carnival for her 7th straight and final time this year – a great achievement. Felicity recorded her personal best for the 50m breaststroke – awesome considering the late call up into the ISA team. Zachery had a mammoth program of events in a very short period (6 events on Friday) and handled it very well. He gained selection into the NSWCIS team to swim at the NSW All schools championships next week in the 100m backstroke and also swam a national qualifying time in the 200m backstroke – just rewards for all his hard training. Well done swimmers!

**AICES Touch, Soccer, Netball and Hockey**
This week we have AICES Touch (Tuesday) and Soccer (Thursday) in Sydney. The late mail on Friday was that the wet weather experienced in Sydney recently may throw a spanner in the works and cause the postponement of these events. Students will be notified of any changes as soon as they are known.

**WAS Cross Country**
Again this year we will host the WAS cross country. The course will hopefully not change too much to the track used at the school event last term. The school’s team has been placed on the noticeboard near the library.

**Upcoming Sport Events**

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Mr. Justin Adams (Sportsmaster)
Hockey . . .

Under 11’s Hockey
Friday afternoon saw the first game of hockey for the season for the Under 11’s Hockey team. We were playing St Pats. All players played with enthusiasm during their first game. There was excellent defence, attack and passing by all of the team.

A very big thank you to Rev Tim Abbey for his help in coaching. We look forward to a great season ahead.

Training will be 3.30pm on Wednesdays and the game will be held at 4.25pm each Friday. It would be appreciated if all players could be at the hockey fields by 4:00pm each Friday. If for any reason you are unable to attend, please let Mrs White know by the Friday, as we rely on each player to make the team each week. We have no reserves.

Well done on a great effort by all!

Score : Scots – nil   St Pats – nil

Mrs Jennie White

U13’s vs. South’s + Kelso + PAT’S
Result: Loss, 3-Nil

Scots U13’s vs. Everybody
Rumours of The Scots School’s Under 13’s team potential preceded them. The first result being many of the Under 11 players, after their own grade game, bravely stepping up into the U13’s and thus providing a complete team with one sub (thankyou!). The second outcome of the U13’s fierce reputation was that many of the opposition team members may have feared to take the field. As a result, to put a team up against The Scots School U13’s, our scheduled opponents South’s had to join forces with every attending player from both Kelso and PATS.

After a quick pre-match lesson on how to receive a short corner, many of our U13’s players have never stepped onto the turf before, the team proceeded to put their new found skill into practice as they rejected the many attempts of the all-star, all-nations team they opposed.

Ben has made great advances in his goalie skills and put them to good use and Zari ran the opposition into confusion. Sam and Connor ran at the ball hard placing effective pressure while Kobe was a great opportunist and called for the ball well. John (Jack) Baxter found himself in the play continually while Jack Morrison was fast out in the short corners. Paris worked hard all game and maintained her position in difficult circumstances; Patrick kept his head and hassled the attack continually while Tegan made her first break, after an excellent call, only to be cut short by the untimely arrival of half-time.

Hannah must have been running on sugar and was instrumental in pressing our own attack while Aiden maintained a fierce focus the entire game having an intuitive read of the play.

After half-time the score remained nil-all. However even super-powered teams have a weakness and while The Scots U13’s reviewed the finer points of holding a hockey stick the opposition laid mysterious plans to acquire the kryptonite necessary to score the next three points against our dedicated and hard working U13’s team.

A loss?! No way... the score doesn’t tell the real story!

Mr. Gittins

1st XI Hockey v. Souths
A good quality game to start the season. Lapses in concentration saw us give the opposition their chances. Our challenge this season will be to sustain team structure and concentration in strong games. Cameron Chew, Kyle Skinner and Lachlan Perry had strong ggames. Jack Baker played well also in his first game for Scots. The final score was a 5-4 win with scoring as follows:

Lachlan Perry (2); Elliott Chew (1); Jack Saunders (2)

I. Doney/H. Taylor (Coaches)
**Rugby . . .**

**U13’s Rugby v. BMGS**
A much improved performance in defence from Thursday’s game which resulted in increased possession and opportunities to score. Players supported the ball carrier and contested for the ball on the breakdown. Well done all.
A great 48-0 Win.
Scoring for U13’s: Jason Corliss (2); Hikari Hashida (2); Isaac Wester (1), Patrick Harris (1); Sean Grabham (1); Lachlan Dawes (1); Jason Corliss 4 conversions.

*Mr N. Dawes*

**15’s v. Blue Mountains Grammar**
Unfortunately this week’s game was concluded at half time due to an unfortunately injury to a BMGS player. However, despite this and also having to play 12 a side, the boys played well and displayed a good deal of talent which should develop further as the season progresses. It will be interesting to see how we go against BMGS in two weeks time.

*Mr R. Mottram*

**14’s v. Blue Mountains Grammar**
14’s Rugby
The 14’s had a fantastic game against BMG. BMG had less numbers so we played 10 aside, this suited us well. We were able to sub every 5 minutes which gave our guys tie to rest and then go back on with fresh legs. With it also being uncontested scrums it gave us a chance to move players around to positions that might not normally play (Johnny Mair getting lifted in a line out). All the boys need to be commended on their team work and good sportsmanship. This week we will be working on our fitness and body position at the brake down. End score Scots 47- 24.

*Mr Andrew Travers*

**RUGBY NOTES . . .**
This weekend we will be going to Redfield College for a combined day with St Paul’s. As a reminder to all players/students you are to wear full school uniform (less hats) to and from Redfield College. If you are not travelling by school organised transport you must let your coach know no later than Thursday.

Game times:  
13’s - 10:40 a.m.  
14’s - 12:10 p.m.  
15’s - 1:10 p.m.  
1st XV - 2:10 p.m.

Bus times -- LEAVE  
13’s, 14’s, 15’s -- leave school at 7:00 a.m.  
1st XV -- leave school at 10:00 a.m.

Bus times -- RETURN  
We should be back at school by 6:00 p.m.

*Mr Richard Mottram*
Netball . . .

Scots 1st VII vs. Panthers
With three weeks of holidays, the girls took to the netball court against a strong and very competitive Panthers side, containing Tess McPhee - a previous Scots School student. The holidays and extra chocolate over the Easter break definitely showed throughout the game but we managed to gain some positional structure and great team work. Even though Panthers were successful with a convincing win, the girls should be congratulated on their mentality and attitude towards never giving up. Training will definitely help our improvement with attention focused on the upcoming netball tour on the Gold Coast.

Hannah Schulz

2nd VII vs Firecrackers
What a smashing start to Term 2. All the girls fired up and ready to begin play, unsure of the opponent’s tactics and level of play. First quarter started out excellently with Laura Pollard making tremendous intercepts, Ash Fenton driving for the ball in the centre third, and impressive shooting from Ellie Craft. The last three quarters the opponents picked up their game and started to show us they were trying their best, but we still managed to stay on top. Ellie Weekes did spectacularly with running back to centre position to start the play as quickly as possible. Holly duggan managed to gain possession of the ball 99% of the time with her great height capacity to get the ball in her defence position. Millann Henderson showed the rest of the team just how fit she really is and is unstoppable in the centre third. Charlotte Inwood worked fantastically well, keeping her frustration to a minimum with the shooters of the opposition and gaining possession quickly, while Annabelle Townsend did great work setting up the play for herself and the shooters to score. Overall it was a fantastic game and many more games are to be played just like it. Great work girls. We won!

Final score: Scots 39 to Firecrackers 16

Stacey Callan (Captain)

Scots 14’s v. Collegians Vipers (14 to 29)
Scots 14’s v. Oberon Snow Devils (28 to 10)
Scots 14’s played 2 games last Saturday. Our first game saw us draw in the 1st and 4th quarters, but unfortunately we let Collegians get away from us in the 2nd and 3rd quarters.

After a lunch in the shake we returned to the court fully refreshed and lead all the way.