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Open Day and Scholarship Exam Saturday, 9th May

The Scots School invites prospective students and parents to Open Day on Saturday, 9th May 2009. The school will be open for tours of all facilities and ACER scholarship examinations will be held for students seeking scholarships for entry to Years 7, 9 or 11 in 2010. Further information can be obtained by phoning Megan Greig (Enrolments Officer) on 6331-2766.

Parents of Year 7 students (2010) are invited to an Information Session on Thursday, 7th May beginning at 6:00 pm in Room 9.

Year 7 (2010) Experience Day will be held on Friday, 8th May. Students are asked to arrive at the front drive at 8:30 am, and can be collected at 3:30 pm.

Highland Jazz Night

The next event on the school's social calendar is the Highland Jazz Night - Saturday 16th May - just over two weeks into term. This event will showcase the best of Scots' musical talent. Please note this in your diary and see the flyer & booking slip later in the Highlander.

Parent Weekend 15-16-17 May

Friday, 15th May

Parent Teacher Interviews Years 9&11-3:30pm

Year 9 Information Talk at 5:30 pm

Year 11 Information Talk at 6:00 pm

Saturday, 16th May

Sport Fixtures throughout day

Boarder P&F Meeting 4:00 pm Room

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Highland Jazz Night 6:00 pm

Sunday, 17th May

Chapel Service 9:30 am* (K-12)

(*compulsory student attendance)

P&F Meeting 10:30 am

SOCIAL

This Friday, 1st May

The SRC invites all senior students to the school social to be held this Friday, 1st May from 6:30 pm to 10:00 pm. Tickets are \$5 and all proceeds from this event will go to OXFAM towards the SRC initiative in 2009 of raising \$3,000 to build a school in a developing nation.

Drinks and lollies will be for sale on the night. Don't miss out!!!

**Friends of the Pipes & Drums
Meeting, Monday 4th May
at 5:00 pmin the School Library**

Main agenda will be the Highland Jazz Night. Hope to see you there.

Cheryl Gilbert (Sec.)

Meow! Meow!

The lovely grey and white tabby kitten rescued by Nick Matus last term has found a new home with Alice Godwin. Thanks Alice! (Mr Maher says to remember: Dogs have owners; cats have staff!)

From the Headmaster . . .

Welcome back staff and students. I hope all had an enjoyable and restful break. A special welcome to several new students and new staff. In the Prep School Mrs Susan Flude will be taking over RFF duties from Mrs Kerry Robinson, Mrs Lyn Woodside will be looking after Mrs Chelsea Chapman's classes while she is on maternity leave and Mrs Liz Lang is the new Pre-Prep teacher in Lithgow. In the office, Rebecca Norris is taking maternity leave and is being relieved by Ms Amanda Richards. To all new staff and students I trust your experience at Scots will be enjoyable and rewarding.

There were many events over the holidays involving students and some building work at school. The asbestos roof on the computer room/staff room block in the Main Quad was replaced with a colorbond one, and the ceilings in two of the Prep classrooms were replaced. This was made possible through the Federal Government's National Pride Grant to schools. There will be further refurbishment next holidays made possible by money from this Grant.

During the holidays Agriculture students, with guidance and supervision from Mrs Dawes and Mr Matus, participated with great success at the Sydney Royal Easter Show. Reports on their achievements will appear in subsequent *Highlanders*. The Pipes and Drums also played at the Show and some members went to Trunkey Creek on 19 April for their Anzac Day Service and, of course, as usual, the Bathurst Anzac Day March was led magnificently by the Pipes and Drums, adding greatly to the ceremonial nature of the March. Thank you to our School Captains, Ben Riley, Hugh Mackay, Jessica Spence and Cameron Beer for their attendance at the Dawn Service. The Lithgow Prep School and a group of Bathurst Prep and Secondary students represented the School at their respective Marches. Thank you to all these students for giving up part of your holiday to be involved in activities which reflect very favourably on our school.

This Thursday at 10.55 am the School will be conducting an Anzac Service in the Aikman Hall so that all our students gain an appreciation of the significance of this occasion.

This term will be very busy, as usual, with many challenges for our students, both group and individual. I encourage each student to rise to these challenges so that they mature and grow as people.

Tim Richards

Lockie Leonard - Human Torpedo

The Scots School – Bathurst is staging 'Lockie Leonard – Human Torpedo', written by Tim Winton and Paige Gibbs. This play is the quintessential teenage Australian story about love and surfboards. The play is a humorous barrel-ride through the first year of high school for the one and only Lockie. Dragged from city life in Perth, he finds himself facing all the teenage stuff in a dumpy town he hardly knows. Lockie hardly even knows his family anymore!

The play features some of the talented drama students at The Scots School and is sure to capture the imaginations young and old.

Ticket prices for this event are just \$8 adult and \$5 student/pensioner, and will be available at the door. Performances are on Thursday, 7th & Friday, 8th May at 6:30 p.m. with a Matinee at 2:00 pm on Friday, 8th May.

From the Deputy . . .

Welcome back to what promises to be a busy and productive Term 2. I wish to commend the students on the standard of dress and presentation that has been demonstrated on their return.

The staff worked very hard on Tuesday on renewing their qualifications in CPR and Epipen administration. I ask all families to be vigilant in:

- * maintaining current stocks of medication at the Health Centre
- * liaising with sisters to ensure that all medical information at the Health Centre is current and specific

The school sisters may be contacted on 6333-4708 should you have any concerns about the currency of your child's medical details at the school.

I thank students for the commitment to school activities that they demonstrated over the school holidays. Our Pipe Band, School Captains and Cadet Unit were well represented at Anzac Day Services across the district. I thank other students who also marched on Anzac Day, demonstrating personal initiative and responsibility. Agriculture students and the Pipe Band participated extensively in the Royal Easter Show, achieving success in their endeavours and building the profile of our school.

I also thank school staff for their commitment to the school stand at the Royal Easter Show and supervision of our students.

Years 9 and 11 will be issued with their Parent Teacher Interview booking sheets today (Wed. 29th). They will be collected on Wednesday, 6th May. Please liaise with your student regarding interview times.

It is appropriate that we begin the term with a few reminders:

*Winter uniforms are expensive and warm. I ask all families to ensure that clothing is appropriate and clearly labelled and that Mrs Shillabeer and myself are notified promptly of lost property.

*Week 2 is Scholarship Week. The scholarship examination is held on **Saturday, 9th May commencing at 8:30 am in the Aikman Hall.**

*Week 2 is Drama Production week. This year's production is "Lockie Leonard: Human Torpedo", and promises to be a very entertaining event. I thank Mr Christie for his dedication in preparing the students for this production.

*Week 3 is Open Weekend. The chapel service is compulsory for all students. Parent Teacher Interviews for Years 9 and 11 will be held on Friday, 15th May.

*Half-Yearly Exams for Years 7-11 are in Week 5, commencing on 27th May. Preparation should begin early.

*Week 6 - Advance notice: Exeat Weekend. Boarders will depart after end of classes on Thursday, 4th of June and return after 4:00 pm on Tuesday, 9th June. Classes for all students resume on Wednesday, 10th June.

*Mrs Lynne Fleming
Deputy Head*

School Shop

Parents, please remember that students who wish to purchase stationery items under \$5 from the school shop will be required to pay cash. Charges under \$5 cannot be put on the school account.

The Scots Preparatory School

Welcome back to all students and families. I hope you have enjoyed Easter and some quality time with your children. This week's Highlander is very brief so messages will also be brief.

Special Welcome

This term we welcome Mrs Susan Flude to the Preparatory School for 2 days per week. She will be working with Stage 2 and 3 as well as K/1 providing RFF for classroom teachers and administration time.

The Preparatory school welcomes 3 new students this term, two of whom will arrive part way through. Caoimghin Krishant has joined Year 3 today.

Important Reminders

A note from the P and F has gone home today asking for assistance on the weekend of 8th, 9th and 10th of May to prepare and serve morning tea at a Bathurst Kennel Club event. Perhaps you could persuade dads to do a shift on Mother's Day! Please return to school as soon as possible if you are able to assist at this fundraiser.

Soccer training will be on Friday for this week only. Next week we will train on Tuesday afternoon and continue to do so for the remainder of the season. Mr Thomson is looking forward to joining up with me to coach the team and have an enjoyable season.

MOTHER'S DAY fun and morning tea is on Thursday 7th May. An invitation will go home this week. We hope to see you there. Aunts and Grans and special female friends are welcome.

Prep Chapel Service on Sunday 17th May is compulsory for all Prep students. A detailed note will be sent home this week.

Computer Software orders have been distributed to students. Thank you for your support of this program.

Homework this week is reading only. Year 3 and Year 5 will have a practice NAPLAN test to do over a long weekend.

Was Cross Country at Blue Mountains Grammar on Friday 8th May.

HICES Cross Country on Friday 15th May.

*Mrs Kerry Robinson
Head of Preparatory School*

Under 11's Hockey Reports:

27 March 2009 – 0-1 loss; 0-0 draw

We played our first games as a team in a three way round robin. The first match we went down 1 nil and the second was a nil all draw. A special mention should be noted for all the new players in the team who hit the hockey field for the very first time – Francesca Casti, Maddy George, Paris Bennett, Patrick Bower, Jye Bower and Luke Newman who made promising starts to the season. We welcomed Jack Morrison back to play for Scots again this year. Player of the match(es) went to Will Brancourt for his excellent defense.

3 April 2009 – 0-1 loss

It was close particularly in the second half. The rain did not dampen our spirits and the fight was on til the end of the game. Special mention for Maddy George who showed grit and determination taking the field again after injury. Harry Broad and Hannah Crozier showed the less experienced players some good skill and strategy throughout the game. Player of the match went to Matthew Vance as Goalkeeper for excellent defence.

-- Mrs Vickie Vance

Sport at Scots

Sports Bulletin Week 1 Term 2

Winter Season continues and commences

This Saturday the winter sport season is in full swing with most teams playing. Be sure that you have all your correct uniforms and equipment and make sure you know what time and where to turn up. As always, if you cannot make a commitment make sure you let your coach know **before** the weekend. We wish all teams the best of luck.

NSW CIS Swimming

This Thursday Kaitlin Wright and Felicity Walker will represent Scots at the NSW CIS swimming championships. We wish both girls the best of luck.

WAS Cross Country Team

The WAS cross country will be held on Scots on Monday the 11th of May (week 3). The WAS team is listed on the noticeboard outside the library. All Scots team members are required to run and are asked to wear the Scots school tracksuit and to run in black shorts and the gold athletics singlet.

Junior Sport Report

For the past 12 months or so Jessica Spence has done an outstanding job of presenting the sporting news from Scots each week on the 2BS 1503 AM Junior Sport Report with Graeme Hanger. We thank her for all her awesome efforts and wish her replacement, Thomas Sharp all the best. Be sure to tune in just after 8.00am each Saturday morning to get the latest. If you have things that you would like mentioned please let Mr. Adams know so he can pass on the good news to Tom.

Sport Events in the next few weeks

NSWCIS Swimming and Diving, Homebush, Thursday 30th April

AICES Open Hockey Championships, Newcastle, 5th May

AICES 15s Netball Championships, 6th May

WAS Cross Country, TSS, Monday 11th May

AICES Soccer Championships, Glenwood, 14th of May

Mr. Justin Adams (Sports Master)

The Scots School Winter Sport Weekly Schedule 2009

Term 2 Week 1

Sport	Team	Coach	Date	Opposition	Time	Venue
Hockey	13s	Mr. Dawes	01/05/09	Bye		
	15s	Mr. Doney		Kelso/Tahs	6.35pm	Turf 1
	17s	Mrs. Taylor		No game	No game	
Rugby	13s	Mr. Lee	02/05/09	St Paul's	10.00am	Scots Main
	14s	Mr. Mottram			11.00am	
	16s	Mr. Richards			12.00pm	
	1st XV	Mr. Bailey			1.15pm	
Netball	Aberdeen	Miss. McInnes	02/05/09	Oberon Snow Devils	9.30am	Court 11
	Inverness	Mr. Cameron		OOT Kiwis	9.30am	Court 14
	Glasgow	Mr. Adams		Collegian Dynamites	3.00pm	Court 11
	Edinburgh	Mr. Adams		CSU Vic Red	1.30pm	Court 6
Soccer	16s	Mr Newton	02/05/09	Orange Waratahs	3.15pm	Proctor Park

HOCKEY...Notices from Mr Doney:

Under 17's and Under 15's -- no game this Friday.

Under 15's game 6:35 pm Turf 1, Friday 1st May. Bus leaves 6:00 pm from flagpole.

Training on Thursday for 15's only.

The Scots School, Bathurst
invites you to the

hIghl and Jazz nIght

Saturday May 16th, 2009

5pm in the Dining Hall

(BYO drinks, glass and pre-dinner nibbles)

Enjoy a fabulous two course dinner
followed by a

Concert in the Aikman Hall

featuring

the talented musicians, vocalists

and Pipes and Drums

of The Scots School

Tickets: Adults \$35 Children \$25

RSVP: Monday 11th May, 2009

All bookings must be accompanied by payment

(payment by cheque only please, payable to "The Friends of the Pipes and Drums").

Admission by ticket only

Book early – only 250 tickets available

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Return with payment to the School Office 11.05.2009

Name Phone No.....

Address:

No of Adults Tickets: No of Child Tickets:

PAYMENT ENCLOSED (cheque)

Tickets to be collected from: the office by.....Yr

OR at the door (please circle)