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MR WREN is Retiring!

It is with great regret that I report that Mr Kevin Wren is retiring. Kevin has been a great asset to the School and has worked in many areas with most staff at different levels. Kevin has also been a major asset to me as part of the administration team.

I wish Kevin well in his retirement and happy fishing!

Kevin will retire on the 11th December.

*Mr N. Eveleigh
Bursar*

Attention Parents & Guardians PARENT WEEKEND ACCOMMODATION

Thompson House is available for Parent Weekend accommodation Friday night 30th October and Saturday night October 31st. You must supply your own linen but tea and coffee facilities are available. Please call the School Office on 6331- 2766 for reservations.

YEAR 12 Students/Parents
Reservations for the Blue Black & Gold Ball are due in now. Please return the money and reservation forms to Mrs White this week, with the names of the people to be on your table.

The places are selling out fast and tables cannot be held any longer than this. Don't miss out!

Senior School Leaders 2010

At the assembly on the last day of Term 3 our newly appointed student leaders were announced to the school community. We congratulate these students and wish them well in their efforts as they assume these new roles.

School Captain	Aidan Reiri
School Captain	Meg Eisenhauer
Vice Girl Captain	Brooke Cowan
Vice Boy Captains	Thomas Curran Thomas Sharp
Agriculture Prefect	Brooke Cowan
Chapel Prefect	Thomas Curran
Service Prefect	Monique Kellond
Sports Prefects	Sean Johnson Mary-Ann Porter
Bulkeley Senior Boys Prefect	Nurbolat Kuandyk
Bulkeley Junior Boys Prefect	Lachlan McDermid
Equestrian Prefect	Heather Salmon
Common Room Prefect	Thomas Sharp
Prep School Prefect	Jessica Spence
Cadet Prefect	Cameron Beer

School Certificate Help Required Paid Position - Invigilator

The Presiding Officer for the School Certificate is seeking nominations from people available to act as invigilators for the School Certificate Examinations to be held on **November 9th and 10th - full days**. Please phone the school as soon as possible and leave a message with reception. These are paid positions. You cannot have a student currently sitting the Year 10 School Certificate.

Requires 100 points of identification and a working with children declaration.

Headmaster's Notes . . .

I wish to welcome students and their families back after, what I hope, was a restful holiday period. I begin today by conveying the apologies of the Headmaster, Mr Richards, who is in Wales attending to the care needs of his mother. Mr Richards has sent his regards to the school community, particularly the Higher School Certificate students who began their examinations Tuesday, 20th October. Our very best wishes and thoughts are with them at this time. We thank Year 12 for their contribution to The Scots School and reinforce our availability to assist them in the coming months.

During the holidays building work commenced on the new Performing Arts Centre. Discussions have occurred with the building contractor to ensure the smooth running of the school whilst building is in progress. I thank school families for their tolerance at this time. We all look forward excitedly to the completion of the project and the move into the new Centre in 2010.

Also during the holidays, the altered arrangements for traffic flow were instituted. I issue a reminder that general entry to the campus is via the first gate, with pick-up located behind the Health Centre. Traffic flow around the campus is one-way from entry at the first gate to exit at the second gate. The front drive is restricted to buses 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Extra staff has been allocated to pick-up and drop-off zones. I thank school families for their flexibility and tolerance in the institution of the new traffic arrangements.

I thank students and their families for the great success of the camps week conducted in the last week of Term 3. Cadets, Year 7, Outdoor Education and Band students happily completed their programme of activities, meeting challenges with good humour and verve. I thank staff for their excellent work in Camps Week. I commend particularly Benjamin Spence and Oliver Brancourt, who followed their Cadet Camp with participation in Brigade Annual Camp in Week 1 of the holidays.

The Valedictory Assembly and Dinner on Thursday, 1st October was a wonderful occasion for our school. It is so enriching to witness the affirmation of students' endeavours and achievements.

To Year 11 go the best wishes of the School as they commence their programme of study for the Higher School Certificate. They are demonstrating high motivation and responsibility.

I thank Mrs Dawes for the hard work and commitment she daily demonstrates as she prepares for the Combined Equestrian Training Day this Sunday, 25th October. Some 50 competitors have nominated and the activities on the Lower Oval should be a picture on the day.

I commend to students their summer sports programme. Coaches and competitors are excited at the possibilities of the season ahead.

Term 4 promises to be busy, productive and fulfilling. I remind students that their prime focus is their learning and I wish them well as they prepare for examinations and the Semester Two reporting period.

*Mrs Lynne Fleming
Deputy Head*

Take the Rush out of the P&F Trivia Night Join us for a BBQ tea prior

Stead & Salad \$5

Sausage and Salad \$3

Sausage Sandwich \$2.50

Commencing at 5:30 p.m. followed by the Trivia Night at 6:30 p.m. for a 7:00 p.m. start.

Please RSVP to ross@andrewgroup.com.au for catering purposes.

From the Deputy . . .

A reminder that Parent Weekend is coming up on Friday 30th October through Sunday, 1st November. We begin on Friday at 4:30 p.m. with the Year 9-10 Performing Arts Evening. This is followed by the Boarders & Parents BBQ at 6:00 p.m. Normal sports competitions in Cricket and Tennis will be held on Saturday during the day. The Boarders' P&F will take place in Room 9 at 4:00 p.m.. The P&F will hold a BBQ beginning at 5:30 (reservations please!), followed by the Trivia Night which is always a wonderful event for parents and students. Sunday morning is the **Prefect Induction Service** at 9:30 p.m. This is a **compulsory attendance** event for senior school students.

As we enter the Summer months, hats are compulsory for school uniform. Please remind your children to pack their hats and sunscreen when preparing for school. Our school follows the "No Hat -- No Play in the Sun" rule and this will be strictly enforced. Senior school students must wear hats when passing between classes throughout the day and boarders are required to wear hats when attending town leave.

With the building works on the new Performing Arts Centre it is important that students stay away from construction works and safety areas roped off. Play only in designated areas.

Our Senior School Tutor Houses have begun preparation for the House Drama Festival which will be held in Week 6. This is always a project faced with anticipation and excitement by the students and we eagerly look forward to seeing the products of their imagination in the Festival.

During this Term we will welcome past students who will visit The Scots School for their school reunions. The first group is the Class of 1989, Saturday 24th October for their 20-year reunion. On Saturday, 21st November past students celebrating 30-40-50+ years' reunions will visit the school.

Mrs Lynne Fleming
Deputy Head

YEAR 12 Last Day Activities

Mr Maher has provided photos of Year 12 Last Day -- Valedictory Day -- which can be viewed on the school website later this week. Thanks Mr Maher, for a very nice collection of memories!
(view photos on the school website later this week: www.scots.nsw.edu.au/photos.htm)

Important Dates -- Term 3

Examination Periods:

Tue. 30 Oct - Fri 13 Nov -- HSC Examinations
Mon. 26 Oct - Fri 30th Oct -- Year 10 Trial Exams
Mon. 9 Nov - Fri. 13 Nov. - Year 10 School Certificate
Mon. 16 Nov - Thu. 19 Nov - Years 7-9 Examinations

Week 1

Thu. 24 Oct - Music Composition Day Year 11
Sat 24 Oct - Class of 1989 20-Year Reunion
Sun 25 Oct - Equestrian Combined Training Day

Week 2

Mon. 26 Oct - NIDA Drama Day

PARENT WEEKEND

Fri. 30 Oct to 6p.m. - Performing Arts Afternoon
Fri. 30 Oct Boarder's Dinner
Sat 31 Oct -- 11:00 am Opening I/T Rooms
Sat 5:30 p.m. P&F BBQ followed by Trivia Night 6:30
Sun. CHAPEL - Prefect Induction Service *
Compulsory for all Senior School Students

Week 3

Sun 1 Nov. - Senior Staff to visit Rylstone
Mon 2 Nov - Kandos Equestrian Day
Wed 4 Nov - Cattle AI Years 10-11

Week 4

Mon-Fri - School Certificate Examinations
Wed 11 Nov - Remembrance Day Service
Thu 12 Nov. Prep Public Speaking a.m.
Sat 14 Nov -- Blue Black & Gold Ball

Week 5

Mon-Thu - Years 7-9 Examinations
Thu 19 Nov - Year 10 First Aid Training
Sat 21 Nov -- Year Reunions -- Past Students

Week 6

Mon 23 Nov - "Burnt" Drama production
Tue 24 Nov - ESSA Testing - Year 8
Thu 26 Nov - Year 7 (2010) Orientation Day
Fri 27 Nov - Prep Music Festival - a.m.
Fri 27 Nov - House Drama Festival - p.m.
Sat 28 Nov - Year 10 Formal

Week 7 and Week 8

Wed 2 Dec. Year 6 Graduation Dinner
Fri 4 Dec. - Prep Awards Assembly - a.m.
Fri 4 Dec. - Senior Awards Assembly- 1:30 p.m.
Sun 6 Dec - Ceremonial Parade - 4:00 p.m.
Carole Service - 6:00 p.m.

Mon 7 Dec. SPEECH DAY -- 11:00 a.m. BMEC

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Looking for an evening

- Filled with fun, laughter, good company and prizes
- A night the whole family can enjoy
- A chance to meet new people

Come along to the Annual Scots School P&F Trivia Night
31st of October to be held in the Dining Room 6.30pm for
7pm start. (PARENT WEEKEND)

Join us from 5.30pm for a BBQ
(RSVP to ross@andrewgroup.com.au for catering purposes)

BYO nibbles, drinks and if each table could bring a slice or cake
to share with all for supper.

Entry (tables of 10)
\$10 per adult
\$5 per child/student

Do not despair if you do not have a table, come along and we will
find you a spot on the night.

PS. Table 5 has disbanded, the way is now clear for new
champions! Who will claim this mantle?

MUSIC NOTES

1. Music ensembles will commence this term are as follow:

- Stage Band- 8am Thursday
- String Ensemble- 8am Friday
- Concert Ensemble- 3.30pm Monday
- Choir- Monday lunch- Week B

Wednesday 8am – Week A

**New students will be welcome at all ensembles.

***There will be **NO STAGE BAND** rehearsal this Thursday as Mrs Garland will be at the
HSC Composition Day at MLC Burwood

** CONCERT ENSEMBLE next Monday will prepare for the Prefect Induction Chapel
Service on Sunday 1st November. Please ensure you are at this rehearsal.

2. **PRIVATE MUSIC LESSONS**- see Mrs Garland for details. Lessons will resume asap. If
you would like to learn an instrument this term please see Mrs Garland at the Music Centre.

Mrs D Garland
Head of Music

ASX Share Market Game

The current game concludes on Tuesday, 27th October. Please see Mr Doney if any questions.

FOUND: A digital camera was found on the bus returned from Yarramundi Camp last term. If your child is missing a digital camera, please see Mrs Donnelly in the front office.

THE BOOKWORM COLUMN 22 October 2009

Donation To The Library

I would like to thank a donor who wishes to remain anonymous who has donated \$100 to the library to buy some books to encourage our junior secondary students to read. This will allow the school to extend the book acquisition program, and is very much appreciated.

Mrs. Murphy's Long Service Leave and The HSC

Whilst Mrs. Murphy is on long service leave, and with the library being used as a HSC centre, it has become necessary to make some changes to the Library's opening hours. Every effort is being made to keep the library open as much as possible, but it will be necessary to close it at recess if there is an examination in progress. This is so that HSC candidates are not distracted by noise.

With Mrs. Murphy being away, and with me having classes to teach in some afternoon periods, it may become necessary to close the Library on two afternoons each week—I am investigating Tuesday and Thursday when everyone is at sport. A decision will be made on this later this week.

Library opening times will return to normal next term when Mrs. Murphy returns. In the meantime I would like to thank Mrs. Margaret Mackay and Mrs. Amanda Richards who are covering Mrs. Murphy's duties in her absence.

What I Learned In The Library

On a couple of recent excursions, I noted that some children had brought multiple cans of caffeine energy drinks, and after a couple of these their behaviour went silly. Research has shown that caffeine is a very addictive drug and acts as a stimulant. Whilst a single can of energy drink contains no more caffeine than a strong cup of coffee, excessive consumption can cause heart palpitations, stomach upset and various other side effects. In a couple of extreme cases, excessive caffeine consumption has resulted in fatal heart arrhythmia. As adults with an excessive coffee habit will know, caffeine deprivation results in withdrawal symptoms such as headache and irritability.

Energy drinks do have a place. The Institute of Sport website has some interesting material on this, but children who have to spend long periods on bus trips do not need energy or stimulants! Some countries are now banning their sale to children, and in parts of Europe energy drinks are only available at pharmacies. Medical advice is that caffeine drinks need to be treated with great care.

Mr. A. Maher

View the Highlander in colour on the school website, or have it emailed to you every Monday!!!

The Scots Preparatory School

Congratulations

To the students in Stage 3 who participated in the successful Mighty Minds Muster on the second last day of a very busy term. Whether assisting or participating they were excellent role models and all enjoyed the experience.

To the staff who coordinated the Muster ensuring that it was another resounding success for the school, well done. A special thanks to Mrs Kathy Weal for her contribution leading up to the event.

Welcome Back

Despite the unusual spring weather patterns across the state during the holidays, I hope that everyone has had time to unwind and relax and rejuvenate following a very busy term. We are looking forward to warmer weather and hopefully a swim or two before the end of the year! Parents are reminded that full summer uniform should be worn this term with special attention paid to the rules regarding accessories and hair which can be found in the front of the school diary. Shoes should be polished every day and socks should be the fold over white variety for girls and long grey socks that will stay up, for boys.

This term we welcome Brandon Kreymborg and we know he will be warmly received into the Stage 3 classroom.

HSC Best Wishes

Our very best wishes go out to our Year 12 students who will commence their Higher School Certificate examinations this week. Among those will be many former Prep students who are remembered fondly by staff and students alike. We will be thinking of them during the next few weeks and hoping that they will do their best in the exams and enjoy the future beyond school.

Term 4

A term planner will be sent home this week noting important dates for the remainder of the year. Please place it on the fridge and refer to it as part of your family planning. This is also a good way to model organisational skills to your children.

Driveway Changes

All parents will have received a letter outlining changes to the traffic arrangements around the school. These changes have been implemented with the safety of our students at the forefront. We appreciate your patience and cooperation during this phase as this will be new for all concerned and may take time to fine tune. Prep students will be walked through the new arrangements as part of

their return to school today. A copy of the new arrangements is included in this issue of the Highlander.

Hats

Our school has adopted a 'no hat, no play' policy during terms 1 and 4 as part of our Sun Safe policy. Parents are asked to assist us by reminding children to bring their hat to school and ensuring that the hat is in good condition and clearly labelled with your child's name.

Public Speaking Finals

Finalists will be notified this week of their selection as a finalist in the competition to be held on Thursday 12th November. All parents are invited to attend and encouraged to do so, as it provides a guide to all aspects of speech making and shows the very high standards achieved by our students.

Gold Card Morning Tea

Eligible students will enjoy a special morning tea on Wednesday 28th November as a reward for their consistent good work and behaviour over the year. Students will be informed this week of their participation.

Pre Prep and Kindergarten Orientation Days

Orientation sessions will be held on Thursday 29th October and Thursday 5th November. Information has been communicated to parents however if you know of any interested families who would like to participate please let Ms Greig our Promotions Officer know via the front office.

Performing Arts Centre

It is very exciting to see the commencement of the new Performing Arts Centre during the holidays. This has resulted in some changes to our play area for Term 4. Children will eat recess and lunch under the shade of the gum trees and play in the area between the day House and Dining Room with full access to the play equipment and handball court. The construction site is fully fenced off and children will be informed of their responsibilities in respect of the work site and those working there. I am sure the site will be a source of fascination for many as they observe the changes and watch the big machinery come and go.

Assessment Week

Advanced notice for parents that Week 4 commencing Monday 9th November has been designated as an assessment week. Parents are asked to avoid absences this week if possible as all students will be engaged in tasks used to gather information about their learning.

Reports are written on the basis of this and other assessment tools used by classroom teachers.

Calendars and DVD's

Calendar orders have been sent in and we expect delivery before the end of term. The calendars make wonderful Christmas gifts and are a source of great pride to the children who have spent a great deal of time and effort in their preparation. Thank you to all families who supported this project.

I am eagerly awaiting the arrival of the concert DVD draft which I expect to view this evening. This means that once approved, copies will be distributed to parents as early as week 3. I wish to thank all families who supported the filming of the concert making it possible for the production of a professional long lasting memory of a special night in your child's education.

*Mrs Kerry Robinson
Head of Preparatory School*

Bathurst Pre-Prep

Term 4 -- Week 1

Welcome Back...

We welcome back all our Pre-Prep students and hope that everyone had a wonderful holiday and a well deserved rest. We welcome Xavier Adams this Term who will be joining Mrs White's Class. We also welcome back Mrs Weal after her Term of Long Service Leave. This is a short, busy and exciting Term with lots of fun things happening!

Sounds Programme

This week Pre-Prep will be learning about the letter "w". We will be meeting Walter Walrus in Letterland and our "Ants in the Apple" rhyme is "Worms out walking w,w,w." Expect to see watermelon, walrus, wombats, whales, worms, wallabies windmills Winnie-the-pooh and much more!

New Traffic Arrangements...

Please make sure you familiarize yourself with the new drop off and pick up arrangements for Pre-Prep students each morning and afternoon. You will still need to walk with your child to the classroom and sign them in and out each day.

Parking is at the back of Pre-Prep. Bus children will be met on the front drive as in previous Terms. Please also take care around the Construction Site.

No Hat No Play Policy

During Term 4 it is compulsory for all students to wear a school hat outside at both morning tea and lunch. The School have a "no hat no play policy" so please make sure your child has their hat with them every day and that it has their name on it!

Town Library

This Thursday, 22nd October is our first visit to Town Library for the Term. I am sure the children will look forward to this visit as we missed our last visit due to concert preparations.

Pre-Prep and Kindergarten Orientation Program

The new Pre-Prep students enrolling for 2010 will have their enrolment mornings on Thursday 29th October and Thursday 5th November. This is also the same days as our Kindergarten enrolment. The Thursday children that are not attending Scots Kindergarten will have Mrs Chapman for the morning session. Kindergarten 2010 will go to Mrs Inglis at the same time as the new students come to Pre-Prep. We look forward to meeting our new enrolments.

Concert DVDs

The DVDs of the School Concert have been ordered and should be back very soon.

Pre-Prep School Photos

School Photos also went very smoothly last Term and Frank Colzato should have them back to us soon.

Art Work Calendars

The beautiful Art Works Calendars have also been sent away and should be back in a few weeks.

Mrs White

Sponsor Child Vannida

Thank you to all the children for bringing in a gold coin for our sponsor child Vannida on the last day of term 3. The children enjoyed the afternoon watching the movie 'Monsters versus Aliens' and we successfully raised \$88. This term we will hold another special event for Vannida and a note will be sent home in the coming weeks.

Mighty Minds Muster 2009



128 students descended upon Scots on the last Wednesday of Term 3 to the annual battle of the brains called 'Mighty Minds Muster'. Activities during the day involved language, mathematical, engineering, creative thinking, logic, performing arts and observational skills. Each team, consisting of eight students, self managed and directed their way through multiple challenges. While all the students were pushing their grey matter to the limits, visiting teachers were marking challenges, so at the end of the day a score for each team enabled them to be ranked into three participation levels - gold, silver and bronze.



Scots entered two teams, the 'Gold' Team consisting entirely of Year 6 students – David Mackender; Zoe Behrendt; William Brancourt, Luke Newman, Zachery Telfser; Lucy Vance; India Toole and Nick Thomson. This group of students achieved 'Bronze' status on the day. The second team entered for Scots was a Year 5/6 team, called the 'Blue' Team. Members of this team, Harry Mc;Intosh, Putri Moran, Jack Rowlandson; Marika Tults; Maddy George; Jessica Morrison; Hollee Simons and Mackenzie Passeri battled it out all day and achieved 'Silver' status. Congratulations everyone!

Thanks to Mrs Shevahn Telfser
for the great photos!





Mrs Robinson, Mrs Inglis, Mrs Weal, Mrs Telfser and myself were assisted on the day by wonderful helpers from Year 5 and 6 - Jye Bower, Meghan Booth, Sophia Iwasaki, Ben Druitt and Harry Broad. Lachlan Dawes also assisted for part of the day.

A huge thankyou must go to all the cooks in the Prep School who donated the cakes and muffins for the day. Mrs Telfser co-ordinated and served food all day to teachers and students and when combined with the pizza lunch, it was again one of the success points noted by all in their evaluation. Thankyou Mrs Telfser!

Before the event, local schools were advertising their participation in the Scots Mighty Minds Muster ensuring that not only were we advertising it, but so were other schools. Thanks and responses have already been received from participating schools requesting the date for next year to ensure they can attend for the fifth anniversary. Thankyou everyone who aided in the organisation of such a wonderful academic and socially enriching day for students and fantastic promotional event for our school.



Vickie Vance
Year 5 & 6 Class Teacher/Stage 3 Co-ordinator

Sport at Scots

Sports Bulletin Week 1 Term 4

NSW All Schools

Brenton Gibson (Hurdles and High Jump) and Jock Sinclair have gained selection into the NSWCIS Athletics team to compete at the NSW All Schools Athletics meet in the coming weeks. We congratulate them on this achievement and wish them the best of luck.

Summer Sports Trials and Training

All sports will start their summer season this weekend except for water polo who are waiting for the pool temperature to increase (hopefully before Friday of Week 3!).

Please check the schedule of fixtures and make sure that students communicate with their coach if there are any variations or leave requests.

For students who have chosen TWO sports (mostly basketball and something else) could they please train for basketball on Thursdays and their other sport on Tuesdays so that team practices can be meaningful to them and other team members. Please also inform your coach of your availability for both sports.

Please note that water polo training is at the Bathurst Aquatic Centre on Tuesdays and fitness activities, gym training, team sports and ball work skills will be done on Thursday afternoons at school. Students have been informed of the uniform requirements when visiting the Bathurst Aquatic centre and are expected to comply.

Mr. Justin Adams (Sports Master)

The Scots School Summer Sport Weekly Schedule 2009 Term 4 Week 1

Sport	Team	Coach	Date	Opposition	Time	Venue
Basketball	Lions	Mr. Hayward	23/10	Spider Pigs	7.55pm	Court 2
	Kings	Mr. Bowen		Silver Miners	7.55pm	Court 3
	H Men	Mr. Christie		Make It Rain	7.00pm	Court 2
	Volcanoes	Mr. Hayward		Hill Billies	7.55pm	Court 4
	Earthquakes	Mr. Christie		Ego. Gladiators	6.05pm	Court 4
	Lionesses	Mrs. Davis		GB Bandits	7.55pm	Court 1
	Angels	Mrs. Davis		Glitter bugs	6.05pm	Court 1
	Fireflies	Miss. Haugh		Jaguars	7.00pm	Court 4
Cricket	1st XI	Mr. Maher, Mr. Lovell		24/10 @ Oakhill College		Bus leaves Scots at 6.00am
	14s	Mr. Hole		TBA	8.20am	Lower Oval
	13s	Mr. Mair		TBA	8.20am	McKibbin Oval
Tennis	WAS Squad	Mr. Matus	24/10	Stannies	8.30am	Stannies
Touch	Jnr/Int	Mr. Coyte	24/10	Scots Gala Day from 9.00am		Old Boys Oval
Waterpolo	Jnr/Int	Mr. Adams	No game until week 3, Swim Training on Tuesdays			

Equestrian . . .

EQUESTRIAN DAY CANTEEN

The P&F will be running a canteen at the Equestrian Training day on the 25th of October.

If you are able to assist anytime between 10am and 2pm please contact Gillian Shannon at skags@aapt.net.au

The Scots School Interschool Combined Training Day Competition.

With 41 entries we are looking forward to having a great day. If you have not volunteered some help then please do!!!! Remember many hands makes light work!!!! See you on the 25th October (and hopefully on the Saturday to help set up arenas!)

Reminder Kandos Interschools Horse Sports Day on November 2nd

-- Mrs L. Dawes

Hockey . . .

NSW Boys Skills Development Camps

Hockey NSW is calling for nominations from players interested in the 2010 skills development camps. These camps assemble players from many NSW associations and involve a cost and residential component. Camps are run for the following age groups: U13, U14, U15.

Camps in 2009 were run during school holidays but the 2010 dates, cost and locations are yet to be advised by HNSW.

Your club has been asked to communicate information to all players. Nomination does not guarantee acceptance as places are limited for each association. The following information is required for nomination:

Name; Address; Date of Birth; email address; position. You can register your interest in one of the following ways:

*via your club representative in the BJMHA Committee or *email the details to Brian Cobcroft at bco50107@bigpond.net.au

Mr Ian Doney

YEAR 7 HISTORY EXCURSION TO THE MUSEUM OF ANCIENT CULTURES, MACQUARIE UNIVERSITY

The dust storm late in third term left a pink strip down the middle of the Great Western Highway that Year 7 followed to the Museum Of Ancient Cultures at Macquarie University, where for the second time in a few months they were treated to a display of ancient objects.

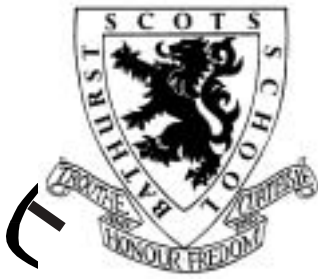
Although perhaps not quite as large as the Nicholson Museum at Sydney University, the Museum of Ancient Cultures has a different focus with quite a number of smaller items in its collection, especially coins from the ancient world. The presenters at Macquarie also have a different approach. For our visit, the presenter was Mr. Dennis Mootz. Year 7 was very lucky to have met him, as he is a great enthusiast for Ancient History. Mr. Maher has been to conferences where he has presented papers. Mr. Mootz was impressed with the knowledge of ancient history that some of our Year 7 students displayed. (view photos on the school website later this week: www.scots.nsw.edu.au/photos.htm)

The day included discussion of how the ancient Egyptians built pyramids and how ancient Greeks kept clean. The students got to handle some objects such as a 5,000 year old Egyptian cheese or yoghurt maker, a Graeco-Roman ship's nail and some ancient Roman glass. After this, they saw the museum collection.

The University cafeteria was busier than expected: it was graduation day. However, the students found a variety of different types of food for lunch, but no McDonalds!

At 3:00 pm, Year 7 was delivered to the YMCA camp at Yarramundi. Mrs. Anderson and Mr. Maher travelled home in style with a 38-seat coach at their disposal, and the services for the afternoon of George the coach captain.

Mr Andrew Maher



Blue, Black and Gold Ball

Saturday, 14th November 2009
Bathurst Memorial Entertainment Centre

Bookings are being received as of 14th September 2009
Tables of 10

Cost: \$85.00 per person

Payment by Cheque or Direct Debit EFT by internet only!
If using EFT, please reference payment with Surname BSB:032-814 A/C 269144
No Cash Payments Please

To reserve your table, please complete the section below and return to:

Mrs Jennie White
c/o The Scots School
O'Connell Road, Bathurst NSW 2795
Telephone: 6331-2766 a.h.: 6334 3282

Booking Form

Name: _____

Address _____

Telephone _____ Number of tickets required _____

Cheques made payable to The Scots School P&F and forwarded to Mrs Jennie White
c/o The Scots School, O'Connell Road, Bathurst NSW 2795

Please tick if payment has been made by EFT/Direct Debit

I/We will be sharing a table with: _____

R.S.V.P. Friday, 23rd October 2009