



To Ponder . . .

Q'n 4. What is God?

A God is eternal in His being

Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations.

Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever you had formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God.

You return man to dust and say, "Return, O children of man!"

For a thousand years in your sight are but as yesterday when it is past, or as a watch in the night.

You sweep them away as with a flood; they are like a dream, like grass that is renewed in the morning: in the morning it flourishes and is renewed; in the evening it fades and withers.

Psalms 90:1-6

God has always existed in the past and always will exist in the future. He never began to be, knows no growth or age, nor will he ever cease to be.

I hope we are getting a bigger view of God.

...Chaplain

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Year 9 students Alice Godwin, Annabelle Townsend and Laura Pollard represented the school at the recent sheep show in Dubbo.

**Don't forget your \$2 for
AUSTRALIA'S BIGGEST MORNING TEA
AT THE SCOTS SCHOOL
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is bringing the Morning Tea spirit to the school.
You won't want to miss out!**

From the Headmaster . . .

The upcoming Queen's Birthday holiday gives us a chance to all take a break and reflect on the events of the first part of the term. It has been a very busy term so far and students and staff alike have worked very hard to achieve much. The School play, 'Lockie Leonard' and the Highland Jazz Night are two events which stand out as evidence of the wonderful creative ability of our students. They were great fun and enjoyed by all who were in the audience and I am sure by all the participants.

The sporting program is providing opportunities for all students to find an activity which is balancing their hard work in the classroom as well as encouraging students to work together to achieve collective success. This was no better demonstrated to me than when I was able to see some Netball games on Saturday due to the cancellation of the 13's, 14's and 16's Rugby. The combination and success of the 16's Netball team showed how hard work and a desire to improve can lead to team success. This team for quite some time struggled to master the game, but persevered to become a very cohesive unit, the girls in the 14's team are going through a similar learning experience. They are a credit to themselves and their coaches.

I hope this long weekend provides an enjoyable and welcome break in this very busy term and gives families a chance to share time together and reflect on the term so far.

-- *Tim Richards*

Notice to Students and Families of The Scots School

Students who visit the following countries:- Canada, Japan, Mexico, Panama or the USA in the next few months are requested to not return to school for seven days after returning to Australia. If, during this time, students do not develop flu symptoms they may return to school.

Students who are in this category need to see the medical staff on their return to school before attending classes, or supply a letter from their doctor confirming that they do not have flu symptoms.

These measures have been requested by the NSW Department of Health. Further information can be obtained from the NSW Department of Health website at www.health.nsw.gov.au/public_health/swineflu.asp

Any change in this request will be notified when this occurs.

Can you help??

Aaron Druitt, a Year 8 Scots student, is recovering following a serious illness earlier this year, and has recently returned to school part-time. Aaron's parents are looking for a light aluminium wheel chair and an exercise bike for Aaron to use. If you are able to help with either of these items, please contact Narelle or Mark on 6332-2788.

Public Speaking

Over the last couple of weeks the School has been represented at The Sydney Morning Herald Plain Speaking Competition by Thomas Curran and Aidan Reiri, and at the CWA Public Speaking Competition by Robbie Hayward, Georgina Simcock, Calhan Behrendt, Charlotte Inwood, Alayne White, Chloe Kitchingman, Aidan Reiri, Thomas Curran, Thomas Sharp and Siobhonn Shannon. All our speakers delivered well prepared speeches and were a credit to our school.

In the S.M.H. Competition Aidan Reiri was the runner-up and in the CWA Robbie Hayward received a highly commended. I would like to thank all our participants. Well done!

Mr R. Mottram

Host Family Needed

A host family is required for the upcoming long weekend for our Japanese student boarder, Sophia (Year 6). If you are able to welcome Sophia into your home over the long weekend, please phone Kerry Robinson or Lynne Fleming at the school on 6331-2766 as soon as possible.

School Photos

We have been notified by Advanced Life, the photographers who took our school photos last term, that there has been a delay in printing the photos. Advanced Life has had major technical difficulties with a new printing press, resulting in a significant delay in the printing schedule. These matters have now been rectified and we have been assured that they are working around the clock to catch up with the many school waiting for photos. They have asked that we extend their sincere apologies for the delay and to thank parents and students for your patience.

Sports Pavilion

As a result of a Resolution passed at the last P+F meeting a sub-committee has been formed and has met to do preliminary work in relation to the design and cost of a building which would incorporate toilets, showers, change rooms and new canteen. Whilst the exact location is still to be determined the preferred site would be west of Bulkeley House to utilize both McKibbin and Scots Main ovals and Tennis courts, the site will probably be determined by the cost of essential services. Discussions have centered on the style and construction being similar to that of the day house but on a smaller scale. Events such as the Highland Gathering would benefit enormously from the construction of this building and visiting schools would have a meeting point with amenities which up till now have not existed. Mr Geoff Porter is preparing some concept drawings for submission to the School Board at their next meeting.

This is an exciting and significant project for the P+F who have determined that this building be the main focus for all fund raising. I'm sure that you will agree of the necessity of a Sports Pavilion to both augment and enhance the scenic beauty which we are so fortunate to have at our school. The practical aspects of such a project are vitally important to meet the demands of our sporting teams and provide infrastructure for major schools events.

The committee comprises of the following people:

Tim Richards
Michael Ireland
Karl Behrendt

Ross Andrew
Geoff Porter

Tracey Andrew
Sally Rosin (Secretary)

I will endeavor to keep you informed of the progress throughout this initial and subsequent stages.

Grahame Edgell

From the Deputy . . .

I wish to congratulate students on the settled manner in which they have approached their examinations. This week and next teachers will be handing back examination papers and I wish to urge students and families to carefully consider feedback on examinations. The important thing is to make a list of things that were done well and things that could be improved upon. Last Thursday Year 12 students attended a thought provoking session on goal setting and I believe a list formulated after an examination period is an important point of focus for the setting of learning goals. I provide points on goal setting for your consideration:

Goals:

*Guide your work

*Organise your work

*Assert intention

*Lead to mission

*Spur into action

Choices made at school affect the rest of a student's life. Students achieve happiness when they seek to align personal goals with learning goals.

Bruce Buchanan (The Choices Programme)

I wish to thank all of our competitors who represented The Scots School at the CWA Public Speaking Competition last Tuesday. Over the last eight years I have been tremendously excited to observe the improvement in confidence, critical thinking and imagination in public speaking and debating exhibited by all of our students at Scots. All of our students have something to give in public speaking and in English classes they all get a chance to develop these skills. Specifically I wish to congratulate Robbie Hayward (Year 7) for his highly commended result in the CWA competition and Aidan Reiri and Thomas Curran for their creditable performances in the recent Sydney Morning Herald Plain Speaking Competition.

This week is a very busy one leading up to the exeat weekend. Our thoughts continue to be with Mrs Dawes and the Equestrian Team as they represent the school at the Coonabarabran Horse Expo this week. We wish our DaVinci Decathlon teams well in their competitions, Years 9&10 on Tuesday and Years 7&8 on Thursday. It is important that we acknowledge students who have particular skills of critical and imaginative thinking through participation in such competitions. On Wednesday Years 7&8 will enjoy the history show, focusing on the Medieval Period. On Thursday the CSIRO Science Show will provide science workshops for students Years 7-12.

The Exeat Weekend will commence at 3:20 pm on Thursday afternoon and classes resume at 9:00 am on Wednesday, 10th June. We wish all families a relaxing exeat break with their students.

Advance Notice:

The Science Competition, Wednesday, 10th June

Chapel Band Performance, Thursday, 11th June

Australian Army Band Performance, Thursday, 11th June

*Mrs Lynne Fleming
Deputy Head*

Careers . . .

Scholarships

Mrs Fleming is in receipt of information for the University of New South Wales Co-Op Scholarships Program and she will discuss the information with Year 12 students at stage meetings this week. This amazing scholarship program provides mentoring and support throughout the degree, work with an industry leading employer and up to \$75,000 in scholarship assistance. Students and parents may wish to view information on the UNSW Co-Op website

www.co-op.unsw.edu.au

University of Wollongong Open Night for Years 11 & 12 Wednesday, 10 June 2009 commencing at 5pm with a UOW Faculty and Services Expo to showcase the range of services UOW will offer to support students, from accommodation to student exchanges. Attendees will hear from the Faculty Dean and Academics, current and from past UOW students.

Bookings are essential. Students or parents can call 1300 367 869 to reserve places or book online at <http://www.uow.edu.au/future/events/>

Universities:

CSU - School of Nursing & Midwifery will be holding a Nursing at CSU Evening on Wed. 24th June at the Dubbo Campus from 5:30-7:30 pm. RSVP to Alison Moseley on (02) 6885 7321 (Mon-Thurs 10-2) or email amoseley@csu.edu.au

Southern Cross University: Faculty information booklets and 2010 Undergraduate course handbooks. Sport and Exercise Science; Nursing & Allied Health; Psychology; Environmental Science and Management; Indigenous Studies; Education; Graduate Entry Education; Business & Information Technology; Tourism & Hospitality; Law & Justice; Creative & Performing Arts; Humanities & Social Sciences

LaTrobe University – B.Health Sciences course information; CD, brochures

Open Days: Bendigo August 16th 10-4; Melbourne August 20th 10-4

Bachelor of Medicine – joint medical program (JMP) – offered jointly by U. Newcastle and UNE. – see Mrs Fleming for a copy of this programme



AUSTRALIA'S BIGGEST MORNING TEA AT THE SCOTS SCHOOL



**On Thursday 4 June the staff at Scots
is bringing the Morning Tea spirit to the school.**

- The staff will provide and serve morning tea to the students
- Venue: outside the Technics Centre during recess
- A \$2.00 gold coin will be required to purchase a plate of cookies, cakes, slices, scones etc
- Cordial will be provided
- The funds we raise at our Biggest Morning Tea will go to the Cancer Council contributing to cancer research, support, education and awareness initiatives.

The staff are very enthusiastic about providing the morning tea and we hope that the students will come along and enjoy the event.

Remember \$2.00 Thursday June 4th

Careers . . .continued

University of Sydney – Diploma of Law. This is a non-HECS course; evening programme.

UNSW – Health Careers Kit 2009 Edition. Available on loan from Library.

University of Notre Dame - faculty handbooks

University of Newcastle - Central Coast handbooks

Private Providers:

Bedford College – course information Business, Accounting, Child Care
APM College of Business & Communication – course brochures
Raffles College of Design & Commerce

GAP or Exchange Programmes

Agriventure – international agricultural exchanges

LOST AND FOUND

The ideal situation: Names on every article of school uniform or casual clothing brought to school!!!

Thanks to those who have labelled their property, and thank you, as well, to the students who come promptly to collect their found items!

LOST: Red flip phone. Megan Bennett (Yr. 8) -- is still looking for her red phone.

LOST: Ben Spence has lost his **rugby boots**.

LOST: Ben Allan has lost his **protective shirt for Rugby**. His name is inside it.

LOST: Joel Reynolds has lost a **black pencil case** with lots of zippers all over it. It has his calculator inside with his name on the calculator.

FOUND:

- *White Earphones and Black Earphones
- *Timex waterproof boy's watch
- *K-Swiss watch with red band

--Mrs Shillabeer

The Scots Cadet Unit

The ADF Long Tan Leadership and Teamwork Awards

The ADF Long Tan Leadership and Teamwork Awards are a joint initiative of both the Australian Government and the Australian Defence Force. They began in 2006 with the aim to recognize students who demonstrate leadership and teamwork within both the school and the broader local community. Recipients must also display strong Australian values, such as doing one's best, respect for others, leadership, teamwork and "mateship".

With the aim to encourage senior students as tomorrow's leaders the Awards are open to all students in Years 10, 11 and 12. It is hoped that by offering these Awards students will be encouraged to actively participate in the life of their school and local communities.

The selection criteria includes student involvement in *leadership positions*; *teamwork* and the capacity to enhance the team by their contributions; a strong regard for the school's *values* and those of the community; an ability to *problem solve* generating workable solutions; *resourcefulness* being able to act independently and follow instructions; *a good communicator*; *a cooperator* with a view to work harmoniously with others and substantial *community involvement* are all required.

The many and varied opportunities offered to the students at Scots including involvement in the Cadet Unit programme certainly provide a solid grounding for students to be nominated for the ADF Long Tan Awards. Cadets have as its focus the development of leadership in the students. They work in a platoon developing teamwork, problem solving and resourcefulness. There is an expectation that Cadets will be active in their community attending events that are significant to the school (Highland Gathering) and all Australians (Anzac Day). We ask the Cadets to 'do their best', to be a 'mate' to each other, to communicate both verbally and in the written form and to apply what they learnt to all aspects of their lives.

The selection of students for nomination of the Long Tan Award is at the discretion of the Headmaster with Awards presented to successful nominees at Speech Day in December.

*Ms S Cameron
Lt S Dundon*

NSW Sheep Show - Dubbo '09

Our year 9 Ag students recently exhibited sheep at the Landmark NSW Sheep Show held in conjunction with the Dubbo Show. This show is the second biggest sheep show held in Australia. There were approximately 900 meat sheep and 50 merinos exhibited from every state except Tasmania. The judging extended over a two day period with three judging rings constantly in action. There were about one hundred and fifty students from eleven schools exhibiting sheep.

The first all girl Agriculture class at Scots exhibited sheep in open competition and competed in meat sheep and merino junior judging. The school ram (who was placed fourth at Sydney against strong competition) was unplaced at Dubbo, the South Australian Judge placing greater emphasis on size than muscling and conformation.

As this is the last sheep show of the season I wish to congratulate the year 9 girls for their effort and commitment. I received favorable comments from

other exhibitors and organizers regarding our students, and the presentation of the sheep.

A big thank you to all the parents and families for their support during the show season.



Peter Matus

The Scots Preparatory School

Congratulations

To all students who have worked hard and behaved well enough to earn their Gold Card morning tea last Friday. The children enjoyed cakes, chips and poppers and an extra play period for their efforts.

To Hannah Crozier, Aiden Telfser, Jye Bower and Zoe Behrendt who all spoke well at the CWA Public Speaking Competition on Tuesday.

To our debating team who argued their case strongly against Bathurst Christian school last Friday.

Assessment Week

All children K to 6 will be completing assessment tasks this week. The information gained from this process will be used, along with other forms of assessment to formulate end of semester reports. These will be posted in the first week of the holidays.

Speeches Term 2

This term's speech note will be sent home on Thursday this week and will be the major component of homework during week 7. This will give time over the Exeat weekend and the following weekend to prepare, polish and practise. Topics are linked to English, HSIE and Science. Parents who have not received a copy of our Public Speaking guidelines booklet, can request one via the diary. Speeches will be delivered in classes on Monday 15th June. Assessment of the speeches is done by teachers and will be placed in portfolios.

Long Weekend

Parents are reminded that the long weekend extends from Thursday June 4th at 3:20pm to recommence on Wednesday June 10th. I hope it will be a restful and enjoyable break for all. If there is any one who would like to share their home during this time, with our Japanese student in Year 6, please let me know via the diary or by phone. It is a wonderful experience for our overseas students to share Australian family life assisting in their learning of English immensely.

Coming Events

Stage 2 will be going on a Science excursion to Hungry Jacks and Annies Icecream on Wednesday June 10, following the Science Competition.

Stage 3 will attend Chapel with the Senior School on Thursday June 11 where a rock band will perform.

Mrs Inglis and our Chess teams will be participating in a tournament on Friday June 12.

WAS Gala Day

Unfortunately the WAS Gala Day for girls soccer and boys rugby has been cancelled for this year due to a clash of dates for the schools involved. I will endeavour to arrange games in these sports during term 3 with individual schools.

*Mrs Kerry Robinson
Head of Preparatory School*

Pre-Prep

Week 6

Sounds Programme

This week Pre-Prep will be learning all about the letter "h". In Letterland we will meet Harry Hat Man and our "Ants in the Apple" Program we will learn the song Hens with hats on h,h,h. For craft expect to see some horses, houses, hippos, hearts,hydrangeas hens and humpty dumpty.

School Library Visits.

Just a reminder that the days we attend the Scots School Library are Monday, Tuesday, and Friday. If the children do not bring back their Library book they are not allowed to borrow another book. There have been some disappointed children over the last few weeks as many have been forgetting their Library bag and book.

Town Library

Our next visit to the Town Library will be next Thursday, 11th June the day after we come back from our Long Weekend break.

Advanced Notice

Scots School Pre-Prep – Year 12 will be having a mid-term break over the long weekend in June. This means the school will be closed on Friday 5th June, Monday 8th June (Public Holiday) and Tuesday 9th June. Classes recommence on Wednesday 10th June. These dates were included in the schools annual calendar.

Coming Events

Musica Viva	Wednesday, 24 th June.
Parent/Teacher Interviews	Friday, 26 th June.
Parent/Teacher Interviews	Monday, 29 th June.

Mrs White and Mrs Woodside

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Indoor Soccer Report Tuesday 26th May, 2009

This week the enthusiasm from both Scots Lions and Little Scots was really noticeable.

Well done to Angus, Bethany, Aly and Belinda for taking turns to play on the other team during their game. Elizabeth, Jake and Emma played well in the goal keeper position this week making some great saves!

All players showed great sportsmanship with shaking hands with the opposition and thanking the other team at the end of their match.

Congratulations to Bethany Mitchell and Angus Druitt for achieving Player of the week in their teams. Bethany showed a great improvement in her game and made some great attempts at shooting for goal. Angus made some impressive kicks and consistently ran after the ball. Bethany and Angus are pictured below with their awards.

Mrs White and Mrs Hallahan



Lithgow School

Exeat Weekend

A reminder to parents that students have an extra-long break over the Queen's Birthday Long Weekend. This applies to both Prep and Pre-Prep students. The last day of school for students is on Thursday the 4th June. Students then have a break from school from Friday 5th June-Tuesday 9th June. Classes then resume for all students on Wednesday 10th June. Please refer to the term planner or see your teacher if you require more information.

Next P&F Meeting

It was wonderful to see new faces at the last meeting and we would like to extend an invitation to parents of both Pre-Prep and Prep students to join us for our next meeting on Tuesday June 16th after school to prepare for the end of term family lunch.

End of Term Family BBQ and Easter Hat Parade Tuesday 23rd June

We are giving advanced notice of our end of term lunch and performance. This is held in the Church beside the school where children will perform on the stage for parents followed by lunch with our families. This semester we are going to try a soup, damper and dessert lunch. Anyone interested in helping please see your teacher as help is always needed and appreciated.

P & F Donation

The Lithgow P&F have decided to use some of the funds they have raised to buy some wonderful resources for the school. These have included Gym Mats, Water play tables, sacks for sack races and a parachute. Students will get a lot of use out of these purchases. THANK YOU P&F!!

Book Club

Issue 4 orders and money are due back to the school no later than Friday 12th June.

Life Education Van Visit

Harold and Stephanie visited us last week in the Life Education Van. Students were excited to see that the van had arrived when we came to school on Wednesday morning. Harold was still waking up and even still getting dressed as Year 1 came to visit early that morning. Students described Harold as "a bit cheeky" but we all had a wonderful time visiting the van and learned a lot about our bodies and how to look after them well. We will continue working on the things that he has taught us in our workbooks next term.

Away with the circus

We are being treated to a live performance entitled "Away with the Circus" by the CSU Theatre Media students on Monday the 15th June. All students, both Prep and Pre-prep who attend on Monday's will attend the performance at a cost of \$4 per student.

Prep School News

Welcome

The Prep classroom in Lithgow would like to welcome Chelsey Roach to our room. Chelsey is in year 4 and is making friends quickly at both Bathurst and Lithgow. Students are very excited to have a new classmate.

As well as visiting Harold and due to the wet weather lunches we have been able to look at the movie Oliver and the conditions in England during the 1700's. Years 4/5 have also looked at James Cook and his voyages and explored the concept of Terra Nullius, writing discussions about our views.

As a whole class we have mapped the journey the Macassar fishermen took from Sulawesi to Australia and back again on the monsoon winds and made sandpaper cave artworks depicting their ships visiting Australia.

Erika Pringle and Elizabeth Lang

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Sport at Scots

Sports Bulletin Week 6 Term 2

NSWCIS Cross Country

Last Thursday (28th May) 11 students from Scots ran at the NSWCIS Cross Country at Eastern Creek. It was a good day for running but with a heavy track due to recent rain falls in Sydney it made the going tough. Our students all performed admirably and gave their best against fields of very strong runners. There approximately 80 to 90 runners in each race. The results were as follows. Annie Broad 36th, Mollie Harley 63rd, Maddison Hohnberg 70th, Robbie Hayward 43rd, Jessica Mackenzie 14th, Jock Sinclair 32nd, Kieran Ball 66th, Jonathon Edgell 75th, Lachlan McDevitt 80th, Thomas Sharp 57th, Matthew Gervasoni 66th.

Nike Challenge 2009

All students wanting to take part in this years' Nike Challenge must return their signed permission notes and complete the registration process at school this week. The computer lab will be open at lunch time so that students can do the online registration process. Again, all students with iPod Nano or Touch (Gen 2) models will be guaranteed a place in the team. Those wanting to use a sports band (a limited number supplied) will be allocated on a preferential basis.

Rugby and Netball Tours

If there are any students who have not paid their final instalment for the tour, please do so before this Thursday. At present I am confirming airline ticket details, completing tour lists for tour programs, waiting on tour uniforms, finalising additional activities and completing the itinerary. A final letter will be sent home in the next two weeks with all the essential information such as what to pack, carnival draw details, accommodation information and transport arrangements. It will also include a behaviour code of conduct that needs to be discussed with and signed by parents/guardians.

Exeat Weekend and Sports Training

Due to the exeat weekend this coming weekend, there will be no sports played by Scots teams. Please be advised that sports training will be as usual this Tuesday but will **not** be on Thursday. We will resume sports training after the exeat weekend on the Thursday.

Mr. Justin Adams (Sports Master)

Rugby . . .

13's, 14's & 16's

Unfortunately last Saturday's fixtures with St Paul's was cancelled by St Paul's due to the condition of their oval. Despite attempts to find alternate games, we were unable to do so due to the short notice.

-- Mr Richard Mottram

1st XV v. Kinross 4th -- A win 38-15

A beautiful day for rugby in Orange on Saturday and the boys were appreciative of our hosts Kinross to ahe a game. We started the game well with a try by Brad Johnston on the corner due to great work by the backs to get the ball through the hands quickly. The forwards played well but at times lost their structure on attack, however their defence was excellent. We trialled a number of boys in different positions in the backline and it worked well with strong performances by Seung Do Kim at full back, Matt Gervasoni at 5/8th and Lewis McLeod at half back and outside centre. It was great to get some points on the board and get a win to give us some confidence as we head into the long weekend. Thank you to all the parents who came

to watch the game. Special thanks to Adrian lee who came to referee the match; without him we wouldn't have had a game. Well done boys!

Best performances this match: Seung Do Kim, Matt Gervasoni, Luke Ryan, Sean Johnson, Will Hannan, Lewis McLeod, Brenton Gibson.

Scoring for Scots: Brenton Gibson (1 try; 4 conversions); Jake White (1 try); Will Hannan (1 try); Bran Johnston (1 try); Matt Gervasoni (2 tries).

Final result: TSS 38 to Kinross 15

Mr Duane Bailey (Coach)

Soccer . . .

SCOTS STRIKERS v's MACQUARIE UNITED

Another great game! Despite going down 2-5, the team showed fighting spirit against a very physical side, coming back to score 2 great goals from the dynamic duo of Jack and Lachie. Pat, our goalie was brilliant, diving here and there saving plenty. The few that did get past were executed to take advantage of our lack of height. Harry "the terrier" was good in attack as too was our defense with Nicko giving directions in the backs. Well done guys! Each and every one of you contributed to this game.

Darron Thomson - coach

Under 16s Girls Soccer-- Scots vs Macquarie United **Final score: 5-0 loss**

Another defeat, but another excellent display of sportsmanship, perseverance and tenacity. The Scots girls were outclassed in a number of areas but have improved considerably in others, including positional play and continuity.

Our forwards had a few genuine opportunities including two one-on-ones with the goal keeper. Our defence was generally very solid with the welcome return of Alice Godwin and the skillfulness of Christie Shin. Alexandra Bird in the midfield provided an aura of calmness and plenty of good balls in behind the opposition. Holly Kristensen and Nikki Butler have developed as reliable wingers and Nikki provided one of the most graceful falls and speedy recoveries I've seen. Sarah Traysevaska-Twaitis is developing well as a strong defender and I'm very happy with the improving skills and knowledge of the whole team.

Best Player: Christie Shin

Mr Newton

Netball . . .

Scots Glasgow v. Calare

Easily our best performance of the season against a strong opposition. We trailed at each break of play and got within 2 goals during the final quarter. Our defence was awesome and built a strong platform for the rest of the team to work from. Hats off to Georgia and Meg for dominating the rebounds and to Eloise for her tireless drives through centre court. Elyse kept us in the match with her awesome shooting. Team fitness still needs work. Enjoy the long weekend.

Scoring for Scots: Stacey Callan, Elyse Owens

Best performances: Georgia Brancourt; Meg Eisenhauer, Eloise Weekes

-- Mr Justin Adams

All Schools Diving . . .

On Monday 25/5/09 Hamish Fisher and Kyle Skinner competed at SOPAC in the All Schools Diving Competition. This was a significant achievement for these students who got to train and compete at one of the highest levels available. Out of a field of seven, the boys finished: Kyle Skinner - 6th place; Hamish Fisher - 7th place, continuing an interpersonal competition, they have maintained at every carnival this year. Whilst the top place getters were of international standard, the boys were not outclassed further down the table. Have Narromine or Cooma produced home grown diving stars before?!

Remember these boys compete against divers who train all year round in international class facilities. The school, in particular, would like to thank Mr and Mrs Wellmore and Mrs and Mrs Fisher for their huge effort in getting these competitors some time to train in Sydney as not even a toddler's pool is open west of Homebush Bay!

Well done boys! Lifetime memories. Keep your wetsuit warm for Term 4 in Bathurst.

Mr Ian Doney

Scots Edinburgh versus All Saints

Our traditional netball grudge match against All Saints was an entertaining spectacle. We started on fire with crisp passing, fluid and timely drives and domination in attack. However, a few stray passes and a loss of possession soon saw the score favour Saints at the break. They continued with momentum in the second quarter and were ahead by about 10 goals at the half time break. Caitlin McDermid played outstanding all match at centre and Georgia Brancourt was awesome at goal keeper. Both of these girls were making their debut in the 1st VII and demonstrated that they can cut the grade. An equal 3rd quarter left us with the inevitable task of recovering the trailing goals. To our girls' credit they won the last quarter with Chloe playing well at WA and our shooters Rachael and Mary-Ann combining well in the circle. The final score was All Saints 36 to Scots 28.

We still need to work on our fitness as we struggle to maintain match intensity for the whole quarter.

Mr. Adams

Hockey . . .

U15's v. Souths

A disrupted side but in a very good match. We played a number of over age players in this side based on 'weight' (of their skills!) It is producing some very good hockey. Good games from Ben Vance, Hugo Newell (both playing some great hockey this season), supported by Isaac Watt and the rest of the team. Final score TSS 1 to Souths 3. Scoring for Scots: Thomas Sharp.

Mr I. Doney/ Mr H. Taylor

U17's v. Souths

Another great game in this age group. All players are enjoying playing hard, skillful hockey. We are competitive, at our best, with all sides in the competition. Strong games from Elliott Chew, Kyle Skinner and Lachlan Perry and our Goal Scorer Thomas Curran. Well done team!

Final score TSS 1 to Souths 3.

-- Mr I. Doney

U13's Hockey

Best Players: Cameron Chew, Meghan Booth

This was a very entertaining match which demonstrated that our skill level, positional play and communication are continuing to improve week to week. Goals to Cameron Chew and Meg Booth in the first half saw us lead 2 -1 at halftime. Cameron extended the lead early in the second half and great positional play lead to a goal late in the second half to Gulliver Newell.

Kalyan Manning continued to impress at goalkeeper, limiting St Pats to 2 goals. Well done everyone."

Mr Nick Dawes

Scots Under 11s vs Souths/Kelso -- A 3-1 Win!

Another game that came together well in the end. A special mention again to the backs in defence - Will and Jye who performed wonderfully. Hannah Crozier did an excellent job as Goal Keeper for the first time in her hockey career - congratulations Hannah!

Goals were scored by Matthew Vance and Luke Newman who are both tenacious in attack. Player of the match was awarded to Paris for some excellent tackles and terrific overall improvement in her skills this season.

Please note there is no hockey training or game this week due to long weekend commitments. The next training session will be the Wednesday first day back at school after the long weekend.

Vickie Vance

Lithgow Pre-Prep

Welcome to Week 6!

What a busy term we are having!.

Sounds Programme

During Week 5 we revised previous discussed letters D,O,R and G. We have made Orange Crabs, Diggers digging, Rascally Rabbits, Gorgeous Girls and Delightful Donkey's Doing. This week we are looking at the letter and sound Hh. Expect to see Hairy Hats, Hi 5 Hands, Horses and lots, lots more. We have been continuing learning about our letters and sounds and have been discussing our Grandparents.

Life Education Visit

On Wednesday the 27th Healthy Harold came to visit Scots School. It was very exciting and all the children participated in the lesson. The Pre Prep lesson was centered on healthy food. We had to pack a backpack for Harold to take camping. The children had an enjoyable lesson.

Town Library

We have resumed our excursions to the town library on Mondays. We know how and where to return our books, where to go for our new books and where the borrowing counter is. Thanks Trevor for all your patience in this. Michelle reads us a story and then we do a craft activity that goes with this story. It is always a fun morning.

End of Semester Concert

Due to a mix up and clash of functions our end of semester concert will have to be re-scheduled and will now be held on Tuesday 23rd of June. We are very sorry for any inconvenience this causes families, however, it was unavoidable. On this note everyone is most welcome and it will be a great fun. If possible could the pre-prep children bring a check shirt and a cowboy hat. Please don't go to trouble but if you have these at home that will be fantastic.

Parking

A big thank you to all the parents, grandparents and carers who have stopped parking on the grass area out the back of the Pre Prep room. This is appreciated.

Take Care
Mrs Lang