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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### **Sunday 7 May**

- [Anzac Service and Parade](#)

### **Wednesday 31 May**

- Meningococcal Vaccinations, Portrait and Thistle Rooms, 8am - 4pm

### **Monday 5 June**

- Parent Morning Tea, Great Hall Foyer, 10.30 - 12pm

### **Monday 19 June**

- Cadet Passing Out Parade

### **Wednesday 21 June**

- Year 11 Formal

See the full calendar in [Parent Lounge](#)

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[Year 11 page on the Portal](#)



## FROM THE TEAM LEADERS

Welcome to Term 2! It will be a short but busy term with a variety of important topics to be addressed. The Mentor Program will be focused on Mindfulness, Meditation and Responsible Driving. The aim of these topics is to provide Year 11 with strategies to proactively manage stress. Term 2, and in particular Term 3, are highly stressful times. I would strongly encourage the boys to start studying at least three

weeks in advance of their assessment dates. Mr Weeding and Mr Nunan will continue to present the boys with effective study strategies in the weeks ahead.

Year 11 are at the age where they are starting to get their learner and provisional licence and as such we will examine what it takes to be a responsible driver. We will look at speeding, texting whilst driving and the impact of fatigue, alcohol and drugs on a persons' reaction time. We will also discuss the importance of evaluating whether the driver of a vehicle is fit to drive before becoming a passenger in their car. At our Year Meeting this week, Mr Ian Fawbert shared a very personal story of his final year in school when one of his friends died in a car accident. His friend was one of three passengers in a vehicle that was speeding around a bend. Unfortunately, none of the passengers survived when the vehicle hit a pole. Although the driver survived, he was declared brain dead. Although none of us have the ability to see into the future, I do encourage Year 11 to make decisions that will keep them and those around them safe.

Commendation to Nicholas Gallu, Gil Garrett and Sam Nethercott for their outstanding contribution to the ANZAC Day ceremony in Warrawee. Thank you to Benjamin Wickins, Euro Ruanganish, Derek Mak, Eric Liu, Thomas Summerhayes-Perkins, Jason Chang and Benjamin Wood for volunteering at this Sunday's ANZAC Day service at Knox.

MATT CAVALLARO YEAR 11 TEAM LEADER AND JENNIFER TRAN YEAR 11 ASSISTANT TEAM LEADER



## FROM THE STUDENT ADMINISTRATION OFFICER

Last weekend's Gala Day was a massive success. It was wonderful to see so many parents and students enjoying the festivities and activities on the day. A huge thank you to Ms Megan Bailey for her efficient organisation and to all the hard-working and generous parents who baked, barbecued, donated, co-ordinated, fetched, carried and staffed stalls all day. Well done to all involved.

This Sunday, the Knox Cadet Unit conducts their annual ANZAC Day parade. It is always a spectacular and solemn occasion and this year is sure to be no different. The Cadets from Knox and Ravenswood have put in a massive amount of work preparing and training for the parade. Year 11 students play a major role in this wonderful parade with many of the Cadet leaders coming from Year 11, as well as many members of the fantastic Pipe Band and the amazing Symphonic Wind Ensemble and Combined School Choir. Good luck to all of the students and staff involved.

The Year 11 Formal Committee has been working hard laying the foundations for the forthcoming Formal on Wednesday 21 June at Curzon Hall, Marsfield. This is a stunning venue and sure to be a great night. More information, including ticketing, will be coming in the next couple of weeks.

RENEE WILLSON YEAR 11 STUDENT ADMINISTRATION OFFICER



Above: Tom Cameron, Inside Centre, 1st XV Rugby in action on Gala Day.

**Year 11 Science Tutorial and Olympiad Tutorial help available.** For further information, please click [here](#).



## FROM THE HEAD OF KNOX SENIOR SECONDARY ACADEMY

With a new term comes a new round of assessments, identical to what will occur throughout Year 12. With the recently released Interim Report (which will be refreshed on Student Café/Parent Lounge today), and Student/Parent/Teacher interviews, all boys should have a clear direction on their progress to date in each subject. As we plan for the remaining assessments this term, I encourage all boys to make the most of the [Assessment Chart](#) found on the Portal. This chart is published as

an Excel document so each student can personalise it. Many boys have told me that they have printed what is relevant to them and have it clearly on display at home. At the Year Meeting next week, Mr Nunan and I will show some examples and discuss how to plan their study program around their assessments.

During periods of assessment, it is important that boys know the rules that have been prescribed by NESAs (formerly BOSTES). We are bound by these, as are all schools, to ensure consistency in assessment across all Stage 6 candidates across the State. All guidelines are outlined in the [Assessment Schedule](#) that can be found on the Portal. The following is a summary of some of the more common situations.

- If the absence is due to illness an [Illness/Misadventure Application](#) (IMA) must be completed by a doctor and submitted within 48 hours of the task. Please note that loss of preparation time usually can't be considered for IMA.
- If a student suffers genuine misadventure, then an IMA can be submitted. Full details are in Section 6 of the Assessment Schedule. Please note that 'technology failure' can't be considered misadventure. The boys are encouraged to back up all work and should consult IT if they are unsure of the best way to do this.
- If a student is to be away on the day of an assessment, a [Leave Form](#) must be completed.
- If a student is absent the day before an assessment (or absent Friday when the assessment is on Monday) a medical certificate is to be supplied.

I know it is some time away; however, I need to make everyone aware that assessments in Term 4 will count towards the final HSC assessment mark. As each subject starts a new course at the beginning of Term 4, it is not possible to have an assessment until at least the mid-way point of the term. The entire Year 12 assessment calendar will be given to the boys in the first week of Term 4; however, I can advise in advance that some subjects will have assessments in the final week of the academic year (4-6 December). Furthermore, all courses will keep teaching HSC content right through to the last day of Term 4. For these reasons I ask for your cooperation in ensuring that where possible, your son is present for the final week of school this year.

ANDREW WEEDING HEAD OF KNOX SENIOR SECONDARY ACADEMY



Above: As a sportsman, there is nothing better than hearing the loud cheers from the supporters in the stands. Well done to the Year 11 boys, who came out in numbers, for your support of the Rugby 1sts and 2nds on Gala Day.

**Term 2 2017 – Career Events**

DATE	PRESENTATION	TIME	VENUE
Tuesday 9 May	Scholarship Applications Workshop – presented by Jonathan Lam	Lunch	KSSA Lecture Theatre
Monday 15 May	Co-op UNSW	Lunch	KSSA Lecture Theatre
Tuesday 16 May	Engineering Industry Breakfast RSVP via the OKGA website <a href="http://www.okga.org.au/engineersbreakfast">www.okga.org.au/engineersbreakfast</a>	7am-8.20am	KSSA Seniors Hall
Wednesday 24 May	UMAT Information Session – presented by National Institute of Education (NIE) RSVP is essential – click on the link below <a href="https://form.jotformpro.com/knoxsports/umat-information-session--presente">https://form.jotformpro.com/knoxsports/umat-information-session--presente</a>	5.30pm-7pm	KCCA
Monday 29 May	KNOX RAVENSWOOD CAREERS NIGHT	5.30pm – 8pm	Great Hall
Tuesday 30 May	UAC School Presentation – presented by UAC RSVP is essential – click on the link below <a href="https://form.jotformpro.com/71147636158965">https://form.jotformpro.com/71147636158965</a>	5.30pm-7pm	Great Hall
Monday 19 June	UTS	Lunch	KSSA Lecture Theatre

**TERM 3:**

Wednesday 9 August	Law Profession Breakfast	7am – 8.20am	KSSA Seniors Hall
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Above: Congratulations to our 2nds Football team who out played the opposition in every facet of the game and earned a 2-1 victory vs Cranbrook at Friday night's football.