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UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday 28 May

- [Careers Night](#) - Great Hall 5.30pm - 8pm

Friday 1 June

- Football under lights - 6pm kickoff for 2nd XI & 7.15pm for the 1st XI.

Friday 1 June

- Entries Close for [Knox Flix](#)

Saturday 2 June

- Gala Day

Wednesday 6 June

- [Inter-Cru](#)

Thursday 14 June

- Community Welcome for Headmaster Scott James - Thistle and Portrait Room - 6.30pm - 8.30pm

Wednesday 27 June

- Year 11 Formal - Curzon Hall

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

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[Year 11 page on the Portal](#)



FROM THE TEAM LEADERS

With under six months until our Year 11 boys start Year 12, preparation is in full swing. Jersey sizes are being fitted, presentation of graduation pins from the Headmaster has occurred and applications for School and Co-Curricular Prefects have begun. Many boys have experienced success with selections for First teams, achieving their Bronze or Silver Award for Duke of Edinburgh while others are enjoying their

last year at the da Vinci Decathlon. During Year Meeting this week, the Headmaster Scott James highlighted what a Knox leader is. Unfortunately, we will have a lot of good leaders miss out on School Prefect positions; however, as Mr James said, the colour of one's tie does not impact on the kind of leader they will be within the School. That Year 12s create the culture, Mr White and myself have no doubt they will take this responsibility seriously and be outstanding.

A fortnight ago our Year 11 gentlemen and their parents/caregivers ascended into Knox for their first Student Parent Teacher meetings since starting Stage 6. The night was a great success and we are seeing an increased use of the resources here at school. A reminder that the emphasis is on the boys to take responsibility for their learning and ensure they are following up and implementing the feedback they receive from their teachers. With such a short term it is a great time to set goals and cement those healthy study skills to help set them up for a successful Year 12.

ANDREA WIFFEN YEAR 11 ASSISTANT TEAM LEADER



FROM THE STUDENT ADMINISTRATION OFFICER

Last Sunday, under the bluest of autumn skies, we honoured those who gave their lives in conflict and celebrated the legacy they have bequeathed to us by that sacrifice. It was a wonderful ANZAC Memorial Service with perfect performance and execution from the Knox Pipes & Drums, the Flag Party, the Honour Guard, the Catafalque Party, our Cadet Unit, the Symphonic Wind Ensemble and the Choir.

In his address, Reviewing Officer His Excellency General The Honourable David Hurley AC DSC (Ret'd), Governor of New South Wales reflected on the length of time Knox has been involved in the ANZAC Service at the School and his memories of his visit 15 years ago. Following his review of the Cadet Unit, he also praised them on their excellent performance.

It was wonderful to see so many students attending the Business Industry Breakfast last Friday in the Seniors' Hall. With 12 Old Boys present to speak to the boys about various industries, it certainly was a great success.

If a student is feeling unwell, he must visit the clinic and then get signed out from there. Students are not to just ring parents and tell them they are unwell and then go home.

Please be mindful as you drop off and/or pick up your son from school not to stop or park in the driveway of any Knox neighbours nor in the bus zone on Woodville Ave.

PAMELA HITCHCOCK YEAR 11 STUDENT ADMINISTRATION OFFICER

EDUCATION IS THE FOUNDATION UPON WHICH WE BUILD OUR FUTURE' CHRISTINE GREGOIRE



FROM THE HEADS OF STAGE 6 ACADEMY TEAM

With a new term comes a new round of assessments, identical to what will occur throughout Year 12. Following the Interim Report and Student Led Conferences, all boys should have a clear idea of their progress to date in each subject. To plan for the remaining assessments this term, we 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 us that they have printed what is relevant to them and have it clearly on display at home.

During periods of assessment, it is important that boys know the rules that have been prescribed by NESAs. 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 that shows the date of the rescheduled task.
- 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. Any medical certificate must state the nature of the illness. Many doctors will provide one that simply states 'unfit for school'. Please ask the doctor to briefly elaborate the situation on the certificate.

Last year the boys completed the NESAs prescribed course titled 'All My Own Work'. At the Year Meeting on Monday we reminded the boys about the importance of upholding academic integrity in all assignments. We encouraged them to seek our help if they are in any doubt as to what constitutes plagiarism. A good starting point is to ask for assistance in the library. The library staff can help in accessing information, referencing what they have sourced and what can and can't be reproduced.

We know it is some time away; however, we 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, we can advise in advance that some subjects may have assessments in the final week of the academic year (3-6 December). Furthermore, all courses will keep teaching HSC content right through to the last day of Term 4. For these reasons, we ask for your cooperation in ensuring that where possible, your son is present for the final week of school this year.

ANDREW WEEDING AND GREG NUNAN, STAGE 6 TEAM LEADERS



FROM THE CAREERS ADVISOR

The success of the Business Industry Breakfast last Friday, highlights the level of interest from students to be informed about their career interests, particularly in the business and finance sector. The breakfast event, in conjunction with the OKGA, was able to give students the opportunity to network and learn more about the variety of possibilities on offer. A large number of Old Boys attended and spoke about their journey into their career path and provided guidance and support to our senior students.

Thank you to all the Old Boys who gave up their time to support our students at this event. The next series of industry breakfasts will be on using LinkedIn to shape your online CV (19 June), Allied Health (1 August) and Engineering (7 August).

A reminder of the upcoming Knox Careers Night, on Monday 28 May from 5.30pm in the Great Hall. Please [click here](#) for the list of exhibitors attending on the night. With over 65 exhibitors in attendance, this is a great opportunity to have direct access to course and career information which will assist with decisions about post-school options and pathways. I hope to see you all there.

LINDA GOMEZ CAREERS ADVISOR

KNOX CAREERS NIGHT 2018
CHARTING YOUR FUTURE DIRECTION

This free event is open to the public and is suitable for high school boys and girls from local schools and their parents.

When: Monday 28 May 2018, 5.30pm-8pm
Where: Knox Great Hall, Knox Grammar School, Wahroonga

Come and speak to representatives from:

- Universities Admissions Centre (UAC)
- University of Sydney
- University of Technology Sydney (UTS)
- University of NSW
- Macquarie University
- Australian National University
- University of Newcastle
- Australian Catholic University
- University of Wollongong
- University of Tasmania
- Bond University
- University of Notre Dame
- National Institute of Dramatic Art (NIDA)
- Australia Film Television Radio School
- TAFE NSW
- Apprenticeship Support Australia
- Defence Force Recruiting
- International College of Management
- Macleay College
- Academy of Interactive Entertainment
- Sydney Film School
- International Screen Academy
- Education USA
- Many more uni and tertiary institutions

For more information, visit the Knox website: www.knox.nsw.edu.au



IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM THE DEPUTY HEADMASTER, MR O'REGAN

On Friday 18 May, Netflix released the second season of "13 Reasons Why". After the first series was released, which depicted a young woman who committed suicide after outlining 13 'reasons' for her death, there was widespread concern about the potential risk the series posed to youth wellbeing. If you allow your son to watch this series, it is important you are aware of the risks associated with the content, and are prepared to discuss these with your son in a way that:

- avoids normalising or glamourising suicide;
- supports young people to manage their emotional responses to the series and related issues;
- enables young people to consider the confronting detail relating to personal safety across a number of adolescent health areas;
- empowers young people to seek appropriate information and support for their difficulties, where necessary.

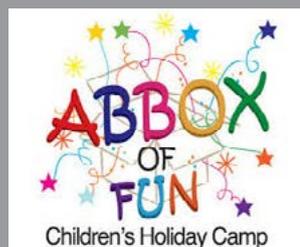
After the first series, Headspace offered [guidance on such conversations](#) at:

Should you be concerned about your own wellbeing, or the wellbeing of someone close to you, the following services provide immediate support for distressed young people.:

- Lifeline 131 114, or lifeline.org.au
- beyondblue 1300 224 636
- SuicideLine 1300 651 251
- Kids Helpline: 1800 551 800 or kidshelpline.org.au
- Suicide Call Back Service: 1300 659 467 or suicidecallbackservice.org.au
- eheadspace: 1800 650 890 or eheadspace.org.au

At Knox, you can contact a [school psychologist](#) or 02 9119 0828.

PHIL O'REGAN, DEPUTY HEADMASTER - YEARS 7-12



To Parents of Year 11 students

The ABBOX Children's Holiday Camp provides four days of care, friendship and entertainment for children with intellectual and physical disabilities and much needed respite for their families. This year, the camp will be held at Abbotsleigh School in Wahroonga from Saturday 8 December to Tuesday 11 December 2018.

Year 11 students from Knox Grammar School and Abbotsleigh will be invited to volunteer at the camp later this term.

There will be an information evening for parents of interested student volunteers on Tuesday 12 June at 6.30pm in the Thistle Room. For further details [contact](#) Mrs Carter



COMMUNITY WELCOME FOR HEADMASTER SCOTT JAMES

When: Thursday 14 June 2018, 6.30pm-8.30pm
Where: Thistle and Portrait Room, KG1 Building, Senior School

Knox Prep, Wahroonga Prep and Senior School parents are warmly invited to attend a community function to welcome the eighth Headmaster of Knox Grammar School, Mr Scott James, and his wife Mrs Louise James. Drinks and canapés will be served.

RSVPs are essential by 31 May at www.knox.nsw.edu.au/CW. For more information, please contact [Megan Bailey](#).

YEAR 11 STUDENTS AT BUSINESS INDUSTRY BREAKFAST



Boys receiving their Duke of Ed Award Certificates at Year Meeting



Haowen Gao, Ben Bradshaw, William Liu, Eric Zhao, Horton Zeng, Eugene Bakker, Alez Zhu and Nathan Guo

ANZAC SERVICE AND PARADE

