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Duke of Edinburgh information

Registration for Duke of Edinburgh Bronze/
Silver/Gold Qualifying camp is now open.

Dates are as follows:

Bronze: 23 - 24 September.

Silver: 24 - 26 September.

Gold: 23 - 26 September.

Please register your son via the Skoolbag app
or through the [link](#).

FROM THE TEAM LEADERS



What a busy fortnight our Year 10s have had! With assessments due, Cadet Promotions Courses and let's not forget suit shopping for the Formal, our boys are looking forward to a well-earned rest over the weekend. It's great to hear and see the photos of suits the boys have picked, although I'm still unsure if floral patterned suits are in style but who am I to say! Mr White, the Mentors and I are all looking forward to

the night and we want to remind everyone to ensure they have taken the time to read all the information relevant to the formal.

I was fortunate enough to be on the Cadet Senior Leaders Course over the weekend to see how brilliant our boys are. Every year I'm blown away with how exceptional the students we work with are and the men they will become and this year was no different. I have no doubt the future of our Cadet Unit is in great hands after seeing what our leaders had to offer.

On the horizon we have Jersey Day on Friday 1 September in support of organ donation. I will be wearing my Geelong Cats Jersey and Mr White may potentially wear a Barcelona Jersey but after Neymar being traded I'm sure he may also change teams! We encourage all our boys to wear a jersey from their favourite team to help raise awareness for organ donation.

ANDREA WIFFEN YEAR 10 ASSISTANT TEAM LEADER

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday 30 August

Year 10 Formal Miramare Gardens

7 - 10 September

Spelling Bee Musical - [Click here](#) for tickets

Friday 8 September

Knox Spring Festival - Gillespie Field
9.30am - 2pm [Click here](#) for raffle tickets

Thursday 14 September

CAS Track and Field - SOPAC

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

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[Year 10 page on the Portal](#)

FROM THE STUDENT ADMINISTRATION OFFICER



Congratulations to Eric Zhao and Haowen Gao who have achieved awards in the UNSW 56th Mathematics Annual School Competition. These will be presented to them at an Award Ceremony at the University of NSW on Friday 8 September. Congratulations, boys!

I am sure you are all getting very excited about the Year 10 Formal next Wednesday. I hope you all enjoy seeing your sons dressed and ready to

escort their partners to Miramare Gardens.

It is still not too late to order a corsage if needed for the Formal. You can do this [online](#).

FORMAL TIP OF THE WEEK - 5: Table Etiquette

Meal times are invariably very relaxed these days, however, when dining out and for occasions like the Formal, there are just a few simple rules

- Place your napkin on your lap as soon as seated
- Use the bread and butter plate to your left
- Thank the wait staff when served
- Use cutlery commencing from the outside
- Do not begin eating until everyone at the table has been served
- Ask to be passed items, do not reach across others
- When finished eating, place your knife and fork together on the plate, fork tines facing upwards

Of course, you will have your phones at the table for all those memorable Formal photos, however, keep the social interaction for all the real people at your table, including your partner!

Have a great weekend.

PAMELA HITCHCOCK YEAR 10 STUDENT ADMINISTRATION OFFICER



FROM THE DIRECTOR OF STUDIES KNOX MIDDLE SECONDARY ACADEMY

The Knox Service Learning Project provides students with the opportunity to develop civic engagement skills and helps to promote a sense of connection within our community. The skills and experiences gained through this program are held in high regard by universities and employers. Student leadership positions at Knox provide opportunities for our young men to serve their school. During the interview process for these sought after positions, students are asked about their engagement with the Service Learning Program and encouraged to reflect upon their experiences. Many universities, both locally and internationally, hold the altruistic contributions that students make to their communities in high regard and it is increasingly common to see questions relating to service learning on scholarship application forms. Year 10 students have until Friday 20 October to complete their 15 hours of Service Learning and submit their signed timesheet and evaluation.

I hope you have a relaxing and enjoyable weekend. I look forward to seeing the young men of Year 10 in their formal attire next week for what promises to be a very enjoyable and memorable Wednesday evening.

ELIZABETH RUFF DIRECTOR OF STUDIES KNOX MIDDLE SECONDARY ACADEMY

KNOX INTERNATIONAL STUDENT EXCHANGE

Dear Year 10 Parents, Boys and Exchange Visitors,

It has been a very busy time for all Knox exchange students and their families this term. Knox would like to thank all host families and Knox teachers for their tremendous support of the Exchange Program. Our visitors have been spoilt indeed with many outings, day-trips, weekends away organised by the families, and of course participating in lessons at School. Many visitors come from smaller colleges and they are most impressed with the facilities on offer at Knox.

Andrew Coxwell and Brayden Barrett from St Andrew's School, South Africa are being hosted by Samuel McKay and Elliott Burns respectively. Sam and Elliott will be off to Grahamstown, South Africa in Term 4. From South Africa also we are currently hosting Justin Cross. Justin is here on a simultaneous Boarding Exchange with Tasman Rooke who is thoroughly enjoying his time at Pretoria Boys High School, South Africa. The boys have only met briefly at the airport and will return home at the end of Term 3.

Our visitors from Hereford Cathedral School UK left Knox a couple of weeks ago, while our Knox boys, Digby Dalton and Mackenzie Dixon, are off this weekend to stay with their UK buddies, Jimmy Smith and Tristan Cotton at Hereford.

Off to Landon School Washington DC are Jackson Croker, Chris Laniewski and Andrew Johnstone. All UK and USA travellers will be back around the start of Term 4.

We wish all our visitors and Knox exchange students safe travels and look forward to hearing all about their overseas experience.

More departures at the end of Term 3 and beginning of Term 4 will be reported on in a later newsletter.

CAROLINE COOK INTERNATIONAL STUDENT EXCHANGE AND GAP EXCHANGE



YEAR 10 COMMERCE

Political Party Leaders for the Knox Political Election 2017 (Year 10 Commerce) visited Year 6 at the Prep School on Thursday. Year 6 heard some wonderful (and entertaining) campaign speeches and voted for their favourite Political Party. Election results come out next week.



JERSEY DAY

Wear a sports jersey on Friday 1 September and support awareness for organ donation. Jerseys are **NOT** to be worn to and from School.

FRIDAY 8 SEPTEMBER
9.30AM - 2.00PM



Over the years our wider community has supported the Knox Parents' Association's (KPA) fundraising efforts and this year's Spring Festival on Friday 8 September (9.30am – 2pm) at Gillespie Fields, promises to be another wonderful event. It is hoped that the entire school community will support the KPA's efforts and help make the day a major success. The event will encompass all things Spring including flowers, food, fresh produce, music, market stalls, talks, cooking demonstrations and in keeping with tradition, the Knox Pipes and Drums and Prep and Senior music ensembles will perform.

Parents, Old Boys, staff and the wider community are invited to generously support the KPA's Spring Festival Raffle, which is being conducted online. Please remember that all proceeds from the Spring Festival and the Raffle are used by the KPA to fund additional resources and equipment for the boys.

There are a total of 12 prizes to be won. The top 3 prizes include:

1. Overnight accommodation, breakfast, dinner, and afternoon tea on arrival, for two, at The Westin, Sydney. Value: \$1,078.
2. Gift voucher for Osmen Outdoor Furniture. Value: \$750.
3. Two night stay in Waverley Cottage for up to 4 guests located on Bundara Farm, Berry NSW. Value: \$700.

Please [click here](#) to visit the raffle page and to purchase your raffle tickets. Please note that due to regulatory restrictions, tickets for our raffle are only available in NSW.

Feel free to send the raffle link to your friends and family and on behalf of the KPA, we thank you in

SCHOOL PHOTOS

Sports, music, houses and Co-Curricular photos are now available to order online.

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YEARS 7-9 MUSICAL

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