Message from the Principal

Education is a form of cultural story-telling. At The Scots College we have one very valuable story shaped by many voices over time. The opening of the John David Brockhoff Blue and Gold Team Rooms at the senior school last weekend served to remind all those in attendance of the great legacy that Brock has left. As a Prep and Senior School Old Boy ('46), David Brockhoff went on to set very high standards as a sportsman and a coach. More importantly, our guest speaker, former Wallaby Captain John Eales, reminded us all the Brock was a good man, a generous man, a family man and a man of integrity and principle.

Steve Jobs, the founder and CEO of Apple says:

“Be a yard stick of quality. Some people aren’t used to an environment where excellence is expected."

I believe boys achieve excellence when expectations and goals are clear, where there is an alignment of motive and effort, and where one is encouraged to follow their heart.

When we educate, we are engaged in telling the next generation the cultural story of what previous generations have found important to know in order to keep their way of life healthy and flourishing.

The process of education allows the rising generation to ‘catch up’ with cultural developments and equips them to turn the ‘cultural fund’ of knowledge into ‘cultural capital’ – resources for maintaining and shaping a way of engaging in life. Through the process of education, learners develop an ownership stake in a living cultural memory. That is why, for example, community, personal example, team, faith and tradition, are important in what we value at The scots College. We live between memory and vision.

I would like to thank staff, parents and students for their tremendous support of the John Badalement presentations on Monday. It is important that we continue to support, encourage and learn from each other in our respective parenting and teaching journeys and I would like to thank The Scots Parents Association for their support of these valuable programs across the calendar year.

Dr Ian Lambert
Principal
Message from the Head of Middle Years

George Hincapie has a remarkable Tour de France record. He has played a critical role as a team member in crews that have seen nine winners of this great event, the lastest being Australia’s Cadel Evans. Hincapie led the team of riders that supported Evans to win the 3,430 kilometre tour. He organised who does what for Evans for each stage, reading the race and coordinating the tactics on the road. At one point in the race when Evans had a mechanical issue, he organised the team to protect him up the hills to ensure he was able to maintain lead for the title. It is clear that Cadel Evans historic victory would not have been possible without the support of his team.

Earlier this month, Northern Ireland’s Darren Clark won the British Open at his twentieth attempt. In his victory speech he thanked his support team, stating that “although he never lost belief in his ability, he could never have won without the support of his team”.

Both Cycling and Golf are seen as very individual sports, however, to succeed both Cadel Evans and Darren Clarke recognised the power of teamwork.

This Friday is the Academic Recognition Assembly, and boys are being honoured based on their subject effort grades. Whilst this may seem like an individual honour, in many ways all the boys rely on others to reach this point. Their fellow students are very important in setting a climate in a class, where to do well and try your hardest is the norm. The high expectations of their teachers, the College and families are also critical in allowing these boys to set their own targets as high as possible.

The message I will reinforce on Friday is that effort is not a skill it is a habit. Any boy in the Senior School could be on the stage receiving this award. Effort does not depend on ability, it depends on attitude. All the boys will be reminded to focus their Quest for Excellence by first looking at their individual effort in all their classes.

Mr Andrew Potter
Head of Middle Years
Message from the Chaplain

One of the loveliest of holiday destinations is the Florida Keys, a beautiful group of islands consisting of coral reefs, forests and wetlands. They host an annual festival called the Hemingway Days, named after the author Ernest Hemingway, who lived there in the 1930s. The festival features an Ernest Hemingway look-alike competition, which was held last week in Sloppy Joe’s Bar, which the author used to visit. The competition commenced with 121 contestants, of whom 24 made the final. They each dressed up in sporting attire and were paraded before the judging panel, which consisted of past winners. The winner this year was a gentleman named Matt Gineo of Jensen Beach. He shares Hemingway’s love of fishing and writing. What is perhaps most impressive is Gineo’s perseverance. This was his twelfth attempt at winning the competition! He said, “This was something that I had in my heart to do, no matter how long it took!” Such is his admiration for Hemingway and his desire to emulate him.

Many of us have our heroes, whom we admire and perhaps wish to emulate. It may be because of rather unique skills they possess, or a talent they have developed to an impressive level. Perhaps it is their personal qualities of character that we admire, or the fact that they have been a mentor or a source of encouragement to us. You may well have had, or indeed still have, someone who is a kind of ‘hero’ for you. It is also quite possible that you are a ‘hero’ to someone else. Sometimes we are not aware of the extent to which we influence others and the powerful impact that we can have upon their lives. It is worth asking yourself the question: ‘is there someone whose life is being positively and powerfully impacted by my life?’ There ought to be. Each of us has the opportunity to be a source of encouragement and inspiration to others, by the example we set for them, and by the way in which our words are a source of encouragement or inspiration for them. Whether we are very young, or a person of considerable life experience, our life can make a great difference to the life of another. The apostle Paul wrote to a young Christian leader named Timothy: “Don’t let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in life, in love, in faith and in purity” (1 Timothy 4:12).

Reverend Conrad Nixon
Senior Chaplain
John Badalament Visits The Scots College

On Monday 25 July, the College hosted a day of engaging presentations by visiting US author, filmmaker and educator, John Badalament. John is a highly respected international expert on parenting and is an internationally recognised consultant and speaker on fatherhood, specifically on father-son relationships. Scots was the first of sixteen schools across Australia and New Zealand that John will visit in his first journey 'down under', sponsored by the International Boys' Schools Coalition. Mr Badalament's visit to Scots has also been generously supported by TSCPA.

John delivered a series of interactive presentations laced with stories, personal accounts and tried and tested practical activities, designed to promote communication and connection of modern dads, and strengthen the quality of their relationships within the family.

The morning presentation to mothers focused on 'Practical Ways Women can Support Men in being the Best Dad they Can'. The presentation to Year 11 and 12 students featured tips that the boys can put into practice to learn more about their Dads. Boys were led through 'The Father Son Interview' activity, a series of questions for them to ask their father to learn and understand more about the experiences and challenges of being a father. The afternoon presentation to College staff focused on 'Engaging Modern Dads: Building Connections between Dads, Sons and School'.

Over 300 Prep and Senior School fathers and sons attended the evening barbecue and presentation entitled ‘Dialogues with Dad’. Mr Badalament equipped fathers with a set of practical ways to help them to be the best dads they can be. Fathers and sons worked together to complete a ‘Relationship Check-up’ and a ‘Dads and Sons’ quiz, a set of questions on how well Dads know their sons and how well the boys know their father. The room was activated and filled with sounds of young and older voices locked in conversation and, at times, warm laughter. During the evening, Dads and boys were able to share their childhood stories, loves, fears and hopes for the future. It is our hope that such seminars continue to build strong father-son relationships and boys who will develop to be men with brave hearts and bold minds.

With such an overwhelming response for these events, the morning presentation to mothers and evening presentations to fathers and sons were filmed and will be made available on Pipeline at a later date.

Mr Ian Dodd
Assistant Principal Pastoral Care
Message from Glengarry

Intake 2 has arrived at Glengarry with the reputation of being a fine group of boys who are expected to achieve the outstanding accomplishments of their peers from the first intake. They were confronted with some challenging weather, with cold, wet and windy conditions in the first couple of days, and an unusual amount of debris scattered around the campus after the severe storms experienced over the holidays. Despite some torrential rain, the spirit of the boys remained positive and by the weekend the weather had cleared for their first overnight hike at various locations on campus. The boys returned from their adventure practising some of their basic camping skills and fell asleep very quickly on Sunday night.

The academic program commenced on Tuesday and the first round of the co-curricular program was on Wednesday, including; Kayaking, Boxing, Horse Riding, Climbing, Eco-Gardening, Mountain Bike Riding and Track Building. We are deliberately getting the boys established into a regular weekly routine to help the boys settle into their new home. We are confident that the boys will make this transition successfully so that we can focus on the real issue of their education in the outdoors. For this to happen, each boy has to go through the process of separation from their family, which can be a challenge for some. However, this process is necessary if a boy is going to successfully navigate his way through the rite of passage from boyhood to manhood. We look forward to the ongoing development of this group into fine Scots boys.

Mr Behazin Jafari
Assistant Director

From the Music Department

Congratulations

Congratulations to the following students who have achieved strong results at their recent Trinity Guildhall Drama and Musical Theatre Examinations:

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Music Instrumental Lessons

Parents are reminded to contact their son’s Music teacher if he is sick, on an excursion, or has an assessment/exam at the time of his next lesson.

Strings, Woodwind and Brass
During Friday afternoon co-curricular activities String Orchestra will be held in Room C301 and the Concert Band in Room C401.

**Vocal**
Vocal Ensemble, Chapel Choir and new singers meet at lunchtime on Tuesdays in Room C301.

**Dr Nelson Wu**
Director of Performing Arts and Head of Music

**From Co-curricular**

**Pipes and Drums**
Term 3 is in full swing with the commencement of Pipe and Drums classes and lunchtime practice. Boys should understand that if they repeatedly miss teaching periods or their lunch time practice, their position in the Pipes and Drums will be put in jeopardy.

**Padades**
The Pozieres Parade last Sunday was a huge success and the boys played well. The boys also performed during the Memorial Service for Colonel Donald Ramsay in the Chapel on Tuesday morning.

The next parade in the diary is the SCEGGS Fete on Sunday 21 August. We have also had contact from Edinburgh and we are now working out the fine details. I hope to have some news very soon.

Thank you.

**Mr Ray Lee OAM**
Band Master

**Debating**
During the holidays over 50 boys attended an eight hour Debating workshop at the College, focusing on case construction, current affairs research and preparing topic areas. There were also three trial debates for GPS Selection.

In preparation for the GPS Season, the Senior A, B and C teams had a friendly debate against Cranbrook, with all three teams winning on the night.

Last Friday saw a terrific start to the GPS Debating season with six out of the ten teams winning their Debates against Riverview. Congratulations to the 1st, 3rd, 10A, 10B, 8A and 7A teams.

Particularly noteworthy were the team who beat the current ISDA Champions and the 10A team that included three boys who arrived that morning from the UK Summer Schools.

**Mr Andrew Potter**
MIC of Debating

**From the Sport Department**
Thank you to all the students, parents, old boys and friends of the College who supported the two Rugby fixtures that were played last Saturday. Both teams performed well despite trying conditions and strong opposition. This week we are back at Newington for the second time this year, hopefully, the will shine and we will enjoy a full round of fixtures. Players and parents, please ensure you are at the field 40 minutes prior to kick-off. Parking can be a challenge at Stanmore, so please consider this in planning your day.

As of Monday 1 August, Summer Sports transfers will be available from the PDHPE staff room, next to the swimming pool. These forms must be signed by the leaving MIC and the incoming MIC and returned to the Sports secretaries in the PDHPE office by Friday 19 August.

Thank you.

Mr Andrew Cleverley
Acting Sportsmaster

Cross Country
Unfortunately the Barker meeting had to be cancelled last Saturday due to the state of the ground. Scots boys ran well at the State All-School Championships at Eastern Creek last Friday. Best on the day were Cameron Alderman in 7th, Matthew Scott in 9th and Joe Mallat in 14th place. Cameron has been selected to represent NSW in the 18 Years team at the Australian Championships in Canberra in August.

Saturday 30 July
This Saturday The King's School will be hosting in their school grounds at North Parramatta (off Pennant Hills Road). Boys have been issued with maps. The first event, (Under 14s) is at 10:00am, however boys should check in with their coaches by 9:30am. The College bus leaves at 8:15am and returns approximately at 1:00pm.

Mr Dennis Morgan
MIC Cross Country

Football
Congratulations to our three GPS representatives for 2011, Lewis McMahon (Year 12), Evan Ferizis (Year 12) and Joe Ballesteros (Year 11). These boys have played for the GPS team against CAS and ISA this season, representing The Scots College with pride and distinction. Well done to the boys for their selection in this team.

This Saturday will involve a full round of GPS fixtures with Newington College. After the complete wash out of last week, all Scots Football supporters are encouraged to make their way to Newington in an effort to cheer on the boys as they try to increase their winning streak to three in a row.

The Scots community is encouraged to make their way to the Hensley Athletic Field at Eastgardens on Tuesday 2 August to see our 1st XI and 2nd XI teams play Riverview for the Round 3 GPS fixture catchup. The 2nds will kick-off at 2:00pm and 1sts will start at 3:15pm.

Please note that the Football Presentation Evening will be held on Friday 19 August in The Scots College auditorium. Further details will be available next week.

Mr Paul Haras
MIC Football

From the Business Office
Welcome back to Term 3 we hope the break was restful. We wish to remind you that the school fees for Term 3 were issued during the holidays and are due on day one of each term. If fees are not paid by the end of Week 4, a late payment fee of $135.00 is charged to your account. If you did not receive your account, or you have any queries, please contact Mrs Kate Brenac on 02 9391 7628 or email k.brenac@tsc.nsw.edu.au.

We are pleased to announce that the College has launched its online payment facility. The link to the facility is located on The Scots College website, under **Useful Links > Online Payments or Donations**. The link can also be found in Pipeline on the top menu banner. The Online Payment Facility provides options to pay school fees either by credit card or as a direct debit, with payees being provided an emailed receipt at the time of transaction. Please note the payment reference number is the eight digit number located on the top right hand section of the Fee Statement. BPay payments are another payment option and parents should refer to their participating financial institution, noting again that the BPay reference number is that same eight digit number located on the top right hand section of the Fee Statement (Biller Code 575639).

Ms Catherine Gray  
Director of Finance

**Notices**

**Blackwatch Café**  
As some of you may be aware, at the end of Term 2 our lovely Blackwatch Café roster coordinator Laurell Tyrell and her family returned to the United States. If in the future you are unable to make your rostered day in the Blackwatch Café please contact Jeanette on cafe@tsc.nsw.edu.au to advise her. Please do not contact her if you are swapping with someone else. We are currently seeking another roster coordinator and if you would like more information please contact me at verlander@ozemail.com.au. A big thank you to all our volunteers.

Ms Andrea Verlander  
Women's Association President

**The Scots Students Sustainability Committee Forum 2011**  
The Scots College Student Sustainability Committee is holding its annual Forum on Wednesday 24 August, commencing at 6:00pm and finishing at 8:00pm. The Topic of the Forum is Sustainable Agriculture; the panellists consist of Old Boys who have been exceptionally successful in their fields including Mr Tony Coote (‘55), Mr Scott McCalman (‘82), Dr Antony Hamilton (‘82) and the MC of the Forum is Mr Cam Mckellar (‘76).

**Tennis at Scots**  
The Tennis Junior Development Squad is held on Tuesdays, 3:15am to 5:00pm. For any enquiries please contact the Director of Tennis, Arie Shatar, on 0413 393 903 or ariestennis@yahoo.com.

**Upcoming Events**

- Winter Sports Tour – Friday 29 July to Tuesday 2 August
- Water Polo Support Group meeting – 7:00pm Tuesday 2 August, Room 222.
- Football Support Group Meeting – 7:00pm Wednesday 3 August, Room 211, Main Building
• The Women’s Association Sausage Sizzle – Wednesday 3 August and Wednesday 17 August
• Tennis Junior Development Squad – Tuesdays 3:15pm – 5:00pm.
• The College Prayer Breakfast – Thursday 11 August, 7:15am to 8:15am, Room M215.
• Football Presentation Evening - Friday 19 August
• The Scots College Student Sustainability Committee – 6:00pm Wednesday 24 August