FROM THE HEADMASTER

Dear Parents

The School’s Annual Presentation Day will be held on Tuesday 30 November in the Hall and all parents are warmly invited to attend. For K-2 boys the Final Assembly commences at 9.30am and they are asked to meet their Form Masters in their classrooms at 9.00am. At the conclusion of the Assembly, morning tea will be served by the pool, boys will then return to classrooms and receive their reports.

Boys in Years 3-6 should not arrive before 1.00pm, when they assemble in their classrooms. The ceremony will begin at 1.30pm, concluding around 2.30pm, followed by afternoon tea. Boys will then meet their Form Masters to receive reports and be farewelled. For this special day all boys need to be neatly dressed in summer uniform, with clean shoes and tidy hair.

On Saturday 20 November, the Year 6 Dinner will be held for boys and their parents, who are also invited to attend the Leavers Assembly on Monday 29 November at 9.30am. It is of course a busy final term for Year 6, currently engaged in ‘Moving into the Teens’, and meeting College Street staff as part of the ‘Moving into High School’ programme.

Each Year 6 class is also enjoying an enrichment unit as part of HSIE. 6AU are exploring ancient artefacts, 6D are preparing for a ‘Night of the Notables’ and 6M are researching Ancient Rome. The boys are looking forward to inviting the rest of the School to support them at the forthcoming Year 6 Fair, when they raise money for our nominated charities. For debaters it is a particularly busy time as they not only complete the House Debates and attend a Gala Debating Day, but will take part in an evening competition with Edgecliff to be conducted at College Street on Wednesday 17 November.

And finally, I am delighted to share the happy news of a daughter, Elizabeth, born to Mr and Mrs Liddell this week.
The boys were very moved by their visit and we will hold our special Remembrance Day Assembly at St Ives on Monday, 8 November at 10.00am. Our School leaders will explain the significance of Remembrance Day and honour the fallen through poems, recounts and other special assembly items. All parents are welcome to attend our Assembly.

Book Covering
Thank you to our willing helpers who turned up last Friday for our last Book Covering session for the year. I wish to thank everyone who has attended a session over the year and wrestled the contact to cover a book or two. Book covering makes such a difference in prolonging the life of our great class libraries. I am very thankful for your assistance with and support of reading.

Mrs C J Merrick

FROM THE MUSIC MASTER
Stevens Wind Ensemble
All boys should have received a letter detailing arrangements for their rehearsal at Edgecliff Prep next Tuesday, 2 November. Boys need to be at school by 7.15am.

Scholars’ Concert – Friday 12 November 6.30pm in the Hall
Our Year 6 Music Scholars will be joined this year by the Grammarphones from College Street to present what is always a very special evening in our school music calendar. Tickets are not required but we ask that you are seated by 6.20pm. All are welcome.

Instrumental Try Outs
Please leave names with Mrs Templeton at the Music Office for try outs on orchestral instruments next week.

Combined Orchestra Tour to New Zealand 2011
Auditions for orchestral players in Years 4 and 5 will take place on Thursday 25 November from 2.00 – 4.30pm. Boys should start preparing one piece in readiness. Tentative dates for the tour are 25 June to 3 July 2011.

Discontinuing Music Lessons
A reminder that written confirmation of your son’s withdrawal from music lessons is required by Friday Week 5 (12 November) or it will be assumed he is continuing in 2011 and fees for Term 1 will be payable.

College Street Music Scholarships
Forms are now available from the Music Office for boys currently in Year 5. The closing date for registration is 4 March 2011.
**Dates for your Diary**

Friday 12 November 6.30pm Scholars’ Concert

Wednesday 24 November 7.00pm Annual Concert

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**Mr M S Smith**

**FROM THE SPORTS MASTER**

We wish Aniruddh Joshi (Year 6), all the best as he is off to the State Cricket Carnival in Sydney’s west next week. Aniruddh is the wicket-keeper for the Combined Independent Schools Cricket Team and will open the sides batting.

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**Mr R C Baker**

**FROM THE TEACHER-LIBRARIAN**

The new School Library is taking shape and we are planning to move before the end of this term. Consequently, the services of the current library will be curtailed as the term progresses. The last date for borrowing books for this year will be Friday 5 November and all library books must be returned by Wednesday 10 November. Please help your sons to find and return any outstanding books and avoid having any overdue books.

The Library will be closed before and after school hours from Monday 22 November. Any boys who usually wait in the Library for a brother or travel buddy after 3.00pm will not be able to do so in Weeks 7 or 8 of this term. Please make alternative arrangements for your sons to be collected at 3.00pm or go to After School Care. We look forward to resuming full School Library services from the beginning of 2011.

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**Mrs J K Barnsley**

**FROM THE ITALIAN MASTER**

The spirit of Italy comes alive at the 2010 Norton Street Italian Festa in Leichhardt this weekend. A celebration of Italian culture including music, fashion, film and food will be taking place on the weekend of 29 to 31 October.

Norton Street will be closed on Sunday 31 October for ‘Festa’ day (10.00am – 5.00pm) with loads of entertainment for young and old. Highlights include ‘Nonne in Cucina’ (move over ‘Masterchef’!), an Italian Grandmas’ cooking challenge, ‘Marostica Scacchi’, a chess tournament with living players based on a romantic 15th century duel for a lady’s love, a gelato eating competition, an appearance by Ferrari, ‘Musica e Passione’, an evening of breathtaking arias by Giacomo Puccini, and ‘Cinema sotto le Stelle’, free moonlight screenings of Italian movies in Pioneers Park each night. More details at www.festa.net.au

Buona Festa e Viva l’Italia!!

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**Mrs J A Matheson**

**FROM THE CHESS CONVENOR**

Our A Team will now compete on **Friday 26 November** at St Ives in the Grand Final against the Country Districts Champions to determine the NSW Primary Schools title.

Chess Club will continue into Week 7 and conclude on **Friday 26 November** and not **19 November** as printed in the Term 4 Parent calendar.

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**Mrs S J Hardwick**

**FROM THE DRAMA MASTER**

‘Goldilocks strikes again’ - Year Four Performance

In Week 5, the Year Four boys will present the play Goldilocks strikes again. All boys must attend these performances and I’m sure they would love you to be there to support them. The boys are expected to have their lines down for the final rehearsals and parental guidance would be appreciated. It would also be greatly appreciated if you could discuss costumes with your sons, as some have been asked to bring in costume items or decorate masks for the final rehearsals this term. Please remind them to do this.

**Performances**

The boys will meet me in the Drama Studio at 3.00pm to get into their costumes and prepare. The performances will be held in the Studio at the following times:

- 4ED - Tuesday 9 November at 3.30pm
- 4H - Wednesday 10 November at 3.30pm
- 4B - Thursday 11 November at 3.30pm

I look forward to seeing you there!

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**Miss M F Wheatley**
## Calendar of Events 1 - 13 November

### Monday 1 November
- **7:45am - 8:20am** Morning Fitness (Years 2-6)
- **10:00am** Assembly (5-6) (5S - Francis)
- **1:00pm** First Round – St Ives Music Scholarships

### Tuesday 2 November
- **7:30am - 8:20am** ‘Bat and Ball’ Cricket Coaching (Years 2-4)
- **7:30am – 11:00am** Stevens Wind Ensemble, SGSEPS & Kings (NZ) Workshop – Edgecliff
- **8:00am** House Debates (1st Round)
- **10:00am** Assembly (3-4) (3H – Francis)
- **11:15am – 12:15pm** Kindergarten Orientation – New Boys & Parents 2011
- **1:15pm – 1:30pm** Lunchtime Concert

### Wednesday 3 November
- **9:00am – 12:15pm** K-2 Mathematics Morning
- **12:30pm** Kings (BZ) Band & Stevens Wind Ensemble Lunch – BBQ Area
- **1:00pm – 1:40pm** Kings (NZ) Band Tour Concert
- **1:00pm – 1:35pm** Year 2 Cricket Coaching (Session 1)

### Thursday 4 November
- **7:30am - 8:20am** ‘Bat and Ball’ Cricket Coaching (Years 5-6)
- **8:45am – 12:45pm** Transition Excursion to Australian Museum
- **12:45pm** Year 2 Visit 3-6 Playground for Lunch (1)
- **1:40pm – 2:40pm** ‘Protectors’ – Anti Bullying Performer (5-6)
- **3:30pm** Year 4 Drama Performance – 4B

### Friday 5 November
- **7:45am – 8:20am** Morning Fitness (Years 2-6)
- **8:30am – 9:45am** Julian Gold Oral Reading Finals (1) (3-4)
- **10:00am** Assembly (K-2) (3CO SWEET)
- **11:00am – 12:45pm** Year 6 ‘Moving Into High School’
- **12:10pm – 12:45pm** Julian Gold Oral Reading Finals (2) (3-4)
- **1:00pm – 3:00pm** St Patricks Invitation Swimming Carnival
- **3:00pm** Newsletter
- **6:30pm** Scholars’ Concert

### Saturday 6 November
- **Summer Sport Round 10**

### Monday 8 November
- **7:45am – 8:20am** Morning Fitness (Years 2-6)
- **10:00am** Assembly (5-6) (Remembrance Day)
- **1:00pm** Final Round – St Ives Music Scholarships

### Tuesday 9 November
- **7:30am - 8:20am** ‘Bat and Ball’ Cricket Coaching (Years 2-4)
- **8:00am** House Debates (2nd Round)

### Monday 11 November
- **10:00am** Assembly (3-4) (4ED – Healey)
- **11:15am – 12:15pm** Transition – Year 2 Orientation – New Boys & Parents 2011 – Activity Room
- **1:15pm – 1:30pm** Lunchtime Concert
- **3:00pm** House Archery
- **3:30pm** Year 4 Drama Performance – 4ED

### Wednesday 10 November
- **9:00am – 2:15pm** Inter School Chess Tournament
- **12:45pm** House Biathlon (3-4) (Voluntary)
- **1:00pm – 1:35pm** Year 2 Cricket Coaching (Session 2)
- **3:00pm** House Archery (in After School Training)
- **3:30pm** Year 4 Drama Performance – 4H

### Thursday 11 November
- **7:30am – 8:20am** ‘Bat and Ball’ Cricket Coaching (Years 5-6)
- **8:45am – 12:45pm** Transition Excursion to Australian Museum
- **12:45pm** Year 2 Visit 3-6 Playground for Lunch (1)
- **12:45pm** PA Special Food Day
- **1:40pm – 2:40pm** ‘Protectors’ – Anti Bullying Performer (5-6)
- **3:30pm** Year 4 Drama Performance – 4B

### Friday 12 November
- **7:45am – 8:20am** Morning Fitness (Years 2-6)
- **8:30am – 9:45am** Julian Gold Oral Reading Finals (1) (3-4)
- **10:00am** Assembly (K-2) (TrB Item)
- **11:00am – 12:45pm** Year 6 ‘Moving Into High School’
- **12:10pm – 12:45pm** Julian Gold Oral Reading Finals (2) (3-4)
- **1:00pm – 3:00pm** St Patricks Invitation Swimming Carnival
- **3:00pm** Newsletter
- **6:30pm** Scholars’ Concert

### Saturday 13 November
- **Summer Sport Round 11**

### 2010 Term Dates
- **Term IV** Monday 11 October – Tuesday 30 November (Presentation Day)

### 2011 Term Dates
- **Term I** Thursday 27 January – Orientation Day New boys
- **Term II** Friday 28 January – Wednesday 6 April
- **Term III** Wednesday 27 April – Friday 24 June
- **Term IV** Tuesday 19 July – Friday 16 September
- **Term IV** Monday 10 October – Tuesday 6 December (Presentation Day)