Dear Parents,

The 2014 school year has well and truly commenced and we welcomed our Joigny students this week. It is pleasing to see how settled the children are as they begin to form new relationships with their class teachers and classmates. In all the classrooms learning is well underway and your support in ensuring the children are well equipped each day has certainly assisted the teachers.

The start of a new school year is often the time when parents/carers are thinking of all the ways they can connect with their child’s learning and interests. Much of the research in this area is very clear, stating that when parents are engaged with their child and their child’s school they perform better. The importance of mums and dads being actively engaged with their child and their learning on a daily basis has been highlighted in many recent studies. According to the Melbourne Institute of Applied Economic and Social Research, reading to your child six to seven days a week puts them almost one year ahead.

Some simple suggestions to enhance this engagement may include:
- Talking to your child about things they have done in the day.
- Asking questions that will encourage your child to give an open response rather than a closed, yes/no response.
- Eating meals around the table together.
- Discussing books, films, television shows and
- Telling them stories about your day.

All parents should have received a Welcome letter from their child's class teacher last Friday. The purpose of this letter was to introduce the grade teachers and provide parents with organisational information that would assist in the first few weeks of the new school year. The Parent Information Evenings scheduled for next week are another means of connecting with your child's teacher and the parents of other children in the grade. The dates and times are included in today's bulletin.

The first Parents’ and Friends’ meeting for the year is next Tuesday, 11 February at 7.30pm in the Senior School. I encourage all parents to attend this meeting as it is a great way to meet other parents, hear about what is happening at KRB and get involved if you are able.

Reminders
A reminder to all parents and carers of the importance of your child/ren being on time for school. We understand that re-establishing the morning routine can take time. However with everyone back at school for a week, it is critical that every child is ready to begin learning time at 8.25am. In most classes but particularly K-2, this is the commencement of their literacy block and a child who is consistently 5-10 minutes late is missing valuable input. I would ask for your continued support in this matter.

Vaucluse Road seems busier this year and all parents’ vigilance when driving, dropping off and collecting children is imperative for the safety of all members of our community. The children have all been reminded of the importance of obeying road rules and only crossing Vaucluse Road with an adult at the pedestrian crossing outside the Junior School or at the lights on the corner of Vaucluse Road and New South Head Road. Parent and carers’ support in modelling correct road safety around our school is critical and your support in also following these rules is appreciated.

Congratulations to Mr Timothy Thomson and Ms Sarah Lander who have welcomed a baby boy, William Henry, born 26 January, 2014 – brother to Charlotte (ELC Red).

Enjoy a restful weekend.

Maryanne Carrick (Mrs)
Head of Junior School
Junior School Photograph Day: Tuesday, 11 February, 2014

Advanced School Photography will be at the Junior School on Tuesday, 11 February to take the 2014 class and individual photos. Children will need to be in full school summer uniform for the photo day (Blazers required). Envelopes for the photos will be handed out to students this week. They contain information about different ordering and purchasing options. These envelopes need to be filled out and returned to class teachers.

Please note the following:

- **Payment** can be by cash or cheque. Parents can also pay by credit card, but they will need to pre-pay on the photographer’s website (advancedlife.com.au, then click on Online Payments) and then record the receipt number on the photo envelope.
- **Every student must have their own completed order envelope**, even if the payment is in their sister’s or brother’s envelope.
- **Sibling Photos**. Sibling photos are also an option for families and will be taken in the MTC from 7.30am-8.30am on the same day. If you are interested in the sibling photo shot, you will need to collect an envelope from Junior School Reception. Parents will be responsible for this option and will be required to supervise their own children while the photos are being taken. On completion of these photos, the children should arrive promptly at school by 8.25 am.
- Enquiries can be directed to the photographer on 1300 728 972 or email enquiries@advancedlife.com.au.
- Spare envelopes are available at Junior School Reception.

If you require any further information, please email Adriana Karloci karlocia@krb.nsw.edu.au.

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Parent Information Evenings for 2014 - Week 3

Please note the following dates in your diary:

**Monday, 10 February**  
Stage 3: Years 5 & 6 (6.00-7.30pm)

**Wednesday, 12 February**  
Stage 2: Years 3 & 4 (6.00-7.30pm)  
Early Stage 1: Kindergarten (6.00-7.30pm)

**Thursday, 13 February**  
Stage 1: Years 1 & 2 (6.00-7.30pm)

Mrs Adriana Karloci (Junior School Administration Co-Ordinator)

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Cyber safety and Facebook: a parent’s responsibility...

As of May 2013, Facebook has over 1.1 billion active users on the site each month, more than half of them using Facebook on a mobile device including many school aged students between 13-18 years of age. Users must register before using the site, after which they may create a personal profile, add other users as friends, and exchange messages, including automatic notifications when they update their profile. Additionally, users may join common-interest user groups, organized by workplace, school or college, or other characteristics, and categorize their friends into lists such as "People from School" or "Close Friends". As most parents would be aware, the user conditions state clearly that your children MUST be 13 to be able to join Facebook. It is also extremely advisable that if your child is 13 years or older that you become one of your child’s Facebook friends. As a parent, it is important to understand the implications and personal responsibility of using social media. As your child grows and matures and develops a strong moral purpose aligned with KRB values they will learn to differentiate between what is socially acceptable and lawful and what could be considered libelous and unlawful.

It is highly encouraged that Internet use at home is supervised, that you are aware of what your child is doing online and time is taken to explain what is good content, what to stay clear of and how to behave appropriately when communicating with others online including e-mail. Generally, it is advisable that Internet surfing time has a time-tabled limit and should be done in a shared area of your home rather than alone in bedrooms.

At KRB students and parents sign an acceptable usage policy which requires our KRB community to use the computer equipment, software and data resources including the Internet in a responsible and educational manner. Students regularly attend timetabled computer lessons where safe and responsible use of the Internet is reinforced and have participated in formal lessons on cyber safety.


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Health Alert

Rosie Meikle in Year 1 White is currently receiving medical treatment for Leukemia. For the next year, Rosie’s immune system will be severely compromised, therefore it is vitally important you do not send your child to school if he/she is unwell. **Measles and Chicken Pox are life-threatening diseases for Rosie.** If your child contracts an infectious disease such as Measles or Chickenpox, we ask you to notify the School immediately by emailing/phoning Junior School Reception (juniorschool@krb.nsw.edu.au or 9388 6080) so that the School is aware. We can adhere to any exclusion periods advised by your doctor or NSW Health and also get Rosie the treatment she will require if she has contact with either disease.
Art Accomplishment classes commenced this Week 2 – Wed, 5th February or Thursday, 6th February respectively from 3:00pm-4:30pm. Pick-up is at 4.30pm from the Junior School roundabout.

Please note: Your ART Accomplishment fee will be adjusted to $330 for Semester One - for 12 ART lessons rather than the usual 16. I am taking Long Service Leave in Term 2, so the majority of lessons will be in Term 1. I hope this doesn't cause too much inconvenience. I will recommence again in Term 3 as usual.

We will do Tie Dying in Week 4, so just a reminder to send 1-2 white cotton garments (t-shirts are $1 at Kmart, leggings $3) to school with child’s name as soon as possible.

I recommend children wear an OLD change of clothes to ALL art classes to keep uniforms safe - art smocks are not always effective and they are hot as we are located above Junior school library - great view but the area faces west.

Please pack a snack and drink for afternoon tea. I will collect the children from their classrooms.

Mrs Charisse Devine
Art Accomplishment Teacher
(devinec@krb.nsw.edu.au) 0408 768 248

Tennis Accomplishment

Tennis Accomplishment is recommencing on Monday, 10 February. Spaces are filling up fast so please enrol as soon as possible so classes can be finalised for all students.

Ladies Tennis classes will also be running from Monday, 10 February as follows:

Monday 8.45 - 10.15am Mums and Bubs Tennis (Beginners to Intermediate)
Tuesday 8.45 - 10.15am Match play Clinic (45 mins of coaching & 45 mins of Tennis matches) Int/Advanced levels.

Wednesday 9.00 - 10.00am and 10.00 - 11.00am CARDIO TENNIS (Tennis and fitness workouts)
Friday 8.45 - 10.15am Ladies Coaching Clinic - suitable for all standards.

Please contact Jed Gould for any bookings on gouldj@krb.nsw.edu.au or phone 0411 775 945.

Mr Jed Gould
Director of Tennis

Dance Accomplishment @ KRB

All Dance classes start as of Monday, 10 February. For enquiries/enrolments/timetable please contact Dale.

Junior classes: Ballet (ELC, Kindy, Yr 1) / Hip Hop Crews / Jazz / Junior Cheer Squad
Senior classes: Jazz / Contemporary / Senior Show Troupe

Final enrolments are being accepted.

Ms Dale Pope - Choreographer
Dance by Dale Pope
m: 0410 320 299

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Speech/Communication Skills, Group Drama and Acting in Pairs

Speech & Drama

There are places still available in the following groups.

- Years 3-6 Speech/Communication Skills Monday 2:50-3:30pm
- Years 3-6 Group Drama Monday 3:30-4:30pm

There are now waiting lists for all other classes.

If you are interested in a place, please let me know. Otherwise, I look forward to seeing all currently enrolled students on Monday, 10 February.

Ms Sandra Price
Speech/Communication Skills and Drama Accomplishment Teacher (prices@krb.nsw.edu.au)

Double Dutch Skipping

This is part of the Accomplishment Program and is in its 4th year at KRB. It is program for beginner to elite skippers and the students are graded at the end of each term based on their level of attainment: White, Bronze, Silver, Gold, Platinum, Diamond and Hall of Fame. Two students from KRB have reached their ‘Hall of Fame’ status – Ella Hannon and Arabella St John. We restart the program on Wednesday, 12 February held during lunchtime at the MTC. Any interested students should complete an enrolment form (as per other Accomplishment activities) or come for a trial session to see if you like it.

Mr Mark Saunders
Double Dutch Skipping Teacher
SPORT
All Saturday Sport matches will commence on Saturday, 8 February. Please refer to each individual sporting draw for fixture details, etc. Please ensure all students have the correct KRB sports specific uniform and protective equipment at training and Saturday matches. All after school sports training will conclude at 4:05pm.

Years 4-6 Small Sided Soccer
Good luck to all girls playing in Round 1 of Small Sided Soccer. Draws will be given to students after the first training sessions. Shin pads are compulsory for training and games. Year 4 will play Saturday games at Kincoppal-Rose Bay, Year 5 at Santa Sabina School and Year 6 at Kyeemagh St George Hockey Turf. The address for each venue is written on each draw.

IPSHA wet weather: Parents need to go to blinkm.co/ipsha then select the venue of play and a message will be displayed.

Years 5 & 6 Surf Awareness
Years 5 & 6 will attend the Surf Awareness course at Manly Beach on Wednesday, 26 February. An information letter and permission note outlining the course will be distributed to all students in Years 5&6 next week. Please complete and return the permission note to your child’s class teacher by the due date.

Years 3-6 Cross Country
Cross Country training for 2014 will begin on Wednesday, 19 February morning at the MTC.

Terms 2 & 3 Winter Sports Nomination – Years 3-6 Boys
All boys in Years 3 - 6 were recently given a Sports Nomination Form for Term 2 & 3, Winter Sport. Please ensure you read the information letter carefully prior to completing and returning the form. These forms are due in on Monday, 10 February. Spare copies are located at the Junior School Office.

Years 3-6 Swimming Carnival
The Years 3-6 Inter-House Swimming Carnival will be held next Friday, 14 February at the Blann Family Pool at Kincoppal-Rose Bay. The Carnival structure at KRB will remain the same as per below. However, we will be selecting the fastest 8 swimmers in each age group to participate in Age Championship races at the Years 7-12 Swimming Carnival on Tuesday, 4 March at Homebush. These children will also be given the opportunity to break Junior school records. We realize that this is the day before the IPSHA Swimming Carnival but we intend to only have the children at Homebush from 8.30am–10.30am (transport supplied if necessary). Please note that this has changed from the original information sent out at the beginning of the year.

The structure of the Carnival next Friday, 14 February will remain the same:

8.45am-10.45am All 12 Years & 11 Years Boys and Girls (Freestyle, Breaststroke, Backstroke & Butterfly)
11.15am-1.00pm All 10 Years, 9 Years & 8 Years (Freestyle, Breaststroke, Backstroke & Butterfly)
1.00pm Relays
1.30pm Lunch
2.00pm House Cheers & Spirit Cup

* Please note that students will compete in the age group they turn in 2014.

Age Champion Trophies will now be presented at Assembly on Friday, 7 March after the Age Championship races at Homebush.

The IPSHA swim team will be selected from the Years 3-6 Swimming Carnival at KRB on Friday, 14 February.

What to wear to School and to the Carnival: Full sports uniform with Colour House T-shirt.

What to wear when competing: All swimmers must compete in the Kincoppal-Rose Bay swimsuit (or the KRB Speedo racing suit which is available to competitive swimmers at the school shop) and colour house cap and goggles.

What to bring: Sports bag with a drink bottle and a healthy packed lunch and snacks for the day. Any required medication needed – eg. EPI-PEN’s, Asthma Puffers etc.

All parents are warmly invited to attend the Carnival during the allocated times above that your child will be competing. As we have minimal space in the pool area, we ask that the spectator area be for parents only of the children competing.

K-2 ESFA SOCCER
All students in K-2 were recently given an information letter outlining the requirements and registration forms required for your child to play Soccer for Kincoppal in the Eastern Suburbs Football Association (ESFA). For new players, please ensure you complete and return the following documents by the due date: KRB ESFA Soccer Nomination Form, FFA Form, Accident & Support Program Form, passport sized photograph and a copy of your child’s ID i.e. Birth Certificate/Passport. Spare copies of the FFA Form and the Accident and Support Program Form are located at the Junior School Office.
For players who registered and played ESFA Soccer in 2013 they must complete and return the following documents: KRB ESFA Soccer Nomination Form, FFA Form and Accident & Support Program Form. Please ensure all these forms and documents are completed and returned by the due dates (refer to information letter previously distributed).

Kindergarten training will commence from Thursday, 27 February and Years 1 & 2 from Wednesday, 26 February on the School's Sports Field. The first round of ESFA Saturday matches commence on Saturday, 5 April. Please refer to the weekly Bulletins for further updates.

“2014 Boys’ Big Day Out” – Years 2 to 6
On Saturday, 22 March, the ‘Boys’ Big Day Out’, for fathers/father figures and sons in Years 2 – 6 will be held at Land’s Edge, Chowder Bay.

Land’s Edge is one of Australia’s leading providers offering professional outdoor educational programs to schools and organised groups. Land’s Edge Centre is based in the sheltered cove of Chowder Bay (Mosman) with spectacular views of Sydney Harbour and surrounding native bush land and historical military fortifications. We are pleased and very excited to offer an outdoor adventurous experience that you will share with your son and other KRB families at Land’s Edge. This is a full day event packed with fun and challenging outdoor recreation activities.

The day’s objective is for father/father figures and sons to bond with each other and other families by participating in fun and challenging outdoor pursuits and activities. Those attending the event will be involved in all of the scheduled activities and tasks professionally tailored and run by qualified staff at Land’s Edge.

All boys in Years 2-6 were recently given an information letter, reply slip and medical form to complete. These documents need to be completed and returned to the Junior School Office by Wednesday, 29 February.

Kindergarten - Year 2 Swimming
K-2 will be involved in a Swimming Program commencing in Week 7. Information regarding this program will be sent out closer to the time.

If you have any queries regarding your child’s sporting activity in Term 1, please contact the relevant PDHPE teachers below:

Mrs Kim Toomey:  Years 4-6 Soccer  toomeyk@krb.nsw.edu.au
Mr Saxon Moseley:  Years 3-6 Cross Country moseleys@krb.nsw.edu.au
Mr Craig Millard:   K-2 Soccer & 3-6 Boys’ Sport millardc@krb.nsw.edu.au

All important sports information will appear in the weekly Junior school bulletin.

Accomplishment Tennis, Gymnastics, Dance, Martial Arts and Yoga will commence shortly. If you have any queries regarding these classes, please contact the Teacher of the classes on the email address below:

Tennis:     Jed Gould  gouldj@krb.nsw.edu.au
Gymnastics:   Karina Jones gymnastics@krb.nsw.edu.au
Dance:          Dale Pope dale@dalepope.com.au
Martial Arts:   Michael D’Arcy arjuku@gmail.com
Yoga:           Kate Agnew kategnw@gmail.com

I wish all students the very best for 2014 in all areas of Sport.

Mary-Kate Churcher (Head of Sport P-12)

P&F News

The P&F Ordinary General meeting is on Tuesday, 11 February at 7.30pm.

A reminder to all parents to update their children’s details (particularly year levels) in their Munch Monitor Account.

P&F Committee

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Sudanese School Shoe Collection Box

WANTED: YOUR PRE-LOVED SCHOOL SHOES/
A wonderful gift for the Sudanese community

Sr Johanna is the co-ordinator at St Joachim primary school Lidcombe and is in need of school shoes in good condition, any sizes girls and boys for the start of their new school year. No runners please. Sandals are welcome.

If you have GOOD QUALITY shoes you no longer need, please fasten shoes together to make a pair and give them a polish to make your gift special. Please drop off your pre loved school shoes/children’s shoes here before the end of Week 3, Term 1, 2014. No running shoes.

By all working together to donate our school shoes we are really helping the Sudanese Community which is what Cor Unum spirit is all about.

If you have any enquiries, please contact Lisa MacRae-Monardo on 0418 203 203 or 9337 6989 (home).
The P & F Association of Kincoppal - Rose Bay School and the Principal Mrs Hilary Johnston-Croke warmly invite you to a

Welcome Cocktail Party

22 February 2014
7-9pm
Harbour Terrace, Kincoppal -Rose Bay School

RSVP: 17 February 2014 to events@krb.nsw.edu.au
COST: $60/person or $80/person after 17 February
PAY: visit www.krb.nsw.edu.au and click PAY ONLINE