FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents, Students and Staff,

Celebration of the Feast of the Sacred Heart

The celebration of the Feast of the Sacred Heart is a very significant one in all Sacred Heart schools. I am always very proud of the community spirit exhibited on Sacred Heart Day at KRB, and yesterday was no exception. As a community all dressed in red and white, we came together in the MTC for Mass celebrated by Father Jeremy Clarke sj. It was a very meaningful and inclusive ceremony with beautiful music and great participation. A very special part of the Mass was the renewal of vows by the Sisters of the Sacred Heart who were present.

The Concert and special Assembly showcased the talents of many of our students. I really appreciated the Kindness Video showing our Junior School students performing acts of kindness. We all enjoyed lunch on the Fernon Fields followed by the Mission Fete and other festive activities. A special thanks to our parents who helped with morning tea and lunch for everyone. I particularly enjoyed the massage provided by Year 4 students. Finally all students performed a special Sacred Heart Day Dance on the Harbour Terrace to Pharrell Williams’ “Happy”. This song will be shared with our sister schools all around the world.

The focus of the day was our ‘Cor Unum’ spirit and raising funds for the valuable work of the RSCJs in India and Indonesia as well as for the victims of the Nepalese Earthquake. The Mission Fete and sales of the special 2015 Sacred Heart Day T-Shirt raised close to $5,000. I thank all students, staff and families who assisted with our fundraising efforts.

Another very special occasion was the Procession of the Lanterns celebrated on the eve of Sacred Heart Day by our Boarding community. This was held on Wednesday 27 May and is a very significant and much loved ritual for our Boarders, particularly for those in Year 12 who lead the Procession down the Main Stairs and through the candle lit chapel. This beautiful tradition has been happening on the Rose Bay Campus since the 1890s. Our boarders sing hymns and pray for the school community and all who have gone before them as they process through the Chapel. Our Year 12 Boarding parents joined us for dinner prior to the event and were able to then watch the Procession.

On Monday 25 May, students from Kindergarten to Year 12 attended a short liturgy to celebrate the Feast of Madeleine Sophie Barat. The theme of the liturgy was this year’s Sacred Heart focus goal “Personal and Active Faith in God”.

The Junior School held their entertaining Talent Show on Wednesday 20 May in the Hughes Centre. It was wonderful to see both our boys and girls doing so well showcasing their many talents. The winners from this show performed at Sacred Heart Day Concert in front of the whole School.

These are all wonderful examples of active engagement at KRB, with many students
organising dances, competitions, fete stalls and bake sales. I am proud of the way in which students express much willingness and enthusiasm to be involved in the life of the School.

Active Engagement at Kincoppal–Rose Bay

Last week I spoke to Senior School students at Assembly about the importance of Active Engagement. It is essentially “Leaning In”, taking opportunities, showing initiative and more importantly, becoming role models to younger students. We want them to continue Leaning In throughout their lives.

Students from year 7 to 12 were nominated by their Year Coordinator as great examples of those who were actively engaging as Sacred Heart students at KRB:

- Mary Franklin, Year 7 – A Social Justice Representative who is highly involved with raising awareness and funds for victims of the Nepalese earthquake. Mary plays in the Orchestra and the Sydney Youth Orchestra.
- Ella Cusack, Year 8 – Plays touch football and the piano. Ella also plays U15 Premier League Soccer for Sydney University Soccer Football Club. She trains two nights a week in Strathfield and plays in matches all over Sydney each weekend.
- Emma Peers Tejero, Year 8 – A Social Justice Representative who has worked very hard to inspire and motivate the Year 8 students to raise money for two African students through World Vision. She plays badminton, basketball and netball.
- Anna Johnston, Year 9 – Anna secured a position on the Student Representative Council and is an effective and thoughtful voice for our Year 9 students. She is new to KRB this year and plays accomplishment violin, and is in the senior football and waterpolo teams.
- Madeleine Scott, Year 9 – Maddie recently joined the Student Networking Schools’ Alliance who meet once a term to listen to guest speakers and discuss topical issues such as the portrayal of women in the media.
- Gigi Hancock, Year 10 – Gigi participated in Exchange at Colegio Sagrado Corazón in Spain. She is also participating in the world challenge trip to Peru and has been proactive in fund raising for the social justice aspect of the trip.
- Alessandra Gazal, Year 10 – Alessandra is an accomplished sports woman. She plays many team sports and represents KRB in swimming and cross country at NSWCIS events.
- Jemimah Vee, Year 11 – A new student to KRB this year; she is involved with Theatresports, the school play production crew, tennis, soccer and Friday Night Netball.
- Arabella Robinson, Year 12 – has shown great initiative in bringing students and the RSCIs together by organising an afternoon tea at Claremont Cottage. She is also working on a mentoring scheme, which connects alumni with current students for direction with career or tertiary education advice.
- Madeleine Mercer, Year 12 – is a great role model to younger students by being involved in everything from sports to choir. She is an enthusiastic participant in all the AIEF opportunities on offer and helped crew The Brindabella on Sydney Harbour.

Student Achievements

KRB’s Senior School Athletics Carnival, held at E.S. Marks field on Thursday 21 May, showcased the great KRB team spirit and coordination. Tangara were awarded the Overall Point Score Winners for the Carnival and Arakoola won the Spirit Cup. House Captains from Arakoola and Tangara were awarded their shield and cup at the Sacred Heart Day assembly yesterday.

Twelve new records were set on the day with Maisie Stevens breaking the record for the 100m Open Invitation and Elly O’Donoghue winning the 1500m event.

Elly O’Donoghue, Georgia Strain, Rhiannon Carr and Alessandra Gazal, who competed at the NSW All Schools Swimming, did very well with their Relay Team gaining 2nd place in both the Freestyle & Medley events.

The IGSSA Cross Country Team who competed on Friday 15 May at Frensham. KRB achieved an outstanding 8th place overall out of 24 schools. The following girls made the IGSSA team for CIS; Amelia Stynes, Antonia McChristian, Lucy Edwards, Ruby Harrison, Phoebe McGeoch and Hannah Guy.

Congratulations to the ISDA Debating Teams, Primary A, Year 7 and Senior A, who all competed in the Quarter Finals held last Friday. KRB’s Primary A team of Hanriet Cook, Penelope Hughes, Sophia Laverty, Charlotte Smeolle and Michaela Sorrenti were successful in their debate against Cranbrook and will be competing in the Semi-Finals held tonight at KRB. I wish them well.

AnZnet Principals’ Conference and Provincial Retreat

On Friday 21 May I joined the other ANZNET Principals for a meeting in Brisbane. Following the meeting, Deputy Principal, Liz Clark, Director of Boarding, Anne-Maree Bennett and Director of Mission John Mooney and myself attended the Province Retreat at Ormiston College based on the life of Philippine Duchesne.

I will be spending the last three weeks of this term as well as the mid-year break on Sabbatical and Study leave in both the UK and USA. During this time I will be undertaking an innovative and challenging leadership course at the London Business School, visiting other schools as well as attending the 2015 NCAGS (National Coalition of Girls’ School) Conference in Richmond, Virginia. I will also be hosting an event for our alumnae and families living in New York. The school will be capably looked after in my absence by Elizabeth Clark and the School Leadership Team.

I wish everyone well for the remainder of this term.

With Regards,

Hilary Johnston-Croke, Principal
LITURGY FOR THE FEAST OF MADELEINE SOPHIE BARAT

As a school community we recognise the significance of Madeleine Sophie Barat. We reflected on the ways in which we as children of the Sacred Heart can carry out her legacy at the Liturgy, on Monday 25 May.

We reflected on how Madeleine Sophie, in a time where female education was not considered as necessary, was given a rare opportunity in her education. This stemmed from a value of treating every person with dignity and a passion for delivering an education to those who would not otherwise achieve one. This value has survived today, with the hundreds of Sacred Heart schools around the world striving to give equal educational opportunities.

Madeleine Sophie is inspiring in the way she used her faith as a cornerstone to utilise her education in a Christian way, drawing on her spirituality to foster an educational philosophy.

Daughters of the Sacred Heart are challenged to push themselves and societal norms to get the most out of their education and use it to give to those less fortunate.

Sacred Heart Day

On Thursday 28 May KRB celebrated what many students and staff consider the highlight of the school calendar: Sacred Heart Day. This day is very special to our community, where we celebrate our roots as a Sacred Heart school and come together in a range of events that display our school spirit and sense of unity across both the junior and senior schools.

The day starts every year with Year 12 gathered at the front gates for their ‘Honk if you have a Sacred Heart’ tradition. This is a wonderful chance for KRB to display its school spirit to the broader community, as well as get the younger students excited for the festivities to come. The School then came together for a moving mass, which included prayers spoken in different languages to display the sense of internationality that Sacred Heart schools share so uniquely. We then got to appreciate the sacrifice and sense of unity across both the junior and senior schools.

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Sacred Heart Day is special for students every year, and this year it was even more special for Year 12. It is a stark reminder of how unique the KRB school spirit is, and provokes a great appreciation for the close knit community. It was a great honour to be involved in Sacred Heart Day 2015, and will certainly be a day which will remain in the memory of all student and staff.

Emily Shaw, Year 12 – Head Girl

FEAST OF OUR LORD HELP OF CHRISTIANS MASS

To celebrate the Feast of Our Lady Help of Christians, a special Mass was celebrated by Archbishop Anthony Fisher on Monday 25 May at St Mary’s Cathedral, attended by student representatives from all of the primary schools in the Archdiocese of Sydney. Kincoppal was represented by the following Year 6 students: Harriet Cook, Amelia Edwards, Alyssa Harrington, Savannah Thill-Turke, Ashleigh Cunningham, Natalia Pruszynska, Hannah Hunter and Claudia Mayo. Mary is the patroness of the Sydney Archdiocese and of Australia, and the Mass was a special opportunity for students to gather together to celebrate this most important feast.

GIFTED AND TALENTED CONFERENCE

How would you break the news to a farmer that his cow has died?

On Tuesday 19 May, along with eight other year 10 girls, I was given the privilege of attending a gifted and talented conference at Riverview. We were a part of the audience, with many other participating schools and were presented with intriguing ideas in the form of a lecture. The presentations were incredibly interesting, proposing innovative responses to problems such as “How would you break the news to a farmer that his cow has died?” - an entry question for prestigious Cambridge and Oxford Universities, inviting the responder to first evaluate what the word “cow” is referring to, rather than taking our assumptions as truth. It was a great day and we learnt to approach subjects with a different line of thinking.

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Overall the day was a success and ultimately opened our minds to the different ideas about the world around us and possible predictions of the future. It was an amazing experience and enabled us to think about current issues that we would normally not think about. We are so grateful for this wonderful opportunity and would definitely recommend others to attend if given the chance.

Nadia Gilbert & Vivian HO

For me, learning about the death of individuality due to the conformity of society and social physics were the most interesting as they weren’t topics usually discussed. The lecturers Julie Arliss and Jeffrey Hodges provided engaging and contrasting perspectives on these issues. Overall, it was a great day! We learnt so much and we had fun.

Kiara Reyes
STUDENTS IN ACTION

JOIGNY GRANDPARENTS’ & SPECIAL FRIENDS’ DAY

What a beautiful day was had by everyone at Joigny Grandparents and Special Friends Day. The children performed splendidly on stage singing a number of songs then sharing a delicious morning tea with their grandparents. Later the children proudly showed their grandparents all of the learning and investigating they have been doing this year. One child when asked what she had been learning about said, “We are learning how to think about things.” What a terrific way to sum up the vastness and variation of learning that happens in Joigny. “What children need most are the essentials that grandparents provide in abundance. They give unconditional love, kindness, patience, humour, comfort, lessons in life. And, most importantly, cookies.” – Rudy Giuliani

LUNCH WITH THE PRIME MINISTER

On Wednesday 20 May two of our students, Gabby Ebsworth and Tarley Ridgeway attended the Indigenous Education Foundation (AIEF) Annual Review. At the Review The Honourable Tony Abbott MP, Prime Minister of Australia launched a ground-breaking guide to best practice in education, published by AIEF.

The AIEF Compendium of best practice for achieving successful outcomes with Indigenous students in Australian boarding schools draws on the expertise of over 160 educators from more than 50 schools to identify the critical success factors contributing to the high success rates of leading programs.

In his address at the launch HSBC Bank Australia CEO, Tony Cripps, announced a $1.5 million investment in AIEF that will support a new scholarship, the AIEF Tertiary Academy Scholarship, which is designed to remove the financial barriers that discourage some of our Year 12 graduates from enrolling in tertiary study, or lead to students withdrawing from a course.

KRB is proud to have 12 AIEF scholarship students as part of our community. Five of these students will graduate this year and go on to tertiary education.

Read an account of the Annual report launch here or watch some of Tony Abbott’s speech here.

YEAR 7 ZOO EXCURSION

One 5 May 2015, Year 7 set out on their adventure to Taronga Zoo. After arriving at the zoo, we were quickly briefed with information and then split into groups of three or four, to explore and discover different animals and their habitats.

While venturing throughout the zoo, we had a specific task to complete. This task was linked to our Science assignment on adaptations. We had to take photographs of the animals in their specially built habitat. These photographs would then be used to reference and describe the animal’s adaptations to their environment.

During our day, we learnt many additional skills that may be useful in the future. These include: Navigation; Learning how to navigate through Taronga Zoo, to get to the place we wanted, Communication; Having to ask for assistance and help along the way, punctuality; Making sure we were at the right place at the right time when needed and Corporation; Listening and including you fellow peers ideas.

Overall, as the first Science excursion of the year. We say YES, Taronga Zoo was a success!
STUDENTS IN ACTION

TEDDY BEARS PICNIC

On Wednesday 27 May, we (the house captains) and Bec Gallagher put together a Teddy Bears Picnic to raise awareness and money for the Children’s Hospital at Westmead with hopes to give sick children and their families some hope for a brighter future. The picnic comprised a sausage sizzle and bake sale on the Harbour Terrace. In order to raise awareness we got students from all years and teachers to bring in their teddies as well as wear a pink ribbon in their hair. Overall the picnic was a success raising $1285, which is such a good achievement. We are also currently planning a visit to the hospital to give the children our full support.

YEAR 10 ELECTIVE MUSIC PERFORM AT THE SACRED HEART DAY MASS

At the Sacred Heart Day Mass, held yesterday in the Edwina Taylor Clark Auditorium, the Year 10 Music Class performed a song that was chosen by Georgia Boonen and Ali Gazal called “That’s What’s Up”. The students in this class worked collaboratively, using their various musical strengths. The singers were Georgia Boonen, Alex Baldry, Georgie Cope, Ali Gazal and Nadia Gilbert with Jasmine Tan on the guitar and Antonia Law playing cello.

The students thought that this song reflected the goals and the spirit of the Sacred Heart.

YEAR 7 AT SYDNEY SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

All Year 7 students attended the stage for SSO Concert this morning. The program was designed to meet curriculum objectives with the instruments of the orchestra featured.

All the instrumental families were demonstrated and the program was much enjoyed by the students with pieces ranging from a contemporary Australian fanfare to Beethoven, Greig and Dvorak. The students were attentive and were excited to be able to experience this.
SPORT

NSW ALL SCHOOLS SWIMMING

KRB had a very strong representation at the NSW All Schools Swimming Championships (State). With both Intermediate Freestyle and Medley Relay teams receiving silver medals. Congratulations to the following girls on their outstanding individual and team results:

Results are as below:

Alessandra Gazal
- 2nd in 4x50 Freestyle Relay
- 2nd in the 4x50 Medley Relay
- 6th in 50m 16yrs Butterfly
- 4th in 100m 16yrs Butterfly

Elly O’Donoghue
- 2nd in 4x50 Freestyle Relay
- 2nd in the 4x50 Medley Relay
- 8th 15-16yrs 200m Breastsroke
- 4th 15yrs 50m Breastsroke
- 3rd 15yrs 100m Breastsroke

Georgia Strain
- 2nd in 4x50 Freestyle Relay
- 2nd in the 4x50 Medley Relay

Rhiannon Carr
- 2nd in 4x50 Freestyle Relay
- 2nd in the 4x50 Medley Relay
- 1st in 16yrs 100m Butterfly
- 1st in 16yrs 50m Butterfly

Rhiannon Carr & Elly O’Donoghue have been selected to compete at the Pacific School Games later this year. We wish them well in their preparations.

IGSSA CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVAL

Last Friday 15th May, KRB had a strong team of Cross Country runners compete in the IGSSA Cross Country Carnival at Frensham, Mittagong. Congratulations to the following girls on placing in the top 20 girls in their Age group:

13 Years
- Amelia Stynes 13th
- Arabella St John 17th

14 Years
- Antonia McCristal 11th

17 Years
- Lucy Edwards 5th
- Ruby Harrison 7th
- Phoebe McGeoch 10th
- Hannah Guy 18th

KRB achieved an outstanding 8th place overall out of 24 schools. Congratulations to the following girls on making the IGSSA team for CIS: Amelia Stynes, Antonia McCristal, Lucy Edwards, Ruby Harrison, Phoebe McGeoch & Hannah Guy.

YEAR 7–12 ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Last Thursday 21st May, the Year 7–12 Athletics Carnival was held at ES Marks Athletics Track. We had excellent weather conditions for the Carnival and participation and House Spirit was high throughout the day. Congratulations to the following girls who placed 1st & 2nd place in their Age group overall for all Track and Field events on the day (presentations were made on Sacred Heart Day at Assembly):

12 Years
- 1st Nicole Park
- 2nd Natasha Wong

13 Years
- 1st Sarah Noonan
- 2nd Amelia Stynes

14 Years
- 1st Clementine Crawford
- 2nd Chloe Conrick

15 Years
- 1st Sarah Maloney
- 2nd Maisie Stevens

16 Years
- 1st Alessandra Gazal
- 2nd Harriet Gazal

17 Years
- 1st Frances Ryan
- 2nd Phoebe McGeoch

18 Years
- 1st Emily Thompson
- 2nd Molly Windsor

Junior Champion: Sarah Noonan
Intermediate Champion: Maisie Stevens
Senior Champion: Emily Thompson
Overall Pointscore Winner: Tangara
Spirit Cup Winner: Arakoola
Open Invitational 100m: Maisie Stevens
Open 1500m: Elly O’Donoghue

New records form the 2015 Athletics Carnival

- Masie Stevens – U15 100m Sprint “12.50”
- Masie Stevens – U12-18 100m Sprint “12.38”
- Masie Stevens – U15 400m “1:03.63”
- Antonia McCristal – U15 400m “1:05.13”
- Phoebe McGeoch - U17 400m “1:04.12”
- Emily Thompson – U18 400m “1:06.99”
- Molly Windsor – U18 400m “1:10.81”
- Amelia Stynes – U12-14 800m Junior “2:26.86”
- Elly O’Donoghue – U15-16 800m Intermediate “2:23.74”
- Sarah Maloney – U15 High Jump Intermediate “1.55m”
- Garner Hancock – U16 Shot Put Intermediate “10.19m”
- Madeleine Mercer – U18 Shot Put Senior “10.44m”
FROM THE DEVELOPMENT OFFICE

KRK RUGBY LUNCH

Our annual Rugby Lunch will be held on Friday 7 August at the Four Seasons Hotel, George St Sydney. We are delighted that Vince Sorrenti will be the MC and we have a wonderful panel of:

- Phil Waugh – Rugby Union Champion
- Anthony Minichiello – Rugby League great
- Sarah Cook – Olympic Rower

All funds raised will go to the KRB Bursary Fund set up to support students whose families are in financial need. Bursaries are needs based – they are not based on any academic or sporting achievement. Currently we have over 50 senior students receiving partial bursaries.

There are three options for booking for the Rugby Lunch through the KRB website:
1. You can do an Early Bird booking for a table of 10 guests – $1400
2. You can do an Early Bird booking for a table of 12 guests – $1680
3. You can make an individual booking for $150.00

Early Bird bookings close on Friday 17 July 2015

Please contact me if you have any enquiries on 9388 6024 or cookm@krb.nsw.edu.au

Mary Cook
Director of Development

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MC VINCCE SORRENTI GUEST SPEAKERS PHIL WAUGH, ANTHONY MINICHIELLO & SARAH COOK

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ENQUIRIES Tim Murphy tmurphy@fugen.com.au or Mary Cook cookm@krb.nsw.edu.au

THANK YOU

Many thanks to all the outstanding parent volunteers who helped to make Sacred Heart Day such a memorable one for the whole KRB community.

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