



# PANORAMA 1999

KELSO HIGH SCHOOL MAGAZINE

Danae Gordon



**Reflection and Change**

A bouquet of beautiful memories,  
Sprayed with a million tears.  
Wishing she could still be with us,  
If only a few more years.

A lone woman standing back in darkness,  
Broken, like a withered tree.  
Yet the beauties that I loved  
Are in her memory.

Defiant in the face of Time,  
Past that has reconditioned me.  
Gaze no more on bitter retrospect,  
Do away with the mournful breeze.

Life is ahead for all of us,  
The future brings us closer to "D".

Craig Hollis

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# Principal's Report



The school year is filled with the large number of activities which occur every day, every week and every month.

Most school activity is lesson based in various subjects and key learning areas which make up the curriculum of our school. For every 2 week timetable cycle at Kelso High School, we arrange over 2400 different lessons for 860 students, 60 teachers and 20 support staff in 52 different locations. Schools are very complicated and highly structured environments.

A significant proportion of school activities are not subject based but are available to our students because of their particular interests and skills. At Kelso High we have an outstanding record of participation and success in a wide range of activities including most

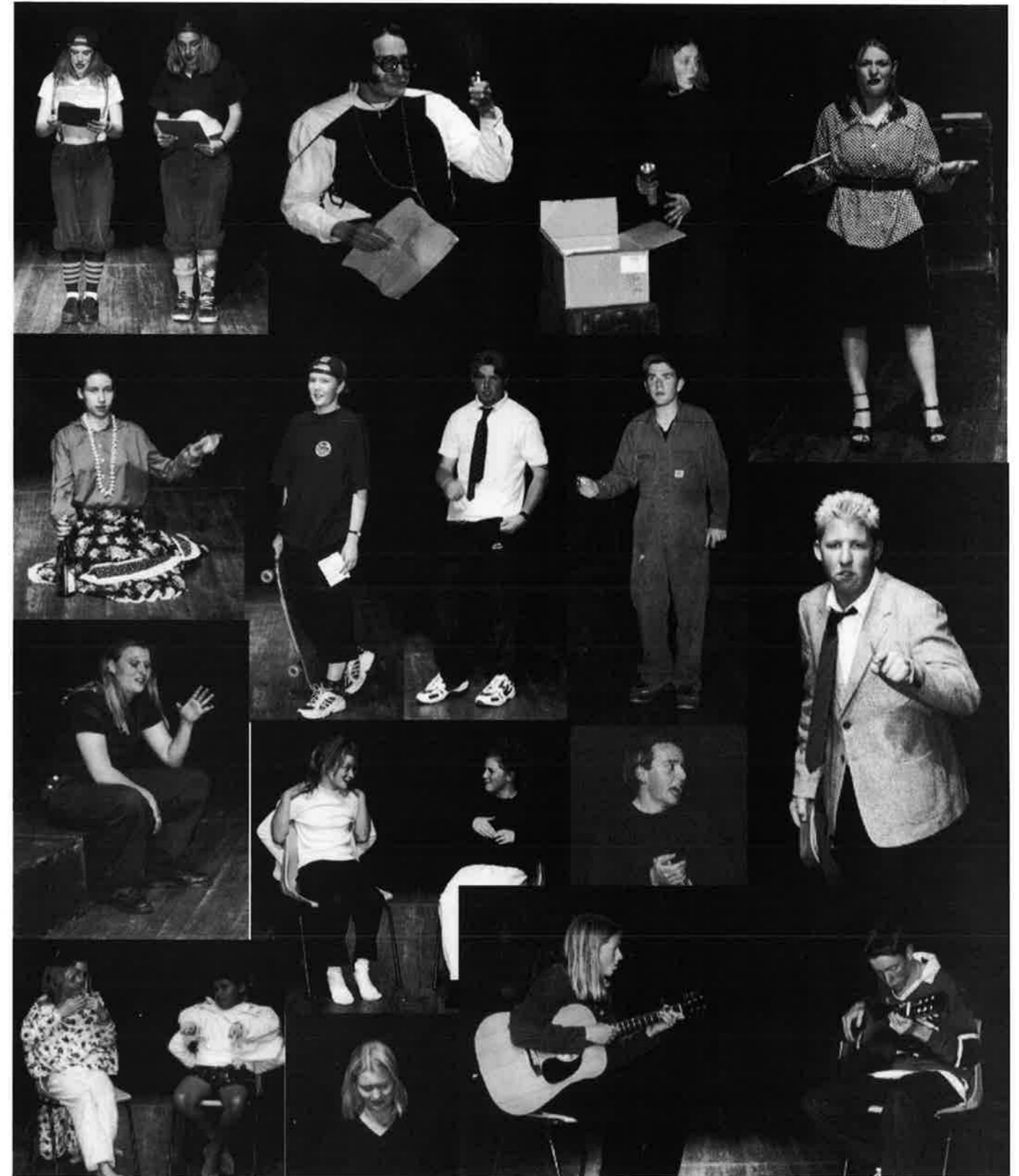
sports, debating, Schools in Parliament, Mock Trial, Rock Eisteddfod, band and music groups, drama, outdoor education programs, the list goes on. Many of these activities will be the most memorable part of school life for our students and add to the total school experience.

Our magazine captures some of this huge range of school activities in and out of the classroom. It shows and reports on our students and teachers actively involved and being successful. It is a slice of a modern comprehensive public high school in Australia at the end of the 20th Century and we are proud of our record.

Congratulations to our students and thank you to our teachers, parents and community supporters.

Iain McPherson

# Year 11 Drama & Music Night



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Mr Clulow in action with the band

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Exhausting - yes, Educational - Yes, pleasurable - most of the time, successful - definitely.

And Holidays - "veni Creator Spiritus".

Custard is wrong.

Colin Clulow

## "Lotsa Bitsa Dis 'n' Dat"

It is one thing to know your part it is another thing to be able to do it in front of an audience. At some point you just have to be brave and get up there on the stage and do it in front of a live audience. This is what the Year 11 Drama and Music Night was all about.

Part of the practical component of the Year 11 Drama and Music Courses is that you must do a performance. The Drama and Music Night is an opportunity for students perform their own work to the school community and to the public.

The Kelso High Theatrette is the perfect venue for such a night and a small but appreciative audience gathered for the performance. The evening was compared by Year 10 students, Amanda Chopping and Jane Stoddart.

The night began with a group performance by all Year 11 Drama student:

Ruth Adams, Sasha Cody, Brett Evens, Lauren Denmead, Toby Finlayson, David Moore, Rowan Scanlon, Emma Finn, Clarissa Soetens, David Wilkinson, Joanna Hurford and Amy LeFranc. The audience was captivated by over thirty short drama and music performances. It was a great night.

Special thanks needs to go to the teachers : Mrs Weiss, Mrs Arger, Miss Starr and Mr Clulow, for their work and efforts to make the evening such a success.



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# From the Deputy's Desk



This year we have seen the introduction of a set of statements called "Expectations".

It is a list of the standards that every student should be trying hard to reach and show on all occasions. It is a list of what teachers, parents and students would expect from students in the school classrooms, corridors and playground.

The "Expectations" cover three main areas:

- A positive application and commitment to the school and to class work.
- Meeting standards of bookwork, homework, uniform and attendance.
- Co-operative and appropriate conduct.

It is well known that if expectations and standards are clearly stated and followed by people, there is usually much greater understanding of ways that people can be expected to be treated by others. If the expectations are not clearly known then people do not have standards to aim for. These goals are important in the life of students during and after their time at school.

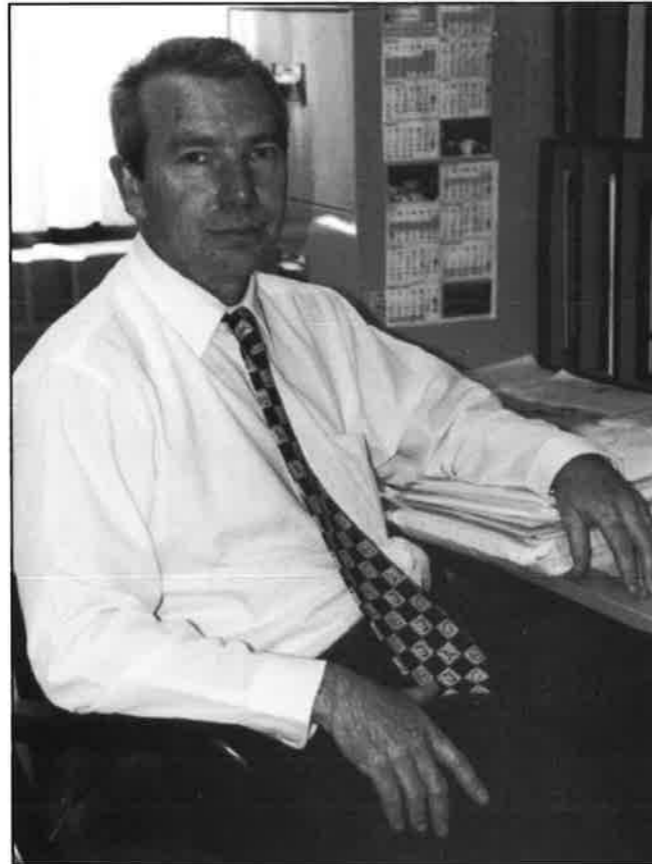
At Kelso High School the "Expectations" go hand-in-hand with the "Code of Behaviour". If students meet standards and expectations they will be included in a number of extra events during the year. This year students who have not met these expectations have not been invited to activities such as the Picton visit or school discos.

This year, the Principal and myself have visited a large number of classes and have been very pleased with the high levels of work, effort and the commitment of the students. Some students have been required to re-submit work, but most have met the required standards.

Next year, we again will review the standards and distribute a new set of 'Expectations'. We hope also to be able to increase the rewards to students who show consistently high achievement of these "Expectations".

David Stewart

# LEADING TEACHER'S REPORT



with students from Wales as part of the Montage Project was another activity which involved our students this year.

In the curriculum area our senior students were able to broaden their educational program through the launch of the Edulink program which enables students to access school and TAFE courses for the HSC. While this program is across schools, it was Kelso High School which has taken a leading role in the development of this program.

As we look back on this year we should be proud of our many successes and the opportunities taken by our students.

Next year we see the commencement of the new HSC with some changes to course and the way courses are assessed. One of the real advantages of the new HSC is that students will receive the results their work deserves and being matched against set standards. In the present system the results match a state-wide pattern with the final mark reflecting a rank rather than what students can do. This is one of the advantages of the new HSC and it is something we should look forward to.

*Greg Hurford*

Another year gone and another opportunity to reflect on some of the achievements of our students and school. Not only do we have the opportunity to look back but also to look ahead, especially considering that this is the last year of the millennium.

Our Year 12 students again performed well in the Higher School Certificate exams last year. Of special worthiness were the performances of our Drama Students and their selection to perform their group devised performance at "On Stage". Sheree Bryant, Jessica Bieneck, Kylie Evennett and Ben Soetens deserve special congratulations. This year's students will receive their results well before Christmas - a welcome early Christmas present for many.

Our Rock Eisteddfod this year was successful in being selected for the state finals at the Entertainment Centre. Their performance was outstanding on the night and they were awarded the prize for choreography. This was especially deserving because the choreography was done by our students.

Our Drama students also received recognition with winning performances in the Regional Shakespeare Competition in the Duo and Dance/Movement sections. This culminated in competing in the State Finals at the Seymour Centre.

Our Tournament of Minds team again were successful in winning their Regional section and competing in the State Final.

Our success in environmental projects continued this year with a major award through the Tidy Towns Competition and winning the State Envirothon Award.

Other notable programs this year which enriched our school were the conducting of the inaugural Primary Schools in Parliament at Kelso High School which was coordinated by Mr Browning. The video conferences



# Music



The band "Custard" has a song "Music is..". For those who know it, and who have been part of the music at Kelso High this year will disagree with the feelings. For this year music has been yet again a great success in all aspects.

The primary function of any school is the training and teaching in classroom situations. Extracurricular activity comes second, and like the icing on the cake, completes the task fully.

In every course, new and exciting programs have been developed and modified to prepare all students to succeed in the syllabus outcomes

The year 7 booklet is ever expanding and times of practical work cementing the skills learned in the theory lessons. These now lead into the year 8 structures which allow extension for the majority of the students.

The elective strands in years 9&10 have been completely renewed giving an emphasis on all areas of the subject. The students learn about a style of music by listening, composing, performing and researching. This method expands a students horizons especially in the creating areas of composition where many good compositions have not only surprised the student, but also the staff.



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## The Kelso Centrepoin t Newsag ency

Senior music has been fairly strong with both courses being offered.

It is very gratifying to see students with little or no background in performing playing extremely well by the time the HSC comes around.

But this is not to ignore the extra curricular activities.

The students were involved in a number of excursions to experience live music. These included two opportunities to hear and in one case participate in the Sydney Synfonia both here in Bathurst as well as in Sydney, A visit to the Powerhouse Museum to explore



historical musical instruments and a trip to Chicago..... the musical in Sydney (though the other is very tempting if there are any keen sponsors).

The concert band has been involved in performing this year. Twice we have combined with Bathurst High band. Both occasions were very positive for all concerned. These occurrences were the opening of the Entertainment centre and the opening of Education week.

A visit from Picton High band was also a highlight and an all day rehearsal with two concerts to the school capped off another great day of playing. (Rumour has it that Mr. Clulow got RSI in his arms after this full day of conducting in his windmill style)

The band played very well in the Eisteddfod. We were joined by some friends of Kelso High who lifted the confidence of the students. This experience is far more valuable than the competition and the students came away pleased with their result. Just for the record, (though in the opinion of the music teachers at the Eisteddfod results and competitions are detrimental to good learning) we only just finishing out of the places one mark behind.

Small groups also have been performing with a chamber quartet performing at the Eisteddfod and Kathy Starr's string group also playing.



# STUDENT LEADERSHIP TEAM

The 1999 student leaders of Kelso High are the last student leaders of the 20th Century and have had the task of leading Kelso High into the new millennium. Members of the 1999 leadership team included 12 students from Year 12. To become a leader, students had to put forward their CVs which outlined their academic, cultural, sporting and community achievements.

The '99 student leaders are: Sonia Boga, Madeleine Gilbert, Luke Press, Geoff Chard, Cassie Reid, Pat Stapleton, Sharni Latham, Brad Buttsworth, Janice Meek, Kate Marskell, Ruth Nartey and Jaye Pescud. The leadership team also worked closely with Todd Mouthaan from Year 11 who is the President of the SRC.

The teachers and students then selected 3 captains from the leadership team: Pat Stapleton, Sharni Latham and Brad Buttsworth. As captains we represented the school at the Education Week Ceremony, 1998 Presentation Night, 1998 Grad Ball, Year 6 Orientation Night and by conducting assemblies and helping at various SRC fund raisers.

Members of the leadership team have certain responsibilities to the students of Kelso High. They act as mentors and role models for fellow students and encourage school spirit. Leaders aim to help students, particularly juniors, settle into high school and they look out for those students having problems.

'99 has been a successful year for Kelso High in many aspects. The Rock Eisteddfod has celebrated outstanding success having reached the State Finals in Sydney for the first time. Kelso has also recently won the 'Enviro '99 Award in Sydney affirming our position as a leader in environmental studies in the State. The school has also had continuous participation in the Stream Watch Program. As always Kelso has had many victorious sporting teams and individuals this year. The boys' and girls' hockey teams in particular, have had outstanding success with both teams finishing second in the State Knockout Competition. Kelso has had numerous individuals represent at Western Region and State level, which is an indication of the sporting nature of our school.

This year Kelso has participated in exchange visits with Japan and the USA and has accommodated visitors from Bangladesh. Kelso has also made links with a school in Wales through video conferences which have enriched the life of our school.

On behalf of the leadership team I would particularly like to thank Mr Lewis and Mrs Picker for their help. I would also like to wish next year's leadership team and captains good luck for the year 2000. On behalf of the students of Year 12 as a whole I would like to thank the staff and students of Kelso High for their continuous help and support and for making our time at Kelso very memorable and for giving us a great start to our adult lives.

Sharni Latham

On behalf of the Leadership Team.

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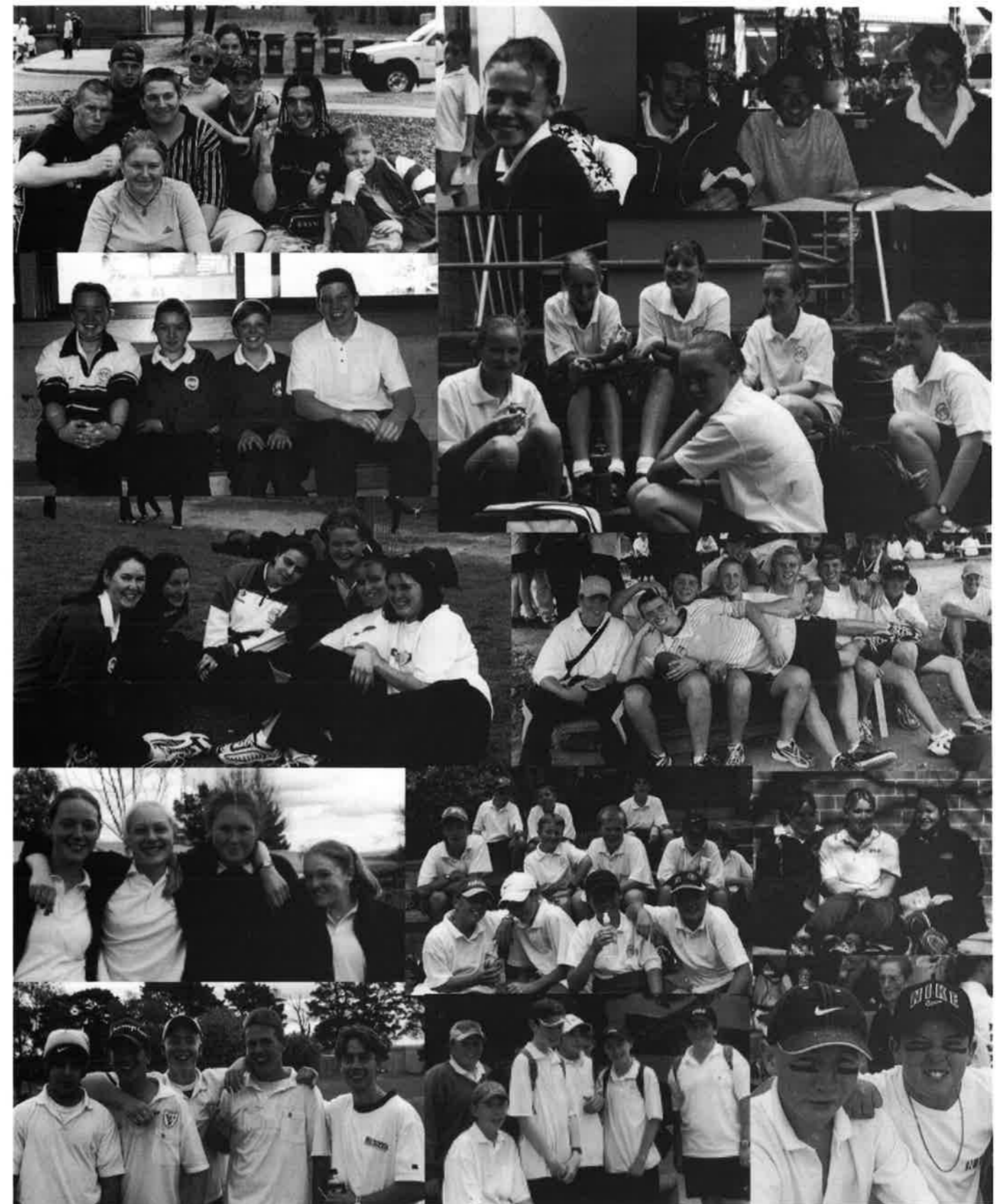
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## OPEN BOY'S HOCKEY

The boys hockey team enjoyed its most successful season since the school opened. Never before has this team reached the final of the State wide Knockout Competition. To be the second best school team: beaten 7-3 in the final by the other Western team, Lithgow - is a fantastic achievement, one that the boys will remember forever.

The season began in April with the divisional day in Orange. There we had convincing wins over Borowa and Canobolas. The Western finals, again in Orange, were held early in Term 2 with Kelso winning their semi-final against Orange by a lot goals to not many. Kelso secured a finals place and the chance to progress to the State Finals series. Both finalists from Western move into the Regional Knockouts. Lithgow played brilliant hockey to defeat Kelso 12-5 in the Final.

Kelso's next game was in Bathurst against the winning South Coast team, Crookwell. This proved to be a relatively easy win for the Kelso boys. They returned to school 5-0 victors.

So it was off to Wollongong on Monday 13th September to the State Final. The quarter final game was at 8.00 on Tuesday 14th against Corowa, 1998 State runners up. An early goal to Corowa was the spur that the Kelso boys needed to lift their game - they ran out 3-1 winners. Much of this game was played with Captain

Brent Naylor sidelined with a middle ear infection. Can you imagine Brent taking himself off not once, but twice! He really was sick.

The afternoon semi-final proved to be an epic struggle against the 1998 Champions, Grafton High. In 1998 they beat us in the semi-final at Newcastle, so the boys were fired up for revenge. And so it proved to be. Kelso controlled the game so well in the centre, winning 5-2. This day was their finest beating both the 1998 finalists most convincingly.

Unfortunately, they could not carry this form into Wednesday's final. Lithgow were totally dominant throughout the game, leading 4-0 at half time and running out State champions for the 4th time in 5 years, 7 goals to 2.

The Kelso team can be proud of their efforts in 1999, but will need to work very hard to go one better in 2000. Kelso's players for 1999 were: Brent Naylor (captain), Brad Buttsworth, Pat Stapleton, Stephen Coyle, Grant Bafot, Dyaine Milligan, Nick Boye, Matthew Naylor, Paul Stapleton, Jack Gardiner, Kelvin Cooke, Daniel Casey, Adam Buttsworth, Adam Morton, Jared Naylor, Ryan Grives, Paul Klok and Andy Boye.

A special thanks to coach Glen Buttsworth for his enthusiastic efforts and for giving so much of his time to coach the team.

Graeme Hanger.

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# P&C REPORT

## How important is the P&C to you?

The P&C meetings are held the second Wednesday of the month at 7.30pm, which translates into about ten meetings per year. These meetings provide one of the few opportunities for parents to have direct input into school policies and general decisions regarding our children's education.

Lots of people know that the P&C helps provide financial support to help students compete at state and National level for a wide range of cultural, educational and sporting activities. What most fail to realise however is that this type of aid involves fund raising activities and requires support from parents. Without that continuing support the P&C association will not survive and a lot of good things the association brings to the school will be lost. We live in an increasingly complicated and hectic world where it is all too easy to leave our responsibilities to our children to others.

The current P&C association is basically made up of a (very) small core of parents whose children have only a few years left at school. If no new parents take an interest in their children's school then there can be only one result. Not only will there be no more financial aid to students, many of the improvements planned for around the school will not be able to go ahead. These

include better seating and sporting facilities on the school grounds.

When your child makes an application for some financial assistance from the P&C in future ask yourself, "What contribution have I made?"

The executive in 1999 was the same as the previous two years and to the following small band of committed members I would like to thank you for all the input during the year.

Jim Vickers, Helen Mortimore, David Hatherly, Jenny Chard, Jackie Walker, Allan Evers.

Iain McPherson, David Stewart and Greg Hurford for their informative reports

Thank you to those parents that were able to make it to meetings during the year. Thank you also Marlene McPhee, Helen Mortimore and the dedicated band of helpers that do such a wonderful job of running the school canteen.

Ray Mouthaan  
President

### Scenes from the P&C Trivia Night



'The band was fantastic.'



'It's not important who wins.'



'We had a good time.'



'The Winners'

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## Takahiro Noguchi

*Where are you from Taka?* I'm from Yamagata, a town in northern Honshu, that's the main island of Japan. Yamagata is on the west coast. It is a city of about 3 million people. I live in the city. It is an industrial city. I live in a house, not an apartment. There are six people in my family. Me, my father and mother, my father's parents and an older sister.

*What kind of things do you do in Yamagata?* I like going to town with my friends and walking around. I like school. I like talking to my friends. I like Maths.

*What is school like in Japan?* I go to a private school. Yamamoto High School. It is a senior high school with students in Years 10 to 12 ( 15 to 18 years old). We usually go to school for six days per week, but the 2nd and 4th Saturday we get a holiday. School goes from 9am to 3pm. At school I study Japanese and World History, Maths, Japanese, Science, Philosophy, English and Physical Education. We have one month of summer holidays. I usually stay at home during my holidays.

*How do you learn English in Japan?* It is very simple and very formal. The same way you learn Japanese in Australia.

*What is Japan like?* It is a lot smaller in Japan. The cities have a lot of smog. Australian cities are cleaner.

*What kind of food do you eat in Japan?* Fish and chips, hamburgers. McDonalds.

*How did you become an exchange student?* I became one because I was a good English student. I wanted to go to the United States of America but I was too late and so I came to Australia.

*What did you know about Australia before you came here?* I knew there was a place called Australia. I knew about the Olympic Games, kangaroos, koalas, the Opera House and Ayer's Rock.

*How else is Australia different from Japan?* The food is bigger and cheaper. There are flies. Things are cheaper. In Japan the schools are very strict. In Australia the schools are freer. There is no talking in Japan, no food in class, no drinking. The teacher hits you if you break the rules. Strict uniform must be worn. The work is harder and there are end of term exams. I must do an end of term exam when I get home.

*Is there anything in Australia that seems strange?* No not really. Australia is the same as Japan in lots of ways. There is much more space in Australia. I don't like it. In Australia people blow their noses with hankies. In Japan we use tissues and throw them away. We blow our nose in private. Pointing is rude in Japan. In Japan you eat noodles with noise, in Australia you don't make noise.

*Have you played any Australian sports?* I didn't know about cricket in Japan. I played cricket once but it is boring. It takes all day.

*Where have you travelled since you arrived in Australia?* I went to Melbourne for orientation and toured the city and saw the beach. I went to Sydney during the last holidays. I went to Madame Toussoudes, Darling Harbour, the Opera House. I have been to Orange and Sofala. On the 17th November I will go to Central Australia for 10 days with the other Japanese exchange students. I am looking forward to that.



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participated in a German Prose Reading competition held by the Goethe Institute in Sydney as part of Goethe's 200th birthday celebrations. Each student received a Certificate of Merit, and of the 500 students Australia wide who entered the competition, 15 were selected to compete in the finals in Sydney. Amongst those chosen was Kelso High's Erin Chapman, who just missed out on the major prize, which was a trip to Germany. However, she did receive several consolation prizes.

During October, Language students once again enjoyed the delights of foreign food and entertainment with Kelso High's version of Oktoberfest. Engaging in German conversation, wearing the national colours, listening to German music and participating in various prize-winning activities, a fun day was had by all.

Special thanks must go to Mrs Joelle Pearn and Mr Tim Meagher for their assistance throughout 1999 with French and Japanese in the junior classes, as well as their efforts during language visits and activities.

Maree Crough



went to the beach, shopped and practised French with the local people. The group visited the bustling markets that are open every morning. Here we saw a wide variety of fresh fish, fruits and souvenirs for sale.



The highlight of the trip for most was a trip by catamaran to a full day of snorkelling and swimming at a floating pontoon on the Great Barrier Reef. The day also included a trip on a glass bottom boat where we saw sharks, stingrays and an assortment of colourful fish and coral. On the way back to Noumea we stopped to swim around the catamaran off an island. Unfortunately boating is not for everyone and several students in the group felt seasick all day, but for the rest of the group it was an experience to remember!

It was not all holidaying though, as we all had to participate in French lessons given in French. We went to a different restaurant every night and everyone really enjoyed having croissants for breakfast every morning.

The 21 students from the other schools were all nice and every one made some firm friendships. Everyone learned a lot about the Melanesian culture and had a fantastic time. And yes, we did improve our French! It was sad to leave but the trip left some great memories from New Caledonia. C'est tres bien!

Alison Scott



## Viva New Caledonie

In April a group of Year 9 and 10 French students combined with Bateman's Bay High School and Macarthur Girls High School to spend eight days in the French Province, New Caledonia. Noumea, the capital city of New Caledonia, is situated 3 hours north-east of Australia in the Pacific Ocean.

The group consisted of Amber Earle, Matthew Elliott, Paul Mouthaan, Jackie Parker, Alison Scott, Edwina Berry, Amy Bryant, Penny Clulow and Anna Moran. Mrs Mouthaan and Colin Parker accompanied them.

For the eight days we did various activities. We started the trip with a four hour tour of the picturesque city on Le Petit Train which included a stop at the world famous Tjibaou Cultural Centre to find out about the Kanak and Melanesian culture. During our stay we also

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## Student Representative Council

This year, the S.R.C. has tried to focus on giving back to our school and not just being a fundraising body. With a strong, spirited group of students, we set about deciding on some realistic goals for the year.

We have regular meetings in the library to discuss and organise events, projects and make decisions. The SRC organises and runs a Disco each term. We appreciate the teachers who help supervise on the night and would like to thank them very much. We meet with SRC groups from other Bathurst district Schools, at least once a year, to discuss matters.

The SRC decided that the playground would benefit with some new seating in the shade throughout the school. After a long Chocolate Drive (the goal being to raise money for both playground seating and new sports shirts), liaison with the Principal, P&C and the School Grounds Interest Group, we have helped organise for a total of eleven outdoor table settings plus other seating to be installed in on ongoing process by the end of the year. Special thanks from us to P&C parents and Mr Haswell and Mr Stocks for providing their expertise and services and installing the seating for us.

For the first time, the SRC decided this year to purchase trophies for the Age Champions of the swimming and athletic carnivals in recognition of the achievement of peers. Mr Browning, Sports Organiser, presented these on assembly.

Another project undertaken earlier this year has been the renovation of our Memorial Garden remembering past peers, situated at the back of the



school. With new materials purchased by the SRC, Mr Haswell and Mr Stocks replaced the fence and archway. Ms Rowan, Mr Free and Miss Allitt maintain the remembrance garden on a volunteer basis which we appreciate very much.

The Picton visit is a highlight of the year for students and the SRC contributed \$1500 towards new school sporting team shirts which can also be used for other sport team events. All students had a chance to vote on the design and they looked great during our visit this year to Picton High.



Once again, through disco profits and collections, the SRC has supported community charities. We presented \$135 to the Bathurst Red Shield Appeal and \$472 was collected for Jeans for Genes Day. We thanked teachers for their hard work with a morning tea when we celebrated International Teachers' Day in October. Other events we organised were the Motivational Media Production for all students on the theme "Be Excellent" and the motivational talk by Tanya Melman "Having Goals and Achieving Dreams". We also helped at Kelso Public for their Twilight Fair, running a stall and helping to develop the relationship with our Primary School peers.

The SRC would like to thank Mr Bartulovich, Ms Patten and Mrs Mouthaan for their guidance and we look forward to another productive year for 2000.

Todd Mouthaan  
SRC President

# SRC Activities



*Canteen Bandana Day*



*Selling Sausages to Young Children*



*Selling Chocolates to Young Children*



*Kelso Memorial Garden*



*A set of new Jumpers for the School Sports*



*International Teacher's Day*



*Courtyard Seating*



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# Language

The year began with the sad departure of Mrs Gail Dengate, who left for Hong Kong in January to teach English. In February, we welcomed Miss Rosemary Preston to Kelso High School. A graduate of the Australian National University and the University of New South Wales, Miss Preston has taken over the role of teaching French and has also been an asset in teaching German to some of the junior and senior classes.

From March through to June we once again received Japanese visitors from Ohkuma, Toyo Boys High School and K.S.K.K., an organisation which selects students from all over Japan to tour Australia. As in previous years, these visits were a great enjoyment and a learning experience for Kelso High School students both on a cultural and a language level.

In April, 9 Kelso High School French students spent 10 wonderful days in New Caledonia. This was a fabulous opportunity to utilise their French skills and to learn about another culture. Much appreciation must of course go to Mrs Mouthaan and Mr Parker for their efforts in escorting the students during this time.

To celebrate Bastille Day, France's National Day, a French Cafe was organised during July for all students of language, in particular those engaging in a course of French this year. In French costume, students enjoyed a platter of French delicacies, whilst listening to French music, conversing in French and embracing the atmosphere of French cafe. Students will also look forward to a visit to an authentic French restaurant in Orange during December.

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With best wishes, we temporarily farewelled Mrs Michelle Whiteley who was going on Maternity Leave for Terms 3 and 4, and welcomed Miss Katherine McMahon who recently graduated from Macquarie University. Miss McMahon will be joining us as a teacher of Japanese until the end of this year. The role of Head Teacher of Languages for the rest of 1999 was passed on to Ms Maree Crough and Mr Graeme Hanger.

August was a busy month for the Language Department, beginning with the birth of Connor Patrick Whiteley on August 1st. Congratulations to Mr and Mrs Whiteley. The 1999 National Australia Bank Language Certificates followed, with a number of language students from Years 8 to 12 competing. As well as this, August and September were difficult months for our Year 12 German students who were undertaking their Higher School Certificate Oral and Aural exams. In late August, a small number of Year 12 German language students



## Pat Varman

I began at Kelso High School in February 1986 as a casual with 3 hours a day. In October I applied for my job as a permanent /part time.

In 1987 Lindsay Cottee, Melissa Allen and Andrew Longhurst arrived at the school and we had many busy years doing PE at the school and archery at CSU.

I have had two principals, Brian Kay and Ian McPherson; and three deputies. There have been many changes in staff and the introduction of a leading teacher. In the ancillary staff we have had four new head clerical assistants.

Over the years I have made many friends, seen marriages and babies, a whole world of experiences that come from working with a staff of 80 adults from different backgrounds, and at one stage 1040 students. At one stage we had a deaf unit and I learned sign language. I can't think at the moment but I have had a great time at Kelso High School. I have learned a lot and made many friends.

Pat Varman.



## Margo Grimes

I am an Aboriginal woman from the far north west of New South Wales. I am the eldest of three sisters and three brothers. I have one son, three grandsons and one granddaughter.

I am an easy person to get on with and on my good days I can be very bubbly and happy.

I am black, beautiful and young.

Margaret May Grimes



Gail Dengate left to teach English in Hong Kong

Narelle Anderson moved to the Illawara Region

Ximena McPhillamy is teaching at MacKillop College

Kerry Murphy moved to the North Coast

## Grad Ball 1998

This is the speech Charlie Dunn gave at the 1998 Graduation Ball.

"Year 12 and assembled guests..."

This is a happy occasion and happiness is my theme. When I undertook the role of Year Adviser for this group of students in 1992, when they were still in Year 6, I wasn't sure if it was as reward or punishment for not having children of my own.

Six years on and I can happily report that it was a reward. At times admittedly I have felt a bit like the old lady who lived in the shoe who had so many children she didn't know what to do, but tonight, at this celebration of the success of this wonderful group of students, I feel a mixture of pride and relief that they have safely reached this important milestone in their lives, where they stand poised to move into the 'real world' of their adult lives.

Year 12, from your first day in high school you have often been encouraged to always put in your best effort and be happy with the result, to treat each other well and to respect yourselves. Carry this familiar advice with you; it will always apply.



In looking for some inspirational words I have turned to the ancient wisdom of Greek and Roman writers rather than the lyrics of the latest song on the Top 40. The ancients placed a great emphasis on fostering virtues in children.

Aristotle wrote: "happiness is the reward of virtue" - the virtue of being a good and honest person who deals fairly with others and respects your society.

Today unfortunately, we too often look for happiness in the things we do rather than who we are. Happiness is now measured by success, rather than by virtue and

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strength of character. In our affluent society the easy way is to seek happiness in possessions, and at McDonald's, rather than in virtue for its own sake. I can only hope that you have all learnt, or at least recognise, the benefits of working hard and respecting others, as a way to reach your own potential.

On a lighter note, the Roman writer Cato provided numerous hints for young people which can be roughly translated as:

Love your parents ( and overcome them with patience...)

Keep the company of good people.

Don't drink too much.

Don't party too much.

Read books.

Preserve your modesty...and

Don't sneer at the poor

Good advice in any civilisation, at any time, and never more so than now.

As young adults you are entering a new stage of freedom, in society which for all its faults, is still a free one; but remember that freedom which is misused is not the way to happiness. Your rights are balanced by your responsibilities to the society which guarantees those rights. Those of you who expect their every desire to be fulfilled will find it hard to cope with the unpleasant things which life occasionally throws up, when you really need the virtues of courage and faith to see you through.

In the film 'Dead Poet's Society' Robyn Williams exhorts his students to 'Seize the day', and a good working motto it is too as it reminds us that life is short and every day is precious. Add to this the advice of the Roman emperor Marcus Aurelius who wisely commended:

"... keep yourself a simple and good person, uncorrupt, dignified, unaffected, a friend to justice, gracious, affectionate and courageous." All this talk is perhaps just my last attempt to cast the spell of happiness over you all, but it is sincerely given.

Students of Year 12 ; despite the occasional strains on my patience, my affection for you all, and my pride in you tonight, is immense. I wish you all good health, many virtues and true happiness, and I congratulate you on your achievements which place you here tonight at the finale of your school careers.

Charlie Dunn

## JOANNA HURFORD EXCHANGE STUDENT

At the end of last year I went to the USA on the Rotary Short Term Youth Exchange program for two months. I stayed in a sea side town called Destin. Destin is situated on the Gulf of Mexico in Florida. It has a population of 13 thousand. In winter, many 'snowbirds' come to Destin from Canada to enjoy the warmer weather. Along the Gulf are many sky rise condos, one after the other.

I stayed with a family of four. I had an 11 and 12 year old sister and a host Mum who taught 3rd Grad at the local elementary school. My host Dad was a lawyer and belonged to the Destin Rotary Club.

I attended Fort Walton High School which was a 20 minute drive from Destin. School started at 7am which meant I had to leave home by 6 or 6.30 every day. I had 7 subjects and 7 periods a day. There were over 2000 students at the school.

The highlight of my exchange was when I went to the Florida Keys with my host family. The Keys are a chain of islands at the southern tip of Florida and has the Atlantic Ocean on one side and the Gulf of Mexico on the other. At the Keys we went snorkelling and went to many tourist attractions. One of these was called the Theatre of the Sea. Here we swam with the dolphins for half an hour. In this time we were able to swim around with them, do tricks with them and be towed along by them amongst other things.

Another highlight was when the Rotary Clubs of the Fort Walton district paid for me some other exchange students to go to Disneyworld for a week. This was a lot of fun as I was able to meet other exchange students from different countries.

To become an exchange student I applied to one of the Rotary Clubs in Bathurst. After a house call and an interview I was selected to go on exchange.

Everyone in the district who was selected had to attend some briefing weekends. These were very helpful as they gave me advice on how to solve problems when I was on my exchange. The best thing about these weekends was that we were able to meet others who were selected to go on exchange and so we knew some of the others before we went.

I had a great time and encourage anybody thinking of going on exchange to contact a Rotary Club or other exchange organisation.

Joanna Hurford  
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## ALPACA LUNCH

On 23rd August David Hudson, Peter Gray, Ben Hawkey, Terry Battalis and Michael Hughes all climbed in the school bus for an exciting trip to the Whilelaw's farm to look at the Alpacas. They were accompanied by Mrs Hummelshoj, Renae Puckeridge, Kay Whitelaw and Mr Novak.

Mrs Hummelshoj's driving was pretty scary. The boys think she should redo her licence and try to stay off the gutters and on the road, before we travel with her again. When we arrived and went into the paddock some of the boys helped to herd the Alpacas into a smaller paddock where they could be handled. Everyone had a feel of the wool on their backs while some of the animals spent some time spitting at one another. We then went down to the bottom paddock where Peter tried to catch the wethers, but the wethers were too fast. Eventually, persistence and patience won through and Peter succeeded in having them eat out of his hands. Everyone had a photo taken, even the teachers.



We left the Whitelaw's and went to Maccas to have an ice cream and wash hands. After polishing off the ice creams, it was back into the bus and with Mrs Hummelshoj back at the wheel. We proceeded to Peace Park where we sat and had lunch with Mrs Hummelshoj redeeming herself by plying us with her lamingtons, which were delicious. After this the boys were lead by Mr Novak to the 'Conversations' statue and they proceeded to climb to the top of it. Next minute, the girls watched with mouths open as a Police car moaned down to the statue. To our disappointment they continued on and passed the boys: obviously they were after bigger fish.

After the fright of having the boys and Mr Novak almost arrested, we decided to pile back into the bus as quickly as possible and head back to the safety of our beloved school.



Kevin Slater, Andrew Slavicek, Michael Small, Vanessa Small, Jade Smith, Brooke Stonestreet, Jayde Sullivan, Gareth Sutton



Ricky Theobald, Shaun Thompson, Rhea Thurtell, Joshua Tilden, Robert Tisdell, Jeremy Toole, Matthew Traves, Brett Urban



Michael Urban, Kurtis Vidler, Cherene Wallace, Corina Ward, Luke Warren, Tara Webster, Kirah Wheatley, John Williams



Joanne Willis, Imogen Wilson, Kevin Sutton



### Buckley Shield Rugby League

Scott Morgan, Ben Stevens, Leigh Ross, Joshua Turnbull, Kurt Russell, Rodney Murray, Kane Brennan, Mark Merritt, Nathan Dennis, Adam Dwyer, Scott Hines, Tim Varndell, Shane Taylor, Geoff Campbell, Michael Olsen, Gary Marple, and Steven Smeed.

Round 1 Kelso defeated Bathurst High School at Carrington Park, 58-0.

Round 2 Kelso defeated Lithgow High School at St Pat's Sporting Ground, 48-12.

Round 3 Kelso was defeated by Cowra High School at Cowra, 24-12.

Ric Bolus Coach

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## Where are they now?

The Editor has made every / some effort to find out what ex-students are doing. He apologises profusely for any errors and regrets any embarrassment this may cause. He has been unable to track the whereabouts of some people.

Jamie Adair: Apprentice builder  
 Stuart Adam: Wishbone Chicken  
 Renee Ahern: Hairdresser  
 Phillip Amery: TAFE Bathurst  
 Jackie Anderson: MIA  
 Wendy Ashworth: MIA  
 Aidan Bateup: Painter  
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 Jeremy Blowes: Uni of NSW, Arts  
 Clint Booth: Sawmill Burruga  
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 Carla Browne: Rockmans Bathurst  
 Jason Brownscombe: Reptile Park  
 Sheree Bryant: Sanity  
 Rosie Butcher: Lismore TAFE  
 Melanie Byrne: Hospitality and McDonalds  
 Bianca Carter: Pump twice a week  
 Nicole Casey: CSU, Physical Education  
 Tania Charnock: Uni of Western Sydney  
 Justin Clarke: Pizza Hut, Chandlers, CSU  
 Jenny Clulow: Sydney Uni, Agriculture  
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 Sarah Donald: Nursing, Bathurst TAFE  
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 Gareth Edwards: Stockbroking firm  
 Dane Eldridge: Woolworths, 2MCE-FM  
 Kylie Evernett: Chemist, deferred Uni, Drama  
 Joseph Farah: MIA  
 Sarah Le Franc: Army reserve  
 Kate Gorman: CSU, Public relations  
 Katie Grives: TAFE  
 Kristy Hammett: Uni of Wollongong, Arts  
 James Hanger: Paul Watson's

Michael Hanney: Woolworths  
 Alex Hatherly: Wollongong Uni  
 Drew Henman: GAP to England  
 Alastair Hill: MIA  
 Warren Hillsley: MIA  
 Camilla Hobbs: CSU, Business  
 Ben Hope: B Rock  
 Corina Howarth: MIA  
 Zac Keene: Music at TAFE  
 Michael Keep: Defence Force  
 Raphaelle Kelly: Receptionist, Chatswood  
 Steven Kemp: Bathurst Council  
 Renee Kent: Sydney Hilton, Chef  
 Ammy King: Full time mother-loving it  
 Dwain Klavins: Electrician  
 Glenn Klower: Brown's Creek Mine  
 Robert Knight: Roof tiler  
 Sara Lamers: TAFE Orange  
 Suzie Lawson: ANU, Asian Studies/Law  
 Myfwny Lewis: Estee Lauder, Sydney  
 Daniel Martensz: TAFE, several jobs  
 Tanya McCusker: MIA  
 Jason McGlynn: Navy  
 Emma McGrath: CSU, Business/Accounting  
 Melissa McNab: MIA  
 Michelle Medway: TAFE, Nursing  
 Alexander Miller: MIA  
 Paul Miller: MIA  
 Jason Moore: MIA  
 Brad Morrow: Builder  
 Anne Mulligan: Uni of W.Syd, Science  
 Olivia Munro: Traineeship, Uncle Ben's  
 Chris Neo: B. Business  
 Tami O'Neill: Working at a Jewellers  
 Jaimie Osborne: Telstra  
 Jacqueline Owen: Big W  
 Adrian Parker: Apprentice electrician  
 Daniel Pettiford: MIA  
 Peita Polsen: KFC  
 Kate Porter: Hotel management  
 Erin Puckeridge: MIA  
 Luke Read: Skilled  
 Nicole Reece: CSU, Early childhood  
 Matthew Robinson: CSU  
 Kay Robson: Bernards  
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 Sara Ruston: MIA  
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 Kylie Ryan: Real Estate trainee  
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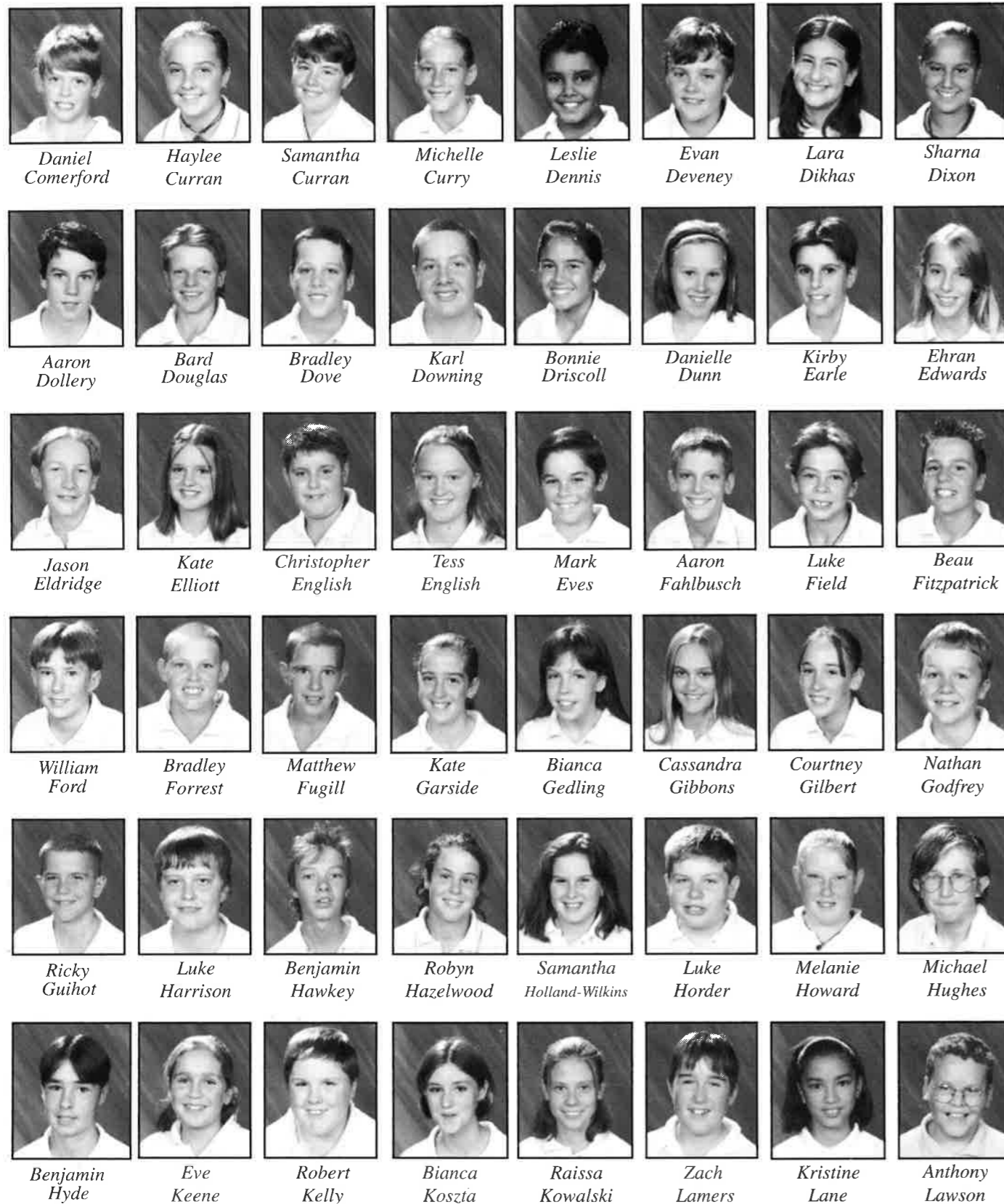
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# HSC Results 1998

117 students sat for and completed the Higher School Certificate in 1998, studying 43 different courses including seven 3 Unit courses.

There were a number of commendable results some of which included:

\*Suzanne Lawson received the highest UAI (University Admission Index) closely followed by Jeremy Blowes. Other students to receive a UAI over 90 were: Suzanne Wright, Roslyn Walker, Alex Hatherly, Kate Van Doore and Elsa Crooks.

\*Jeremy Blowes completed the Distinction Course in Comparative Literature.

\*Four of the nine Drama students finished in the top 10% of the state with Kylie Everett, Ben Soetens, Sheree Bryant and Jess Bienieck being invited to perform at 'On Stage', a showcase of outstanding HSC drama performances.

\*Students in a number of other subjects performed well: 2Unit Life Management (three out of eleven students were in the top 10%); 2 Unit Computing Studies ( three out of ten were in the top 10%); 2 Unit Maths in Society ( ten out of sixty four were in the top 10%); and 2 Unit Mathematics ( six out of twenty-five were in the top 10%).

\*Elsa Crooks and Emma McGrath finished in the top 10% in four courses each.

Greg Hurford



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# Year 12




Year 12 students in the last week of their school lives have shown us a glimpse of the wonderful adults they are becoming in that they left with dignity.


The 95 Year 12 students, as would be expected from a diverse group of people, have achieved and will achieve in many different areas such as : sports, music,drama and the academic fields. We wish them luck in their Higher School Certificate and in their future lives.

*Lesley Picker and Cheryl Cole*


**Emily Adams 'Em'**  
 1994-1999  
 Merit in Art,  
 Constitutional Convention  
 Rock Eisteddfod, Abseiling,  
 Ambitions: Travel , TAFE




**Sarah Ashcroft**




**Kylie Asimus**  
 1994-1999  
 Merit Certificates Early Childhood  
 Peer Reading, First Aid, Touch Coach,  
 Referees Certificate,Athletics,  
 Collected for many charities,  
 Ambitions:CSU, Early Childhood.




**Grant Bagot**



**Nathan Begley 'Begs'**  
 1994-1999  
 Rock Eisteddfod,Soccer:Picton,  
 CommonwealthCup,Turner Cup.  
 'I can't believe I ate the whole thing.'



**Sonia Boga 'Bonia'**  
 1994-1999Student Leadership Team,  
 Merits in Geog,Maths,Music,English  
 Shakespeare Fest. Performing Arts.  
 Many charities, Sing 2001.  
 'I'm guessing.' 'What?'  
 Ambitions: Hospitality industry



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# YEAR 7



Over 160 students have made a great start to their high school life at Kelso High. They have been involved in sport, cultural and academic activities.

























Students represented the school at Western Region and State in swimming, athletics, cross-country and hockey. Students also participated in the Rock Eisteddfod, Tournament of Minds, Student Representative Council, Choir, the School Band, English, Maths and Science Competitions.

All students had the opportunity to be involved with inter-school visits with Blayney High and Picton High.

Within the school all participated as daily messenger in learning how the school functions and accepting responsibility for their contribution to the school community.

The range of talents, interests and abilities in this group is remarkable. Congratulations to all who worked well in class this year.

I look forward to all Year 7 students continuing their development and progress and wish them well for future years.  
 Judy Smith Year 7 Co-ordinator.

 Corey Adair	 Jared Astridge	 Simon Barker	 Jenna Barling	 Terrance Bartalis	 Brendan Beale	 Andrew Bekkema	 Justin Benger
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Year 9 students tried to brighten up the Kelso Nursing home with a mural. They managed to create a beautiful mural that depicted the wishes of many of the residents. This was a very exciting process and one we are sure will remain a positive and fulfilling memory. Their work shows real skill and focus. They are a keen bunch of creative students who will continue to excel in their creative pursuits.



Paul Wells

Year 9/10 went down to Sydney for a trip to visit the works of the Australian artist, Jeffrey Smart. They travelled by train and not many of the students managed to get lost. The day was great and a fantastic experience to see the art works of an Australian master.

Year 10, 11 and 12 also went to Sydney at the beginning of the year to see Art Express and the Cezanne exhibition. This was a full day, visiting NSW Art Gallery and the State Library where the works were exhibited. Perhaps this exhibition was beneficial to both Neil and Arna (Yr12) with their excellent practical results.

Year 10 and 11 have had experiences in oil painting and print making using our wonderful press. This has really added to the equipment of the Art department and the range of works students will be able to undertake.

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Sasha Cody

These two years have also been involved in the exhibition at the Bathurst Art Gallery titled Dreams and Imaginings- a Youth Arts Program involving Bathurst Art Gallery and the NSW government.

Year 11 had partaken of a lecture and viewing of the Jeffrey Smart exhibition, plus a visit to the Powerhouse Museum for a design exhibition.

As the year draws to a close, we in the Visual Arts department would like to wish you well and we hope you have a creative, colourful, imaginative 2000.

Jenny Parker  
Denise Patten



**Leanne Boserio 'Bozza'**  
1996-1999



'Dog'  
Ambitions: Hairdresser

**Katie Bromfield**

1994-1999  
Merits in Tech Design, Woodwork,  
Science & Maths Comp. Picton visits  
Rotary Citizenship Award Soccer,



**Sharna Bryant**

1994-1999  
Merit Awards, Regional Shakespeare  
Festival, Rock Eisteddfod, Performing  
Arts Fest. Bathurst Drama Ensemble  
'That's a bit odd.'  
Ambitions: Nepean Uni, Acting



**Brad Buttsworth 'Buttsy'**

1994-1999  
School Captain 1999  
KHS Hockey team



**Erin Chapman**

1994-1999  
Language Cert. Science Comp.  
Shakespeare Fest. Performing Arts,  
Sing 2001, Many charities.



Ambitions: Uni, Languages, teaching

**Geoff Chard 'Lenny'**

1994-1999 Student Leadership Team  
Duke of Edinburgh, BHP Science  
Award, Streamwatch, Rotary Citizen  
Award, Lions Youth of the Year, Reg.  
Squash team, Picton,  
Ambition: Wollongong Uni, Science



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**Lauren Clark 'Lozza'**

1994-1999  
Regional Shakespeare Fest. & Judge  
Think Big Theatre, Red Cross, 'I'm  
telling you I can fly.' 'Quite frankly  
my dear, I don't give a damn.'  
Ambitions: Job, money, travel.



**Stephen Clifford**

1994-1999



**Belinda Collins**

1994-1999  
Peta Canham Shield-Japanese  
Shakes. Fest. Eisteddfod, Mock Trial  
West.Reg. Gymnastics, Equest. Award  
'All I want is a little more than I  
ever get.' Ambitions: Uni, Business



**Nicole Collins 'Nic'**

1994-1999  
Merit in Maths,  
40 Hour Famine, collected for  
charities  
'In pursuit of excellence.'  
Ambitions: TAFE, Childcare



**Kim Connors 'Kimmy'**

1994-1999  
Merit in Maths, PD/H, Picton visits  
Evans House Capt'99, V/Capt'98  
Western B'ball, Touch, Rugby.  
'I'm going to marry Paul McDermott.'  
Ambitions: Uni



**Stephen Coyle 'Coyle'**

1994-1999  
Merit in Metal Technics,  
Cross-Country Team  
Hockey and Rugby teams  
Ambitions: get a job



**Christine Draper**

1994-1999  
Duke of Edinburgh, Rock Eisteddfod  
Picton visits  
'Life goes on.'  
Ambitions: Uni, Business/Marketing



**Samantha Edwards 'Sam'**

1994-1999  
Passing Economics, Debating  
'What martial arts is on the KarateKid?'  
Ambitions: Uni, Business, Money.



**Steven Eldridge**

1997-1999  
'Give it to me baby.'  
Ambitions: Take over the world.



**Guy Flynn 'Baz'**

1994-1999  
Science, English, Maths Comps.  
Referee in PSSA.  
Bathurst Light Car Club  
'No.... thank you.'  
Ambitions: Marketing, money, fun.



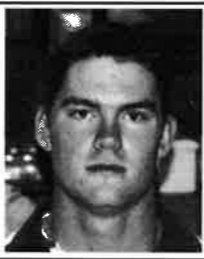
**Luke Fraser 'Royce'**

1994-1999  
Rock Eisteddfod,  
Rugby Union, Picton visits  
'Ya Mum.'  
Ambitions: See what happens.



**Wesley Gibson 'Footy-Head'**

1998-1999  
Loves football.  
'I love footy.'  
'I wanna be a wallaby.'  
Ambitions: Footballer

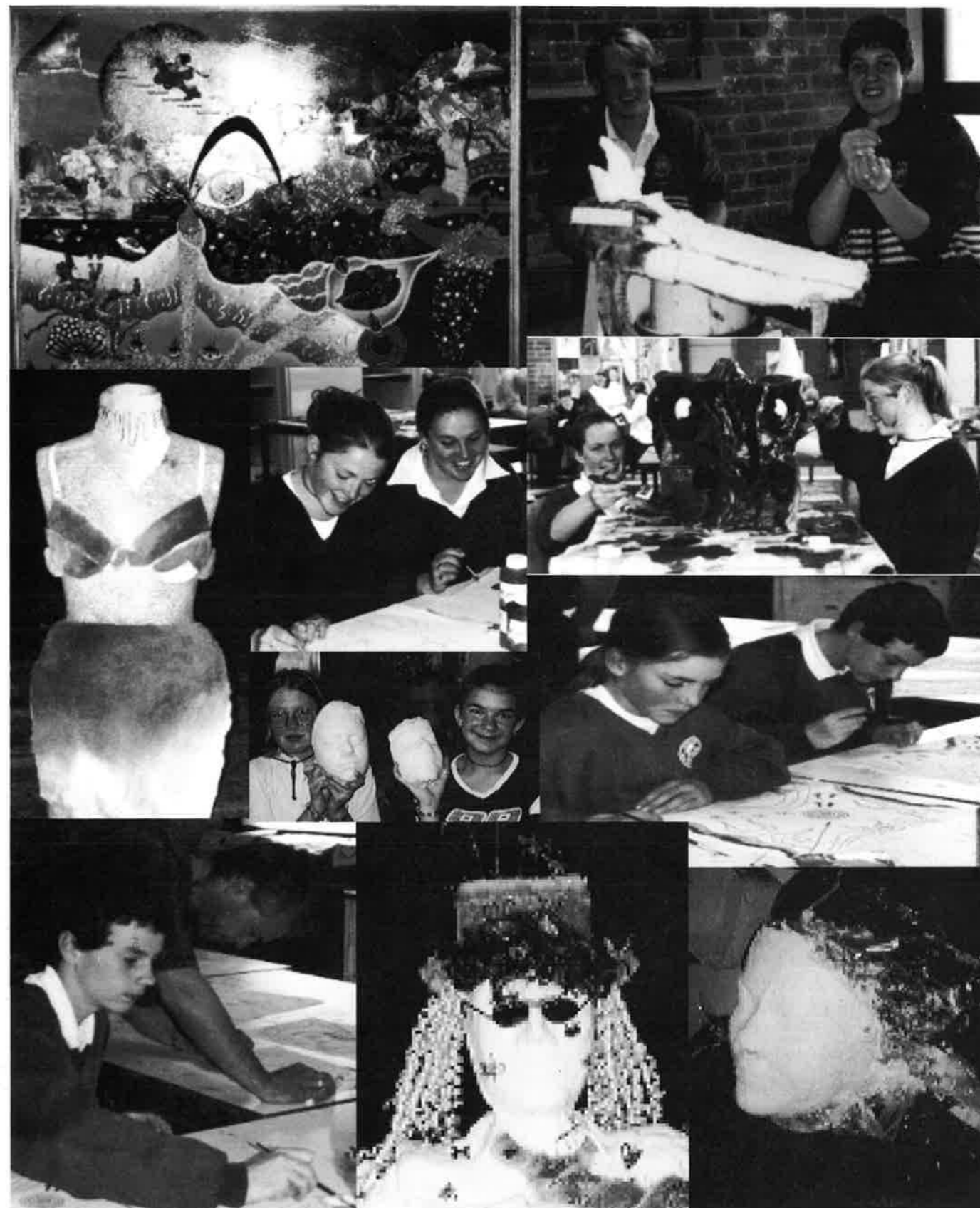


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1994-1999 Student Leadership Team  
Merit awards, Gold awards,  
Many charities, Picton visits,  
Netball, Yr 7 Advisor.  
Western Reg. Cricket: '97, '98, '99.  
Ambitions: Going to Darwin, travel



**Steven Gore 'Gorie'**

1998-1999  
West. Reg. Cross Country  
State Cross Country  
West. Reg. High Jump.

Ambitions: Information technology



**Meg Henschell 'Mog'**

1994-1999

'I can throw and catch a ball.'



**Kirsty Hurst**

1994-1999  
Merits in Hospitality, Disco organiser,  
Played football once.

Ambitions: Uni, Business



**Kim Kazmouz**

1994-1999  
Rock Eisteddfod, Dance

Ambitions: Singer



**Stuart Kelly 'Stu'**

1994-1999  
Merits in Maths, Industry Studies,  
Schools in Parliament,  
Rugby Union, Cricket.  
'No worries mate.'  
Ambitions: Apprentice, Metal trades



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**Heather Gordon**

1994-1999  
Merits in Maths, Science, History,  
Science Comp. Public speaking, debating  
School Constitutional Convention  
'Get them before they get you.'  
Ambitions: Uni, Arts, Naval officer.



**Catherine Hargraves 'Mary'**

1994-1999  
English, Science Comp.  
Rock Eisteddfod,  
Cricket, State gymnastics.

Ambitions: GAP to UK, Uni.



**Erica Hobbs 'Kiwi'**

1994-1999  
Young Achievers, Mock Trial,  
Rock Eisteddfod, Australian citizen,  
Netball, Picton visit  
'My necks broken.' 'Fush and chups.'  
Ambitions: become a German spy.



**David Jameson 'Jammo'**

1994-1999  
Merits in Science, Cross Country,  
Distinctions/Credits Science Comp.  
Credits Economics Comp.  
'Hmm... Um.'  
Ambitions: Uni, Science/Computing



**Neil Kearney**

1994-1999  
Drama, Rock Eisteddfod  
Music




**Sharni Latham**

1994-1999  
School Captain  
Evans House Capt. Peer Mediator.  
Cricket, B'ball, Rugby, AFL,  
West. Reg. Basketball, Swimming.  
Ambitions: Uni



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 1994-1999  
 Rock Eisteddfod Yr9-11,  
 Shakespeare Festival  
 Legacy badges,  
 'Bugger.'  
 Ambitions: TAFE, Childcare, travel




**Kate Lawrence**  
 1997-1999  
 Constitutional Convention,  
 Volleyball, Soccer,

**Lisa Mancia**  
 1994-1999




**Ricky Mann 'Bartholemew'**  
 1994-1999

'It'll be right.'




**Arna Marinovic 'Arnie'**  
 1994-1999  
 Merit awards,  
 Gold awards,  
 Volleyball, Soccer, Karate.


Ambitions: Policing




**Kate Marskell**  
 1994-1999  
 Student Leadership Team  
 School Band, Everything  
 Musical, Debating,




**Anne Martin 'Little Anne'**  
 1994-1999  
 Merit awards, Picton visit  
 First Aid Cert. Coach, Umpire: Touch,  
 Rugby, Touch, Cricket, Soccer.  
 'Howz your form chick?'  
 Ambitions: Uni




**Kristy Martin 'Prop'**  
 1994-1999  
 Touch football, Abseiling Cert.  
 'You only live once, so have fun, enjoy  
 yourself, take risks'  
 Ambitions: Apprentice chef.



**Robert Martin**




**Jason McClements**  
 1994-1999




**Janice Meek**  
 1994-1999

'Trunkey is nowhere near Burruga.'  
 Ambitions: Uni, Science.



**Chris Meyers**  
 1994-1999



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# VISUAL ARTS

Another creative year has passed. A year of fun, creative expression, masterful use of media, ideas and the commitment, and fantastic results from our enthusiastic students.

I truly can't believe the abilities of our students to create and master the skills necessary for fantastic images. Neil Kearney and Arna Marinovic scooped the pool with Year 12 Major Works. It proved that with hard work, patience and skill you could complete a work worthy of Art Express. Kate Lawrence, Peta Sykes and Hailey Thompson made valiant efforts with their major work and with the theory component of their course. The creative art teachers would like to wish these fine students a fond farewell and hope that their lives are creative and fulfilling.

Our students were involved in a wide range of activities. Art exhibitions, mural design and painting, art workshops, guest lecturers, and excursions. Most students found the art experience a worthwhile one focusing upon the gaining of skills, knowledge and process.

Year 7 students came into our school with a keen attitude towards practical art making. They were also lucky to have three of the finest teachers, Mr Meagher, Mrs Mort and Mr Tonkin. These three creative souls made Year 7 a fun and exciting year. The students made a wide variety of art works that focused on a number of themes. They viewed a wide range of art work and had a number of assignments to complete. The students proved themselves as worthy creative people with great imagination.

The Year 7 artists were involved in a workshop by an ex-student and artist, Lockie Dennis. His knowledge and skills brought an appreciation of Aboriginal art to all the students in his classes.

The students made small sculptures out of clay, aluminium foil, newspaper, plaster bandages and masking tape. These sculptures allowed the students to see that a wide range of techniques and materials can be used for making sculptures. The students drawing skills were enhanced by completing a wide variety of drawings in a range of media. Some great results were achieved.

Year 8 students are always involved in Art for 6 months at a time. It seems to go very quickly for both the artists and the teacher. This year the students were involved in murals, graffiti art - the legal kind - and creating ceramic mugs.

The products they created made the whole process worthwhile. Their works are on display around the school and seem to brighten up and invigorate the spaces



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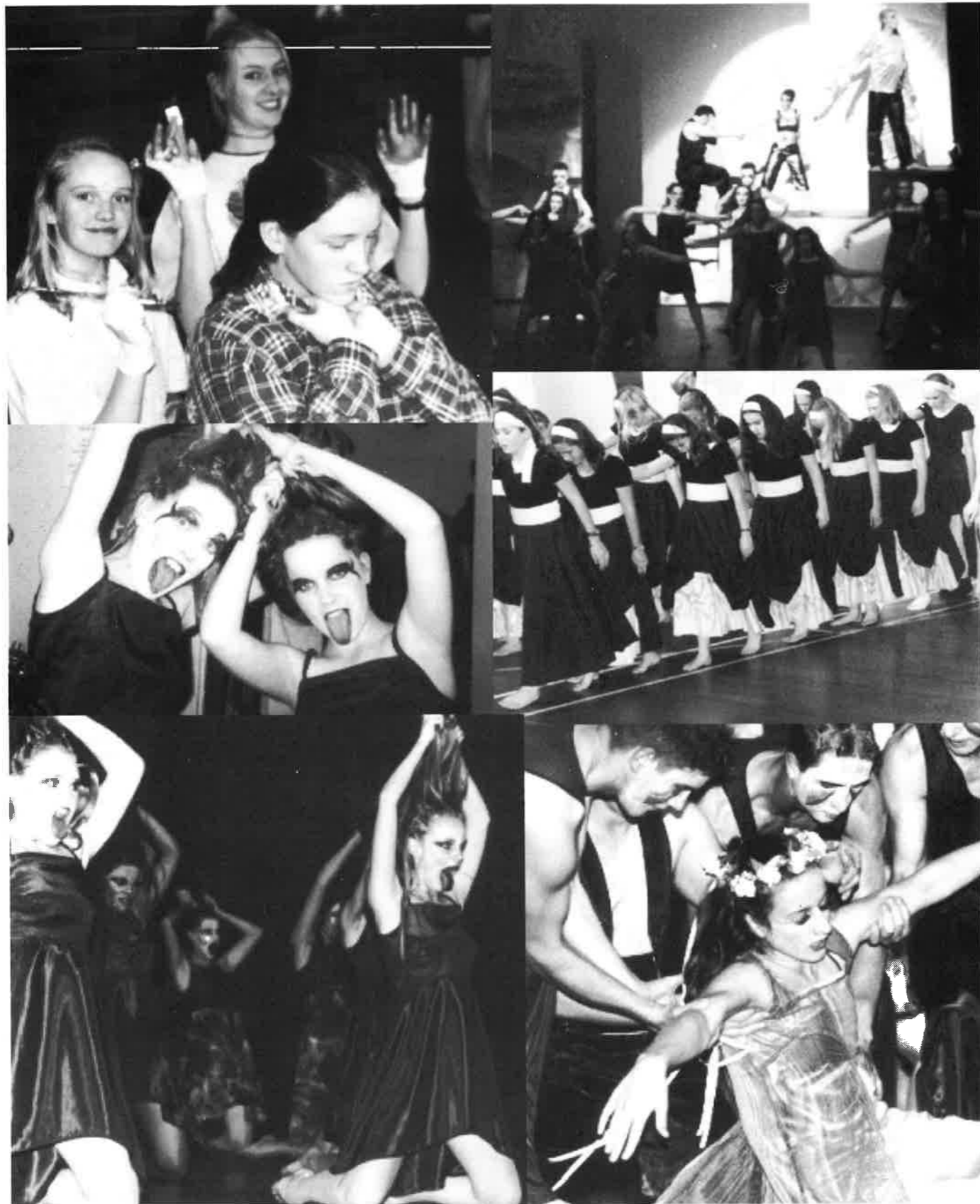
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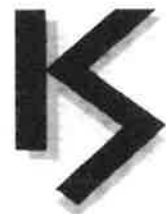
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**Tim Miller 'Moiller'**

1994-1999  
Merit in Computing,  
Rock Eisteddfod lighting,  
Picton visit,  
'Yeah Brah.'  
Ambitions: Information technology



**Dyaine Milligan 'Stumpy'**

1997-1999  
Hockey, Rugby Union,

Ambitions: Apprentice chef



**Megan Moppett 'Megerren'**

1994-1999  
  
'Pobblebonk'  
Ambitions:TAFE, Travel industry



**Belinda Morton 'Bee'**

1994-1999  
Mock Trial, Young Achievers,  
Stewart House Captain '99  
Hockey, Touch, Picton visit.  
'How do these things work?'  
Ambitions: Uni or Apprenticeship



**Anna Murphy 'Casper'**

1994-1999  
  
'Who throws a shoe, honestly?'  
Ambitions:Travel, tourist industry.



**Ben Murray 'Mo'**

1994-1999  
Captain/Coach Open Rugby Team  
Hooker from Hell  
'Wasn't me. I didn't do it.'  
'How you doin.'  
Ambitions: Welder



**Ruth Nartey 'Ruthie'**

1994-1999 Student Leadership Team  
Many Merits,Drama Ensemble,  
Rock Eisteddfod,Shakespeare Fest.  
Student mediator,State Athletics.  
'Smile, God loves you.'  
Ambitions:CSU, Nursing.



**Brent Naylor 'Brent'**

1994-1999  
Hockey team.  
  
'A man thinketh in his heart, Long  
live King Eddie.'  
Ambitions: Greenpeace, zoology



**Daniel Parker 'Parker'**

1994-1999  
  
'But it was a good shot wasn't it?'



**Jaye Pescud 'Fuzz'**

1998-1999  
Debating,Schools in Parliament,  
Montage, Human Rights Seminars.  
'That's not funny. Is it really stuck  
in my hair?'  
Ambitions:CSU,Psychology/Teaching



**Sarah Pickford 'Princess'**

1994-1999  
  
'I'm not a princess.'  
Ambitions:go to Uni in Adelaide



**Merrilyn Pratley 'Praddels'**

1994-1999  
Picton visit, Discos  
Touch football team,  
  
Ambitions: Uni, Business



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**Luke Press 'Festa'**

1994-1999 Student Leadership Team  
Merit certificates, Language Cert.  
SRC Treasurer, many charities,  
Picton visit, Tennis

Ambitions: Uni, Education



**Scott Press 'Pressy'**

1994-1999  
Picton visit, Rugby Union,  
Australian, State Athletics,  
Rugby League.  
'Don't mess with the press.'  
Ambitions: Apprenticeship



**James Prior**

1994-1999  
Merits in Engineering Science,  
Computer Studies.

Ambition: University



**Melanie Proctor 'Mell'**

1994-1999  
Gold Awards, Maths Comp.  
Organised 40 Hour Famine,  
many charities.  
'Uhhh, I d'know.'  
Ambitions: TAFE, Child Studies.



**Andrew Rajkovic**

1994-1999  
Young Achievers,  
Sports Carnival Competitor  
'All good things come to those  
who wait.'  
Ambitions: Uni, Aeronautics, Politics



**Cassie Reid**

1994-1999  
Gold Award, Year 10 Formal,  
Legacy badges, Netball, Cricket,  
Tennis. West.Reg. Cricket Champions

Ambitions: Hospitality, Marriott Sydney



**John Ridley 'Riddles'**

1994-1999  
Rugby Union

Ambitions: Diesel Mechanic



**Jonathan Rosconi 'Johnson'**

'How come you don't speak with  
your accent no more?'  
Ambitions: Hospitality



**Merinda Rose**

1994-1999  
Merits in Maths, PD/H/PE,  
Touch, Netball, Basketball,

Ambitions: Trainee Office Admin.



**Kristy Rumming 'Kritt'**

1994-1999  
Rock Eisteddfod, Drama Fest.  
Peer Reading, Shakespeare Fest.  
Gold Awards, West. Dist. Perform. Arts  
'Oh what?'  
Ambitions: TAFE, Child Studies



**Laura Ryan**

1994-1999  
Merit in Maths,  
Basketball, West. Reg. Basketball,  
Rugby Union

Ambitions: get a job



**Kavitha Sagarán 'Beef'**

1995-1999  
Language Cert. Merit in English,  
Poetry Comp. Rock Eisteddfod,  
Many charities, Netball, Volleyball,  
'Eat more beef.'  
Ambitions: Uni, Advertising/tourism



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performance, tightening up every inch of our performance, not settling for anything but perfection.

Our performance in Sydney was awesome. Our supporters went wild, the judges roared. Mr Dunn's smile wrapped right round his head and the crew vibrated with excitement at our performance.

"The performance was just fantastic," said another judge. We received Best Drama and Best Set Design awards.

The morning we found out that we had made it to the Grand Final was mental. The whole cast and crew were in utter disbelief. Kelso High made the front page of the Advocate several days in a row for the trip to the Grand Final. We were the first school from our region ever to make it that far. Back to work we went. Readapting the set for the mammoth stage, organising trucks, reorganising the performers and shaking in our shoes.

The bus trip down was a nightmare. The Juniors and Ms Brandau were fine but the Seniors with Mr Dunn and Ms Patten broke down. We were stranded sitting at Blackheath on the side of the road for three hours. We arrived just in time for our rehearsal but by this time everyone had cleared off and we performed without an audience.

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At six thirty we all crammed into our 'matchbox' change room to put on our make up before the most

important performance in our Rock Eisteddfod careers.

As we all stood in position on stage in a cold sweat we thought of the ten thousand people out there waiting for our performance. Ruth did her thing and the curtain lifted to reveal the most mind blowing, energised, evocative performance we had ever given.

Out of fourteen schools performing we managed to win the prestigious award for Choreography. A special thanks to Tanya Lowe and Kylie Fitzpatrick. Despite all this the best bit of the night was when our leader and director Charlie Dunn told us how proud he was.

People said we couldn't do it when we lost two of our best choreographers and dancers, Ben Soetens and Kylie Evernett last year, but there was a lot of hidden talent out there waiting to be found.

Our Rock Eisteddfod this year proved that Kelso has a spirit that will live on forever.

Go Kelso. Sasha Cody.

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**Trudy Sandry 'Gemima'**

1994-1999  
Mock Trial  
Lawn bowls, Croquet,

'I'm too sick.'  
Ambitions: Sandologist



**Justin Simpson 'Simo'**

1994-1999

'It's so funny 'cause it's true.'  
Ambitions: Electronics apprenticeship



**Kathleen Smith**



**Patrick Stapleton 'Pat'**

1994-1999  
School Captain,  
Hockey team: '97'98'99,

'Our fearless leader.'  
Ambitions: Heavy vehicle mech.



**Dionie Sullivan 'Mary'**

1994-1999  
Softball, Hockey, Touch,  
Cricket, Soccer, Rugby,  
Mitchell House Captain,  
'I need a Coke.'  
Ambitions: run amok



**Peta Sykes 'Pete'**

1994-1999

'Believe in yourself and in your plan.  
Say not - I cannot - but I can.'  
Ambitions: Work, then decide.



**Hailey Thompson 'Hails'**

1994-1999  
Peer Reading

Ambitions: Hairdressing/ undecided



**Ruth Thurtell 'Ruthless'**

1994-1999  
Peer Reading,  
'Being there' counselling,  
Cricket in Yr7,  
'Sucker for punishment.'  
Ambitions: Year 12 again/ Uni



**Michael Tickle 'Tickle me Elmo'**

1994-1999  
Streamwatch,

'Going out this weekend?'



**Michelle Townsend 'Mash'**

1994-1999  
Merits in Japanese, English, PD/H/PE  
Evans Shire Australia Day Award,  
Very good at Hockey, NSW Cricket,  
'I play sport to go to school.'  
Ambitions: University



**Jason Turnbull 'Jockey'**

1994-1999  
Rally Car Driver  
Soccer,

'All round good guy.'  
Ambitions: University, Drive horses



**Kay Turnbull**

1994-1999  
National Horse Endurance Riding

Ambitions: Uni, Business/tourism



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**Greg White 'Whitey'**  
1994-1999



'Where's our bloody rocket packs?'  
Ambitions: Work or Uni

**John Whitford**  
1994-1999  
Gold Award,  
Voted,



'Are we finished yet?'  
Ambitions: TAFE, Uni, get a job

**Jade Windle 'Jadea'**  
1996-1999  
Picton visits,  
West.Reg.Basketball: '95'97'99,  
Rugby, Croquet,  
'I didn't really but...'  
Ambitions: Uni, Psychology



**Carla Winkley**  
1994-1999



'That's you.'  
'Burruga train station.'

**Troy Wood 'Harpy'**  
1999  
Merit in 3 Unit Maths  
Basketball, Footy, Cricket,



'Jeez, look at her.'

**Kristy Wright**  
1998-1999



Winter sleepout, many charities,  
Regional Swimming,

Ambitions: Apprenticeship, Hospitality

Head&Nose: Michael Tickle  
Hair: Guy Flynn  
Ears: Scott Press  
Eyes: Geoff Chard  
Mouth: Bradley Buttsworth



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The award winning sets were designed by Ms Patten and her backstage crew. The moving pillars, rotating sets and illuminated columns were what won us the best set design award at the Castle Hill heats.

Clarissa Soetens did an awesome job on our make up with her two assistants, Ruth Adams and Melinda Negus. Throughout every performance, Clarissa had us all looking our best while at the same time she managed to keep track of every eyeliner pencil, every grain of glitter and every can of hair spray.

Tim Miller and Ben Hope put together our soundtrack and Stephen Coyle, Tim Miller and Nathan Begley were our lighting team.

Ruth Nartey and Luke Fraser were our student co-hosts. Luke kept the audience entertained in Bathurst while Ruth just pulled past him at the post with her literary skills in Sydney.

Miss Mortimer although pregnant, coordinated the choreographers, and kept us focused at all time. She was great and stuck with us spiritually all the way. Physically she was there till she was 8 1/2 months pregnant, then she decided she'd better slow down. Miss Mortimer, known to Rock Eisteddfoders for her loud voice, whistle and moving speeches, was an inspiration to us all.

Mr Dunn. Where do I start? Without Mr Dunn there wouldn't be a Rock Eisteddfod. He was our inspiration, ideas man and leader. To the entire cast of the Rock Eisteddfod he is like our messiah.

Our five choreographers: Tanya Lowe, Kylie Fitzpatrick, Joanna Hurford, Jodie Webster and Sasha Cody, did a wonderful job. Okay, so they got a few grey hairs in the process and had the words 'More energy'



and 'Pleeease listen' embedded on their foreheads but they were taught the art of patience and are now all very good at counting up to 8.

We killed 'em in the heats in Bathurst, taking out the Drama award, Choreography and Set Award.

It was a good performance despite a few minor technical problems such as Eurydice ( Jackie ) hardly being able to stand due to the flu, and our cloud becoming twisted when dropped and turning into a giant bow tie.

We pulled off first place and the tradition of first and second place going to Bathurst and Kelso High was broken. Scot's came second and Lithgow came third. Up until now we had intended to stop at the regional. Luckily we changed our minds because little did we know what triumphs lay ahead.

We went back to work. We were preparing for the Sydney heats. We went over and over the



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# ROCK EISTEDDFOD

What a way to end the millennium. It was mind blowing, sensational and amazing. It had joy, heartbreak, horror and tragedy; all captured in 8 short minutes. It was absolutely fantastic, and we got what we deserved.... a place to perform in the NSW Grand Final in Sydney, 19th August.

At the end of '98 we were racking our brains and pulling at our hair trying to find a theme. We all sat there and stared blankly, rejecting the bad ideas we had in the first week of activities. It was Charlie Dunn who came up with perhaps the best theme we've ever had - Orpheus and Eurydice.

Orpheus ( Brett Evens) and Eurydice (Jackie Parker) are in love, Eurydice dies unexpectedly and is taken into the peaceful underworld. The god of Love (Sasha Cody) takes pity on the couple and persuades Zeus (Neil Kearney) to let Orpheus go and rescue Eurydice from the underworld. Orpheus must get past the wild Furies guarding the entrance to the underworld. The Furies challenge Orpheus to a 'dance off' - he makes it through and on to the underworld. There is one condition that Zeus makes, Orpheus must not look or speak to Eurydice or she will be lost forever. He can't resist, he looks. She is lost. Orpheus is now swallowed by the Furies and burned for eternity. The god of Love is defeated.

This year we were bold, taking a completely different approach to designing our Rock Eisteddfod. We realised that aspects of our past Rock Eisteddfods had been a little too cluttered or intricate. We went for simple designs this year. Simple sets, costume, staging and choreography. All aspects of the production complemented each other beautifully and got excellent recognition from the judges.

Our wonderful costumes were designed and put together by Ms Brandau and her team of students. An enormous thankyou goes to Ms Brandau from all the performers, even though she made us all iron our own costumes on the day.



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## The Kelso Bus Club

In 1996, the club started out as a special interest project in TAS: a bit of mechanics, a bit of design, road rules and public transport: but it grew from there. "We love buses and we want to find out everything we can about them."



Five hundred and thirty seven Kelso High students travel by bus to school. It is a long day for many students: leaving home at 7am on a winter's morning; not getting back home till 5.30 pm. Getting to school just as the bell rings and if you miss the bus in the afternoon it's a long walk home.

"Kid's at this school spend a lot of time on buses, a couple of hours a day. Some come in from Trunkey or Burruga, Oberon, Meadow Flat, even Mount Pleasant on the Blayney road. They go on excursions, sporting trips, school sport, even holidays. You spend a lot of time on a bus and you get a taste for it. Buses kind'a get in your blood. I love them."

It's an exciting time. The rush to get the good seats; waving to the other drivers out the back window; the

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quick change at the Circuit or Dairy Farmers; meeting students from other schools. Nothing can compare to it. The bus trip disco with B Rock blaring while everyone is rocking and rolling in a back bench seat 10 k's out of Trunkey. The throb of the engines, the smell of vinyl mixed with dust. It's just great. "There's nothing like sitting behind the big wheel; five on the floor; and the rattle and hum of a big deisel."

Some people just don't understand buses. I mean, they are big, beautiful and they are there. You can have your cars and your motorbikes. Give me a bus any day.

The club has a varied round of activities. A range of talks and quizzes on subjects such as: "Spot the bus," "the Omnibus Act of 1963," "Buses around the World"



and the much loved favourite James Black's "Engine Sounds of Sydney" are regular club activities. We try to mix a bit of theory with practical aspects of busing.

Many members have collections of bus parts and paraphernalia. There are uniforms and tickets, and all sorts of things. "I like tyres. I've got a collection of 73 tread rubbings. My favourites are a Michellin 12x26 my Dad got for me when he went to France and a Zil 730Y from a Russian bus. It's got tread like you wouldn't believe. Really heavy rubber work."

The club has been on many excursions to such far places as Wollongong, Bondi Depot, the Blue Mountains and Dubbo. They are very successful and many are planned for the new year.

Keep on busing.



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Head&Nose: Kara Chapman  
Mouth: Taya Browning  
Ears: Carrie Skulander



Eyes: Nathan Cox  
Ears: Jarrad Dahlhelm  
Mouth: Andrew Boyd  
Hair: Andrew Johnson  
Head&Nose: Samuel Bruce



# FM Club

This year has been one of contrasts for our FM Club. During exam times we don't play courtyard music but it was those weeks when all our equipment was working. Some Fridays when we could have been playing music the equipment malfunctioned. One particular fault has proven difficult to fix on a permanent basis.

This has meant that the dedicated group of students who are the FM Club have not been able to show their talents to the maximum over the year though there were many times when great music did entertain our courtyard crowd.

In the many years of coordinating the Club I have never worked with a better group of students. They have been trustworthy, punctual, creative and motivated. Many thanks to Justin, Erin, Alana, Nic, Ellie, Kate, Kristy, Simon and Glen (sorry if I've forgotten anyone).



Elvis has left the building.  
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# Computing Studies

Computing Studies has continued to grow as a subject at Kelso High School. Year 7 programs have been developed to build on the varied experiences of the students in primary school. An introduction to the Internet has been met with considerable enthusiasm. Many students have now established their own e-mail address.

Years 9 and 10 programs have followed a semester format. Following on from last year, a course in Web Page construction was met with great interest by the students. Students excelled with this unit and were able to make their work more visually interesting through the use of scanned photographs and the digital camera.

1998 Higher School Certificate results were very pleasing with all three courses achieving results well above the state average. New courses will be introduced into Year 11 in 2000 and staff have undertaken professional development for these. The computing staff have also been involved in writing the new syllabus.

A small number of students participated in the Australian Computer Competition with some very pleasing results. Two students achieved Distinctions and four students were awarded Credits.

A number of Year 10 students have participated in group work with students from Raglan Public School. They have acted as tutors to the Primary students who have developed their school Web Page and have acquired the skills to maintain their page in the coming years.

It is hoped to be able to introduce students to a broader range of technologies in 2000 and implement the new Year 11 syllabuses. A link has been established with a Welsh high school and it is hoped to work on some collaborative projects in 2000.

Peter Low



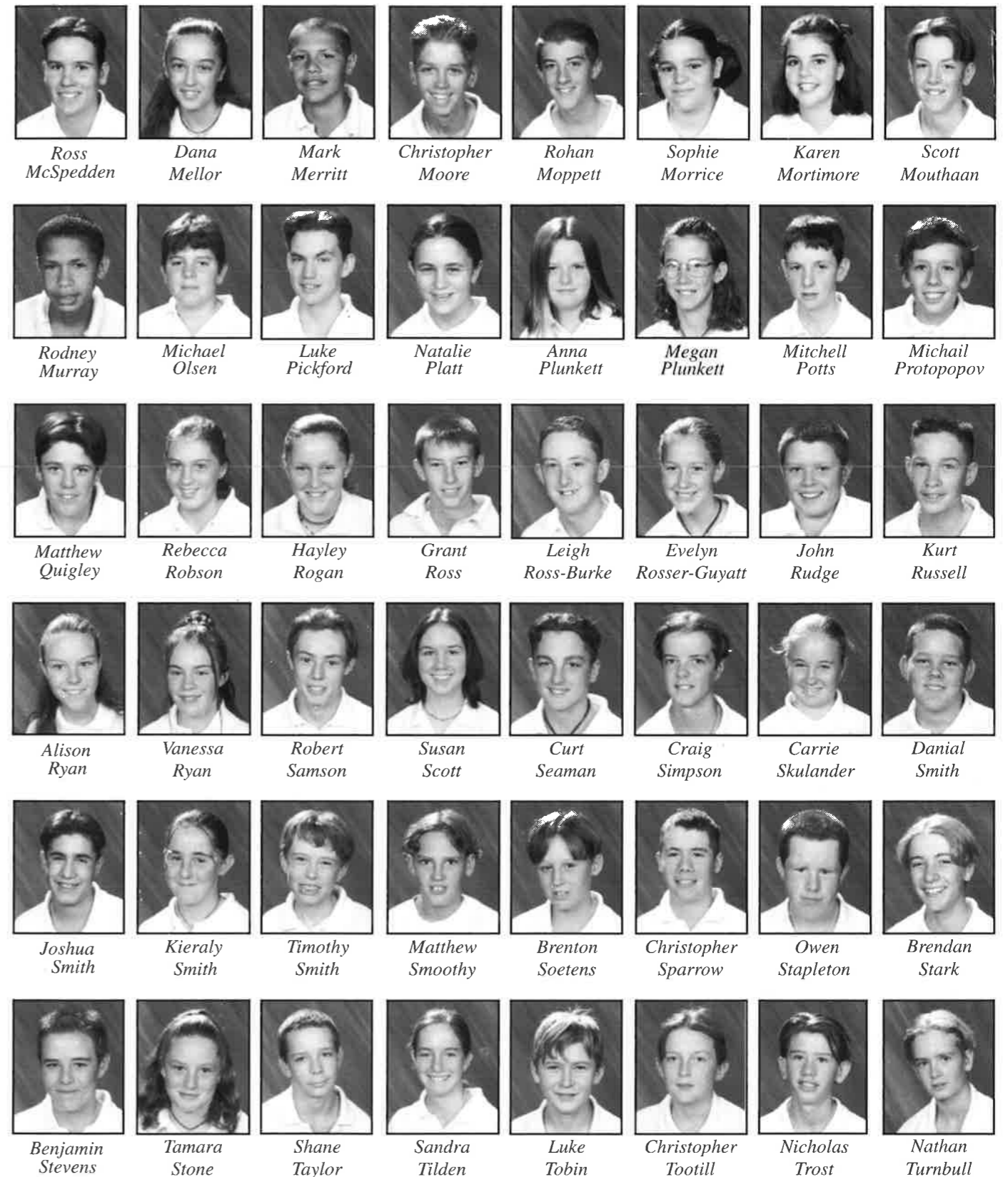
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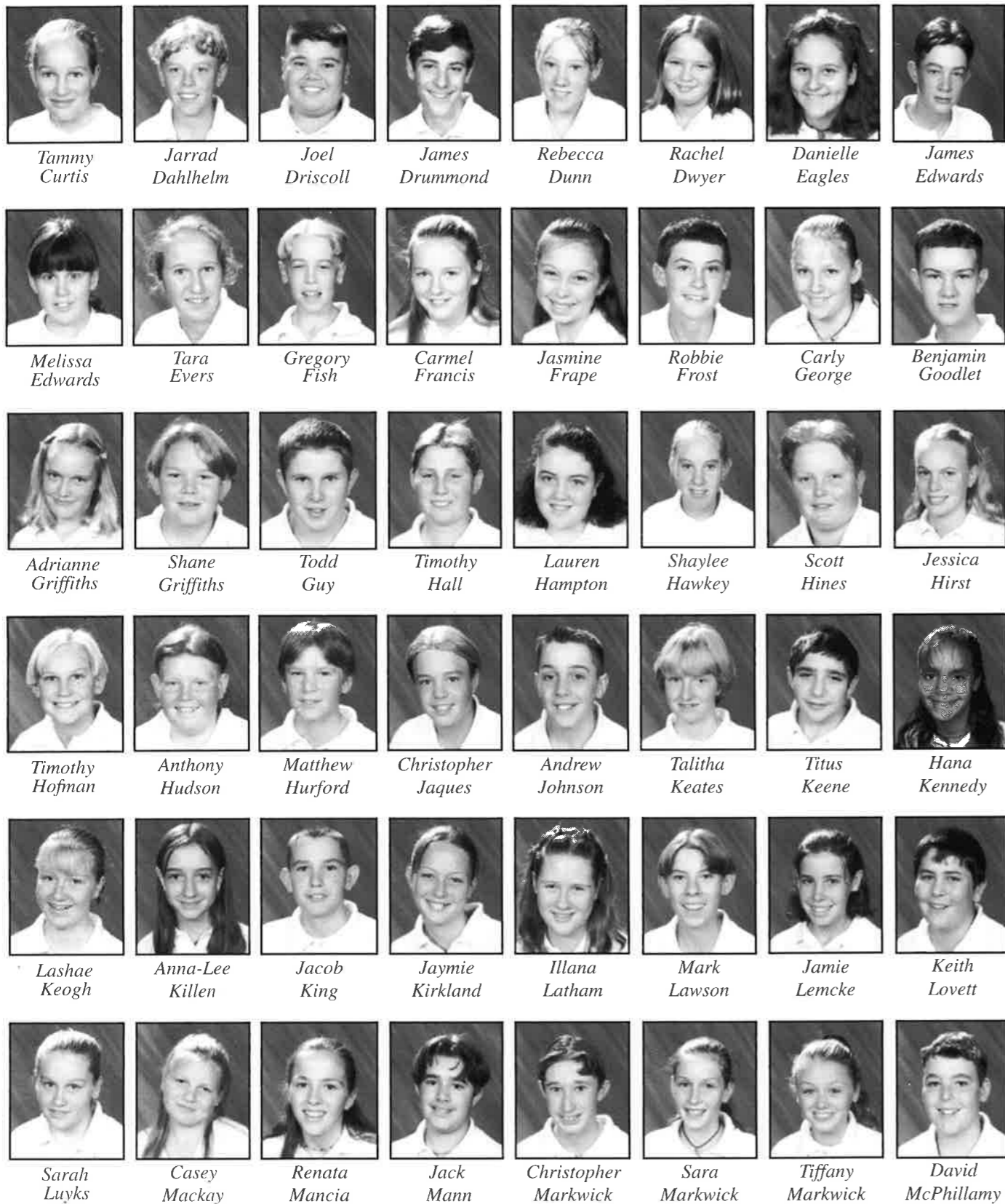
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# tournament of minds



*Miriam gets a bright idea for the Tournament of Minds*

On the 28th August, this year Kristine Porter, Rebecca Stait, Edwina Berry, Steven Vollenburgh, Susan Scott, Brendan Beale and Miriam Siers represented Kelso High School in the Western Region Tournament of Minds Competition at All Saints College, Bathurst. Tournament of Minds is an Australia-wide competition where seven people from a school receive the choice of three problems - Social Science, Maths Engineering or Language and Literature. This year we chose Maths Engineering.

Our problem was to design a millennium metre which was a countdown device which set us off into the New Millennium. Whilst counting down it had to set off 3 different devices that represented Australia. We had to present the solution to our problem in a play in front of 3 judges and an audience. We were given 6 weeks to solve this problem. We also had a short term problem and we were only given 6 minutes to solve it.

The aim of Tournament of Minds is to gather our more talented students and get them to work cooperatively and in a fun way to solve our two very difficult problems.

Kelso High took out first place in the Maths Engineering section. The three schools that won their divisions represented Western Region in the State Finals in Sydney. At Sydney we were given 3 hours to solve a difficult problem. Unfortunately, we didn't succeed in getting a place but everyone tried their hardest and had a lot of fun. The team would like to thank Ms Abernathy, Mrs Mouthaan, Todd Mouthaan and Ben Pitcher who helped the team in organisation. We would also like to thank the judges who gave up their time on competition day.

Brendan Beale and Miriam Siers

# KOORI REPORT



I only started as the AEA in May this year and this is the hardest job I've had to do. It's been such a good year with so many positives that I don't know where to begin. Our greatest success this year is the partnership that we have made with the different community groups. We are grateful for the continued support for our programs from the Aboriginal Land Council, the Aboriginal Coordinator at TAFE, the Aboriginal Health Service as well as individual community members.

The Aboriginal Land council have given us tremendous support in encouraging our kids to stay on at school as well as being good role models for them. Shirley Scott, Wally Peckham and Toni-Lee Scott are deserving of our gratitude for their tireless support.

Frank Saunders, the Aboriginal TAFE Coordinator has been instrumental in establishing the Aboriginal Studies, Arts and Craft Program in Term 1 and 2. Due to its success, we hope to run it at school next year. This program involved Year 8 and 9 students and it provided them with an insight into their culture and taught them the significance of different painting styles, as well as the spiritual aspects of them. Emphasis was placed on local Wiradjuri painting styles. Timmy Kennedy and Grant Mackay stood out as painters and jewellery makers.

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The Aboriginal Health Service continued their involvement with the school and special thanks go to our guest speaker for the opening of Naidoc Week, Jason Pitt. Thanks also goes to Darren Smith who has worked tirelessly in the community.

This year we were also fortunate that individual members of the community involved themselves with various activities in the school. We need parent support in our programs and we thank them for their continuing assistance and encouragement. Lockie Dennis was sensational and had a lasting effect on students both Aboriginal and non-aboriginal. He ran classes in Aboriginal art for all art students from Years 7 to 12. He also shared stories which made Koori culture more understandable. We can't say enough here to show our appreciation of Lockie's efforts.

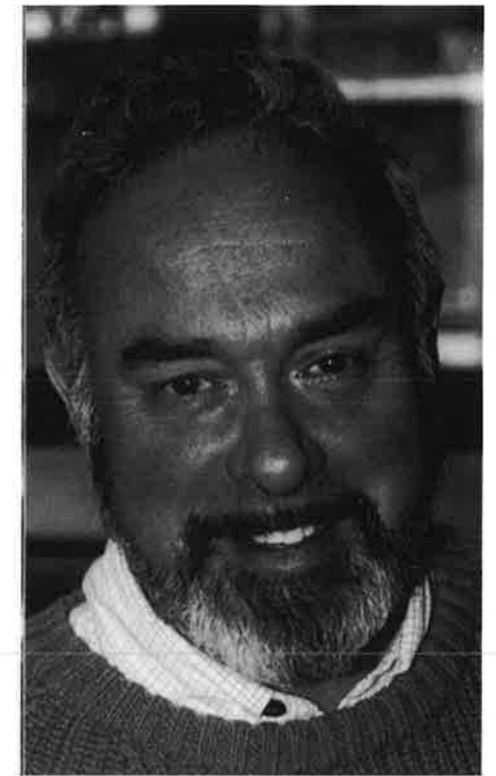
Many thanks go to Jocelyn Murray for her jewellery making classes, and in particular for her involvement with visiting Japanese groups. Tony Riley is to be thanked for his help with the program at the PCYC and his general support at the school.

One of the highlights of our year was the trip to Abercrombie Caves where we were lucky to have the guidance of Uncle John Bugg, a local elder. It's important for the students to have their contact with elders in the community and we encourage other elders to involve themselves with the Aboriginal programs at the school.

Our thanks must also go to Anita Merritt who is a most loyal member of our ASPA committee. The sort of activities that we arranged, other than the day to day support of students, were the regular barbecues involving the whole school, visits to the school by Darryl Trindal and Lee Hookey from South Sydney Rabbitohs, the annual Naidoc Week poster competition and jewellery making and Aboriginal painting classes. In September a large group of students participated in the Ride for Respect from Bathurst to Orange and had a great day.

Some students made special efforts in the school this year and are deserving of praise. George Rose was selected to participate in the Assets Program for 30 top indigenous students from around Australia. It was run by the South Australian University to encourage academic qualities. Leslie Dennis shone in the Rock Eisteddfod, where Kelso High reached the State Finals. He was also the spokesperson for the school on the night of the Regional Finals and he had the audience in fits of laughter. Rodney Murray coached the Under 14 Rugby Union team to victory at the Forbes Rugby Gala Day and Mark Merritt went to New Zealand to represent

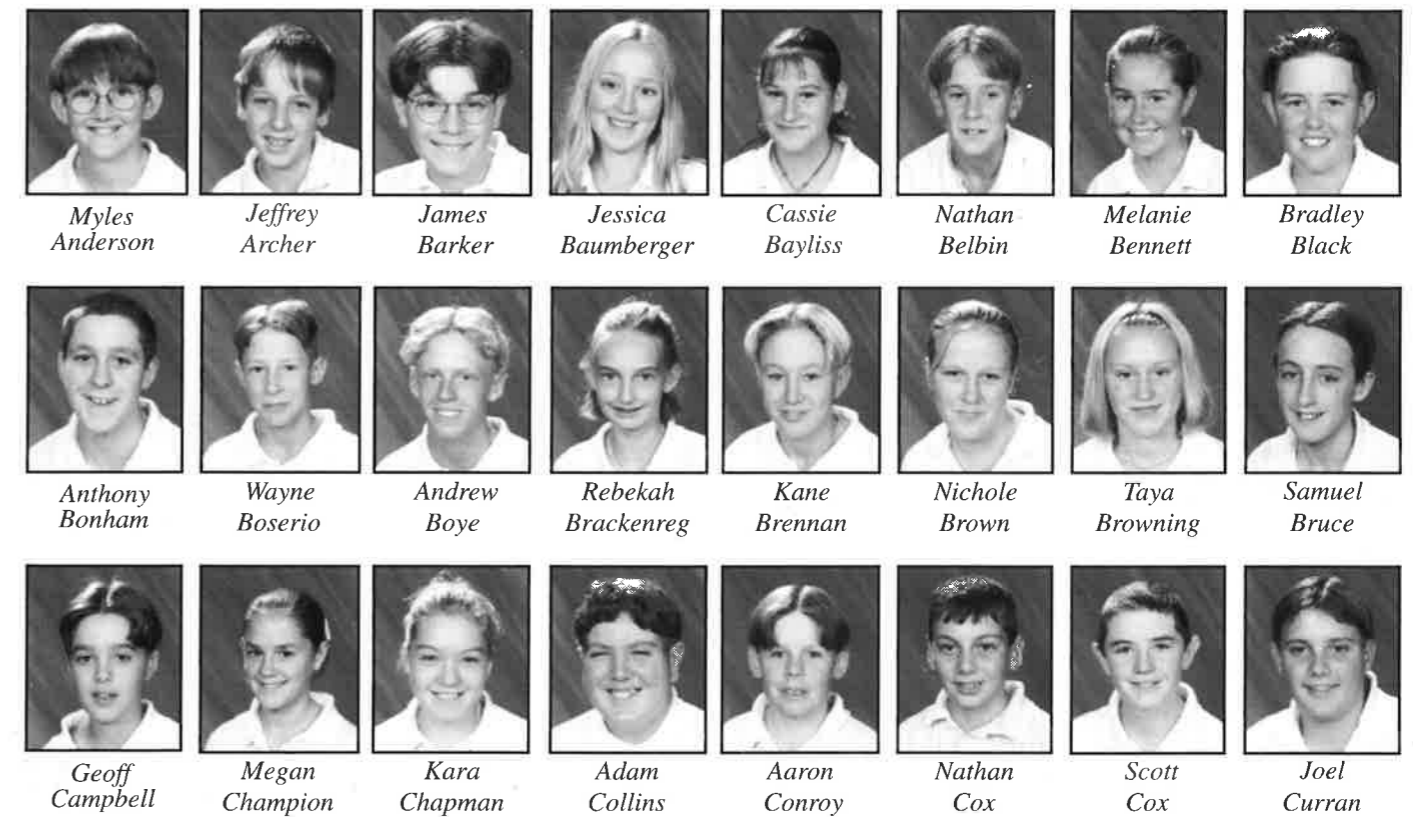
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Time marches on, bodies grow, so do the stories, the learning and the changes. Our numbers grew this year, but classes were eventually found for all. Wonderland beckoned the hardworking at the end of last year and again in Term 3 this year.

No doubt everyone learned something this year and will continue on the journey to higher places... who knows? In amongst the Art, Music, Tas and all the other things that happen here talent surely lurks surfacing to stun teachers and students alike. Good luck for the future in Year 9 during 2000 and have a great holiday.

Paul Martensz



<i>Myles Anderson</i>	<i>Jeffrey Archer</i>	<i>James Barker</i>	<i>Jessica Baumberger</i>	<i>Cassie Bayliss</i>	<i>Nathan Belbin</i>	<i>Melanie Bennett</i>	<i>Bradley Black</i>
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# basketball basketball basketball

This year the Boys and Girls Under 15 Basketball teams took on the might of the other schools in the Regional area. Both sides were unfortunate in unlucky defeats in the semi-finals. The 1st round was played at KHS where both teams were lucky enough to defeat Blayney and Oberon. We then proceeded to the next round at the Bathurst Basketball Stadium which was played in a 'round robin' format in which both teams won all the games in their pools. The Boys team moved on to the semi-final against Canobolas where they were sadly defeated 34-32. The Girls moved on to play Lithgow in the semi-final but were also defeated 45-44. We would like to thank Mr Martensz for the preparation put into both teams which got us into tip top shape. We would like to thank him for all his time and effort.

Ben, Louise and Carly

After several years of ball bouncing, our Senior teams did battle in the CHS Competition. This year saw the Girl's Senior team win Western Area. Congratulations go to the whole team. Sharni Latham, Kim Connors, Jessica McGrath and Jade Windle all represented in the Western Area team - well done girls.

The boys faired less well but still provided strong game for each of their opponents teams. Josh McGrath and Michael Tickle represented in the Western Area team.

Thanks to captains, Sharni and Josh and in particular to Mr Charlie McGrath for giving up his time to help with the coaching of both teams this year.

Paul Martensz



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Group 10 in June. George Rose was selected to represent the Central Western Academy in New Zealand in September. Merindah Rose, Sarah Ashcroft and Chris Myers were our Aboriginal HSC students this year and besides working hard they were all vital members of the school community.

Coming events include a visit from Anthony "The Man" Mundine and an excursion to either Walgett or the South Coast.

Jasmine Mackay's role as the student rep on the ASPA committee was outstanding and she is an excellent role model in the school.

This year we provided a large number of Aboriginal resources for the school library to be made available for all students. The library now boasts a separate section on Aboriginality. Next year it is hoped that teaching resources to help students with their classwork will be available which are targeted to the interest of Aboriginal students. ASPA will present awards to both aboriginal and non-aboriginal students at the annual award night for their commitment to Aboriginal issues.

Nothing could have been achieved without the help of Cherie Rose who has been an invaluable help to me.

So in the year of the Sorry Day and with the new millennium approaching we look forward positively to the continued partnership of the school and the Aboriginal community in our efforts to make reconciliation a reality.

Robyn Dilav



### School Counsellor

Kelso High School has two school counsellors who visit the school every day except Thursday. Mrs Louise Curtis and Mrs Robyn McGill are both experienced teachers and registered psychologists. They work in a number of schools with children from Preschool to Year 12. They talk with students, parents, teachers and members of the wider community to ensure that young people get the best out of their schooling.

School counsellors can be involved in many things. It can range from the assessment of student needs using a range of educational and psychological tests, to working with groups of students on issues such as becoming more assertive or expressing their needs more effectively. They are involved in working with Learning Support Teams catering for students with particular needs. They work to assist individual students to make positive choices. They refer to and consult with other agencies involved in helping our students.

One of the main activities in the secondary school is counselling. Students may refer themselves to discuss an issue in confidence, or they can be referred by teachers, parents or other interested people. All you have to do is see the counsellor or leave a message at the main office.

Robyn McGill School Counsellor



James and Jake from the Cornerstone Community in Bathurst were taken on as voluntary youth workers and have been steadily having a positive influence on the students: mostly through the medium of Friday Lunchtime Hakki Sack games.

breeding successfully and there has even been a pair of Pacific Wood duck putting in regular appearances. Thanks to all the many students in science and StreamWatch groups who have contributed to this exciting development.

The steering committee for the local Environmental Youth Council ran an excellent one-day conference for students from all the local schools. The organisation was a massive job, and the whole team deserves congratulation, especially Louise Press, who did much of the preliminary work, with Roma Field from Blayney High.

We were all thrilled to win the State Tidy Towns Award as we have worked on a number of projects with this community group and artist Sean Manners. An environmental audit of Kelso High School was conducted by James Nicolson, James Schrader, Kelsey Borgstahl, Nick Porter and Chris Anderson. Another project involved many year 7 students making brightly coloured banners to show the effects of throwing rubbish from cars, which they carried in the Bathurst 1000 parade. Recently a committed group of students have written a play called Enviromentality for primary schools. Puppets have been made and production is now underway with the cast consisting of Eamon Scully, Alison Scott, Tania Cardillo Zello, Michael Olsen, and Steven Smeed.

The FrogWatch crew went out on several overnight camps. Not everyone seems to believe us when we tell them that we enjoy creeping along a cold muddy riverbank in the dark, spotlighting for frogs, but a good time really was had by all. We confirmed the frog populations seen on previous trips were alive and well, and identified one species we hadn't encountered before. One of the best things about the camps is the way students, staff and parents all pitch in to share the cooking and other tasks. Special thanks to the parents who have stayed out with us and to Mr and Mrs Guy and Mr & Mrs Buchan for allowing us to camp out on their properties.

The EC is now on the internet! Check out our site, constructed by our webmaster, Cameron Korb-Wells, on the school intranet or at <http://www.angelfire>.

Of course, our regular activities continue as usual; StreamWatch on Thursday afternoons, and as a year 8 elective, Environmental Management in years 9 and 10 and support for environment related units in both this school and the local primary schools.



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## Kelso Environment Centre

This year a real highlight of the Centre's activity has been our participation in competitions and other activities outside the school.

The first state-wide Envirothon competition was held this year involving year 11 students; Michael Hatherly, Amber Pescud, Ben Pitcher and Ryan Woodland. The competition involved students preparing Environmental Impact Statements on proposed developments and presenting their results to an audience and panel of judges. The first round of the competition was held at Dubbo Zoo where the team tested the water, soil, flora and fauna of an area to determine the impact of building a motel on the site. Our team won the round and proceeded to the final in Sydney.

The Envirothon final was very exciting! Eating prawns, sleeping in the Quarantine station on Sydney Harbour and touring around Goat Island was an amazing experience for everyone involved. The team examined convict and Aboriginal sites and a water rat colony to develop strategies to help the National Parks and Wildlife Service preserve Goat Island. Not only did the students get to tour through the set of the Water Rats TV show, they also won the competition (and \$250 worth of prizes each!). The competition will run again next year so get ready year 11!

The year eight science extension class came to grips with "Murder Under the Microscope". This competition involves researching a list of crime sites

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(catchments), victims (plant and animal species) and villains (environmental treats). The researchers monitored the Murder Headquarters on the 'net, and worked to narrow down the lists as clues were released. By the time the satellite link up began on the final day, they were confident they had the site and victim, and soon thought they'd spotted the villain too, so made an early accusation – but a last minute clue proved our undoing. Refusing to be discouraged, the group went on to prepare a management plan to address the problem, and this won us a prize in the Eco-planners section, an excellent result! Congratulations to everyone, especially Karen Mortimore and Susan Scott, who raced to complete our submission as the deadline loomed ever closer.

In Term III, we hosted a group of senior educators from Bangladesh. They were particularly interested in the way our environmental education programs, especially StreamWatch, contribute to community education about water quality issues. After meeting Kelso staff in the morning, the group went to the river to check macros under the guidance of our students.

The Thursday afternoon StreamWatch groups worked as peer tutors with Kelso, Raglan and South Bathurst Primary Schools, leading them through the fieldwork for BugWatch. They found being "teacher" an interesting challenge, and their help was much appreciated. BugWatch is a twice-yearly survey of water life, which contributes to monitoring the health of our waterways across the state.

Owen Sutton has been monitoring the redevelopment of the Boona wetlands. Early in the year, the yabbies finally undermined the bank beyond repair, and for a while we had Boona drylands; then, with a truckload of clay and some creative bobcat work, the pond was restored, deeper, broader and altogether better than before. The heavy rains and warmer temperatures have brought an explosion of pond life; frogs are



## Geoffrey Chard

*Where did you get the inspiration for 'Metro 5'?* I really wanted the gold passes. I was desperate. I racked my brain and in a flash the word 'Metro' just came to me. The cinema gave me a job as well. It's a good job and I meet lots of people.

*How did you get involved in the Environment Centre?* Back in Year 8 with Mrs Goble's science class. She tried to get everyone involved in Streamwatch. I hadn't heard of it before. We did river tests; monitoring water quality in the Macquarie River. A car load of us would go down to the river and measure the flow, and the temperature. We counted the bugs in the water. We worked out what kind of bugs they were from a chart. We did chemical tests for nutrients like phosphates and nitrates. They make algae and plants grow in the river. Too much algae is a bad thing. We checked dissolved oxygen for the fish and all the other animals. If there isn't enough they can't breathe. It's like going into a sauna for them. Their gills burn from lack of oxygen. So I'm told. It took about 20 to 30 minutes to do. We did it once a fortnight.

*What is pollution like in the Macquarie river?* It's not that bad. It's not perfect. There is not enough water released from the dam and there are a lot of market gardens around the river that wash fertilisers and pesticides into the river. You wouldn't want to know what is on your lettuce when you eat it. Wash the vegies before you eat them.

*How did the Environment Centre come into being?* Back in Year 9, 1996, Mrs Goble applied to set up a special environment centre. The government gave a grant and Wal and Adrian spent their holidays making it look nice.

*What else does the Environment Centre do?* It still does Streamwatch. They have a bus load of students these days. The Environmental Management elective and a Year 7 Streamwatch course are projects they run now. I never did them. I did Streamwatch in Year 9 and 10. I helped with the Wetland project at school. We visited other schools like Blayney and Oberon to learn what they've been doing.

*What have you done with Streamwatch?* I went to Malaysia in 1996 to present Streamwatch to Malaysian schools. We went for two weeks. We went to a conference for two days. We gave a six hour presentation. We spent a few days in the Taman Negara National Park. It was great. We got to see a lot of pollution. The boats don't float on water. In 1997 I went to Melbourne for an Environment satellite conference at Melbourne Zoo. I was the chairperson.

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In 1998, I went to the Kids Environmental Conference in south of Perth. We shared ideas about environmental programs. We toured the area. They have lots of problems with water supply and salinity. We saw the native penguins and spent two days with the CALM Bushranger programs.

*Why did you do Stream watch?* I think it's interesting. You learn a lot about the world around you.

*You play squash don't you?* I played in the school team since Year 7 and the Western Region since year 10.

*Any other sports?* I played baseball for seven years. I've been too busy this year.

*What do you do with the leadership team?* We do assembly and represent the school at functions like ANZAC Day and Presentation Night. There are lots of other things that take up time, but I can't remember what they were.

*What is the Duke of Edinburgh Award?* You've got to do sport, skills (like music or craft or First Aid), community service and expeditions (which is really camping, abseiling, and trying to not get lost). When you do them, you get a Bronze award. Then you do it all again but you do twice as much and you get a Silver award. I'm almost finished the Silver award.

*What about gold?* It takes over a year to do. Things like 100 hours of sport and 50 hours of community service. It's a lot of work.

*What are you going to do next year?* I've applied to do a Bachelor of Science in Biochemistry at Wollongong. I've enjoyed Chemistry and Biology and I thought I would combine them.

*What are you going to do after the exams?* Working at the cinema and the entertainment centre. I need the money.



# english

The English Faculty in 1999 again worked hard to provide the best educational opportunities for the students of Kelso High School. Together, they have planned programs and activities to extend the skills of their students and, indeed, themselves.

The composition of classes is always a major concern for parents, students and teachers. We try to organise classes so that students feel happy and secure so they can learn to the best of their ability. We have reorganised classes to maximise learning opportunities.

Students have had the opportunity to see live plays and to participate in competitions. Two students received encouragement awards for their entries in the Sydney Morning Herald Young Writer of the Year competition and five students received Distinctions in the Australian Schools English Competition. For the first time we displayed the major works of Year 10 students.



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# Agriculture

The highlight of the year was the birth of our first Dexter calves, both females in January. The mothers and daughters made a cameo appearance at the Royal Bathurst Show where the calves showed they can have a mind of their own: as Jeremy and Clinton found out in the show ring. The heifers are presently receiving plenty of TLC from Rozalind Bourke and Debbie who are preparing them for the millennium show.

Following the lead of many farmers, Year 10 have established a small olive grove for oil production. Although production will not commence until the year 2004, we hope that Daniel, Cameron, Nick and James will return to sample the product. Year 10 finished the year by buying 15 forward store fat lambs, fattening them throughout Term 4 for sale. Year 9 have been involved in vegetable production, raising pullets for sale and most recently setting up a small dam and stocking it with yabbies (thanks to Jeff Lewis for his expertise). With the nearby wetland area, we are attracting plenty of wildlife - wood ducks are beginning to move in full time.

Due to the new HSC structure, 1999 is the last year in which the 3 Unit Agriculture course will be offered. Two students, Stephen Coyle and Luke Press conducted research projects and are to be commended for their efforts in designing and conducting original experiments in the face of substantial obstacles such as poor seasons. The new Agriculture course will still allow students to carry out investigative work within the 2 Unit course.



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Carly Sewell's respiratory system; Daniel Sharp's model Water Cycle; Shane Mongomerie's structure showing continental drift.

Year 7 students arrived bright eyed and bushy tailed from all corners of the district and proceeded to find out the workings of the universe and the human body. Some amazing models of plant cells were presented by Brendan Beale, Tess English, Emma Parker, Clynton Bryant and Eamon Scully.



Year 12 "Science for Life" students, under the ever watchful eye of Ms Williams, completed major projects on the design and construction of children's toys. For weeks Wesley Gibson could be seen running through the corridors with a cardboard box on his head - eventually turning it into a helmet for his astronaut suit (fully equipped for any space emergency!) Ben Murray was found searching the toilets - boys and girls- in a desperate search for toilet rolls to be able to see out of his mask (which closely resembled a swamp creature!) Justin Simpson and Kim Kazmouz both made quite impressive and professional educational toys. Troy Chapman even managed to make a profit from his toy (which he sold to Mrs Weiss). Though he should probably donate the money to the science faculty in compensation of the many times he filled the science area with smoke from his boiling wax experiment - thanks to Mr Kyan for showing him that one.



Excursions this year featured Year 9 visiting Mount Piper Power Station to investigate the production of electricity. During Term 3, a group of Year 9 students visited Delta Power station at Wallerawang. The purpose of the visit was to give the students first hand experience

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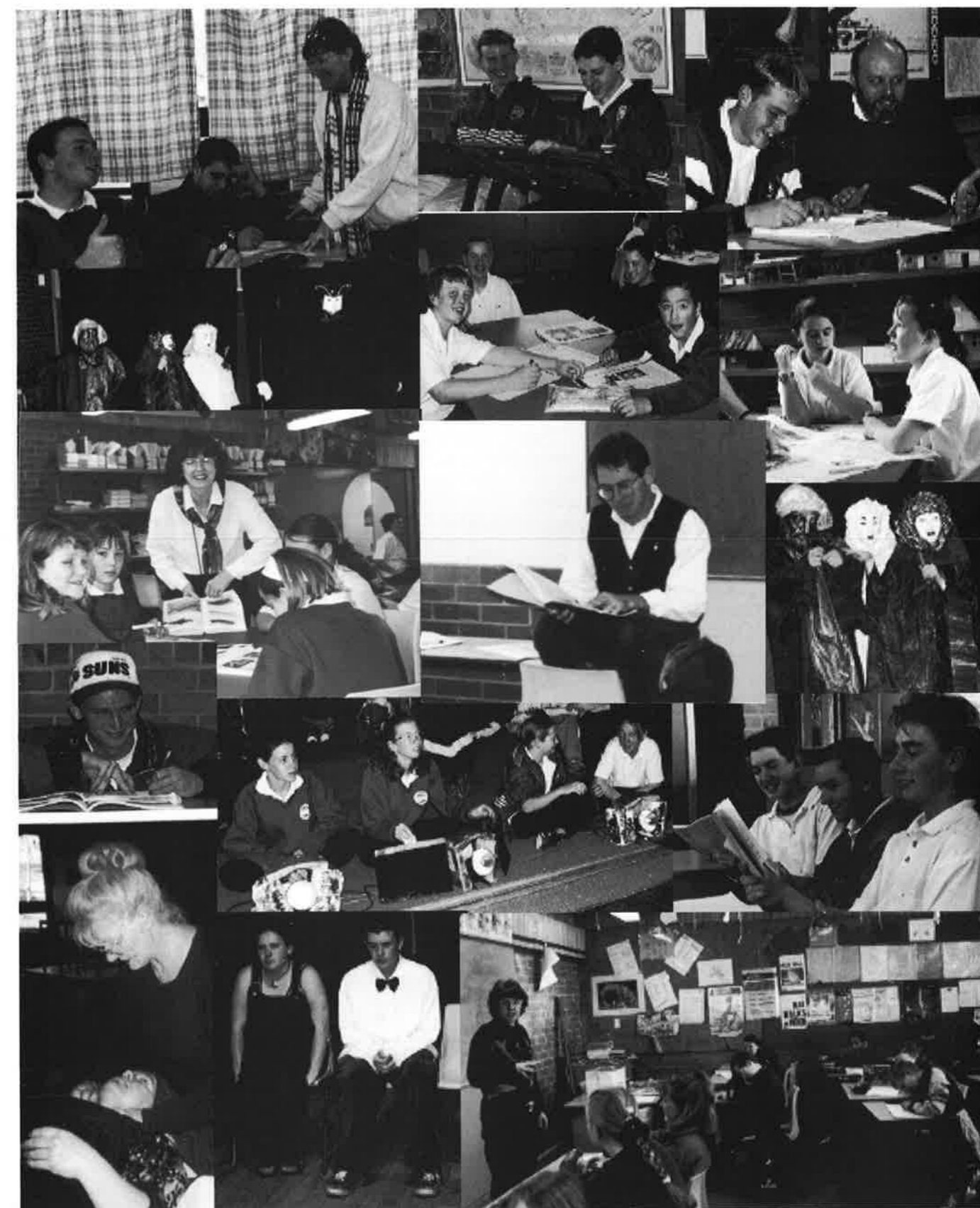
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of electricity production which they were studying in the unit, ZAP! The day involved everyone wearing hair nets and helmets and climbing up high scaffolds to see how coal was burnt to turn turbines. The students then visited an education centre and found out that it would take them a long time to produce electricity if all they had was peddle power. The day ended with a great barbecue and thanks must go to our cooks for cooking the biggest steaks since the Flintstones.

The Australia's Wonderland excursion was a highlight in Term 3 for students who had been working, applying themselves positively throughout the year. With buses loaded we left at 7.15 am. As usual one bus was slower than the other and Mount Victoria proved a problem but eventually we overtook the other bus along the road - oh no! Travel sickness, the great leveller!



Despite our lead, we lost it when a stop at Springwood gave them the edge. At Wonderland the group split up, never to be seen until the end of the day. Ms Williams, Mr Hines, Ms Pearn, and Ms Puckeridge braved the great heights and drops of the Spaceprobe, survived the Demon, while Mr Martensz kept an eye at ground level. Surely all who went hardly spared a thought for the Physics of it all - but no doubt all had a great time.



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of the Kelso High School Theatre and Entertainment Centre the night's revels began. The comperes for the evening were Year 11 students Joanna Hurford, Emma Finn and David Moore, who displayed their comic talents introducing the rich variety of entertainment.

The players were: Nathan Begley, Sonia Boga, Erin Chapman, Belinda Collins, Lauren Clarke, Sharna Bryant, Neil Kearney, Kate Lavelle, Ruth Nartey and Kristy Ruming.

Many of the plays were written, choreographed and designed by the students who also performed their plays. Many students did individual performances as well. Those who elected not to do an individual performance on the evening displayed their individual projects: script writing, set design, costume design and director's preparation portfolios.

The evening was a wonderful demonstration of the depth and quality of acting talent at Kelso. It was a most entertaining performance and the audience loved it. Special thanks must go to Mrs Arger, Mrs Weiss and Ms Collins who helped to make the evening possible.

## Debating

The Junior Debating Team had a successful and challenging year. The team underwent a number of changes of personel brought on by the different rules for each competition, the need to find one combined Year 8 and 7 team and the interruptions that busy lives create: music, rock eisteddfods, sickness, moving town.

The team played in a number of competitions: the Bathurst Schools competition, the Lithgow Festival of Speech and the State Knockout competition. In the competitions we ran the whole range of experience: thrill of victory; the not-so-much-thrill of defeat; the exhaustion of doing three debates in one day; the terror of speaking in front of large audiences who are listening to what you are saying; the panic of forgetting your prepared speech; the quiet bliss of a long country drive; and the gut busting humour of one of Scott Mouthaan's jokes.

The highlight of the year had to be winning against Bathurst High at the Wattle Flat Public Speaking Day. The audience and the hall were terrific, and the team debated well.

The teams were at various times : Andrew Bekkema, Cassandra Gibbons, Jessica Hirst, Tim Hofman, Sohpie Morrice, John Rudge, Susan Scott, Miriam Siers and Michael Small. The team would like to thank Mrs Scott for driving us to West Wyalong.

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Andrew Bekkema at Wattle Flat Public debating Bathurst

It is better to be a goat than a sheep. It is better to break than to bend. We should become a republic. These are just a few of the topics debated in 1999. The **Intermediate Debating Team** consisted of Kris Porter, Rebecca Stait, Alison Scott and Tania Cardillo-Zallo, with Mrs Parker as our coach.

During the year the team travelled to many places including Dubbo, Orange, Lithgow and the Bathurst Council Chambers. In Lithgow we won two out of three debates.

The best part of the year was when we went to Bathurst Council Chambers, where we came second overall. We had one prepared debate and two impromptu debates. Some of the topics were : That Bathurst Council should amalgamate and that there should be a bypass around Bathurst.

Overall the year was a success and we look forward to the year 2000.

### Senior Debating

We proved "That Rap music is the sound of the future," in the first round of the Commonwealth Bank Senior Debating Competition against Kinross-Wolaroi.



Wattle Flat Public Speaking Day



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# SCIENCE

This has been a year of preparation and progress as the faculty embraces and develops the new junior and senior Science courses ready for introduction in 2000. As part of this process, we have trialed a new form of assessing and reporting students' progress for Years 9 and 10. All Assessment Tasks were allocated grades (A-E), rather than the usual percentage mark, based upon set performance indicators. In this way, any or all students had the opportunity of achieving the highest grade, A.

Several tasks were completed throughout the year. In Semester 1, Year 9 students displayed initiative and creativity as they applied their experimental design skills to solving the problem of the "Big Drop" - investigating factors which affect the impact of falling objects. Many students achieved a Grade A for outstanding efforts: Cindy Bailey, Rachel Robinson, Edwina Berry, Rebecca Stait, Steven Andrews, Wesley Cox, Hannah Ley and Lukas Bauer are but a few of our high achievers.

In year 10, students used their research skills to complete a project in an area of science of their choosing.

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Projects were then graded based on criteria such as breadth of research, detail, clarity of presentation and variety of resources used. Again, many students showed commitment and enthusiasm and were proud to have their work on display for the parent viewing afternoon. Some excellent projects were: Kate Parker's cancer research; Paul Mouthaan's heart structure and disease;



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Senior Debating team: Emma Finn, Jaye Pescud, Samantha Edwards, Kate Marskell.

Mr Warwick Franks, the adjudicator, commended Kate Marskell on her fiery 3rd speaker role. Emma Finn proved to be an excellent first speaker in our second round against Orange High debating "That the dole is a necessary evil." This debate proved to be difficult to decide the winner but the adjudicator gave the debate to Orange. Our final round against Bathurst High was an interesting one with some heated debating between Kelso and Bathurst High. Jaye Pescud and Samantha Edwards prepared arguments against the premise "That the Upper House should be abolished." Unfortunately we lost but the team learnt some good tips for future debating.

Our team also attended the Lithgow Festival of Speech and had two successful debates that day.



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Earlier in the year, our team attended a Debating and Public Speaking Workshop at Orange where they picked up some great pointers from two university debaters.

We enjoyed our year and hope the team will have success in the year 2000.

## ESL Program

In 1999 Kelso High welcomed two new students from Russia, Daniel and Michael Protopopov. Kelso High was recommended to the parents as it is a Centre of Excellence for Languages and was known to have a warm and welcoming attitude. As New Arrivals, Daniel and Michael were enrolled in English as a Second Language Classes (ESL), both being entitled to three hours extra English each a week. Mrs Gai Winter was appointed to teach the boys. These classes are designed to provide them with both skill development in Reading and Writing and confidence in oral communication. A background to Australian culture, History and Geography is also incorporated into the lessons to help the students settle into their new environment. The ESL Teacher liaises regularly with class teachers to ensure the needs of all the students are being met. The ESL Program is a mutually positive learning experience for all concerned.

Gai Winter

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## Creative Arts Camp

Bianca Kozsta represented Kelso High School at the Western Districts Creative Arts Camp at Lake Burrendong during Week 3 of Term 4.

She writes:

The week started with an early morning drive to Burrendong Dam. At 9.11 we arrived at the Ridgecrest Education Centre. We found our huts and had some time to meet our new friends before we met for morning tea and met the our leaders. We were all there for different things: music, art, drama an dance. Drama was my main goal but Monday was the day to try them all. Through the week we worked together towards the final performance which was on Friday, 29th October. We had dance, music played their own pieces, art did the colourful and elaborate sculptures and we did our play about war, "Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow."

All in all we had a great time with our new friends working together.



### Love

What is love?

Is it the little things that nobody notices?

The chopped firewood, the ironed shirt,

Dinner waiting in the fridge wrapped in alfoil?

What is love?

Is it the familiar scene of lovers,

Sitting contently on a park bench, hand in hand,

While the sun sets slowly over the horizon?

What is love?

Is it when one is drawn to another,

Like the bee to the flower?

The secret longing from afar?

What is love?

Is love all of these things?

At different times and places?

In my opinion that is love.

Rebecca Stait Year 9

### Old Lady

There once was a pretty old lady

Who had a faithful dog,

She lived in a house with a garden

In Bathurst which was known for its fog.

Her happy life was interrupted

One gloomy, rainy day,

When a letter arrived to tell her

She had to send her dog away.

They said it was it's barking,

That kept them all awake.

She knew this wasn't true,

And she had to prove it for the poor dogs sake.

She gave them all a present,

Part of which they couldn't see,

It ended up a tape recording

To set her poor dog free.

The Western Advocate got the story

Which proved the dog 'True blue,'

So the little old lady became a town hero

And the neighbours were left to be sued.

So as you all can see,

If you know that you are right,

It doesn't matter who you are

You can win if you're willing to fight.

### Sunrise on the Sand

Rolling

Crashing

Pushing

The tiny sand up  
the beach.

Sun is rising the orange floats across  
the silky surface

hopping

along

the

seagulls asks for food

I

sit

with the sea

breeze whistling across

my face.

Surfies

arrive

with a splatter

of the combi

the tranquillity

will

come to an end.

Michael Olsen

rest of the students were coming to school we headed off to Kanangra Boyd National Park.

When we got to Gillespies lookout (766,384(grid reference)) the nine students and two teachers split up into two groups. With out maps and compasses in check we set off on a slow, downhill slope for about 1.5 km. We followed a path part of the way and then followed our compasses when we lost the path. This path took around twenty minutes and ended up at Box Creek Falls (769,398) where we had a short break at the bottom of the falls.

After deciding against going along the creek, we headed across in a westerly direction over loose rocks, unstable ground with unreliable tree holds and thick scrub until we came to a small creek which trickled down to Box Creek. The group then continued to follow the creek, jumping to either side when it got too narrow at approximately (761,398), we then decided to turn towards Boss Peak.



This part of the journey took a considerable amount of effort on everyone's behalf. The distance was only 600 metres but seemed like more, especially with our heavy backpacks. We continued up a steep hill in a southerly direction for about 35 minutes. The leaders had a rest while the rest of the group followed, we had lunch when both groups joined together at the top of Boss Peak.

After our lunch break, we walked along a marked path for about 1.5 km in a westerly direction. The terrain was down, up down ( in order) eventually declining to the Kowmung River (759394) where we set up our tents for the night.

After setting up the tents, the brave people went for a swim in the swimming hole. During this time most of the boys thought they were great dam builders and attempted to make a spa. After a while of throwing rocks in the same place with no effect they game up. When the fire was burning and the swimmers had changed, we sat down around the fire and had dinner. Following this we played a few games of spotlight, truth or dare, watched the stars and bats and witnessed a few minor fires being set alight, then it was time for bed.

After a very long, painful and cold nights sleep I took the first opportunity of sunlight to get up. Soon after, Arna joined me. In less than an hour everyone was up, had breakfast and began pulling down tents and trying to squash them back into backpacks.

When the group came together again on the bank of the river, we all took our shoes and socks off and slowly walked through the narrowest bit of the river onto the opposite bank. Shoes back on, we climbed up the hill in single file to Tuglow Caves. In my opinion this was the hardest part of the bushwalking. Blackberry bushes attacking you at every chance, unstable ground which was sliding away from underneath you when you thought you had a good grasp and boulders to climb over. With help from each other we made it to Tuglow Caves after only a few minor scratches and bruises.

After a short break the group split into two, the second group following five to ten minutes after the first on the same track. This 2 km bush walk was easy going and had a great view of the river and surrounding hills in one particular section. We had great team work when one endeavorist had a fall whilst going down a steep hill with loose dirt, this fall resulted in a slightly sprained ankle. After this we travelled a bit slower and each carried some extra items. We made it down to the Kowmung River where we met up with the first group and had our lunch.

The last 3 km were mostly all uphill on a four wheel drive track. We were getting slower as our packs were getting heavier and the sun was getting hotter. We eventually got to our destination approximately 15 minutes away from where we left the bus. Two very fit people, Mr Novak and Paul Mouthaan ran the rest of the way, while the rest of us sat around resting, waiting to be picked up.

The bus trip out of the National Park was just as bumpy as the one coming in but we made it out in one piece. We had one short stop at Oberon where we all got well deserved paddle pops before travelling back to school.

I would like to thank both Mr Novak and Miss Geldard for this opportunity to participate in this great program and for putting up with us for four days and two nights (total including practice). I have gained valuable skills in bushwalking, camping, navigation and team work, not to mention determination.

Christine Draper



# Outdoor Education

The basis of this program in the school has been the Year 9/10 School Certificate course. This course provides the 15 students with opportunities to develop their skills and knowledge in 'bush based' activities. In doing so students are expected to gain an appreciation for sound use of the environment.

Over the two year course students study elements of: environmental awareness, navigation, abseiling, uses of ropes and knots, planning and organising an expedition, National Parks, campcraft, ecotourism, first aid and dealing with emergency situations. Excursions and field trips are conducted to augment the material studied in the classroom.

This year's excursions were held at Evan's Crown for abseiling; the Bridle Track and Macquarie River as well as Box Creek area in the Kanangra-Boyd National Park for navigation. A visit to an indoor climbing centre in Sydney called "The Pitch" further developed students' climbing skills learnt on the school's climbing wall.

A 3 day camp at Tea Gardens gave students' opportunities to undertake activities such as canoeing and high ropes. Overnight camps in the Kanangra-Boyd area for Year 10 and Dunn's Swamp in the Wollemi National Park for Year 9, put students to the test camping out and developing the various campcraft skills.

We look forward to making further improvements to the course in 2000 as the new Year 9 class start.



## Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme

There are currently 22 students registered in the Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme. During 1999 eight students gained their Bronze Award. The school now has 12 students undertaking the second level, the silver award.

To satisfy the requirements for each level students must undertake to complete a minimum number of hours in areas of community service, sport and hobby or personal interest. As well, students undertake a practice and final expedition. The expedition is organised and run by the school. At the Bronze level the expedition involves two days away, six hours of each day must be spent bushwalking. The expedition must have an overnight and outdoor camp. At the Silver level the expedition is for three days with two nights of camping.

The camps are usually held in the Blue Mountains/Kanangra Boyd National Parks and they are great fun.

The students involved currently in the scheme are:

**Bronze** - Kate Marskill, Jonathan Say, Tim Clulow, Grant Maskill, Paul Mouthaan, Heather Gordon, Melanie Proctor, Christine Draper, Arna Marinovic, Kelvin Cooke.

**Silver** - Brandon Vidler, Geoff Chard, Todd Mouthaan, Kyle Myers, Josh Johnson, Alison Scott, Ben Pitcher, Chris Anderson, Kelsey Borgstahl, Yuri Smart, James Schrader, Robert Naylor.

Anyone interested in joining the scheme can contact Mr Novak or Ms Geldard.

## Bronze Level Expedition

We were all excited with anticipation when we arrived at school for our second bronze level expedition for Duke of Edinburgh. The group of young endeavorists comprised of Paul Mouthaan, Chris Anderson, Kelvin Cooke (Army Man 1) and Kelsey Borgstahl (Army Man 2) all from Year 10, James Blundell (left school), Ben Pitcher Year 11 and three brave girls from Year 12, Melanie Proctor, Arna Marinovic and myself, Christine Draper. This group was led by our magnificent Duke of Ed. Co-ordinators Mr Novak and Ms Geldard.

The group arrived in the school carpark at 8am on Wednesday 10 March, 1999. Everything we needed for

two days was squashed into our backpacks. As the



# Morning Reading in the Library

On Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings during Roll Call students and their volunteer students tutors practise their reading. The program is supervised by Mrs Mouthaan, Mrs Chopping and Mrs Payne.







# Library

Installation occurred earlier this year of the file server in the library for the school's technology network.

New combined file server for OASIS library and School Administration was installed.

Fiction - a lot added to both junior and senior sections - a wide range available - more use was made of this section in 1999.

Overdues - still an on-going problem - we hope students can become programmed to return books on time and renew them.

Requests for information still form the "backbone" role for the library and its staff.

Multi-use facility underlines the diverse role our school library plays - from display area to class research facility.

Art books - come and see our beaut range!

Technology and its effective use is a priority for the school and library staff.

Internet usage has grown rapidly.

OASIS - The library computer catalogue system that shows all!

Newspapers available - Sydney Morning Herald. This is then cut up for the information file.

Library bookings with a teacher/class and assignment planning makes good use of all resources.

Information skills helps people make more efficient use of information.

Thanks to library staff - Mrs Buchanan and Mrs Giuliano for their positive contribution to the operation of the library.

Extend the library staff's thinking capabilities - ask them a difficult reference question.

Reference Collection - some good titles eg. Guinness Book of Records.

Awful graffiti on desks is not wanted.

Cd Usage will grow with the network.

Young people - Our future.

Matti Novak

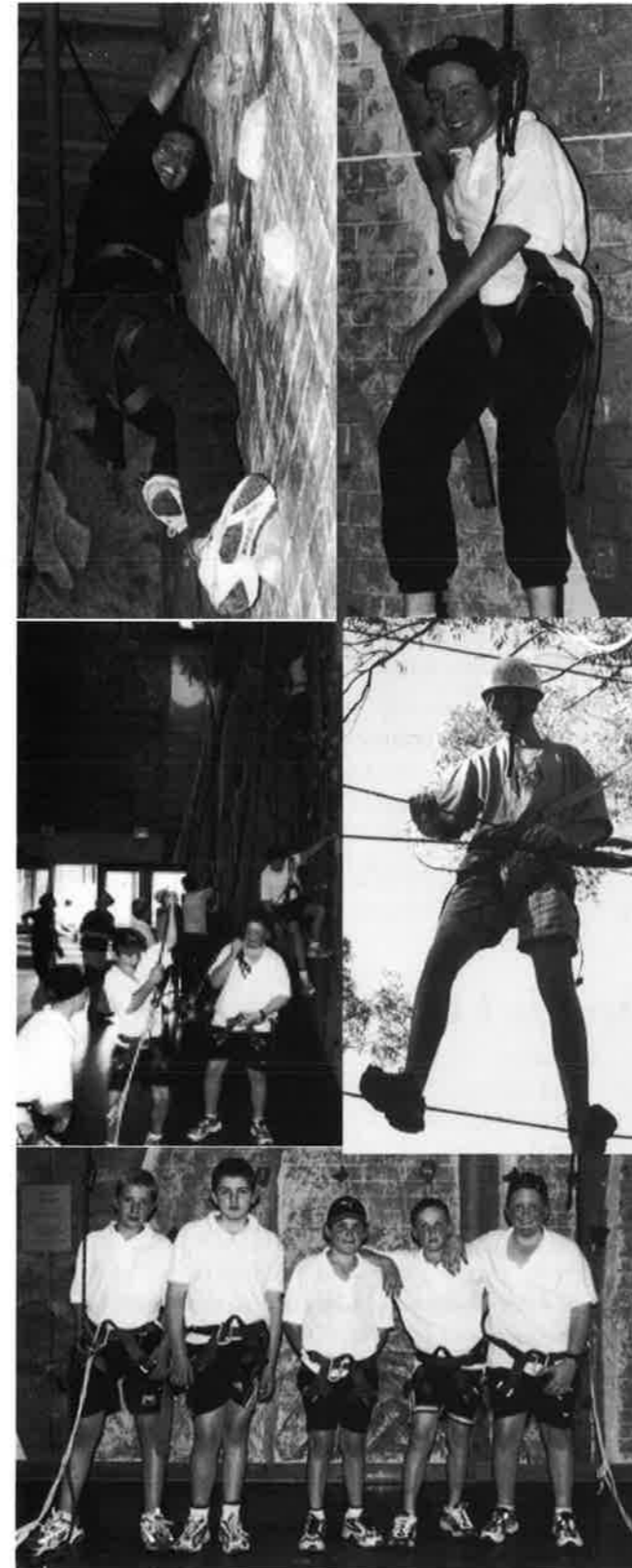


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# Swimming

The following students have been studying Life Saving during the swimming season and have been successful in the following awards:

**Senior Swim and Survive** - Kyle Myers, Gareth Sutton, Ebran Edwards, Leo Medina, Brad Schumacher, Steven Carlson, Luke Field, Letisha Myers, Alyce Myers, Luke Mullineaux, Grant Preddy.

**Bronze Star** - Kyle Myers, Kate Madden, Grant Preddy, Rebecca Stait.

Rebecca Stait and Kate Madden also received their Junior Instructors Award and completed their training component helping with the Primary School Learn to Swim/ Life Saving program.



On Monday 8th March five students represented Kelso High School at the Western Region Swimming trials in Dubbo. The swimmers were:

Gillian Rosconi Year 7, Chantelle Charnock Year 7, Grant Preddy Year 7, Jenny Grayling Year 9 and Lauren Winkley Year 10.

All swimmers performed creditable and two swimmers were chosen for State:

Gillian Rosconi 13 Years 100 metres Breaststroke

Jenny Grayling 15 Years 100 metres Backstroke





## OPEN GIRL'S HOCKEY

Kelso High's Open Girl's Hockey team had a very successful year. Kelso played in the Combined High Schools competition and made it to the final series in Wollongong. Kelso played Hurlstone Agricultural High School in the final but were defeated 2-1.

The Buchanan Telstra Cup is a competition between the top 4, state, catholic and independent schools in the state. Kelso was selected to play at Penrith. Kelso played Hurlstone again in the semi-finals and defeated them 3-1. Kelso went on to play Marion College in the finals. It was a close, hard fought game and had to go to a penalty shoot out to decide the match. Kelso defeated Marion College 4-1 in the shoot out and Kelso won the Buchanan Cup.

The team would like to thank the many parents who supported the team and accompanied us to Wollongong and Penrith. We'd especially like to thank Mr and Mrs Sullivan for the use of the trailer. The team would also like to thank Mr Stewart and Mr Hanger for driving them to Wollongong and Penrith. A thankyou to Sam Poole for his efforts in refereeing the games.

Amidst all the excitement of the games in Wollongong it's nice to know that some girls found the time to go shopping for hundreds of dollars worth of trendy gear at the local surf shop. It took almost as much time as selecting which colour shirts to wear for the Buchanan Cup. Not to be outdone some other girls found out that it pays to complain. They received free meals at Pizza Hut after complaining that there wasn't enough food in the "Works".

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# HISTORY

Like other subjects, History is at a turning point as schools move towards putting the changes in the Higher School Certificate in place. Already, we have seen changes in the junior years as History has become a compulsory subject in Years 7 and 8. Next year's Year 9 will be the first to have Mandatory History in their curriculum. Unfortunately, this has meant that many students who would have otherwise have chosen History as an Elective have not done so. Elective History is quite different from Mandatory History both in its depth and range of topics. For example, our very popular 'Jack the Ripper' unit will not be taught in Mandatory History. We hope that at the end of next year, more students will choose Elective History.

Next year's Year 11 will be the first cohort to undertake study in the 'new' Higher School Certificate. There have been important changes in the way students



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are assessed. This in turn has meant that teachers have to revise their classroom methods. The content of Ancient and Modern History has not changed significantly, so the History Faculty is well prepared.

Kelso's 1998 HSC History students have continued with the tradition of performing above State averages in the HSC Examinations. Likewise, Year 10 students scored very well in the School Certificate.

The History Staff have met these changes and the challenges they have created with their usual professional skill and dedication. I must pay a tribute to the History Staff: Mrs Chopping, Mrs Picker, Mr Dunn and Mr Tonkin for their enthusiasm for their teaching and their desire to always do the best for their students. Mr Bartulovich and Mr Hanger have kept Aboriginal Studies going in the school, against very heavy odds. It is unfortunate that General Studies will disappear under the new HSC; I would like to thank Mr Bartulovich, Mrs Cole and Mr Hurford for their teaching of this most relevant subject over the years. I would also like to thank Mrs Poole and Mrs Pearn who taught History outside their normal teaching experience and worked hard to present interesting and relevant lessons.

Geoff Lewis

Head Teacher History

# Drama

Drama in Kelso High School has been enlivened and enhanced by the work of new teacher Ms Collins and later Ms Arger. Together they have worked to increase the opportunities of students to see and produce great theatre.

Students had the opportunity to see "On Stage", "The Summer of the 17th Doll", "Interactive Shakespeare" and "The Three Cuckolds". They actively participated in a theatre and mask workshop presented by Jonquil Temple and a mask making workshop run by Mrs Enid Adams. Sasha Cody and Brett Evens represented Kelso at the State Drama Camp, while Bianca Kozsta attended the Western District Performing Arts Camp.

And they performed! Mumming plays, Year 12 and Year 11 Drama Evenings, Year 9 are producing an epic - "Quest" directed by Mrs Arger, while Year 10 under the direction of Ms Collins are producing self-devised theatre. Students perform for a variety of audience - public, school assembly and selected classes.



Finalists in the Shakespeare Festival: Brett Evens, Joanna Hurford, Melanie Dahlhelm, David Wilkinson



Two particularly significant events in this year were: the selection of 1998 HSC students Kylie Evernett, Ben Soetens, Sheree Bryant and Jess Bieniek for "On Stage" - a showcase of the best HSC works. A bus load of students went to Sydney to cheer them on. These four certainly had a taste of theatre life - the rigour as well as the excitement.

Shakespeare enthusiasts - Toby Finlayson, Rowan Scanlan, Joanna Hurford, Jodi Webster, Melanie Dahlhelm, David Moore, Brett Evens and David Wilkinson, made it to the State Finals of the Shakespeare Festival at Sydney's Seymour Centre.

The collaborative risk-taking aspect of Drama always ensures dynamism and excitement.

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encouragement to other players and it is a wonder he still had the wind to get involved in the play. Shane Taylor was tireless in defence and awesome in attack. The other members of the squad played with discipline and composure, and while individual performances were too many to mention here, they all played hard and they were a fantastic group to take away. The only short coming was when they couldn't escape over the levee bank for a swim in the unusually hot winter weather.

The Buchan Shield for Under 15 Boys was a short lived affair because despite an exceptional team, Parkes defeated us by 3 points after a penalty kick in the last 2 minutes. Adam Alchin (Captain/Coach) could possibly have captained less and coached more, but seriously he led a disciplined group who had superiority in the backs but didn't have the strength in the forwards to win. Ben Tobin had an outstanding game at fullback and made a 70 metre dash to score the try of the season after he kicked ahead and secured a lucky bounce in front of the post. Adam Lewis kicked well, scoring three penalties and two conversions. The only other try was that scored by Troy Henry. Gary Marple could have scored but wasn't given the ball in good position.

Brendan Osborne was selfless in his support of Matt Riley, setting Matt up for some fantastic runs. Matt was only stopped from scoring at one stage by a controversial tripping incident, but Kelso maintained their composure and discipline and resisted the urge to retaliate. Steven Volleburgh, Andrew Kelly and Adam Dwyer gave their all throughout the day against a much larger pack and Jamie Bennett tried his best to contain them on the inside of the ruck.

Once again the bus trip was the highlight of the day. The red liner special was rocking on both the trip there and back, with Adam Dwyer that anxious to start the game that he broke his front tooth on his footie boot in the bus.

The Wyburd Shield began well with a closely contested win over Wellington. Gavin Clarke was clearly player of the day, scoring 1 try and kicking 7 from 7. This helped later when he and I had to explain to Mr Stewart why he was allowed to play. Trent Lavelle had an outstanding game considering it was his first game of Rugby. Robbie Vardell scored equal points with



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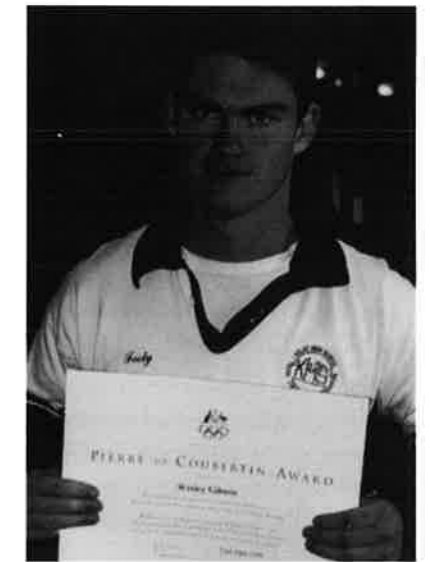


Gavin for 'man of the match' and scored two tries. Ned Kelly continued to hone his skills. Ryan Sargent scored 2 tries and worked brilliantly around the ruck marshalling the troops. Kyle Myers also scored one and dropped a few, but he blamed Christian Luyks for terrible passing. Christian assured me he was not responsible. Adam Alchin and Daniel George maintained their consistency and I predict great things for them in the future, if not in Rugby then in modelling. Matt Willis impressed everyone with his massive boot, constantly sending Wellington back into their quarter with his Aussie Rules kicks. He topped the week off with the Junior Sportsperson of Bathurst Award for the week.

When we went to Mudgee for Round 2 the feeling in the bus was subdued because we knew from previous trips that they are a superior Rugby school. We began without the necessary number of players and true to form, they began to hammer us. Adam Alchin and Brendan Osborne worked well at break away and there were other good individual performances like that of Andy Mann. The way in which Kelso rallied though was the best part of the day. After conceding too many points in the first half, they reformed and didn't allow Mudgee to score again until the last 30 seconds. With training, I feel sure that one day we will beat Mudgee High.

What was great about this season was not the individual games or star performances but the spirit with which we played the game. Mr Dave Abernathy, a ref of several of our games commented on the sportsmanship and fair play at each of our games. Both the Principal and the Deputy of Mudgee High made a point congratulating our teams for the spirit with which we played.

Next year we hope to do a French and beat the Mudgee 'All Blacks' and hopefully go all the way to the State Finals. It doesn't matter though, as the bus trips and the fun of playing is enough to satisfy us.



Wesley Gibson winner of the Pierre de Coubertin Award for Outstanding Sporting Achievement and Sportsmanship.

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## rugby: the game they play in heaven

Rugby made further inroads at Kelso High this year. The success of this year's Rugby squad lay not in the victories or individual performances but in the fun that we had and in the clean competitive way that everyone approached the games.

There were memorable victories during the season, most notably the Year 7 and 8 boys and the Open Girls who both cleaned up at Forbes, each defeating four other schools at the Marist Brothers Gala Day. Even though Forbes is my home town and despite the fact that I was such a good student of the Marist Brothers that they erected a statue and a plaque in my name, I still enjoyed our victories.

The Open Girls were all exceptional and even though Sharni Latham (Captain) showed enormous courage when she returned from the hospital after having a dislocated finger reset to play three more games, there were too many outstanding performances to individually name them. The team, Kelso's first girls team consisted of: Sharni Latham, Michelle Townsend, Dionie Sullivan, Kim Connors, Ileya Marinovic, Danielle Stait, Christy Schumacher, Julie and Megan Henry, Merindah Rose, Jade Windle, Laura Ryan, Jess McGrath and Susan Townsend.

The most telling comment on the girls performance was that given by the Western Rugby Women's selector who watched their games. He asked why they hadn't played in the Western region towns competition because in his opinion they would have

easily won it. Credit must go to Ryan Sargent, Wes Gibson, Ben Murray, Robbie Martin, Stew Kelly and above all, Troy Chapman who trained them.

The Years 7 & 8 boys performed well due to the fine coaching and the interchanges organised by Rodney Murray. The bus trip up wasn't too memorable because "The Man from Snowy River" was the only movie available, but Josh Turnbull watched it just for the horses. The others entertained themselves playing "slap an knuckles" and fortunately there were no injuries and all were able to play Rugby when we arrived.

The A team were undefeated due to some sensational independent performances, but overall team spirit won the day. Stand out performances were put in by Leigh Ross Burke (best and fairest on the day), Nathan Belbin and Andy Boye, who palmed his way to the try line on many occasions. Kurt Seaman, Tom Seaman and Gavin Press, the smallest players in the comp, had outstanding games. Scott Morgan scored a couple of good tries and along with Gavin Sutton and Steven Carlson he showed what Year 7 are capable of.

Memorable performances were put in by Josh Turnbull, who played his heart out and served up some big hits to the opposition. Kurt Russell overcame the pain from being stomped on in a ruck and played on, exacting his revenge. Tim Varndell ran the length of the field but unfortunately forgot to place the ball (the ruling held himself up in goal) and Josh Smith was too good for all the other forwards in the day. Mark Merritt, captain of the vice, could be heard all over the field screaming

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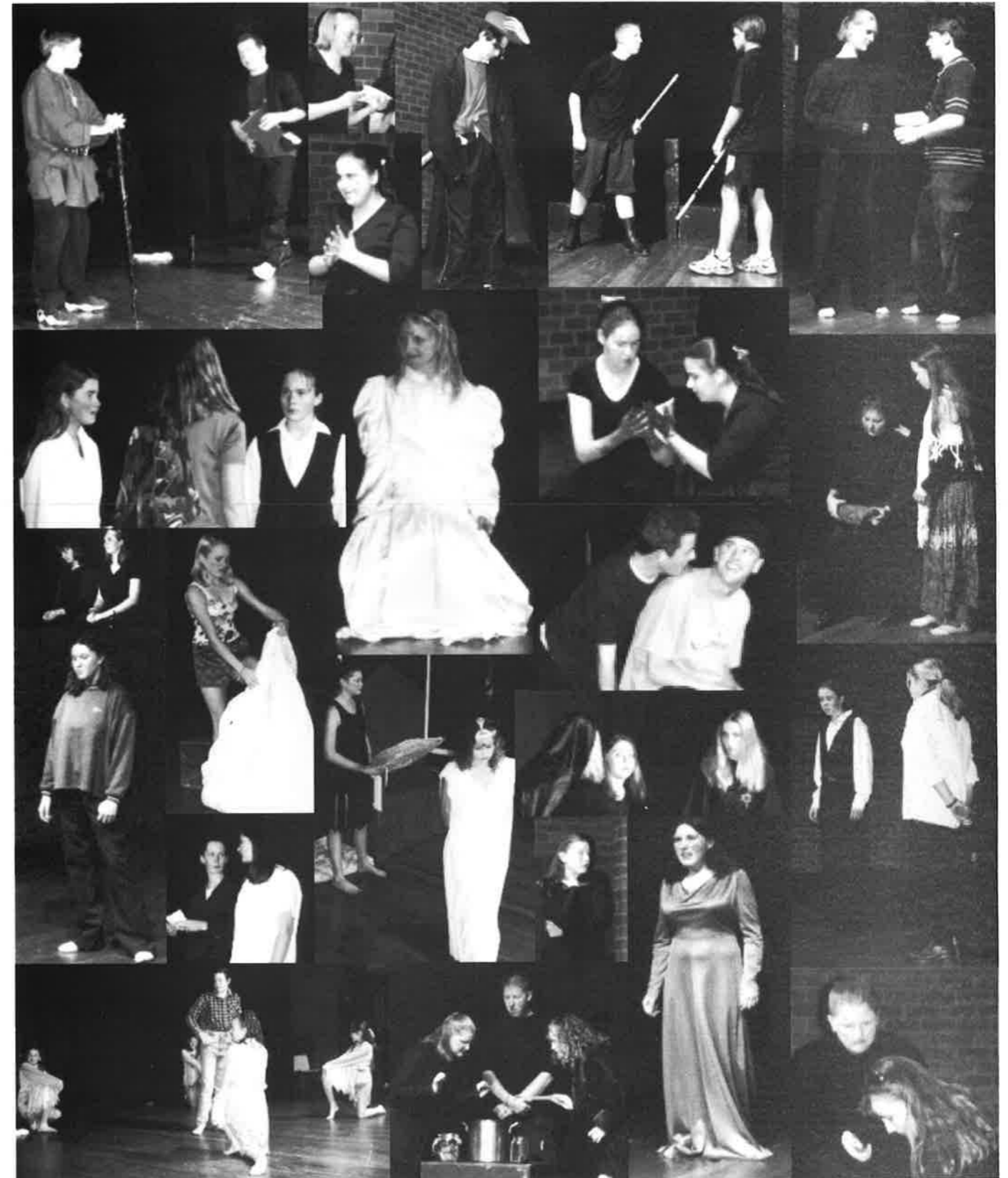
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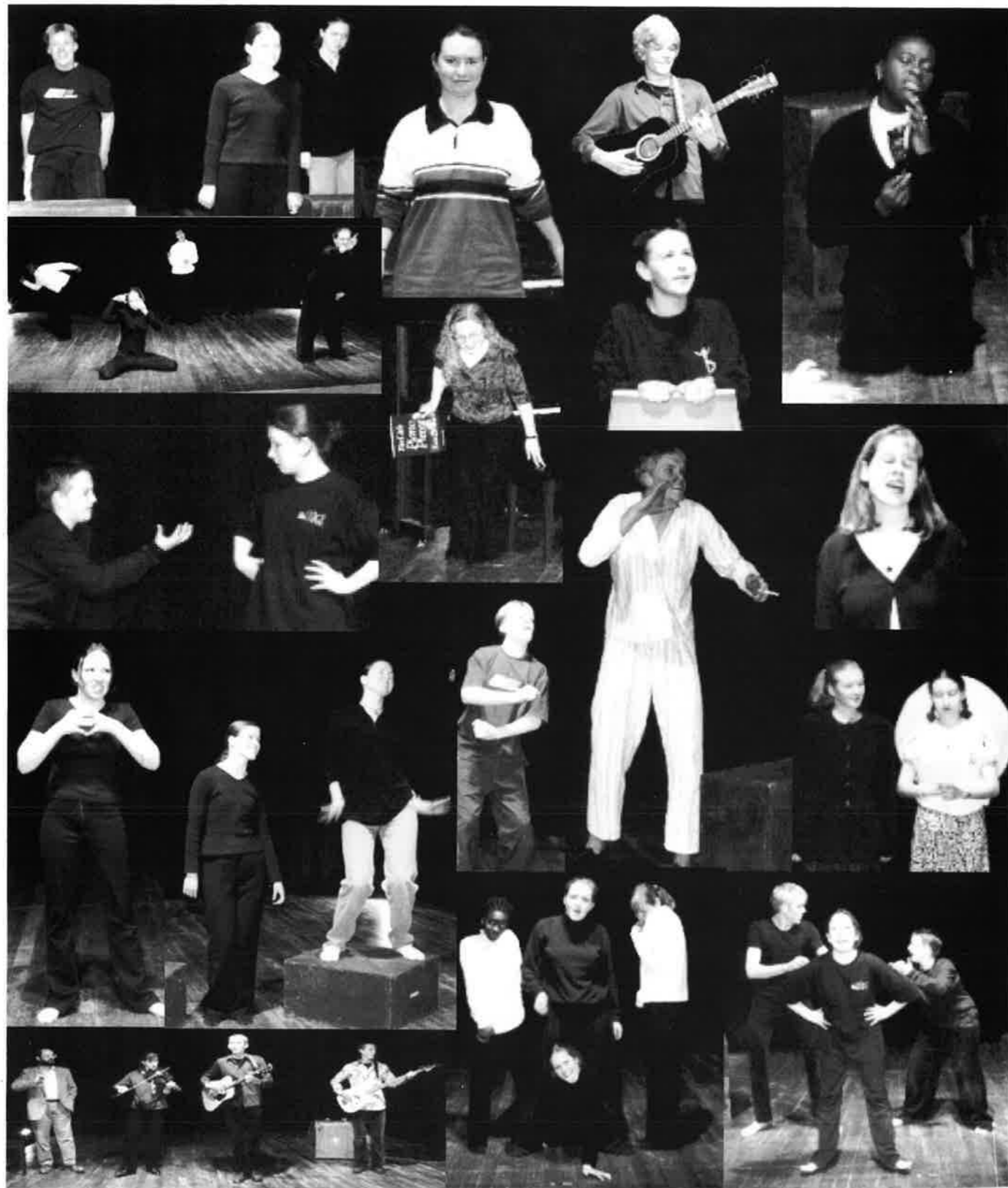


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# YEAR 12 PERFORMING ARTS NIGHT



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## Softball

The Western Region Softball Knockout Competition was held on the softball fields at Learmonth Park. Kelso's team consisted of Dionie Sullivan (Captain), Susan Townsend, Danielle Stait, Michelle Townsend, Meg Henschell, Erin Mellor, Laura Parkes, Edwina Berry, Ileya Marinovic, Emma Beesley, Belinda Beale, Kristy Schumacher and Rebecca Stait.

Although the team did not win any games they played well and enjoyed themselves. Thankyou to Dionie Sullivan for Umpiring on the day and congratulations on making the Western Region Softball team.

Congratulations to Stephen Carlson, Year 7, for being selected in the Western Region Sports Academy Softball squad, this year. He will train with the Academy for 12 months.

Well done to Rebecca Stait for being selected to 'Plate Umpire' at the Western Region Primary Schools Softball Round Robin Day held in Bathurst. Rebecca was ably assisted by Anna Moran, Kate Madden and Edwina Berry, who helped as 'Base Umpires' on the day. They were all excellent representatives for Kelso High School.

Judy Smith

## Girls Netball

It was a big day. The Western Region Netball trials at Moulder Park, Orange. Who would win? Who could take on the best that the whole Western Region had to offer and come through victorious? Only the day would tell.

There was another purpose in the day. To select a team to represent the Western Region in the state wide competition. Would players from Kelso be selected for the Regional team?

Kelso had a good team. Madeline Gilbert, Merinda Rose, Cassie Reid, Haylee Riches, Melanie Dahlhelm, Laura Parkes, Sophie Cashen, Jessica Hurst and Jessica Birk.

Kelso played two games. They were long, they were gruelling. The girls were trying for their school. The girls wanted to represent the region.

Kelso won the first game against Canowindra. The second game was against the highly experienced Orange team. Unfortunately Kelso lost to Orange in a close and exciting game.

The team would like to thank Mrs Rose and Mrs Gilbert for driving the teams to Orange and for their support.

Maree Crough

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## Personal Development/Health/Physical Education

This faculty has seen a number of different staff. Mr Browning was a welcome addition to Kelso High School from Narromine High School. Ms Mortimer has been on maternity leave, Mr Rangott departed for overseas, Mrs Barrett returned. Mr Bous and Mrs Smith remained. Mr More has also joined the faculty in place of Ms O'Shea.

PD/H/PE offered a variety of elective subjects in addition to basic PD/H/PE course. These included Human Movement, Dance, Fitness, Outdoor Education. The 2 unit HSC course continues to grow in popularity with Year 11 and 12 students.

Some of the highlights of the 1999 sporting calendar included the Year 7 Sports Day with Blayney High School.

\*The Athletics Carnival was won by Evans House with 723 points. Macquarie came second on 715, Stewart third on 695 and Mitchell with 592.

\*The Swimming Carnival was won by Stewart House with 465 points. Evans came second with 356, Macquarie third with 315 points and Mitchell with 291.

\*The Inter School visit with Picton was a friendly but competitive visit.

Kelso High found success with the following teams

\*Boy's Hockey were the State Runners-up.

\*Girl's Hockey were the State Runners-up and won the Buchanan Cup.

\*Girl's Basketball were Western Region Champions.

\*Rugby League Under 14's won three games very convincingly, and the Under 16's were unlucky not to be Regional Champions.

\*Open Girl's Rugby won the Regional Knockout competition. This was the first time they entered the competition.

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## Joint Schools TAFE

It's really pleasing to see students gain new skills and knowledge from another educational provider. This year, courses offered included: Hospitality, Automotive, Child Care, Office Studies, Animal Care, Tourism, Wool Classing, Building and Fitness.

With such a variety of courses, there was something for everyone. Being involved in a JSSTAFE course allows for a broad range of skills to be developed within the individual student. This truly is a great way to add to your existing knowledge and your employability. This year was no exception; our students were amongst the best JSSTAFE pupils. Kelso High students made a fine effort. Well done.

Denise Patten

JSSTAFE Coordinator

## Year 12 Drama Night

Part of the assessment for the Year 12 Drama course is to put on a performance before adjudicators. The Trial HSC practical assessment task is to participate in the Year 12 Drama Night. Drama students performed their group presentations and their individual projects before an audience of friends, family and teachers.

Before a near capacity audience in the fabulous venue of the Kelso High School Theatre and Entertainment Centre the night's revels began. The comperes for the evening were Year 11 students Joanna Hurford, Emma Finn and David Moore, who displayed their comic talents introducing the rich variety of entertainment.

The players were: Nathan Begley, Sonia Boga, Erin Chapman, Belinda Collins, Lauren Clarke, Sharna Bryant, Neil Kearney, Kate Lavelle, Ruth Nartey and Kristy Ruming.

Many of the plays were written, choreographed and designed by the students who also performed their plays. Many students did individual performances as well. Those who elected not to do an individual performance on the evening displayed their individual projects: script writing, set design, costume design and director's preparation portfolios.

The evening was a wonderful demonstration of the depth and quality of acting talent at Kelso. It was a most entertaining performance and the audience loved it. Special thanks must go to Mrs Arger, Mrs Weiss and Ms Collins who helped to make the evening possible.

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## recognition morning teas

This year on Wednesdays of Week 1, after the school assembly, the school has organised recognition morning teas to congratulate students for their achievements and say thankyou for promoting positive behaviours at Kelso High.

This year students involved in the following activities were recognised:

- \* Schools in Parliament
- \* Cattle Club
- \* Debating
- \* Wales/New South Wales Video Conference
- \* Life Saving
- \* Shakespeare Festival Regional Representatives
- \* Being There Program
- \* Mock Trial
- \* Girl's Hockey
- \* Rugby Union
- \* Aboriginal Literacy
- \* Tournament of Minds

The students at each morning tea were able to meet with staff in Courtyard 1 for tea/ coffee or cordial, cake and biscuits.

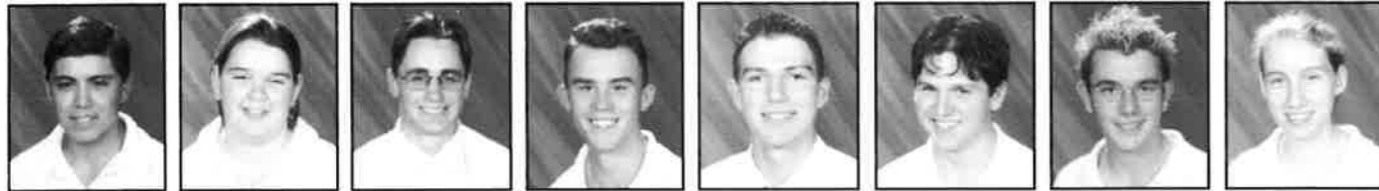
A special thankyou needs to go to Mrs Pam Hurford for organising the refreshments and Scott Mouthaan and Tim Hofman of the SRC for their assistance.

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# INDUSTRIAL ARTS

The Industrial Arts Faculty has continued to build on the strengths built up over past years. In Year 7 and 8 Design and Technology there has been work completed on program refinements and catering for different learning styles. Year 10 has worked towards a narrower range of major projects which has placed increased emphasis on desired skills and outcomes. This has been a successful change on past approaches. Students in Year 10 will also receive a competency report as a supplement to their school report which more comprehensively reports the abilities of individual students.

Higher School Certificate marking for Industrial Technology was completed in September with some very pleasing projects presented. At the same time Industry Studies: Metal students displayed a high level of skill when they undertook their HSC practical exam. At the end of time these students undertook their Work Placement for one week in a variety of metal based industries in the local and metropolitan areas.

Two staff members undertook Occupational Health and Safety Training in May which led to a faculty safety audit. Many of the issues have been resolved while others are being worked on. OHS will continue to be given a high profile in the faculty.

Three staff members have undertaken initial Professional Development to assist in the implementation of the new Higher School Certificate courses, Year 11, 2000. All courses have undergone

changes in content and structure but most have maintained similar themes that have proven successful in the past.

An Enrichment Day is organised for mid-November for students from Years 9 to 11 with a particular interest in Auto CAD computer drafting. An outreach tutor will provide expert tuition in this. Students considering tertiary studies in Engineering or Architecture, entering the trades, or undertaking senior Industrial Arts courses will benefit greatly from the day.

A significant tool replacement program has been undertaken in 1999. This has seen many of the power tools replaced and the variety increased together with the additions of a new spot welder and a Mig welder. Five additional computers have been installed which are being particularly used for Technical Drawing, written presentations and research on the Internet.

1998 Higher School Certificate results were very pleasing. Each of the subjects of Engineering Science, Industrial Technology and Industry Studies saw the candidature achieve at or above the state average.

The year 2000 will see the continuation and consolidation of programs in the junior school and the implementation of the new syllabuses in Year 11.

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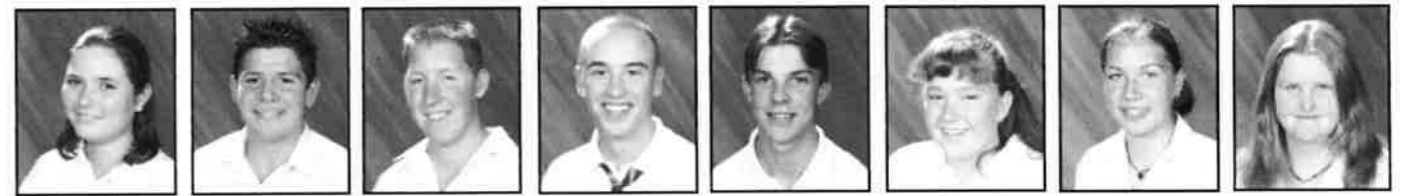
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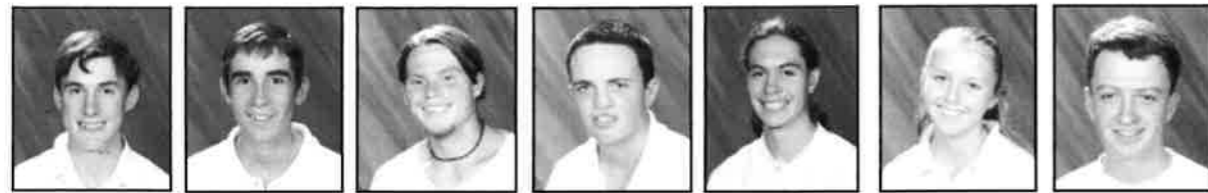
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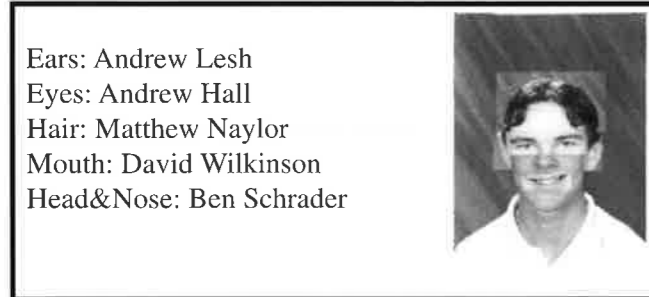
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## BOY'S TENNIS

The CHS Knockout Tennis competition. We were to play Bathurst High School at the Bathurst Tennis Centre. Kelso's team was the 'Russian Rocket' Daniel Protopopov, Perthville's favourite son John Rudge, that lanky lunatic of a thousand wild shots Guy Dwyer and Peter 'Scud' Andrews.

The competition opened with the 'doubles' and after some furious play with fantastic game shots Bathurst just emerged the winners. In the singles the Bathurst juggernaut rolled on against brave resistance from Kelso. When the score was tallied Kelso had managed one out of four. Undaunted Kelso went on to the 'reverse doubles' and despite strong play from Bathurst managed to win back a game.

At the end of the day the score was 6-2 in Bathurst favour. Kelso though not victorious had played well. John Rudge tried out for the Western Region team and was asked to be a reserve for the team.

It was a great day and the team found consolation at McDonalds while waiting for the bus to come. We'd like to thank Mr Rangott and Mrs Taylor for their organisation and support.

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Cameron Dean-Butcher Hooper

## GIRL'S TENNIS

The Combined High School's Tennis Knockout competition. We were to play Bathurst High in the first round. At 9 o'clock we boarded the bus and headed for the Bathurst Tennis Centre. Cassie Reid, Sonya Rudge, Ileya Marinovic and Michelle Hill were ready to take on the best that Bathurst could throw at us. When we arrived at the Tennis Centre Bathurst High was already there.

The first game was the 'doubles' and unfortunately we lost. The next round was the 'singles' and everyone played well. There were a couple of close games. The final round was the 'reverse doubles' and Kelso won one 6-0.

The end result of the day was that we were defeated. But ... all was not lost. After playing we went to McDonald's and waited for the bus there. We got back to school satisfied. Everyone had a great day.

The team would like to thank Mrs Taylor and Mr Rangott for their help and supports.

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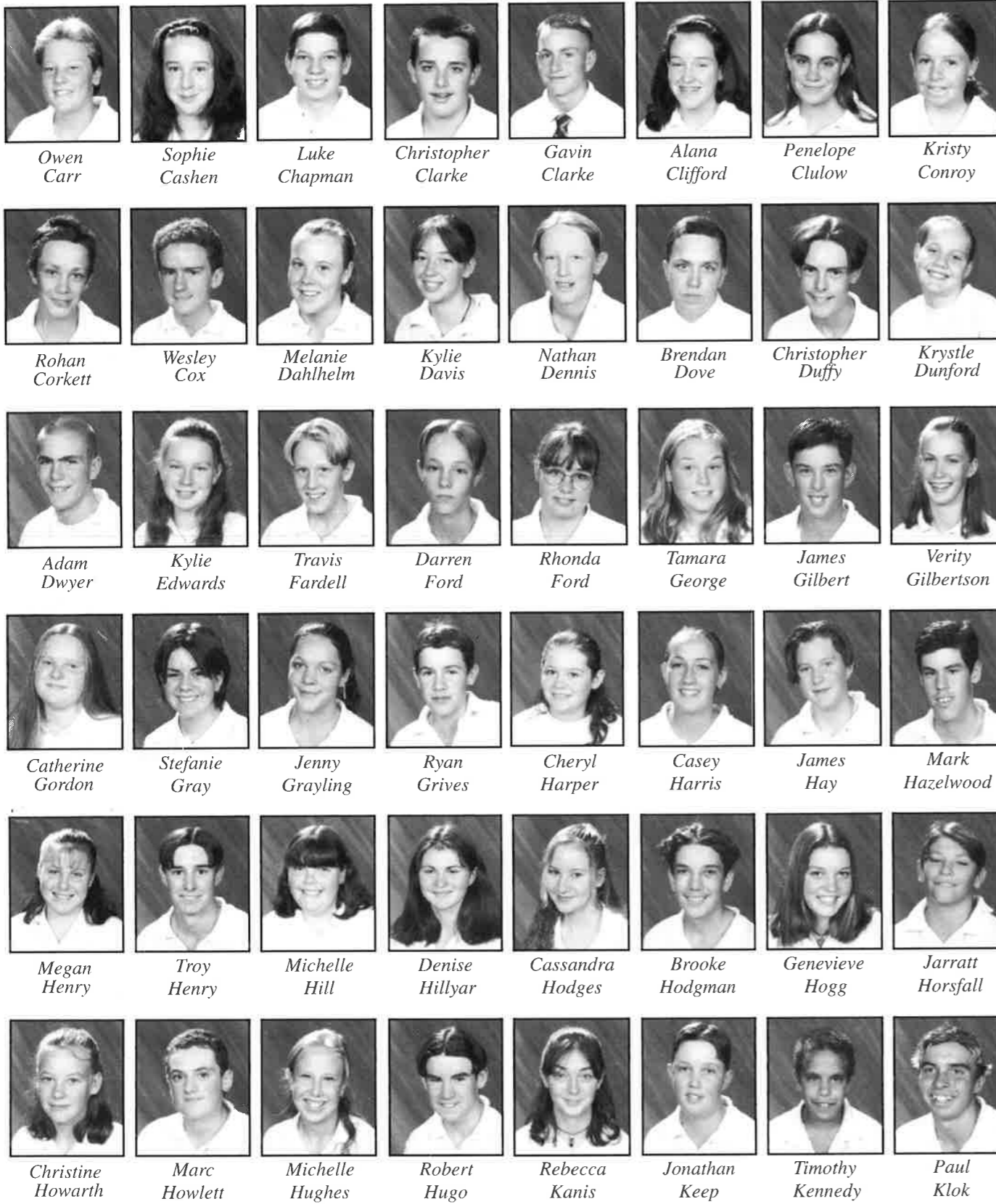
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## Technology and Applied Studies

This year has been as full and as busy as ever with a myriad of interesting learning activities happening on the TAS Key Learning Area.

We are very proud of the achievements and successes of our students. Congratulations to the HSC students who performed well in their examinations in 1998. A special mention should be made of Elsa Crooks who came first in the Western Region in 3 Unit Life Management Studies.

A grand job was done again by Ms Brandau and her team in the designing and construction of all the fantastic costume for the Rock Eisteddfod production. Hours of work were given to this task and students who gave generously of their time and talents were Sonya Rudge, Ileya Marinovic, Kate Parker, Elizabeth Christian and Jenny Edwards.

We would like to thank all the community people who have supported our work and helped our students. In particular, all the businesses who have given students a workplace experience and to the guest speakers who have enhanced lessons.

During Naidoc Week, ASPA Committee judged the Year 9 Poster Competition and awarded prizes to the best research work related to native Australian food sources. The posters are displayed in the TAS area and make interesting reading.  
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Year 11 Industrial Studies: Hospitality students planned, prepared and served a luncheon to the District Principals who attended a conference at Kelso High School in Term 3. The meal was much enjoyed and the students were able to practise their skills in a catering situation.

The Folk Art Enrichment Day in Term 3 was a reward for Year 9 and 10 students who were consistent workers and well behaved in class. Mrs Terri Wilson ran the class and was very impressed with the talents displayed during the day. We hope to run more Folk Art workshops

A great day of games and fun was had at the Special School's Sports Day at Carrington Park in October. A group of Year 9 and 10 Food Technology students helped prepare and serve food to the participants and workers on that day.

Year 7 and 8 Design and Technology students have produced some very colourful patch work cushions in their textiles classes this semester. Well done everyone.

Mariana Luna joined the Year 12 Industrial Studies Hospitality class when she came to Kelso High School as an exchange student from Argentina. She added a culture dimension to the class and we wish her well in her future studies back in South America.

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# Year 9

Although I have been Year 9 Adviser for only part of the year, it has been an interesting and rewarding time for me. Year 9 is always a period of rapid change and maturation, as individuals move towards the adults that they will be. At the same time, school work becomes more challenging: the important milestone of the School Certificate has come into the picture, and the first formal examinations have been completed.

The overwhelming majority of the group are meeting these challenges in a positive way. They are showing personal growth and contributing to the school in many different fields: academic, sporting, social and cultural.

Next year I will be at Portland Central School, and Ms Brandau will be taking over as Year Adviser. I wish everyone well for the new millennium; I will be keeping in touch and I will be interested in hearing how you all get on.

Gillian Mulholland



Sarah Adams	Matthew Agland	Sherri-Anne Alberts	Cindy Bailey	Nathan Barnes	Timothy Barrett	Lukas Bauer	Erin Beadman
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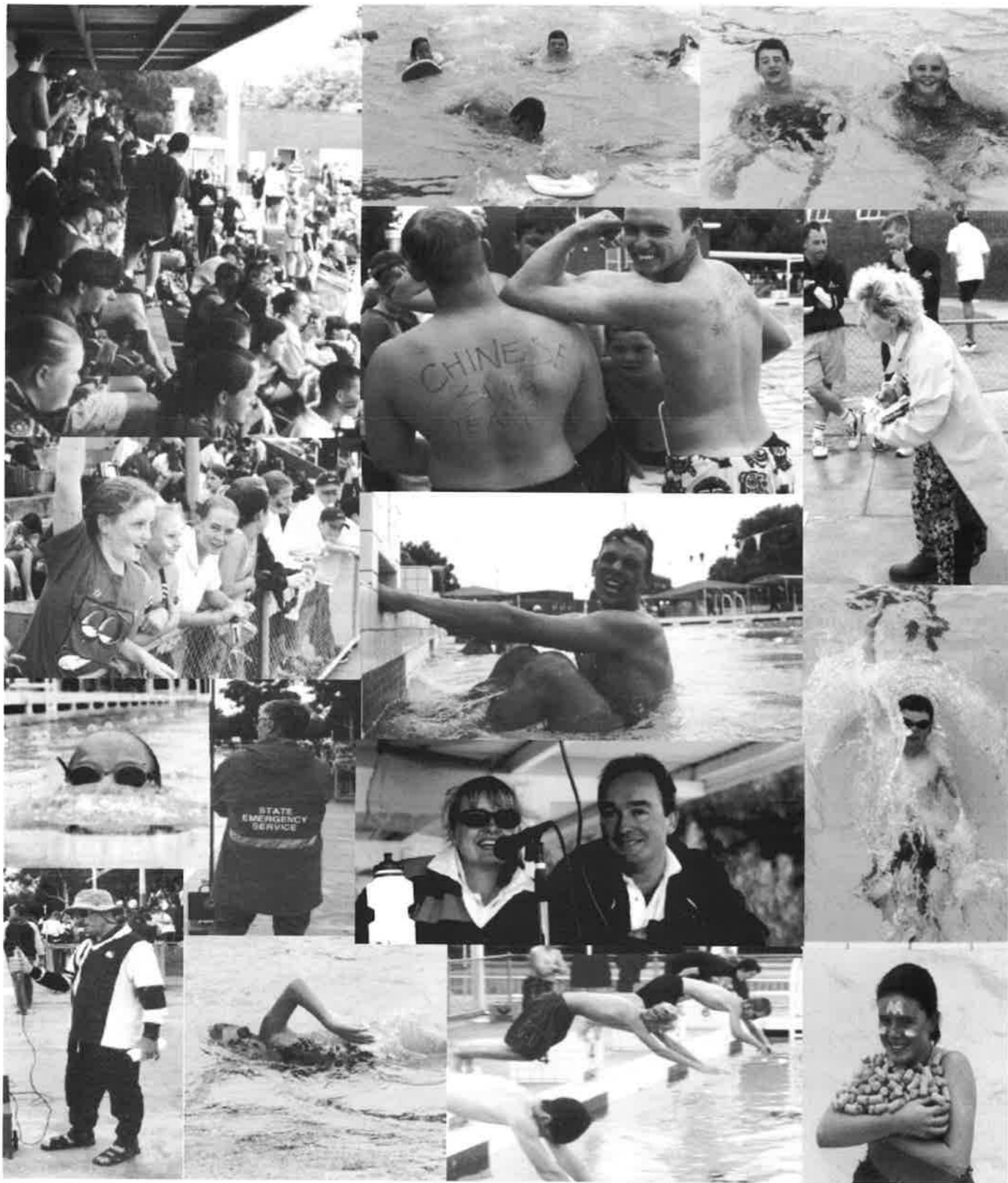
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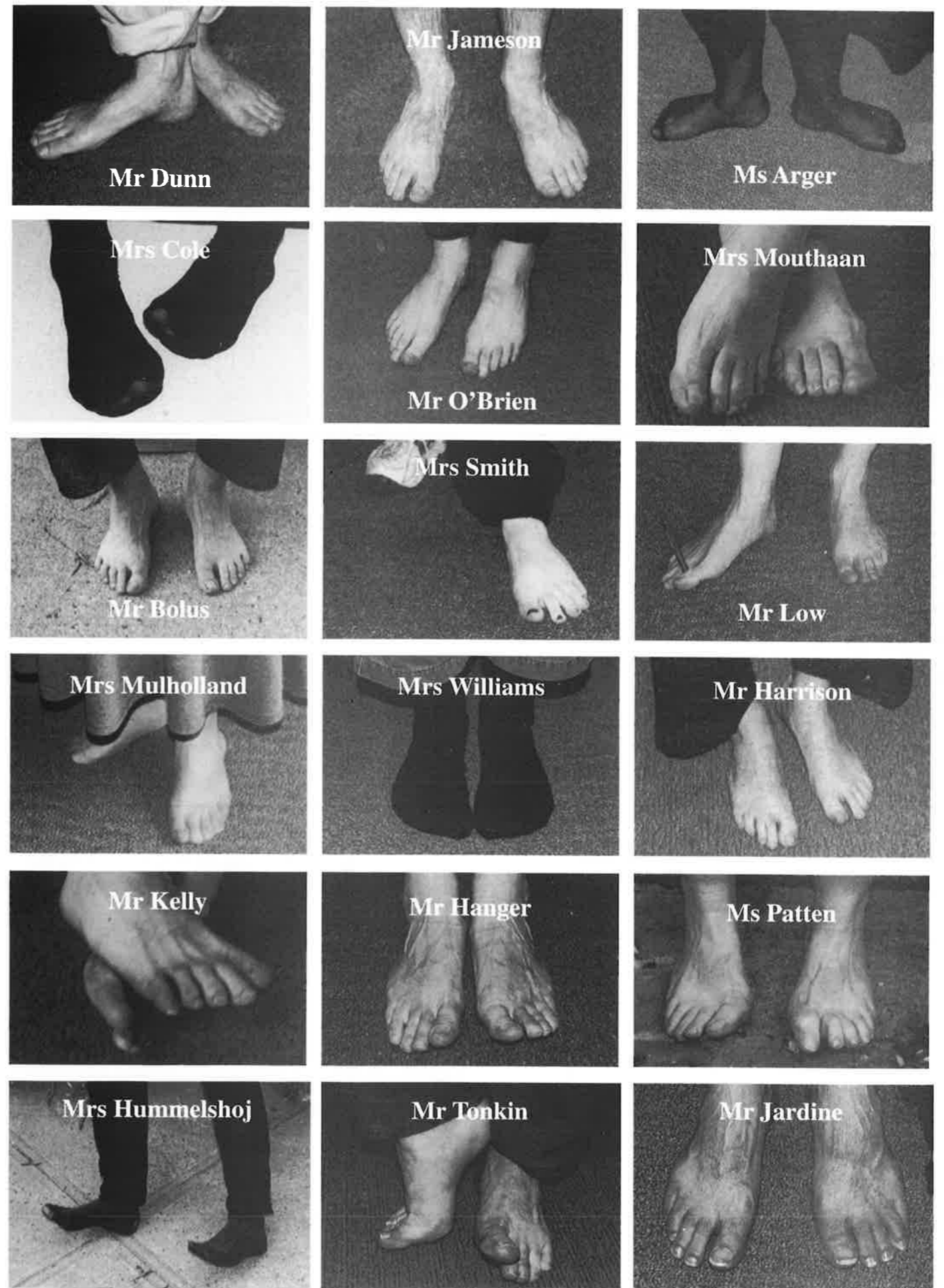
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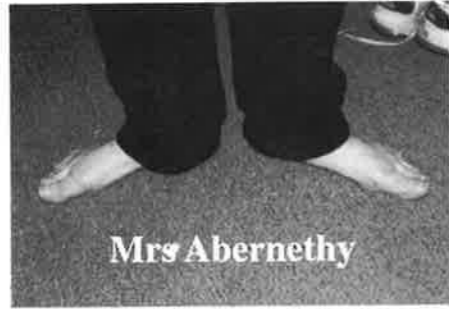
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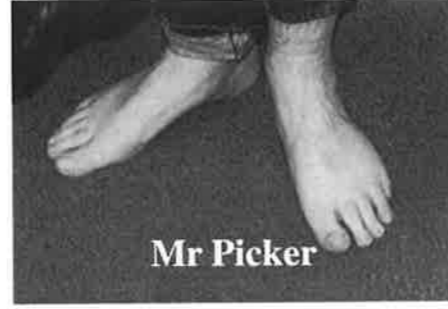
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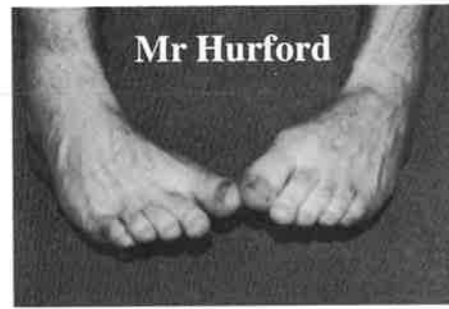
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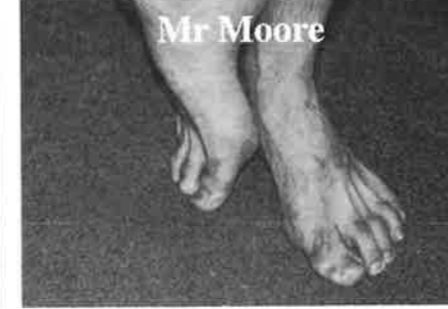
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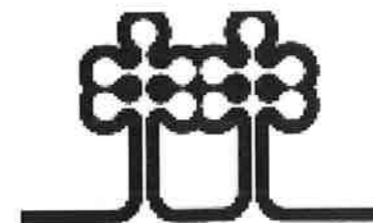


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# Mathematics

During 1999, the Mathematics faculty has been participating in a pilot program called "Counting On" which focuses on improving basic numeracy skills in the junior school. Throughout the first two terms we were able to work closely with Charles Sturt University, Mitchell to provide some intensive work on developing specific skills. This was then supported in the second half of the year by using additional support teachers to either team teach or work with small groups as the need arose. In this regard both Mrs Hummelshoj and Mrs Mouthaan have been a tremendous help to the classroom teacher and I am sure that students have benefited from the experience. The first year of this "Counting On" program has also been an information gathering exercise with the view to changing our teaching and learning programs to better meet the needs of our students.

Much of this year has also been devoted to our preparation for the changes to the Higher School Certificate. In Mathematics students now have the choice between studying a Calculus based course or a non Calculus based course. The majority of our students will choose the non Calculus course to be called General Mathematics. This is a completely new course and

replaces Maths In Society and Maths In Practice. It is designed to challenge the ability of most students and promotes the use of technology in a Mathematical context. Students may be required to use spreadsheets and graphical calculators to solve problems of a practical nature on topics such as Finance, Data Analysis, Measurement, and Algebraic Modelling.



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# KELSO HIGH SPORTS CARNIVAL 1999



Those students still wishing to study Calculus are still provided for with the old 2 Unit course now simply being called Mathematics and the old 3 Unit course being called Mathematics Extension 1. The content of both courses has not changed at this stage.



Last year's Higher School Certificate results were very pleasing. All courses finished with a mean above the state average, reflecting the hard work of students and staff alike. 3 Unit had a school average of 84.6 compared to the state average of 82.78. In 2 Unit, our students finished with an average of 68.9 compared to 65.55 across the state. As well, 24% of the class finished in the top 10% of the state and no student finished in the bottom 30%.



Maths in Society was also impressive with an average of 62.25 being nearly four points above the state average with 17% of students finishing in the top 10% of the state, and 14% in the next 10%. Our average in Maths in Practice was 60.27, nearly three points above the average for the course. 24% of students finished in the top 20% of the state and no student finished in the bottom 20%.

In conclusion I would like to thank the staff for their untiring efforts and I wish students, particularly Year 12, all the best in their end of year exams.

G. Bright  
Head Teacher

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# Competitions

A number of academic competitions are conducted each year. The competitions are open to students across the state but a fee is charged to enter. The competitions are in the format of a multiple choice test. At Kelso High School it is not compulsory to enter these competitions. Some students choose to enter the competitions.

## Science Competition

### Year 7

Samantha Curran	Distinction
Karl Downing	Credit
Luke Harrison	Distinction
Thomas Lee	Distinction
Emma Parker	Credit
Mark Sheehan	Credit
John Williams	Credit

### Year 8

Cameron Korb-Wells	Credit
Michael Olsen	Distinction

### Year 9

James Bekkema	Credit
Edwina Berry	Credit
Wesley Cox	Distinction
Melissa McInnes	Distinction
Glen O'Brien	Distinction
Stephanie Vickers	Credit

### Year 10

Kelvin Cooke	Distinction
Joshua Johnson	Credit
Jessica McInnes	Credit
Robert Murphy	Credit

### Year 11

Jessica Browne	Credit
Melanie Larcombe	Credit
Andrew Lesh	Credit
Ben Pitcher	Credit
Stephen Willott	Credit

### Year 12

Bradley Buttsworth	Distinction
Geoffrey Chard	Credit

## Mathematics

### Competition

#### Year 7

John Williams	Credit
John Moran	Credit
Grant Preddy	Credit

#### Year 8

Susan Scott	Credit
Cameron Korb-Wells	Credit

#### Year 9

James Hay	Distinction
Glen O'Brien	Distinction
Wesley Cox	Credit
Melissa McInnes	Credit
Owen Carr	Credit
Kirrilea Storey	Credit
Robert Hugo	Credit
Amanda Schofield	Credit
Troy Henry	Credit

#### Year 10

Kelvin Cooke	Distinction
Joshua Johnson	Distinction
Brett Masters	Credit
Susan Townsend	Credit
Erin Dwyer	Credit
Bradley Bower	Credit
Amber Earle	Credit
Bradley Cooke	Credit

#### Year 11

George Rose	Distinction
Zhaohong Liang	Credit
Grant Vickers	Credit
Daniel Protopopov	Credit
Michael Hatherly	Credit
Bryan Blundell	Credit
Guy Dwyer	Credit
Stephen Willott	Credit
Andrew Lesh	Credit
David Carr	Credit



## Work Experience

In June there were a number of new faces around the local shops and businesses. Kelso High had placed 150 Year 10 students in the local community for their annual work experience.

Every year it never ceases to amaze how well the students prepare themselves for work experience. How mature they become overnight. What a transformation. Clean shoes, groomed hair, neat and tidy appearance. Begged, borrowed or bought clothes, appropriate to the job they are doing. Very professional!

Turning up to work early, staying back late, half an hour for lunch. Hungry at lunch time and ravenous at night. Tired, even exhausted, after a good days work. These are just some of the more noticeable side effects of work experience.

For the students the opportunity to sample certain occupations assists in decision making. They come into personal contact with experience on the job front. A chance to see whether they like that sort of work, what training is required, what the job opportunities are and a myriad of other experiential things that we just can't get across quite as well as first hand experience can.

When they return to school the students are much more focussed and goal oriented. They can see the value of what they are doing and have a much clearer picture of where they want to go in 'the next world', the world of work.

Each year Bathurst businesses respond to the schools, TAFE and University sector for work experience and work placement. This creates an enormous strain on their resources and it is a credit to their generosity that we always receive such great support for the work experience program.

The staff and students at Kelso High thank you.

Unfortunately, I have accepted a position at Lake Macquarie and will have taken up this position by the time you read this. I have thoroughly enjoyed my time at Kelso and wish all students and staff my very best wishes. Good luck to the HSC candidates for 1999.

Mark Harrison



# KELSO CARES

## we continue to care

The staff and students have continued their tradition of raising money to sponsor four children through the World Vision Child Sponsorship program. This year through raffles, CD sales, and a movie poster sale, we have succeeded in raising over \$3000.



Teyamus Kogoya

We were also able to donate to appeals that helped those in less fortunate circumstances in Honduras after an earthquake, Papua New Guinea after a tidal wave and Kosovo and East Timor following their conflicts. We also contributed to medical aid in Rwanda.



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Yuventus Darma Kalbu Rabu

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Shita Teshome

We need to raise approximately \$1500 each year to feed our sponsored children, cloth them and help projects in their communities. This works out to about \$2 per student in a year - that is less than 1 cent per day. See if you can throw 5 cents into 'Bernie the Building' in the canteen every week. This little sacrifice would do a heap of good.

## Computer Competition

### Year 8

Cameron Korb-Wells Distinction

Scott Mouthaan Credit

Michael Olsen Credit

### Year 9

Melissa McInnes Credit

### Year 10

Kelvin Cooke Distinction

Jessica McInnes Credit

### Year 11

Michael Hatherly Achievement

## English Competition

### Year 7

Karl Downing Credit

Thomas Lee Credit

### Year 8

Susan Scott Distinction

Cameron Korb-Wells Credit

### Year 9

Cindy Bailey Distinction

Edwina Berry Distinction

Melissa McInnes Credit

Kirrilea Storey Credit

### Year 10

Joshua Johnson Distinction

Robert Murphy Credit

Alison Scott Credit

Lauren Winkley Credit

### Year 11

Jessica Browne Distinction

Paul Stapleton Achievement

## Language Competition

### Japanese Beginners

C. Barrott Distinction : Listening

A.Garside Distinction : Listening  
 Credit Reading

P. Mouthaan Distinction : Listening  
 Distinction : Reading

B. Beale Distinction : Listening  
 Credit : Reading

O. Carr Credit : Listening  
 E. Christian Distinction : Listening  
 Credit : Reading

P. Edwards Distinction : Listening  
 S. Gorman Distinction : Listening  
 Credit : Reading

E. Headley Distinction:Listening  
 Credit : Reading

K. Lemcke Distinction : Listening  
 Credit : Reading

M. McInnes Distinction : Listening  
 Credit : Reading

E. Mellor Distinction: Listening  
 Credit : Reading

M. Negus Credit : Listening  
 K. Parker Credit : Listening

Credit : Reading  
 K. Porter Distinction : Listening  
 Credit : Reading

R, Robinson Credit : Listening  
 Credit : Reading

S, Rudge Credit : Listening  
 Credit : Reading

L. Stonestreet Credit : Listening  
 L. Winkley Distinction : Listening  
 Credit : Reading

K. Storey Credit : Listening  
 Credit : Reading

### German Intermediate

Erin Chapman Distinction : Listening  
 Distinction : Reading

### German Beginners

C, Bailey Distinction : Listening  
 Distinction : Reading

T. Barrott Credit : Listening  
 Credit : Reading

L. Bauer Distinction : Listening  
 Distinction : Reading

M. Burke Distinction : Listening  
 Credit : Reading

C. Gordon Credit : Listening  
 Credit : Reading

L. Poisel Credit : Listening  
 Credit : Reading

D. Porter Credit : Listening  
 Credit : Reading

O. Sutton Distinction : Listening  
 Credit : Reading

### Japanese Intermediate

E. Chapman Credit : Listening  
 Credit : Reading

N. Grives Distinction : Listening  
 Credit : Reading

M. Hodgman Distinction : Listening  
 Distinction : Reading

J. Hurford Distinction : Listening  
 Credit : Reading



**Competition Results Continued**  
**Japanese Intermediate**

T, Lawson	Distinction : Listening Distinction : Reading
T. Mouthaan	Distinction : Listening Credit : Reading
M. Negus	Distinction: Listening
B. Schrader	Credit: Listening Credit : Reading

**Japanese First Certificate**

M. Cook	Distinction
T. Evers	Distinction
C. Francis	Distinction
J. Hirst	Credit
M. Lawson	Credit
J. Lemcke	Credit
K. Mortimore	Distinction
S. Mouthaan	Credit
H. Rogan	Distinction
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# video link to wales



On Thursday 13 May 1999 Kelso High School linked with St Cenydd's (pronounced Kenneth's) High School, Caerphilly, Wales via a video conference. The video conference link was provided by Charles Sturt University and was sponsored by the British Council. This was the first conference in the Common Good program which is aimed at strengthening ties between New South Wales and New Wales.

The conference was the focus of the program 'Civics and Citizenship' and this initial video conference will allow the 30 students involved to get to know each other better and to learn more about each other's family, interests and culture. The students exchanged personal details via email and used the Internet to become more familiar with each other's school and countries.

The students involved were : Amber Pescud, Joanna Hurford, Grant Harper, Nicola Olsen, Donny Mortimore, Jessica Browne, Sasha Cody, Michael Hatherly, Ben Pitcher, Brett Evens, Fiona Montgomerie, Todd Mouthaan, Joanne Edwards, Grant Vickers, Samantha Champion.



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The second video link to Wales was an Environment Conference on 'Agenda 21' issues and was on Tuesday 20 July. The students researched and presented a range of topics which include the following environmental problems : Jessica Browne - Bushfire, Donny Mortimore, Nicola Olsen and Amber Pescud - Global Warming, Sam Champion - Land Degradation, Joanna Hurford - Endangered species, Grant Harper - Forests, Sasha Cody - Ozone, Michael Hatherly - Uranium, Ben Pitcher - Water Pollution, Fiona Montgomerie - Soil Erosion, Brett Evens - Salinity, Joanne Edwards and Krystle Cutts - Toxic Wastes, Todd Mouthaan - Beach/Ocean Pollution, Grant Vickers - Oil Spills. The Welsh students also discussed the global issues of global arming and ozone depletion as well as their own local environmental issues.



Relaxing in the hotel gym

The outcome of this was a joint declaration of student hopes and beliefs for the new millennium to be published on the ABC's 'Common Good' website.

The final video conference for 1999 occurred at Telcen video conferencing unit in Sydney and the conference was held to highlight the use of new technology in linking students across the world and was part of the Education in Union Conference being held in Wales to coincide with the World Cup.

Delegates at the conference had the opportunity to watch the 30 minute conference live. The four Kelso students involved were: Ben Pitcher, Amber Pescud, Sasha Cody and Michael Hatherly.

Kelso High also hosted visits by four Welsh teachers on separate occasions through the year and it is hoped that links will develop in the Year 2000 in more curriculum areas.



## Kelso High School Mock Trial Team

Our First round (the practice round) this year was against Oberon High School at the Bathurst Court House on Wednesday 17th of February and Kelso won the trial with a score of 133 to 108. The case was a mock up of the well known poem 'The Man From Snowy River'. Kelso was the prosecution and we had to prove that the defendant was guilty of negligent riding causing grievous bodily harm. Constable Andrew Patterson (Ben Schrader) was the first witness for the prosecution and he gave evidence on behalf of Henrietta Lawson (Nicola Olsen) who was the victim of the accident (the things people think of.) Ben Pitcher was the teams first barrister and he did a great job of examining and cross examining the witnesses. Lucy Roberts was the second barrister and she also played a major role in arguing the case for the prosecution. Amber Pescud was the teams solicitor and she was in charge of the pre-trial notes and helping the barristers with questions and statements throughout the case. The court officer was Kristy Urban whose main job was time keeping and the calling and swearing in of witnesses.

The second round was the first of the knockout rounds and we found ourselves drawn against La Salle College of Lithgow at Lithgow Court House on Tuesday 16th of March. This time Kelso was the defence and the case was a criminal case about a man failing to supply a name and place of abode of a driver involved in a motor vehicle accident. The roles of the barristers and solicitor stayed the same however there was a slight change in the witness order. Ben Schrader was the defendant (Kim Brown) and Kristy Urban was the witness for the defence. Ben P, Lucy and Amber did another great job

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of arguing the case for the defence and Ben S, Kristy and Nicola (magistrates clerk) also performed well. Kelso managed to win the case but unfortunately we narrowly lost in points with a score of 194 to 191.

In the third round we found ourselves up against Bathurst High. This round was held at the Bathurst Council Chambers on Thursday 13th May. Kelso scored the defence case again, however it was a civil case where a Mr Fred Arnold was suing the Magnum Long Johns company for damages after he suffered severe dermatitis after wearing the Long Johns continuously. The company owner, Sam Riley (Nicola Olsen) was the defendant and after Kristy suddenly came down with a severe throat infection Ben S was called upon to step into the witness box as Grace Bros., employee Peter Zecco. Lucy and Amber swapped roles and Amber became barrister with Ben Pitcher and Lucy was solicitor. The team performed well again however we did have a slight advantage due to the fact that the BHS team were all in year 10 and it was their first Trial. Kelso came out winners at the end of the day with a points score of 268-253.

Our next round was to be against Oberon (again) at Oberon on Thursday 17th of June. Unfortunately the Magistrate assigned to this case was very busy with her work commitment and the trial was scheduled just before the cut off date for this round. Then as luck would have it, the night before the scheduled trial the magistrate fell, broke her arm and was unable to hear the case. As a result the round could not be completed and this meant Kelso was out of the competition. A disappointing end to an enjoyable experience. The team would like to thank Mrs Poole and Michael Schwab from MacIntosh McPhillamy & Co for their help and expert coaching.



# Year 10

The talent in this group, covering the arts, sport, academic achievement and many extra curricular activities is extensive. As a group they have achieved much, most fulfilling their promise. Good luck to those who leave us this year - keep in touch. For those who are heading into the new century still at school, I look forward to watching you develop into young adults that I will be proud of (most have reached that stage already!!)

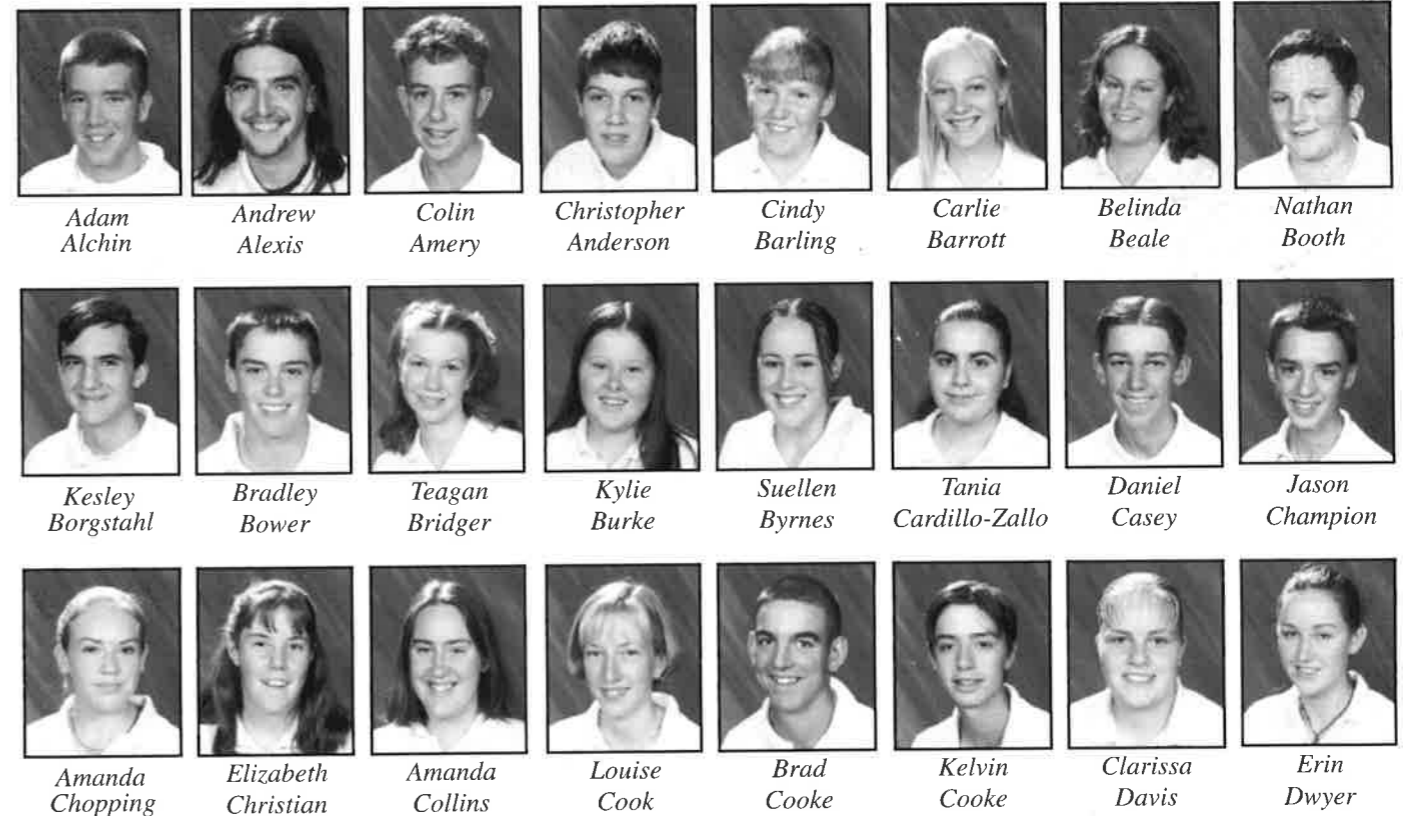
Now to this years 'Eye spy' competition. In the photos can you find :

1. the longest fringe?
2. the 'old' clean shaven look?
3. the 'my neck ain't that long look'?
4. the 'cheesiest' grin?
5. the 'whitest' teeth?
6. she who is small in stature, but not in smile?
7. someone whose skin is whiter than his shirt?



8. someone who has never been seen in white again?
9. slick?
10. he who doesn't smile?

Hans Stroeve.



<i>Adam Alchin</i>	<i>Andrew Alexis</i>	<i>Colin Amery</i>	<i>Christopher Anderson</i>	<i>Cindy Barling</i>	<i>Carlie Barrott</i>	<i>Belinda Beale</i>	<i>Nathan Booth</i>
<i>Kesley Borgstahl</i>	<i>Bradley Bower</i>	<i>Teagan Bridger</i>	<i>Kylie Burke</i>	<i>Suellen Byrnes</i>	<i>Tania Cardillo-Zallo</i>	<i>Daniel Casey</i>	<i>Jason Champion</i>
<i>Amanda Chopping</i>	<i>Elizabeth Christian</i>	<i>Amanda Collins</i>	<i>Louise Cook</i>	<i>Brad Cooke</i>	<i>Kelvin Cooke</i>	<i>Clarissa Davis</i>	<i>Erin Dwyer</i>

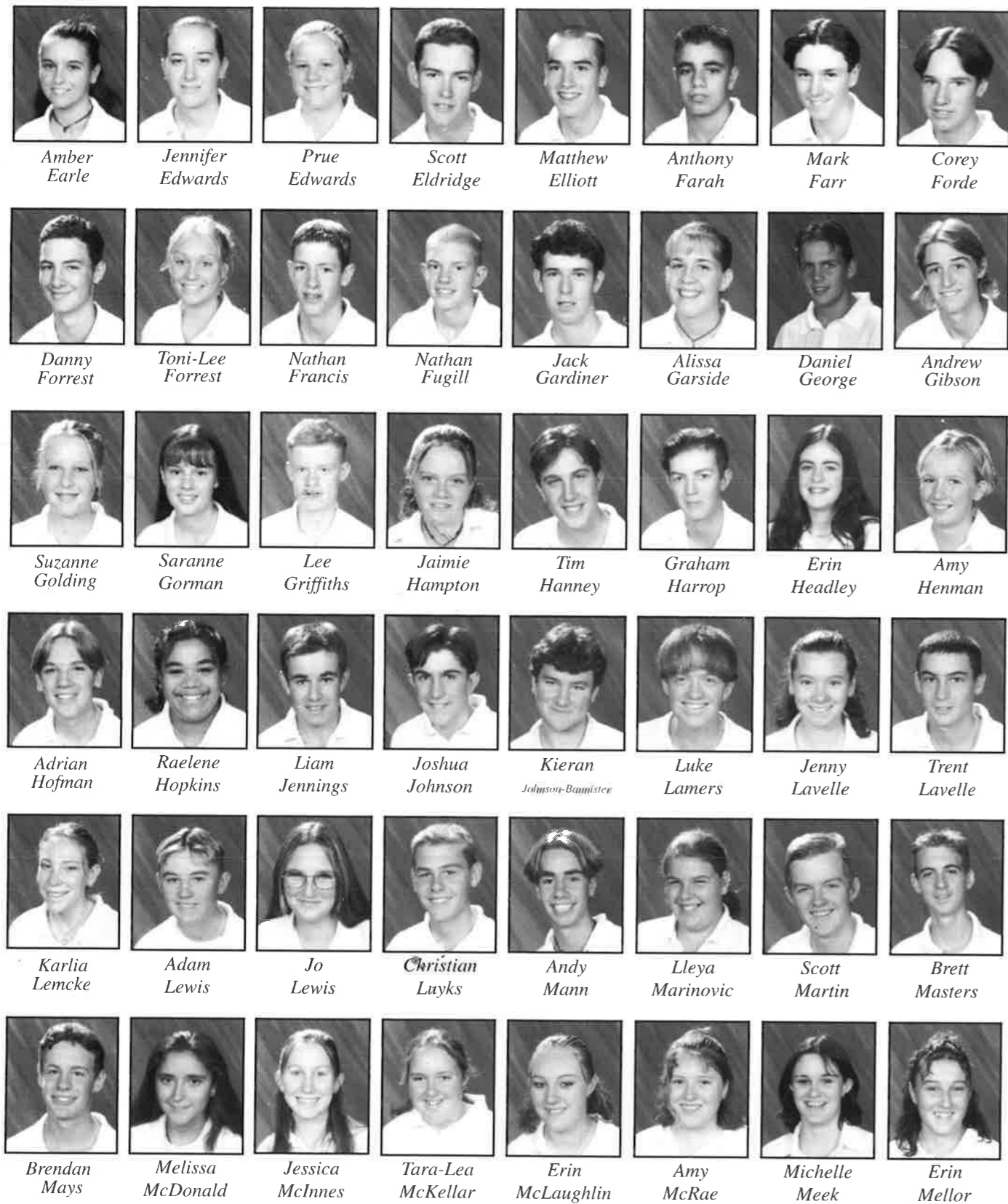
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**Visiting American Teacher** Mr Jeremy Brady from Coleman High School, Wisconsin (that's in the USA) spent two weeks at Kelso High. His visit was part of the University of Whitewater and CSU International Links Program. He spent his time in a variety of subject areas teaching about life in Wisconsin and the USA. He was lucky enough to join the "Hanger Expedition" to the State of Origin. He also went with Year 7 to Blackheath and created a computer presentation of the day. Kelso students have been able to establish links with students in Wisconsin and communicate with them through email.

**Year 12 Economics Study Day** Year 12 Economics had a very informative and enjoyable day at the Leading Edge Student Study day at Parramatta on the 17th June, despite the early start to catch the 6.40 train at Lithgow. A special thank you goes to Don Parker for his assistance with transport.

**Year 11 Legal Studies** students had the opportunity to be involved in the Mock Trial, Schools in Parliament and the NSW Student Constitutional Convention.

Year 12 also had a lecture afternoon with Mark Worthington, a local solicitor on housing issues.

The Year 2000 will see Geography become compulsory for all students at Kelso High and students will study Geography and History on a semester basis just the same as in Years 7 and 8.



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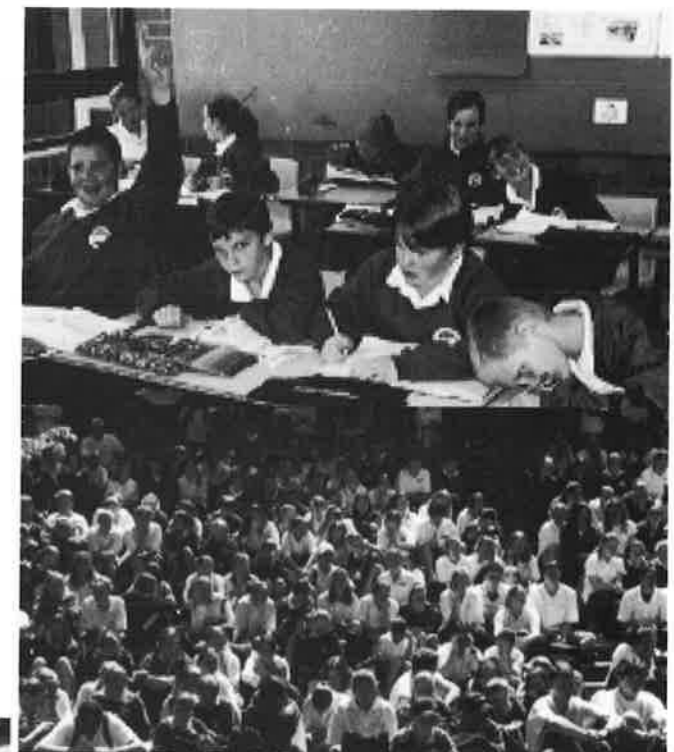
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Programming for the new HSC and the new Year 8 Geography course are under way and the faculty is looking forward to teaching HSIE in the new millennium.

Jim Browning





At the zoo

Students also had the option of becoming involved with Global Positioning equipment and Geographic Information Systems (computer manipulation of map data) in conjunction with Bathurst High and TAFE lecturer Mr Keith Smith. A talk was also given by CSU lecturer Mr Bill Gates and others related to Geographic Information Systems and future career paths.

Ben Pitcher and Michael Hatherly were also part of the school team who won both the Western Region and State Envirothons.

**Society and Culture** We again had an excellent sample of Personal Interest Projects submitted for the HSC and a special mention needs to go to:

Jaye Pescud - *Unsung Victims*

Christine Draper - *The Changing Role of Women in the Home*

Samantha Edwards - *Feminism*

Kate Marskell - *German Immigration to Australia during the 20th Century*

There were other reports. Congratulations to all Kelso High School Society and Culture students for the effort put into their Personal Interest Projects.



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**Commerce** All Commerce classes in Year 9 attended excursions to the courthouse and Coles Supermarket this year as well as hearing a lecture by Constable Hines of Bathurst Police.

Students undertook activities making labels and packages as well as operating a cheque a/c and investing on the share market.

Mr Jameson coordinated the sharemarket game for all Year 9 and 10 Commerce classes and groups found it difficult to make capital gains with their \$50,000 investment due to a very volatile stock market.

The winning group in Mr Free's class was Robert Varnnell, Warren Sharwood, Adam Morton and Jared Naylor with each receiving a \$10 gift voucher to "Stop'N'Rock".

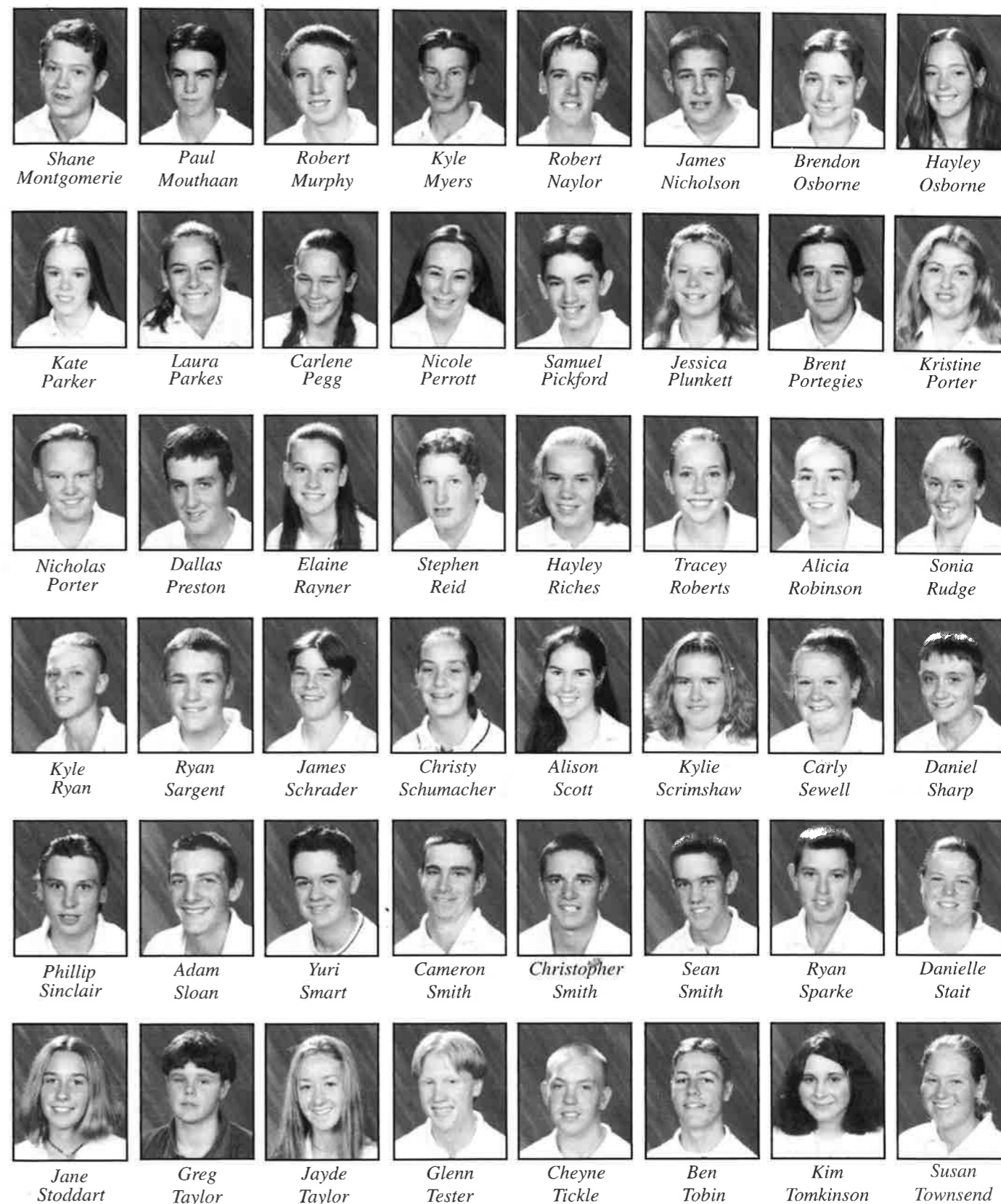
Year 10 worked very well on their assessment tasks and there were many outstanding assignments submitted through the year.



The excursion to Sydney was postponed due to insufficient numbers and Mr Browning will ensure a combined Year 9/10 Sydney excursion next year due to improved marketing.

**Practice Teaching** HSIE also had the pleasure of working with Sandra MacKay-Galea for 7 weeks in Terms 3 and 4. Sandra took control of Year 7 Geography Year 9 Commerce, Year 9 Geography and Year 11 Society and Culture.

Sandra accompanied Mr Free's Year 9 Commerce class to the courthouse for an excursion as well as providing a wide range of valuable and interesting lessons.



Shane Montgomerie Paul Mouthaan Robert Murphy Kyle Myers Robert Naylor James Nicholson Brendon Osborne Hayley Osborne

Kate Parker Laura Parkes Carlene Pegg Nicole Perrott Samuel Pickford Jessica Plunkett Brent Portegies Kristine Porter

Nicholas Porter Dallas Preston Elaine Rayner Stephen Reid Hayley Riches Tracey Roberts Alicia Robinson Sonia Rudge

Kyle Ryan Ryan Sargent James Schrader Christy Schumacher Alison Scott Kylie Scrimshaw Carly Sewell Daniel Sharp

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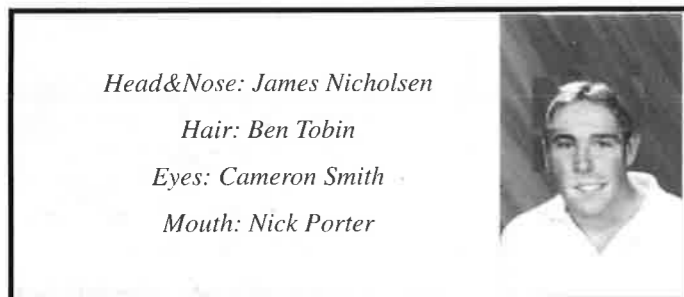
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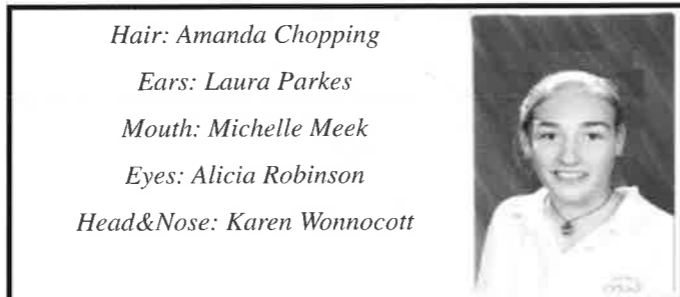
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**The Answers**

- 1. Annalisse Warner
- 2. John Mulligan
- 3. Brett Masters
- 4. Laura Parkes
- 5. Matt Willis
- 6. Nic Perrott
- 7. Greg Taylor
- 8. Jo Lewis
- 9. Nick Porter
- 10. Graham Harrop



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Hair: Ben Tobin  
Eyes: Cameron Smith  
Mouth: Nick Porter



Hair: Amanda Chopping  
Ears: Laura Parkes  
Mouth: Michelle Meek  
Eyes: Alicia Robinson  
Head&Nose: Karen Wonnocott

# Tom Kemp Shield: Rugby League

This year's Kelso High U/16 Rugby League side displayed numerous talented and skilful young footballers. This talent, combined with several students making their debuts in Rugby League, enabled Kelso High to reach the prestigious Tom Kemp semi-final, which is an outstanding effort. During the competition, Kelso convincingly defeated Nyngan, Parkes, Orange and Mudgee with style and skill.

The side was captained by Daniel George, who demonstrated excellent leadership and maturity. Dan's role as captain was made significantly easier as a direct result of several players who demonstrated skills and determination. These players included: George Rose (Western Region School Boys Prop), Christian Luyks, Clay Windle, Cheyne Tickle, Adam Alchin, Josh Murray and Anthony Farah.

I'm positive that the new Bathurst Panther association will be keeping a very close eye on all the Kelso High players. The students that represented Kelso High in the Tom Kemp Competition were:

George Rose, Matthew Willis, Matthew Riley, Trent Lavelle, Daniel George, Greg Taylor, Adam Lewis, Danny Forrest, Kyle Myers, Andy Mann, Christian Luyks, Ben Moulds, Josh Murray, Anthony Farah, Robert Varndell, Adam Alchin, Cheyne Tickle, Ryan Sargent, Scott Evans, Nick Meyers, Kyle Ryan.

Overall, it was extremely disappointing to be defeated by Narromine at Narromine in the semi-final, but on a positive note, the future of Kelso High Rugby League is looking extremely bright and prosperous. On behalf of all the players I would like to thank all those parents and supporters who donated precious time, money and transport.

Finally, I would like to congratulate all the players. You ran hard and strong. Well done boys, you represented Kelso High with honour and dignity.

David Browning Rugby League Coach.



# Human Society and Its Environment

This year has been another very busy year for the HSIE faculty with technology and programs being the main focus for implementation.

The Unit 3 computers have seen a lot of use in class time and during lunch, but it has been a battle keeping all the computers operating at peak efficiency.

**Highlights in HSIE**

**Year 7 Geography Excursion** In July and November, Year 7 students who were studying Geography travelled to Blackheath to walk from Neates Glen to Evan's Lookout. This bush walk gave the students the chance to see vegetation typical of a temperate rainforest at first hand which was an element of their Geography course they were studying in class. The students also answered questions on the geological history of the area and landform features which included sandstone cliffs and overhangs as well as canyons, waterfalls and gorges. The students thoroughly enjoyed the 7 km bush walk but there were a few sore muscles the next day, which symbolised the forces of nature cutting such a deep canyon which they had to climb into and out of on the day.

**Year 9 Geography** has had a busy year with studies in world ecosystems. The class completed a large coral reef mural with all students contributing fish, coral, turtles, etc to the large wall display! Eight students also attended a combined excursion with Environmental Management to Western Plains Zoo to study endangered species and the zoo's wetlands.

The class also combined with the Environmental class for a variety of Streamwatch activities and a visit to the waterworks and sewage treatment plant. The group also completed a study of Jordan's Creek as a part of their studies of catchment management as well as looking at the management plan for Ben Chifley Dam.

**Year 10** also completed the Grand Canyon bush walk where they studied the geological history and vegetation on the walk.

1999 saw the return of **Senior Geography** to Kelso High School and students undertook fieldwork involving Jordan Creek, Macquarie River, the sewage treatment works and water plant. They also attended excursions to examine soil profiles, weathering and erosional processes in rivers.



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