



KINROSS WOLAROI SCHOOL

15 August 2023

Dear Parents, Carers and Year 12 Students,

As our Year 12 students come to the end of their secondary education, I would like to take this opportunity to thank them for their involvement in and commitment to our School over the years. I have had the privilege of reading through their references and it is clear that, as a cohort, they have been an outstanding group of students, and their leadership in Music, Drama, Sport, Cadets and other co-curricular activities, as well as their application to their academic studies, has been greatly appreciated by all of the staff here at Kinross Wolaroi School.

As we move towards the end of their time with us, I thought it would be appropriate to notify you of some housekeeping matters before we bid them farewell. I hope the following information will help to clarify the arrangements for the final week of term and assist with planning. Information on any additional Year 12 activities will be communicated separately.

Wednesday 20 September

- Year 12 will attend a Farewell and Blessing, where each Year 12 student will be farewelled by their Mentor. Year 12 students are not permitted on the school grounds until 8:15am. The Farewell and Blessing will begin at 8:45am. We expect all students to behave appropriately and to be dressed in clean full school uniform (including blazer) for this special occasion. A morning tea will be provided.
- The Farewell and Blessing will be followed at 12:45pm by a lunch, where Year 12 students will be celebrated by their Mentor House.
- Between the Farewell and Blessing and the Mentor House lunch, Year 12 students will have the opportunity for a farewell lap of honour around the Senior Campus, and the traditional shirt signing. Year 12 students are to bring a spare school shirt for signing. **For the Farewell and Blessing, a clean shirt must be worn.**
- 1:30pm Showcase preparation in DPA.
- 2:00pm Year 12 Showcase in the DPA.

In the past, our students have done themselves, the School and their families proud by refraining from inappropriate behaviour and creating a positive atmosphere for their last days at School.

Thursday 21 September

- 11:00am Boarder Parents Morning Tea in the Dining Hall.
- **12:00pm Year 12 Graduation Ceremony**
The Year 12 Graduation Ceremony for 2023 will be held at the Derek Pigot Auditorium at 12:00 noon. It is an expectation that Year 12 be in attendance in full and immaculate school uniform. This will be the students' last time to attend a school function as members of the current school community. It is a very special ceremony where each Year 12 student will be acknowledged. Parents of Year 12 and family members are warmly invited to attend this special occasion which will conclude at 2:00pm.

All students in Years 8 to 12 will be dismissed following the Graduation Ceremony and may be collected by families. Boarders will return to their houses to be collected. While it is preferable that all students leave campus, arrangements will be made for those who need to catch later buses. Year 7 students who have siblings in Year 12 may attend the Graduation Ceremony and will sit with their House group. The remainder of Year 7 will not be required to attend school on 21 September.



Graduation Celebration – Friday 3 November

The Year 12 Graduation Celebration is a significant event that marks the completion of your child's secondary education journey and the commencement of a new chapter in their lives. It is an occasion where we gather as a community to recognise their hard work, dedication, and growth throughout their time at Kinross Wolaroi School.

In response to student feedback, this year the Graduation Celebration has been moved to occur at the end of the HSC exam period.

The evening will commence with a cocktail reception followed by a seated dinner, allowing ample opportunity for mingling and celebrating with fellow parents, students, and staff.

Please note the following important information:

Class of 2023 Graduation Celebration

6.30pm – 10.30pm

Orange Function Centre

Dinner and Dancing

Dress: Formal/Black Tie

Cost: \$150 per person includes welcome drink and table wine

Refreshments available from the bar

Book at: <https://events.humanitix.com/year-12-graduation-2023>

RSVP: **20 October 2023**

Only pre-booked attendees will be allowed entry on the night. Only Year 12 Class of 2023 students and two Parents/Carers may attend. Students will be seated with their Parents/Carers.

Service of alcohol will be strictly supervised. We kindly request your support on the night to create a safe and enjoyable environment.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Trent Chapman', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Trent Chapman

Head of Senior School