

## YEAR 9 TEAM LEADERS

*Their greatest fear is that you may step forward without fear. Because your courage may become contagious.* Tom Althouse.

This week I spoke to the boys about the opportunity to be a part of the Portfolio Leadership Team. Being a PLT representative allows the boys the opportunity to start developing their leadership skills by working with and learning from the current senior leaders. When I look around our year group, I see a group of capable potential leaders, who, with courage and the right training can leave behind an incredible legacy.

Our current PLT representatives have already initiated some exceptional projects including the cohort Google classroom study page, Social Justice projects and the leading of our Year Meetings. We are hoping that the new PLT representatives can continue their courageous work and continue to develop projects and initiatives that will benefit our cohort and the School. It is an opportunity we would like each boy to experience before we become the leaders of the School in 2022.

There are eight different portfolio leadership teams: Academic, Sport, Community, Co-Curricular, House, Faith and Spirituality, Student Leadership and Social Justice. Each student received an email from Mr White and if they are interested in applying, please encourage them to email myself or Ms Raymond outlining why they feel they are ready for this leadership opportunity together with what they feel they can contribute. The cut off for this is Wednesday 11 September!

Finally, as we approach the second half of the term it is important that the boys rest and recuperate. Luckily the weather forecast seems to be supportive of this endeavour!!

VICKY COWELL




**YEAR 9 PARENTS' SUPPER**

**Date:** Saturday 26 October 2019  
**Time:** 7.00pm - 11.00pm  
**Venue:** Roseville Golf Club, 4 Links Avenue, Roseville  
**Cost:** \$50 per person, includes substantial canapés. Drinks may be purchased at the bar.  
**Dress:** Smart casual  
**Enquiries:** Claire House at [claire.house@knox.nsw.edu.au](mailto:claire.house@knox.nsw.edu.au)  
**RSVP:** By Thursday 17 October via the payment portal [www.knox.nsw.edu.au/parent](http://www.knox.nsw.edu.au/parent) > Knox Parents' Association > Year 9 Parents' Supper

We look forward to seeing you there!

## STUDENT ADMINISTRATION OFFICER

There was lots of colour and chatter today around Knox regarding the very important topic of discussion, Organ Donation. [Jersey Day](#) is all about promoting awareness of The Organ and Tissue Authority and the [Donate Life Network](#).

Wishing Flynn McGregor, Freddie Harris, Jack Roberts, Jack Bennett and Adam van Horen a wonderful exchange as they depart today for St Philip's School, Argentina. They will stay with their buddies who have recently finished their exchange here at Knox. Have the best time boys over the next month!

Good luck to William Constable, Travis Cox and Kyeton Reardon who are competing at the Snow Sports Nationals in Mt Buller next week, 4-8 September.

Term 4 will be the changeover from winter to summer uniform. Please check your child's uniform still fits them and if you require new items, these are all available at the Uniform Shop or can be ordered via [Flexischools](#). This also applies to summer sport uniform. Appointments are not required.

Ethan Ellis (below right) was part of the recent VEX Robotics Competition. The Knox team came in second place which was a wonderful achievement. Good luck to the team as they prepare for the National Qualifying competition which will be held at Barker next month.

[R U OK? Day](#) is on Thursday 12 September. The Social Justice Club will be selling wrist bands and reminding boys about asking their mates if they are ok and having a chat.

The CAS Track & Field championships are confirmed for Thursday 19 September. The team would love your support so please click [here](#) for further information.

Happy weekend.

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Saturday 7 September

- Global Cafe 2019

### Sunday 8 September

- Knox Highland Gathering

### Tuesday 10 September

- Parent Breakfast Seminar

### Thursday 12 September

- R U OK? Day

### Thursday 19 September

- Track & Field and catch up photos

### Friday 20 September

- Annual Boarders' Chapel Service and Dinner

### Friday 27 September

- Term 3 concludes

See the full calendar in [Parent Lounge](#)

## USEFUL LINKS

[Sport fixtures](#)  
[Make a payment](#)  
[Knox website](#)  
[Year 9 page on the portal](#)

## UNSW GLOBAL SCIENCE REACH ASSESSMENT 2019

This year the Science Department undertook the UNSW Global Science Reach Assessment 2019 in Years 7-10.

This is a challenging competition that is administered across Australia and affiliated schools in the region. The questions test the core concepts in science including critical analysis, reasoning, predicting, interpreting and scientific investigation skills.

The data provided to the School is very valuable as a diagnostic tool in each of the areas by identifying strengths and weaknesses of the students in each cohort. All boys have received their certificates in class together with an information sheet for parents.

This provides an access link and code for parents and students to access a detailed report about individual performance, including personal strengths and weakness.

The following boys achieved 'Exemplary Certificates' which places them in the top 99th percentile in Australia for which they are highly commended.

Exemplary achievement 99th Australian percentile: Aaron Jubb, Alexander Apostolou, Daniel Groves, Nick Meldrum, Maximilian Touw and Kevin Yoo.



## BOARDERS' CHAPEL SERVICE AND ANNUAL FAMILY DINNER

Members of the Knox Boarding Community and their immediate families are warmly invited to celebrate 2019 with staff and students.

**Date:** Friday 20 September 2019  
**When and where:** 6pm - Chapel Service - William McIlraith War Memorial Chapel  
 7pm - Dinner - Great Hall  
**Dress:** Semi-formal  
**RSVP:** Please RSVP by Friday 13 September via the unique EdSmart link sent to your email address

If you have any questions, please email [Emma.Sullivan](mailto:Emma.Sullivan@knoxgrammar.nsw.edu.au), Boarding Executive Officer.

## YEAR MEETING AWARDS AND JERSEY DAY



Above: The following boys received awards in Year Meeting on Monday: Alex Sherlock for integrity and courage, Jack Sloane for perseverance and courage, Josh Banfield for integrity and courage, Lachlan Bannigan for courage and compassion, Bill Hirst for courage (absent from photo).



## GLOBAL CAFÉ - A MORNING OF COLLABORATION AND CONVERSATIONS FOR PARENTS

**When:** Saturday 7 September 2019, 9am-12pm

**Where:** Roach Junior Academy Lounge, JAPAC, Senior School

Knox Prep, Wahroonga Prep and Knox Senior School parents are warmly invited to the 'Global Café'.

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Please [RSVP](#) by Friday 30 August.



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To launch the Global Café and inspire us all, we will hear from Mr David Caspari, Vice Chairperson of Knox Grammar School Council.

In between each 20-minute coffee table discussion where we will explore provocative questions, we will hear TED style talks delivered by our students and staff about the future of education and work.

Come and join us and help contribute to the future of education at Knox.

Morning tea will be provided. Please RSVP at [bit.ly/knox-global-cafe](http://bit.ly/knox-global-cafe) by the 28 August 2019.