2013 Summer Sport Preference Survey
By now all the Summer Sport Preference Surveys should all have been returned to your son’s classroom teacher. If this has not been done, can you please return these slips by tomorrow at the very latest.

NSWCIS Primary Athletics Championships 2012
Newington had 7 boys represent IPSHA at the NSWCIS Primary Athletics Carnival on Wednesday 12 September. This was a fine achievement to have so many boys gain selection in the IPSHA team.

The carnival took place at Sydney Olympic Park with boys and girls from all over NSW competing. The standard of competition was extremely high, throughout the day records fell and some outstanding individual performances were witnessed by the supportive crowd.

Newington boys representing the IPSHA athletics team all did themselves proud competing with tenacity, sportsmanship and pride.

Some unconfirmed results are as follows:

Aidan Fisher
11 Years 100m – 6th in heat
11 Years 200m – 2nd in heat

James Karabesinis
11 Years 200m – 4th in heat
11 Years Long Jump – 5th overall

Aaron Protas
13 Years 100m – 6th in heat

Stefano Ottavio
8 Years 100m – 7th in heat

K-2 Athletics Carnival
The Newington Preparatory Schools’ K – 2 Inter-House Athletics Carnival was held on Old Boys Oval at the Stanmore Campus on Wednesday 12 September, 2012.

Boys from all six houses participated in track, javelin, shotput, discus, long jump and relay events which were modified to suit the age of the children. They were aimed at providing the boys an opportunity to develop their skills for future carnivals. The focus of the carnival was on participation rather than competition and all boys were recognized for their participation by receiving a certificate after the carnival.

At the end of the carnival there were a number of weary boys which was great to see as it showed they were actively involved throughout the day.

I would like to thank the teachers involved on the day, in particular Mr Caulfield & Mr Burke, and parents who came along and supported enthusiastically. It made for a great atmosphere and an enjoyable day.

Wyvern Captain of Athletics/Cross Country 2012
Congratulations to Aidan Fisher on being chosen as Wyvern’s Captain of Athletics/Cross Country for 2012. In what proved to be a very difficult decision, he was chosen from a field of excellent candidates in Year 6 this year. Aidan has made a tremendous contribution to both athletics and cross country at Wyvern over several years. This year he has had a wonderful season in winning the 11 Years age championship for athletics, finishing 3rd in the school cross country, representing the school at IPSHA level in both athletics and cross country and representing IPSHA at the NSWCIS Athletics Carnival. Aidan always gives 100% effort and represents Newington with pride. He is indeed a worthy recipient of this title for 2012.

Tennis - Newington Inter-House Tennis Singles Championship
This Saturday the Newington Preparatory Schools’ Inter-House Tennis Singles Championship will be held at the Newington Senior School tennis courts (7:30am – 11:30am).

The competition will be a round robin. Boys will play 5 x 10 minute matches with the number of games won recorded. Following that, the winner of the most games in each pool will progress to the knockout draw to determine an overall singles champion and runner up.

We wish all boys the best of luck and look forward to finding out who will be the Champion House for 2012 and who will be this year’s individual tennis champion.
AFL: Independent Schools Challenge
Over the last two weeks, Wyvern’s AFL team played against St Aloysius for another convincing win and then merged with Newington Lindfield to form two teams and play terrific matches against the previously undefeated Scots and Barker. Whilst both our teams were unable to overcome their more experienced opposition in the second week, the commitment from our boys was fantastic. Our Year 6 boys rushed back from their Canberra excursion to play and despite being fatigued, made terrific contributions during the matches. Our Year 5 boys played courageously against their bigger and older opponents. The ability of the boys to quickly adjust to their new team mates from Lindfield was admirable. The standard of their play continues to improve with every match. Next Friday Wyvern will play their last game in the All Schools’ Challenge against a Mosman Prep team which will be filled with experienced players from the local AFL league. This will be another tough test but the Wyvern boys are quietly confident they can cause an upset and emulate the feats of the Sydney Swans this season.

Newington College Football Association End of Season Dinner
This year the Newington College Football Association End of Season Dinner will be held on Saturday 22nd September at the Canada Bay Club. This dinner is open to all football families at Wyvern, Lindfield and the Senior School.

The trophies presented to each football team at Wyvern’s Winter Sport Awards Assembly are donated by the NCFA along with a perpetual trophy which is presented to the most successful football team at Wyvern.

Cricket Coaching Programs – Wyvern Term 4
The following ‘Cric-Smart’ Cricket Coaching courses will be available for Wyvern boys in Term 4 but numbers are limited so students will need to get their replies in as soon as possible to secure a position in the squad. Flyers are available online or can be collected from the front office display.

Big Bash All Rounder Program (Years 4 – 6)
• 8 Week Program
• Coach: Mark McInnes – CA Level 3 – Current Cricket NSW Under 15 Coach & Emerging Blues Specialist Coach
• Dates: Wednesdays – 10th October until 28th November 2012
• Location: Newington College – Senior Campus
• 12 Students
• Timings: 3.00pm – 4:00pm

Winter Sport Awards Assembly – Friday 14 September at 1:45pm
Tomorrow we will be holding our Winter Sports Awards Assembly in Wyvern Hall at 1.45pm. Parents are welcome to attend. Letters have been sent home to the families of students receiving an award on the day.

Cricket Skills Program (Kindergarten – Year 3)
• 8 Week Program
• Coach: Bushy Pillay – CA Level 2 – Intro to Cricket Specialist
• Dates: Fridays – 12th October until 30th November 2012
• Location: Newington College – Senior Campus
• 20 Students
• Timings: 3.30pm – 4.30 pm

Flyers
The following flyers can be collected from the display unit near the front office.
• Swim Squad Term 4
• Basketball Skills
• Gabriel Mendez Advanced Football Training
• FAST Football
• AFL Auskick
• NCFA End of Season Dinner
• ‘Cric-Smart’ Cricket Coaching Programs

Shining Stars
• Black Belt – Hugo Emery
  On Monday 3rd September, Hugo Emery became the youngest member of the Kwan Ki Do school in Erskineville to achieve his Black Belt.

Only 4 Black Belts including Hugo’s have been earned at the school over the past 10 years making this a remarkable achievement for a 10 year old.
Hugo has been attending the Kwan Ki Do school for 5 years which teaches a combination of Taekwondo and Hapkido (self defence discipline).

As part of his 45 minute grading, Hugo had to break 8 pieces of wood, do countless kicking and punching combinations, 8 Hapkido self defence movements and was asked to show 3 of his 8 patterns all with 18 movements in them. He also had to present to his master a 500 word essay on the History of Tae Kwan Do. Brilliant grading and a fantastic result.

**Wyvern boys in winning team in U10’s Grand Final**

Congratulations to the six Wyvern boys who were a part of the winning U10’s Petersham team - The Shammies (Hugo Emery, Cooper Davey, Thomas Ilinkovski, Justin Martin, Asher Baykitch & Tom Larkings)

These Wyvern boys played in the Grand Final for the U10G’s against Mosman and came out on top with a 31-24 win.

The Shammies were the minor premiers for the U10G’s for 2012 and capped off a great season with a nail biting grand final win on Sunday at Keirle Park, Manly - making Father’s Day all the more special for the dads.

It was a hard fought battle between the two teams and it could have gone either way. The Shammies dug deep, defended brilliantly and with great passing of the ball managed to secure the championship.

The game was played with great sportsmanship and team spirit. All the boys should be very proud of what they have achieved.

**Wyvern Boys Runner-up in Grand Final**

Congratulations to Callum Latham (Yr 3), Eden Horne (Yr 4) and Cassie Horne (Yr 3) who played in the U10 Division H Sydney Junior Grand Final on September 2nd for Hunters Hill U10 Blues. The game was held at Manly against Chatswood. Hunters Hill U10 Blues played very well and almost got over the top of a much larger team, but eventually went down 17-12 in a very close match. The club rugby has been a great learning experience for the boys and they should be very proud of their efforts.

**Try Scoring Whiz – George Evans (2L)**

George Evans has been a try scoring whiz for the Lane Cove Tigers this season while playing in the North Sydney Junior League. The quick stepping Evans has demonstrated his natural ability by nabbing an incredible 57 tries in the U7 mini League. It is the most tries scored by an U7 rugby league junior throughout Australia in 2012 and an example of George’s blistering pace and evasive skills.

If your son has had some successful sporting achievements outside of school, I would love to hear from you. They can be shared with the Wyvern community through this “Shining Stars” section of the Wyvern.

**Coming Up**

- Friday 14 September – Winter Sports Awards Assembly in Wyvern Hall 1.45pm.
- Friday 14 September – AFL All Schools Challenge
- Saturday 15 September - Newington Prep Schools’ Inter-House Tennis (NB: Date changed)
- Saturday 13 October – Round 7 Summer Sport re-commences
- Saturday 24 November - Newington Prep Schools’ Inter-House Biathlon (NB: Date changed)

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