

- The Kensai student is identified through rigorous testing, and peer, parent, and teacher nomination.
- Reconstructors are remembered as those who not only scored well in tests, but were also high achievers.
- Kensai sessions are 3 hours one day per week, taking in things such as film, solar-powered cars, maths competitions, and public speaking.
- Bright Ideas is a camp held in the USA – only 2% of students are eligible to attend.

Beverly Hills Girls High School

- Principal Ms Barbara Bober, students Miriam Eryan and Pauline Bridges
- BHGHS has 30 international students. Some of its programs are a peer support program and a "Learning to Learn" program for year 7 students.
- The curriculum is specifically geared to help students accelerate. There is a strong focus on leadership, encouraging ambition, and assisting students to realise that their goals are achievable.
- The SASSY program – Successful Aspiring Students Supporting Youth – allows students to decide on group projects, to provide leadership within the projects, and to speak at school assemblies on the project.
- The SASSY program proves its motto – "Women can do anything".

Keri Sweet (President)

- Spoke to the students and teachers about the various youth-oriented Rotary programs, including RYDA, RYLA, ROYA, MUNA, RYPEN, the science forums, youth exchange, PACE, .and Rotaract.

Kevin Bouffler

- 30/36 for 83.23%

Keri Sweet – Thought for the week.

Thomas Jefferson: Enlighten the people, generally, and tyranny and oppressions of body and mind will vanish like spirits at the dawn of day.

A man went to his dentist because he feels something wrong in his mouth. The dentist examines him and says, "that new upper plate I put in for you six months ago is eroding. What have you been eating?"

The man replies, "all I can think of is that about four months ago my wife made some asparagus and put some stuff on it that was delicious...Hollandaise sauce. I loved it so much I now put it on everything --- meat, toast, fish, vegetables, everything."

"Well," says the dentist, "that's probably the problem. Hollandaise sauce is made with lots of lemon juice, which is highly corrosive. It's eaten away your upper plate. I'll make you a new plate, and this time use chrome." "Why chrome?" asks the patient.

To which the dentist replies, "It's simple. Everyone knows that there's no plate like chrome for the Hollandaise!"

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PROGRAMME

Tonight
11th July
18th July
25th July

Changeover
Club Assembly / Committee meetings
Laura Heywood
DG's Visit

Minutes of 27 June.

Keri Sweet (President)

- Thanks to school staff and students for their attendance.
- At District Changeover, the Club received a Presidential Citation, 1 of only 6 clubs to do so.
- PDG Bill Little's last newsletter and DG Harley Tarrant's first newsletter distributed.
- Duncan Berriman's funeral saw about 1,000 people attend, making it standing room only. Six attended from the Club.
- Bronwyn Berriman attended Holroyd's changeover to see the induction of Irene Little.
- Apologies from Picnic Point High.
- EHGTHS has Rwanda in the next MUNA on 22 July. Members are encouraged to attend (\$35 / head).
- David Edmunds has asked that it be mentioned that he has \$4,500 on his credit card. If you're going to see Cirque du Soleil, David's card would appreciate the funds.
- RYDA will be taking place at La Salle, Bankstown.

Kaye Townsend (Secretary)

- Cheque for \$70 for the Changeover Dinner has been received from Julie Harris.
- \$3M NSW Govt grant available for small equipment.
- Thanks received from Panania Public School re Primary Schools Night and donation of \$50.
- Acknowledgement received from Bankstown City Council re the Club's request for a donation.
- Invitation to the President to attend the Children's Festival on 16 September.

Mike Kenny (The Rotary Foundation)

- Saw Terry Davies at TRF Parramatta and got the names of some contacts in the Philippines. After getting in touch with these new people, had a response back in 2 hours re the grants.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Keith Roffey

- Bill Short has been suffering a series of strokes, and has therefore declined the invitation to our Changeover.
- Need two people to attend Wallacia-Mulgoa's changeover on Friday night. (Mike Kenny and Melinda Heywood volunteered.)
- About 135 people are expected for our Changeover next Tuesday, so assistance is needed on setup.

Thibaud Vaillant (Exchange Student)

- Thanks to everyone, especially my host families who were the best, and really helped avoid homesickness.
- Enjoyed the opportunity to travel. Didn't appreciate how big Australia was until I did the bus trip to Perth.
- Expected to spend a year on my surfboard, but that didn't happen (wouldn't have been good for my English anyway).
- Thanks to Padstow for a great year – it was the best present I could have received after high school.

PRINCIPALS AND CAPTAINS NIGHT

- Garry Metcalfe introduced the schools before each spoke.

Sir Joseph Banks High School

- Relieving Principal Mrs Julie Parker, students Vinelli Alarcon and Con Panourakis.
- Spoke about the Best Buddies program which leads to acceptance and integration of people with intellectual disabilities.
- Best Buddies spend one-on-one time together playing games, rock-climbing, crafts, and camping among other activities.
- Best Buddies held last year's leadership conference at Indiana University.
- It is a non-profit organisation, impacting over 250,000 people.
- "Nobody is disabled, all are differently-abled."

Mount St Joseph's High School

- Principal Sister Barbara Bochat, students Jacqueline Simpson and Minh Nguyen
- The students spoke on life at St Joseph's, including the social justice group, leadership camp, and the Josephite community.
- Josephites from around Australia come together to share experiences.
- JAM week is organised for the third term,
- Senior art students go to Italy.

East Hills Girls Technology High School

- Principal Veronica Necyporuk, students Popi Omeros and Melissa Coad.
- The staff are centred on assisting the students realise their potential.
- The School has a peer mentoring program and a study skills program designed to help the students develop their study skills all through school.
- Selected Year 11 students mentor Year 7 students, which develops the Year 11 students teaching skills and sense of achievement.
- Support is given to students having difficulties with literacy.
- Everything is done to build esprit de corps.

East Hills Boys Technology High School

- Principal Rod Brooks, student Jesse Felipe.
- The "Kensai" (Japanese for "gifted man") Program assists with developing gifted and talented students.