Although the weather leading up to our Community Fun Day had not been good and wet weather plans had been discussed, the blue skies appeared on Sunday and the sun shone for a great day out. Gazebos went up; stalls holders got prepared, banners and signs went up everywhere and we were ready for the crowds to arrive.

On the oval the soccer teams ran and chased the ball. Thank you to the following teams: Hornsby North PS, ABHS Year 7 & Asquith Girls. The day culminated with the annual Blackwood Shield and Moscos Cup competitions.

From the stage we were entertained by
- Hornsby North Primary School Band
- Mt Kuring-gai Primary School Band
- Mt Colah Primary School Band
- Hornsby Heights Primary School Band
- AGHS Solo performers Brianna Skyes Spencer & Emily Holland (Year 8), Ana Vaka & Tarna Rosentreiter (Year 9)
- AGHS Band
- ABHS Band
- Callum and Johnnie (ABHS Year 12)
- Jackson Besley (ABHS Year 12)
- Andrew Wright & Taylor Jackson (ABHS Year 8)

Thank You all for your contribution to the great day out!

If that was not enough entertainment to keep us going, we also had face painting - and that was not just for the little kids, big kids also got their faces painted (well done)! We had a full quadrangle of cars with thanks to Rizwan Ali for organising and a special thank you to the Jaguar Car Club for coming along and using our facilities/grounds to hold their Judging Day.
We had a cake stall, book stall, fairy floss stall, food stall/BBQ with thanks to Mt Kuring-gai Village Butcher, My Dish and the Food Technology staff Karen Bird and Kerri Booth, who along with holding classes still managed to put in a great amount of time to get the Fun Day Food ready for the day. The Coffee Van was there, the Creative Arts & PIP display, plenty of market stalls, Jumping Castle and of course the Dunk Tank. Thanks to the teachers, kids, parents, Mr Skehan (Deputy Principal) and Mr Griffiths (Principal), who received a special icy mix of water when it was his turn, who all got involved and wet from the Dunk Tank.

Thank you to Mr Griffiths, Mr Skehan, Mr French, Mrs Beckeleg, Ms Zhou, Ms Holder, Ms Cooke, Mr Williamson, Mr Moscos, Mr Jones, Mr Yates and Ms Posen who without their help would have made it much more work for the ABHS P&C to host the great day that we had.

Special thank you to Kennards Hire Hornsby and LJ Hooker for their donations and support of our 2014 day; it was much appreciated.

How much did this amazing day raise?

Around $5,500 which will go towards the Front Entrance Project.

Great Job everyone.

I would like to make special mention for Dr Kim Pinnock, (School Council President and P&C Vice-President) as this is her last year at ABHS and the ABHS P&C. Kim has put a lot of time and effort into different events/functions for the school over the years and I am sure that you will all agree that she will be greatly missed. We also must mention her husband Rick; as Kim has said in the past, once she gets involved….so does her husband Rick.

Raffle winners for 2014:

- Flights to the Gold Coast - Steve Berryman
- Large Single Bed Car Quilt - Jule McLean
- Ride in a Porsche - Stuart Robertson
- Autographed Jersey CC Mariners - Inez Beckerleg
- Star Shots Photography Voucher - Angus Morton-Stroud
- Asquith Family Chiro Consult - Tim Michas
- Ultra Tune Voucher - Kerrie (ABHS)
- Colourful Quilt - Tanya D’Hara
- Bob Jane Voucher - Jenny Flood
- Westfield Voucher - Sacha Parker

Enjoy your prizes.

Car display winner 2014 - Porsche, Liam Moxon

I hope that I have managed to thank everyone by name. If I have missed anyone I do apologize, your efforts on the day were highly appreciated. A special thank you to my family - husband Ray and kids James and Abby who helped out a great deal before and on the day.

Dianne Stoddart, Publicity Officer ABHS P&C
WITH THANKS TO

KIRSTY BERRYMAN
FOR CAR QUILT

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CENTRAL COAST
MARINERS

FISQUET
FAMILY FOR
COLOURFUL QUILT

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Mt Kuring-gai Village Butchery

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UltraTune

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ASQUITH BOYS HIGH SCHOOL COMMUNITY FUN DAY
14TH SEPTEMBER 2014
Amazing progress in writing
We have now had time to analyse 2014 NAPLAN results and once again our Year 9 students have registered very significant improvement in all five NAPLAN categories, especially Writing.

Once again it is clear that boys at ABHS are registering improvement from Year 7 to Year 9 at a rate that is significantly superior to boys across the state. This can be measured. This year our growth was 11.2% better than state growth for boys across all 5 NAPLAN categories. In 2013 it was 13.5% better. This positive trend is due to our whole school approach to improving boys’ literacy skills.

New student leaders
The new Year 11 and 12 prefects and sports captains were recently inducted in our first formal assembly of Term 4. The 2015 school captain is Ben Gibson, vice captain is Harry Tuynman and senior prefect is Max Darwin. I’m sure that this new group of student leaders will continue the outstanding leadership and initiative that we have been fortunate to have in recent years.

Federal Funding
Two recent decisions from the federal government will be detrimental to the welfare and educational services that we able to provide students at ABHS. The next round of “Gonski” additional funding for students with disabilities has been frozen for at least 12 months. In addition, the government announced that it will no longer fund the secular Student Welfare Officer component of the National Chaplaincy program. Both these decisions are extremely disappointing. Ms Colleen Sweeney has been a very effective secular SWO at ABHS for the last three years. As I write this column we are exploring every avenue that we can to maintain Ms Sweeney.

P & C
The P&C have done a tremendous job this year in raising funds and supporting programs and events at ABHS. The Community Fun Day was again very successful thanks to a very hard working and efficient management group led by Dr Kim Pinnock. Kim has announced that this will be her last year on the P & C and School Council and she will be leaving us a very significant legacy. My thanks and gratitude to Kim for her fantastic commitment to ABHS over the last six years.

Terry Griffiths, Principal

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Deputy Principal’s Report

At the time of writing, our Year 12 students are in the thick of their HSC examinations. Whilst this is clearly an intense period, I have been impressed with the boys’ organisation and commitment to achieving their very best in each examination.

The examination period for all students is beginning, with reporting to follow. It is essential that all boys adhere to a rigorous but realistic study routine in preparation for these assessment events. Any student who is having trouble with this is welcome to contact their Year Adviser or the Learning and Support staff for assistance. It is essential that students’ attendance is maintained throughout this term to allow for examinations and other assessment tasks to be completed according to schedule. Students who fail to complete tasks face academic penalties in line with assessment policy.

I would like to take the opportunity to remind students and their families of our firm expectation in relation to how they conduct themselves on their way to and from school, especially on rail services. It is a condition of travel passes that school students give up seats for paying adults and refrain from behaviour that disturbs other passengers. I am pleased to report that the vast majority of Asquith Boys behave impeccably when traveling and are fine examples of the values and traditions of our great school.

For more information on the Transport for NSW student code of conduct, please visit the following site: [http://www.transport.nsw.gov.au/content/student-conduct-when-travelling](http://www.transport.nsw.gov.au/content/student-conduct-when-travelling)

Andrew Skehan
Deputy Principal

BREAKFAST CLUB
with Matt Kean

Life is busy when you’re a politician and here at Asquith Boys we understand the importance of a nutritious breakfast to start the day. With that in mind we invited State MP Matt Kean to come and have breakfast with us.

Mr Kean accepted our invitation and on Tuesday 28th October we welcomed him to our Breakfast Club program. Breakfast Club is held every day and is attended by approximately 30-40 boys. The boys are given cereal, toast and fruit juice. In the colder months hot chocolate is also on the menu.

Mr Kean was able to experience first hand the benefits of Breakfast Club which are both nutritional and social. For those who are interested Mr Kean favours Vegemite on his toast.

Breakfast Club is one of the initiatives of our secular Student Welfare Officer Colleen Sweeney who has been employed at our school for the last 2½ years under the Federal Government’s National Chaplaincy and Welfare Programme. Due to recent changes made by the Federal Government the Welfare component of this programme will cease to exist at the end of the year.
Throughout the month of October, I have been lucky enough to spend some time in the HSIE faculty, teaching History as part of my professional experience. While I have had many great experiences across a range of classes, I have been particularly impressed with the enthusiasm and spirit of adventure shown by Ms Cufre’s Year 12 Ancient History class, who have really helped to make ancient civilizations come alive within our classroom.

This article is intended to demonstrate how a group of Year 12 students, armed with a positive mindset and thirst for discovery, can make ancient cities come alive without ever leaving the classroom.

**Discovering Art through QR Codes**

Over the past week, Ms Cufre and her construction team have been busily turning Room R15 into a truly amazing learning space – covering the walls with beautiful enlarged images and artworks from Pompeii and Herculaneum. As many members of our class seemed to be naturally drawn to this amazing array of artwork, I took the opportunity to design a lesson based around Ms Cufre’s work, using smartphones and QR codes.

Students were required to scan QR codes placed next to certain artworks, which provided them with access to online information relating to the artwork. Everyone in the class got into the spirit of this activity and made our afternoon in R15 seem like a visit to an art museum. It was great to see that students were able to learn a lot about Pompeii and Herculaneum in a fun and interesting way, yet still compile a useful set of study notes.

Throughout my time at Asquith Boys High School, I have been continually impressed by both students and staff who push the boundaries of what can be achieved in a classroom. As such, I would like to thank all involved for a fantastic learning experience.
NEW OUTDOOR LEARNING AREA OPENS

The staff took great pleasure in holding their weekly morning tea on the new deck down the bottom of the school near the TAS block. This area is the vision of Mr Josephs and through the hard work of Mr McCubbin and the toolbox team, the deck area is complete. The generous support of the P&C has paid the bills and already, Mr Josephs has taken some of his classes into the open air and taught al fresco.

ABHS ON THE CATWALK

On Tuesday the 16th September a group of brave Year 8 Textiles Technology students spent the day at Asquith Girls’ High School rehearsing for that evening’s TAS display. The girls were excited to see the boys there and the Year 8 girls were given the task of chaperoning the ABHS boys. We spent the majority of the day practicing on the catwalk. Before lunch we were invited, as special guests, to the girls’ assembly. During lunch the boys watched the staff against students soccer match. That evening, with a little nervousness, the boys performed beautifully, showing off their sewing skills with their boxer shorts.

Thank you to AGHS for allowing us to join in their TAS display and thank you also to Mr Skehan and the ABHS families for supporting this event.

Ms K Bird, TAS teacher
NEWS FROM SCIENCE

NATIONAL SCIENCE WEEK
A few weeks ago Year 9 and 10 visited the Australia Museum in Sydney with Mr Yates & Mr Robertson as part of National Science Week. They attended a science fair to talk to Universities about their latest research and many other scientific organisations. They toured the museum’s fossil collection and attended a rock concert by Ologism, a band made up of CSIRO scientists who played their own compositions on science themes, complete with spectacular experiments.

ENVIROWEEK
Enviroweek at school recently, inspired many of our teachers to conduct lessons on a theme of sustainability.

Mrs Laffer’s 10M4 maths class focussed on issues at school. There was discussion on what generated litter at school (lunches) and ways of reducing it (nude food!). Students estimated the amount of litter generated by the students of ABHS by measuring and then calculating the volume of a single green garbage bin. They counted the number of bins around the playground and calculated the volume of rubbish generated in a day, learning something about conversions. By the estimates of 10M4, ABHS generates about 1 cubic metre of rubbish per day (200 cubic metres per year). They hope to do further investigations on:
- water use and catchment from our rainwater tanks
- paper usage/recycling at school
- electricity consumption

Mr Yates’ 9S1 class learnt about the future for renewable energy and conducted experiments to investigate the potential of hydro and thermal solar power. They debated the issues raised by a recent 4 corners program about Renewable Energy targets.

Mr French’s classes discussed packaging in their lunchbox. They devised a “who wants to be a climate millionaire” game show. They calculated how much of Australia’s power is generated from Coal and how much of a tree is used in making a ream of paper.

Roseville College ‘plastics and art’ afternoon
On a pleasant spring afternoon (16th of October), we had a back breaking journey towards Roseville College in Mr Yates’ fashionable convertible, with time to spare. On arrival we proceeded to one of the rooms, where we were greeted with afternoon tea by the Roseville College girls. We took our drinks and sat down as we waited for the other students from the various schools to arrive. Then they started a slideshow with guest artist Jane Gillings.

The talk was mainly on how much rubbish is littered around the world each day. Some of the slides were horrifying as entire streets were covered in garbage. Ms Gillings then showed us how she transformed garbage into interesting and creative bits of artwork.

It was an interesting day as we also got to create our own artworks using rubbish. We thanked Ms Gillings for her time and went home.

Jack & Jackson (Year 8)
Our 2015 Student Leaders

School Captain
Benjamin Gibson

School Vice-Captain
Harry Tuynman

Senior Prefect
Max Darwin

Year 12 (2015) Prefects
Michael Cowell, Max Darwin, Hayden Dudfield, Zachary Duncan, Matthew Evans, Benjamin Gibson, Jacob Hamilton, Kaito Isobe, Brandon Lukich-Yang, James Seidl, Jacob Sheldon, Michael Sheldon, Liam Stone, Harry Tuynman & Keegan Waters & Jamie Warren

Year 11 (2015) Prefects
Zachary Duretto, Matthew Fitzsimmons, Frederick Fordyce, Aynsley Gaveston, Jarrod Griffith, Matthew Griffin, Angus Lord, Aden May, David Mays, Griffin Sleigh, Joel Winch, Brock Virtue, Christopher Rourke, Charles Shepherd, Jordan Ritchie & Joshua Solinis

ABHS Stage Band Performs at Manly International Jazz Festival

On Saturday 6 October the ABHS Stage Band performed for the second year in a row on the 'Rising Stars' stage at the Manly Jazz Festival. The boys were accorded the honor of being the last band on stage to conclude the days' event. The Jazz Festival is run over three days & always falls on the long weekend in October. This is quite an achievement and our boys shone very brightly in front of a large crowd of parents, fellow musicians & jazz buffs.

The Manly festival is one of the highlights on the Sydney music scene in which many top bands & musicians perform for free on a variety of stages and there is always a huge crowd. Opportunities such as these provide our boys with the chance to play at a very high level & be measured along with some of the best talent around.

Congratulations to Mr Howick, Mr Williamson & Ms Holder for their continued support of this talented bunch of boys. Also many thanks to all the parents & siblings who came down to listen and enjoyed the day.

Mr M Williamson, CAPA

Elective Music Students AIM HIGH

On Tuesday 21 October, 26 elective music students across Years 8,9,10 & 11 were entertained by the Audio Engineering & Composition faculties of AIM (Australian Institute of Music). This took the form of a Film Music demonstration/workshop. The compositional process of creating music, dialogue, sound FX and atmosphere were demonstrated 'live' to a popular scene from the film "Fight Club" (Brad Pitt).

Although not a full on musical performance like other AIM shows, the day was nonetheless informative and educational, particularly from a vocational perspective. The behind the scenes look into audio production techniques relating to film scores was illuminating and may inspire some of our boys to write music and become famous film composers!

Many thanks to Mr McGrath (COFA Prac student) who jumped in with a moment's notice and helped to make things run smoothly.

Mr M Williamson, CAPA teacher
**FACULTY NOTES**

**SCIENCE**

Waitara Public School - Year 5 OC
Science Experience Lessons

Year 5 students from Waitara have been visiting ABHS as part of our Gifted and Talented Program, to experience life in a laboratory environment that is not available in primary schools. During the 3 sessions the boys and girls from Waitara have done some Physics, Chemistry and Biology to give them a hands-on experience in using scientific apparatus. The favourite lessons were crushing an aluminium can with air pressure, conducting flame tests with Bunsen burners and dissecting an eye. Year 5 teacher Ms Naylor expressed her appreciation and said the students had a great time and gained some insights into how High School Science works.

**Year 8 ESSA Assessment**

All Year 8 boys will be completing the compulsory ESSA Science Assessment during Week 6. The ESSA assessment is the Science equivalent of NAPLAN and assesses how the boys think scientifically and the logic behind their thinking. The results will help plan our focus on teaching and learning in areas of need and to improve scientific literacy with our boys. As with previous years the assessment will be completed online and results will be distributed early next year.

Mr S. Robertson
Head Teacher Science

**MATHS**

It is with regret that we have to report that Mr Lappas has moved on to a Central Coast school which is much closer to his home (10 minutes as opposed to 1.5 hours). Unfortunately, we will not be able to replace the Head Teacher position until next year, so Mrs Laffer will be relieving as Head Teacher until the end of the year.

We welcome Mr Miles who is joining the Mathematics faculty until the end of the year. Mr Miles will be teaching Junior Mathematics.

Results are back from the Australian Mathematics Competition which was held on 1 August. There were a total of 4 Distinctions and 38 Credit certificates from the 107 entries. Congratulations go to the following students who were placed in the first 3 of their year group and earned either a Distinction (D) or Credit (C):

Year 7: Lachlan Wyatt (C), Jackson Salloch (C), Brody Camp (C)
Year 8: Mitchell Audette (C), Matthew Burns (C), Mitchell Germain (C)
Year 9: Andrew Morrison (D), Nicholas Roscarel (D), Brendan McSweeney (C)
Year 10: Jack Baldock (C), Zachary Duretto (C), John Martin (C)
Year 11: Cooper Fitzgerald (D), David Cook (D), Brandon Lukich-Yang (C)

This year’s Prudence award, for the student who scored the most number of consecutive correct answers beginning with Q1 was awarded to Cooper Fitzgerald in Year 11.

Students need to be working right up to the end of term as all results will be taken into account when the Maths staff determine class placements for 2015.

Please note: All junior classes will be undertaking final exams sometime in weeks 6 to 8. Years 7-9 will have their exams based on their most recent topics. Year 10 exams will be based on the full Stage 5 course with separate exams for each of the stages. (Stage 5.1 = 10M4, Stage 5.2 = 10M2 & 10M3, Stage 5.3 = 10M1).

Mrs R. Laffer
Rel. Head Teacher Maths

**CAREERS**

**Coming Events**

The Australian Training Company will be holding information sessions on Traineeships and Apprenticeships in November 2014, December 2014 and January 2015. Registration is essential. Call Kentia on 97041500 or email ksu@austrg.com.au. The dates are featured in a separate flyer at bottom of the next page.

**Important Information**

Pre Vocational Course to become an electrician.

This will be held at Meadowbank TAFE for 18 weeks in 2015. An information session and selection screening will be held on Wednesday 21st January 2015 in Block H, 4th floor and Room 17 at 9am. This is a pre-apprenticeship course and you will complete the first year of the trade course. For further information call Bob Kefford on 9942 3641 or Steve Hanssen on 9942 3637.
Apprenticeships available
A number of employers have contacted me looking for apprentices.

- Apprentice CNC machinist available with Russell Symes & Co
- 1st year plumber with Brinlex Group
- Commercial cookery and meat retailing (Butchery) apprenticeships with Hospitality Training Network
- Apprentice spray painter and panel beater with AltoGroup Pennant Hills Body Shop
- Air-conditioning and landscaping apprenticeship (local)

Please see Mrs Fry for further details.

Recent events
The Barista Boys Café provided morning tea for residents of Christophorus House and Woodlands Retirement Village on Monday 20th October. The Barista Boys Café students made a variety of espresso coffees; the Hospitality Classes baked delicious sausage rolls, lemonade scones, caramel slice and mud cake. Harry Clarke played his guitar for some relaxing background music and Senior Prefects came and chatted to the residents. The residents were pleased to inspect students’ artworks and were thrilled with Caroline Cooke’s generous offer to supply artworks to the villages. It was a very happy and animated community event thoroughly enjoyed by all.

Mrs J. Fry
Careers Adviser
Hello ABHS community,

Your P&C met on the 28th October - thank you to all who attended.

Congratulations to the 2014 Year 12 boys who have finished their secondary education. This group of young men are the pride of ABHS and have been great leaders for our school, as well as in the broader community. As observers to the growth and development of these students the P&C is sure they will be successful in their future education and careers. The P&C would like to wish you all the best for your future.

Once again our boys have made a wonderful contribution to the annual Legacy fundraising. They raised around $11,000. ABHS is the only school in NSW to have reached the “10,000 club” and this is the third year for the school. Congratulations boys on a wonderful job.

Congratulations to the boys who are the new school leaders. School Captain is Ben Gibson, Vice Captain is Harry Tuynman and the Senior Prefect is Max Darwin.

Lowes have advised that they are now selling the short sport socks which the boys are able to wear for PE and some Sports.

The next P&C meeting is 25th November and I hope to see you there.

Thanks,

Linda Stanford
P&C President

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- treasurer.abhspnc@gmail.com - Jenny Williams
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**2015 DATES**

**Term 1** – Tuesday 27th January till Friday 2nd April  
Years 7, 11 & 12 start Wed 28th January, Years 8, 9 & 10 start Thu 29th January  
**Term 2** – Monday 20th April till Friday 26th June  
**Term 3** – Monday 13th July till Friday 18th September  
**Term 4** – Tuesday 6th October till Friday 18th December  

**Staff Development Days**

**Tue 27th Jan, Mon 20th April, Mon 13th July, Thu 17th & Fri 18th Dec**
Paul Etherington was a student of Asquith Boys High School from 1971 to 1976 after which he studied law. Paul is now the founder and partner of Etheringtons Solicitors, a law firm based in North Sydney dealing in conveyancing, family law, litigation, leases, commercial, wills, estates and intellectual property.

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PERFORMANCE DATES
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FRIDAY 29 November - 8.00PM
SATURDAY 30 November - 8.00PM
SUNDAY 1 December - 2.00PM

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MY DISH
**Do you have a spare bed?**
Can you welcome an exchange student into your home as a volunteer host family with AFS?

**Can you host Ali from Japan?**
- Age: 16
- English: Yes
- Interests: Tennis, playing the piano, art and playing the flute

**Can you host Rafael from Brazil?**
- Age: 16
- English: Good
- Interests: Drawing, photography, swimming, badminton, walking

**Can you host Hanna from Germany?**
- Age: 17
- English: Good
- Interests: Music, dancing, cooking, swimming, Sunshine and cooking

This very special family is looking for new friends and learning about different cultures. They enjoy diverse, fun activities and love to learn about life in a developed country, and want to be a part of it all!

For more information on how you can become an AFS Volunteer Host Family, please contact the AFS Hosting Team:
- Phone: 1800 023 360
- Email: auahosting@afs.org
- Website: www afs.org.au/host

**Somewhere in another country, a young person has the opportunity of a lifetime to come to Australia, integrate that student becoming part of your family.**
Each year, hundreds of Australian families volunteer to open their home and heart to an AFS student. There are exceptions with previous long-lasting friendships.

On February 6 2015, AFS will be welcoming over 70 students and volunteers from across the globe for an experience like no other. They attend local high school or volunteer at a local community organisation.

Can your family host one of the above students? If so, we’d love to hear from you!

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**Enrich your home with a WEP exchange student arriving in January 2015!**
World Education Program (WEP) is looking for caring families who wish to experience another culture in their own home by becoming a volunteer host family. Browse through student profiles, and select a student who you think will fit best into your family and lifestyle.

Who are the students? Read over their profiles below:

**Andrea** (17) from Italy is looking forward to making his dream come true when he comes to Australia. He enjoys trekking in nature as well as swimming for pleasure and is equally happy reading a book or spending time with his friends and family. His parents say he is helpful at home and as they both work he sometimes helps with the cooking. Andrea also likes to take photographs and can't wait to experience Aussie culture, nature and the beautiful landscapes.

**Marika** (17) from Italy enjoys dance, art, theatre and music. She tells us that her real passion is cooking and that she loves to prepare sweets, cakes and cookies & cream puff! It is Marika's dream to come to Australia to live as a high school student, and she can't wait to meet her host family, who is making this dream possible.

**Allessandro B** (17) from Italy says he likes many sports such as tennis, volleyball and skiing, however his favourite sport is soccer that he plays twice a week. He also enjoys watching adventure and action movies and eating pizza with his friends. He watches "Masterchef" with his family and enjoys cooking with his sister. Their favourite recipe is crepes with Nutella! He can't wait to meet you and share this amazing exchange experience with your family.

For further information, please contact Sylvia Kelly (WEP Inbound Manager) on 1300 884 733, by email on info@wep.org.au or by visiting our website www.wep.org.au.