Cover Photo: Year 2 students Chloe Spurio, Starla Tong and Sabrina Goulmy have lots to celebrate. In the background is a photo from Archives of the school’s iconic wrought iron gates on Ranfurlie Crescent taken in 1938.
To reach our 125th Anniversary is a truly remarkable milestone, worthy of celebrating! As our readers will see, this issue of the Korovian magazine is jam-packed with the activities that are making this year so special.

One of those special events was this year’s Celebration Service at St Paul’s Cathedral, at which worship was led by the Archbishop of Melbourne, The Most Reverend Dr Philip Freier. The Service was a wonderful gathering of the wider Korowa Community – students, parents, Korovians, Staff and friends, and combined a sense of history and tradition with the life and energy of a vital, modern ‘family’. I thank our new Chaplain, Rev Fiona Raike, and all those who contributed to this happy celebration.

Thousands of students have not only been shaped by their time at Korowa, but also shaped the School during their time with us. We are proud of all of our students and you will see just how their enthusiasm, energy and talents have an impact on those around them in the photos and articles that follow. Korowa students develop resilience by being challenged in House activities such as Athletics and House Arts. They develop confidence by performing in musical productions such as ‘Grease’ and the Autumn Concert.

Creative intelligence is displayed in many, many ways, especially in the student work featured in classrooms and corridors. Our students are encouraged to develop a growth mindset and set goals that will stretch them – VCE results and Top Arts successes reflect this approach. Korowa students are actively engaged in helping others – locally and globally, as shown in social service and House efforts such as fundraising for Vanuatu, Nepal, the Relay for Life and Safe Steps Family Violence Response Centre. Every day at Korowa is an exciting stage in the learning journey.

A birthday party isn’t a real celebration unless the family is part of it. Reunions of Korovians young and old have been times for reminiscing and renewing old friendships, usually with lots of laughter!

Our School is fortunate to have a very loyal community of Korovians, many of whom have had their daughters or sons in our ELC and throughout the School, as well as some whose grandchildren have followed suit. I congratulate the most recent President of the Korovian Club, Mrs Elspeth De Fanti, on her success in building the Committee and increasing the involvement of Korovians in the School. I wish the new President, Ms Shelby Versa, every success in her endeavours to lead the Korovian Club to even greater heights.

There will be many other celebrations of Korowa’s 125th Anniversary in coming months and we do hope that you will be a part of them!

Mrs Christine Jenkins, Principal
The Extraordinary Classroom

Classrooms in the last few decades have been changing and evolving continuously. If a Korowa student from 1890 were to visit our School today she may not recognise that what is occurring before her is an ordinary school day.

Today’s learning environment is designed to accommodate different styles of learning, group work is an everyday occurrence and students are encouraged to play a much more active role in their learning than would have been expected in 1890. However, the greatest change to education has come about through the leveraging of technologies, hand in hand with the application of the growing body of knowledge of the science of learning. In previous years, students graduated from school with a very different skillset. Now, in the 21st Century, the world is a different place that demands different capabilities; one of which is experience in, and an appreciation of, the domains of creativity and innovation.

Dan Pink, author of A Whole New Mind, originally published in 2005, argues that as a society we have shifted from the knowledge age to the conceptual age, an age that is reliant on inventive, empathic, big-picture capabilities. Pink argues that arts education must move from ornamental to fundamental, as what artists do now is what our students will be doing for a living in the future: composing, presenting, orchestrating, inventing.

Deputy Principal Student Learning, Jenny Little, explains, “Teaching in today’s classrooms is no longer one dimensional, is no longer dominated by the voice of the teacher, no longer assumes every student starts her learning at the same point and no longer assumes the teacher or the textbook are the source of all the knowledge associated with the subject. Jenny continues, “By bringing together the increasing opportunities afforded by leveraging ubiquitous access to technology with a keenly focused attention on what constitutes effective teaching, our classrooms today are well placed to enable personalised learning opportunities that more closely meet the developmental needs of all students, enabling mastery of essential learning outcomes. It is not the mere existence of technology in a classroom that makes the difference, it is the growth mindset of our teachers who are open to leveraging that technology to bring forward new learning environments, experiences, ideas and opportunities to our students.”

The Korovian visited two classrooms to discover how technology is being used to prepare our students to play a productive role in the 21st Century.

Music classes at Korowa now include keyboards for individuals and groups. The keyboards are connected to computers with a variety of interactive platforms. Students can play music at their own level and receive real time feedback on their performance. The software also allows students to play a piece alongside a recorded orchestra, seemingly becoming a part of an incredible musical performance.

Director of Music, Ophelia Bryant, says, “The traditional skills that musicians require have not changed, however, technology has allowed us to provide learning experiences for students of all abilities. Regardless of their musical background, students are able to compose, arrange and create music of which they can be proud.”
The commercial music industry today also seeks additional skills from musicians that many years ago were left to others, such as the promoters. Music Teacher, Caroline Servadei, teaches a course for Year 9 students called Kool Schools in which the girls write and then produce a CD of original music in a professional recording studio as well as develop a business plan to promote an element of the music industry.

“Those entering the creative industries will be better prepared if their entrepreneurial skills are also well-tuned,” says Caroline.

Korowa’s Visual Arts staff agree that while traditional art and design practices are still integral, Information and Communication Technology (ICT) is an essential element in today’s Art and Design classes. In Year 9, Visual Communication and Design Teacher, Jo Lombardo, offers the subject The Art of Self Promotion which teaches students how to create a digital presence through digital media such as blogs and zines.

“’It’s a new set of skills with which the modern artist or designer should be equipped in order to showcase her work to a wider audience,’“ says Jo.

The artist’s toolkit has expanded. Technology allows Visual Art students to expedite a design through the ability to copy and duplicate design elements quickly and accurately. Head of Visual Arts, Antoinette Domoney, explains, “In every lesson students are using some form of technology, be it a digital projector, software such as Adobe Creative Suite or researching artists and art periods online. The traditional skills and techniques are still required – it’s the tools that we use that have changed and which enable more girls to experience success in making art, thus understanding that they can be creative.”

The technology-rich learning environment allows students to enter a world of inspiration at the click of a mouse. Antoinette points out, “We work with our students to assist them to make intelligent and informed decisions regarding the myriad of options now available to them. The possibilities are endless and so easy to reach – we can now take a virtual tour of an overseas Art Gallery and see a piece of art in situ.

Antoinette Domoney, Head of Visual Arts

So, a visitor from 125 years may indeed not recognise the ordinary school classroom of today - because each lesson, in its own way, is extraordinary and can even travel well beyond the four walls of a classroom.
Celebrating with a collection of memories...

With a history of 125 years, Korowa is full of memories and moments that continue to be added to everyday.

To celebrate the 125 Year Anniversary, we created a set of swap cards for the School Community which showcase the history of the School with a selection of photos from each decade.

The cards include photos of significant events, the Principals, long serving members of staff, buildings as they were developed, the wide range of co-curricular activities on offer (for example: Arts, Performing Arts, Sport, Music, Debating, Language exchange), the different uniforms and other historical information.

The Anniversary Swap Card Collection was launched in February at our special birthday celebration assembly. Each girl from Prep to Year 8 received a special folder, a starter pack of collector cards and plastic pockets to hold the cards … then the collecting and swapping began in earnest.

Collecting the cards provided the girls with a brief snapshot of Korowa’s history and an interactive way to learn more about special moments and times. Archivist Sandra Turner says, “Our Year 2 students visit Archives as part of their...
studies and this year there was much more excitement as the girls recognised original photos depicted in their swap card collection."

For those in the Korowa Community who would like to purchase a complete collection in the special edition folder, please fill in the order form on the address sheet which accompanied this magazine. If you need to obtain a copy of the order form please contact Sarah Brook in the Community Relations Office on 03 9811 0295 or email sbrook@korowa.vic.edu.au.
Summer sun, something’s begun…

The Twilight Fair was Korowa’s first community event to mark the 125th year and what a great way to begin the celebrations together.

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The 125th Celebration Service

The Celebration Service at St Paul’s Cathedral in May gave us the chance to come together and show our appreciation for the blessings bestowed upon our community over the last 125 years.

A prayer

Gracious God, we thank you for the ways in which your Holy Spirit has led the school through the years. We thank you for the guidance drawn from your wisdom, for the power gained from your strength, and for the assurance you have given in the truth and life of our Lord Jesus Christ.

God of compassion, we thank you for the love we see in the life, death and resurrection of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

God of love, you have shown and taught us how to love, encourage us to grow in the assurance which that love gives to each one of us.

God of wisdom, we rejoice in the presence among us of the Holy Spirit. May that life giving Spirit enable us to walk together as your Church, a community of faith and love.

For your love and guidance,
We give you thanks, O Lord.

The Most Reverend Dr Philip Freier

2010: Junior School Refurbishment and new Multipurpose Room opened
Korowa celebrates 120 years

2011: Korowa was ranked equal first among independent schools based on its VCE median study score

2013: Junior School NAPLAN Results ranked No 1 in Victoria

2015: Korowa celebrates 125 years.
The Chapel & New Administration Building are opened
Kate (Kathie) Stokes
(Broben ’76)

“I was known as Kathie during my school years but changed my moniker to “Kate” when I started my new life after school,” says Kate, explaining how she made our Katy list.

After leaving school she took up a position as a Lab Technician in the Physiology Department at Monash University whilst studying Science and then Education. Kate then enjoyed a successful career in Medical Sales utilising both her Science background and her teaching skills as she had to demonstrate and educate surgeons and theatre staff about the products.

The highlight of Kate’s time at Korowa was being the instigator and organiser of the “sixth form revue” in 1976. “We had so much fun and I believe it was well received despite the limitations in technology at the time,” says Kate.

Kate reminisces about her Korowa days: “Miss Guyett knew every student by name and was a very compassionate and understanding leader. Miss McPherson was willing to move with the times and change some archaic rules to suit more modern circumstances. I also remember with affection Miss Barnfather who was almost like a grandmother to every student.”

Kate Halfpenny (’84)

Kate landed her first job at The Herald newspaper fresh from Year 12 and, by her 20th birthday, was running the entertainment pages and meeting every star who came to town. After laughing her way around Europe in 1988 with her best friend, Kate discovered many things including becoming an exercise convert, learning to dress properly and realising caravans are better than holiday houses.

Other achievements and highlights of Kate’s life so far include being married to a gorgeous man for 23 years and raising three now-adult children who she reports are “funny and smart”. Kate loves her job as Executive Editor of Who magazine where she has worked for 21 years. Kate married a second gorgeous man in March this year and had just returned from her honeymoon when the Korovian contacted her.

“My most interesting lessons were history with Miss Butler who became Mrs Whiffin; she was a rocking chick who made the past feel relevant and alive. I loved her personality as much as her vast knowledge and bought my first car, a 1967 Corona, from her. We’re still in touch today. One of the most puzzling rituals was the annual visit we had to make to the School Doctor; one year she told me I should keep a close eye on my fat thighs,” recalls Kate.

Katie Gill (Young ’88)

After leaving Korowa, Katie completed a Bachelor of Science at Monash University then a Graduate Diploma in Environmental Management at Deakin University. Her work focused on sustainable fishing practices with the fishing industry in Vic, NSW and Perth. Katie has been married for 14 years and has two sons.

For the last 10 years, Katie has lectured in Marine Biology, Fisheries Management and Marine Tourism at the Fremantle Maritime College.

Katie recalls her most memorable lesson, “When we were studying the book “Schindler’s Ark (List)” several holocaust survivors were invited to share their experiences. If my memory serves me correctly, Mr Leo Rosner played his accordion for us. Mr. Rosner was saved from the gas chambers by being included on Schindler’s “list” of employees.”

Katie says, “The school motto was “no reward without effort” and this has stayed with me, and at certain times in my life has reminded me to be prepared to work hard for the things that are worthwhile.”

Katie McKenzie (’90)

After graduating from Korowa, Katie studied at Melbourne and Deakin Universities, before spending two years living and working in London and travelling to many different countries. For the past 11 years, she has been the Human Resources Manager at Hall & Wilcox Lawyers.

Katie’s most memorable lessons were with Mrs Macpherson (the English teacher- not the former headmistress). Katie remembers, “She was an amazing teacher. She made Shakespeare come alive for us. However she very sadly passed away towards the end of my time at Korowa.”

“I think that Korowa, as well as providing an outstanding education, taught me about true friendship. To this day, I still have many friends who I met at Korowa. Although we don’t live out of each other’s pockets like we used to, we always pick up exactly where we left off. That is true friendship,” says Katie.
Kate Bradford (Manderson ’90)

Kate’s highlights since leaving Korowa include travelling solo to the UK to work for two years (at the ripe old age of 28!), living on an olive farm in Greece with no hot water for six weeks (and surviving) and of course her two kids.

Kate’s most memorable lesson was making the science wing smell of rum during a chemistry lesson on esters. Kate says, “I manage to maintain friendships from my days at Korowa, and even if we don’t speak every week, the times we catch up are still special (and fun!).”

Kate believes Korowa gave her a good grounding in how to conduct herself in public and private regardless of who you are dealing with. “Treat everyone with respect, and you will go far.”

Kate’s response to the question of what has been the highlight in her life since leaving Korowa is instantaneous. “Travelling!” Kate exclaims. “I’ve backpacked around Japan, soaked up some sun in Mexico and Thailand and more recently went on an adventure solo horse riding in the Canadian Rockies and travelling through America.”

When not exploring the globe, Kate works as a Personal Trainer at a gym. “I love it,” enthuses Kate. “I couldn’t be happier helping change people’s lives and more specifically training females to be strong!”

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Kate adds, “At Korowa I learned that you are always capable of so much more than you initially expect. I don’t put limits on what I believe is ‘realistic’, and I strongly believe that setbacks in reaching your goals are always a good thing. It’s just a matter of how you deal with them from a mindset and behavioral perspective.”

Kate Seibold (’92)

Kate completed a double degree in Arts/Commerce, postgraduate Accounting qualifications at CPA Australia and now works at Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu as National Finance Manager, managing $200m+ in revenue annually.

Despite this impressive career, Kate’s main triumphs have been outside the boardroom. Last year she won the Australian Mountain Running Championships and represented Australia in the World Mountain Championships in Tuscany. Kate has previously won the Australian Mountain Running Championships in 2011 and 2013 and was runner up in 2009. She represented Australia three times in the World Mountain Championships. Kate pursued Mountain Running as a change after achieving success in other long distance running events including winning the Christchurch marathon, Sydney Harbour Bridge run and the Victorian 5000m track.

Demonstrating the drive that gets her to the top of mountains, Kate says, “I’m still striving to make the team for the World Mountain Championships again this year, despite turning 40. The last 20 years since leaving Korowa have been a lot of hard work, juggling a career and athletics, but it’s been rewarding.”

Kate Macfarlane (’11)

Kate Macfarlane (right) with Emma Moores (’11) in Denmark.

Kate’s most memorable lesson was in the great outdoors and building my confidence and skills in critical care and education. “My nursing degree gave me the opportunity to take part in a study tour to the Philippines and nurse in the poorer communities and hospitals there,” says Kate.

In addition to her time in the Philippines, Kate has travelled with friends and has appreciated seeing some of the world.

Looking back on her school days, Kate recognizes that Korowa gave her the confidence to succeed. “My time at Korowa equipped me with the knowledge and skill base to be an independent and driven young woman, and showed me that perseverance and hard work is the key to success,” says Kate.

Kate Settle (’09)

I learned at Korowa that I didn’t have to like or be liked by everyone, that my academic education was just the start of my learning process, that manners are invaluable and that you’ll never regret defending your decisions and working as hard as you know,” says Kate.

Kate studied Arts/Law at Deakin University, and knew that someday she would like to combine her studies with travel. This year she had the opportunity to study abroad at the University of Copenhagen in Denmark.

"I was always encouraged to take hold of as many opportunities as possible while at Korowa, and this certainly contributed to my decision to study overseas. Korowa has also given me lifelong friends, I am lucky enough to be studying here with another Korovian, Emma Moores, which has made navigating a new, non-English speaking country a lot easier!” says Kate.
RESULTS

Celebrating our Class of 2014

Korowa would like to congratulate the Class of 2014.

Once again the VCE results have set up our graduates to take find their place in the world beyond. Every member of the Class of 2014 was offered a tertiary place and their talents and passions have led them to a variety of pathways.

Perfect scores of 50 were achieved in Biology, Chemistry, English (2), Physical Education and Psychology, with 24.1% of students receiving a study score of 40 or above.

Congratulations to VCE Top Achiever, Joelle Tan, who received a perfect ATAR of 99.95 and perfect scores in Biology and Chemistry.

30% ACHIEVED AN ATAR OF 95 OR HIGHER

VCE Results at a glance

• 6.5% achieved an ATAR of 99 or higher
• 30.0% achieved an ATAR of 95 or higher
• 45.5% achieved an ATAR of 90 or higher

2014 ATAR results

This graph shows the ATAR scores achieved by Korowa students.

First Round Offers Based on Institution

First Round Offers by Field of Education*

* Offers may be for double degree courses which cover more than one field of education
Every two years, we seek the views of students, parents and Staff by means of a suite of Satisfaction Surveys managed by ISV (Independent Schools Victoria). The latest round of surveys was conducted in September to October 2014. The purpose of these surveys is to ascertain how well we are meeting the needs of students, parents and Staff and to hear any concerns or improvements that you would like to see.

In order to ensure that respondents feel free to respond openly, the surveys are administered and analysed by ISV, not by the School. ISV also administers the surveys to a range of other Victorian independent schools, and we use those results within the School as part of our market intelligence.

Korowa parents and students responded to their respective surveys in higher numbers than they had in 2012, which was even higher than in 2010. We are delighted with this return rate and appreciate the time and thought given by all those who replied. The survey results here are from parents of students from Prep to Year 12. ELC parents were separately surveyed, with similarly positive responses.

The SRC is an important means for students’ views and ideas to be heard and acted upon. We are committed to following up the Student Survey responses with this year’s SRC to gather their feedback in order to make Korowa an even better School than it is today. Feedback from parents is always welcome, and we encourage you to attend KPA Meetings or to contact your child’s Heads of School if you have any concerns or any suggestions for improvement. We strive to make continuous improvements to the learning environment for all Korowa students and to enhance relationships between students, staff and parents. In working together we can keep Korowa strong, happy and successful for the next 125 years.

Christine Jenkins, Principal

**Parent Satisfaction**

High parent satisfaction occurs when parents feel their child is safe, where parents are welcome, and where teachers provide help and support for all students, catering for all abilities. They also seek a school where their children are provided with good levels of resources including ICT, and appropriate preparation for the transition to the next school year. We are thrilled that our parents are so positive about their Korowa experience.

**Student Satisfaction**

Students from Year 5 to Year 12 were surveyed, and there was a positive surge in student responses, which is very pleasing. High student satisfaction occurs when students feel that the school provides a supportive environment with a broad range of learning areas and a curriculum designed to improve student achievement at all levels and for all abilities. They also want a school to provide a caring, respectful and inclusive environment inside and outside the classroom. High student satisfaction occurs when students feel they have opportunities to develop their interpersonal and leadership skills, to participate in community activities and where students from different backgrounds and cultures are treated equally. The student results were presented in a slightly different form than those of parents, so the graphs below show the mean rating out of ten for each response. The top response in each domain is as follows:

| Academic Program | I am challenged in my learning at Korowa | 8.6 |
| Learning Outcomes | I feel confident in basic skills such as reading, writing, maths and science. | 8.5 |
| Pastoral Care | I feel like I am part of this school. | 9.0 |
| Personal Development | I am encouraged to try my best at Korowa. | 9.5 |
| Discipline & Safety | Korowa is a safe place in which to learn. | 9.4 |
| Resources | I have access to high quality technology and resources that help me learn. | 9.3 |
| School Ethos & Values | Students from different backgrounds and cultures are treated fairly. | 9.1 |
| Peer Relationships | I feel close to my classmates at Korowa. | 8.5 |
| Academic Rigour | My teachers expect high standards of learning from me. | 9.0 |
| Teacher Knowledge | My teachers are knowledgeable about the subjects they teach. | 9.4 |
| Teacher/student Rapport | I have respect for my teachers. | 9.8 |
ANZAC Day Reflections

Korowa held an ANZAC service on Thursday 23 April remembering those who served our country 100 years ago. Skye Wilson, Year 7, introduced the service by saying “Today we meet, not to honour war, but to commemorate those who have served our country during struggle and disaster.”

The service was an informative and moving tribute to those who served and here we share a snapshot of the presentations.

So today, we will remember.
(Excerpt from Speech by Ms Nicola Devlin, Head of History)

World War One (1914–1918) was one of the defining moments in modern History. It was a man-made catastrophe of a scale so vast that the effects of it are still felt acutely. The war redrew the European map and brought down monarchies and Empires hundreds of years old. Revolutions and coups resulted as shell-shocked peoples anxiously sought alternatives to their current political systems. Consequently, we saw the emergence of new political structures and ideologies including fascism and one-party states.

In terms of human sacrifice, the First World War was the most traumatic conflict in Australia’s history. From a population of less than 5 million, an army of 417,000 men was mobilised. They left for this so-called Great War carrying understandably juvenile notions of travel and adventure, but immediately found themselves confronting incomprehensible horrors. Before the world had time to adjust and recover, it found itself once more, in the maelstrom that was 1939 to 1945. Numbers numb, so it is appropriate that we remember the stories and faces behind these figures, for the passage of time has not much changed us and their stories are ours.

It is important to reflect upon the many lessons that we can learn from war. The 100 years commemoration is a time for us to reflect and in the words of Professor Sir Hew Strachan, create ‘a new legacy from the conflict’s legacy’. History continues to demonstrate that freedom and democracy are not things that we should ever take for granted and as individuals and a collective community we must be prepared to preserve them.

If we forget, we truly are more likely to repeat. So today, we will remember.

The Korowa Community during the War
(Excerpts from the speech given by Sophie Carne, Arani De Silva, Claudia Clements, Kristen Vaiotis, Holly Walters, Vera Padisetti, Jemima Parton, all Year 7)

When World War One broke out, there was a euphoric response to it. Many a girl of Korowa yearned to join ‘her brothers’ at the front. But as the war progressed and news of the loss of fathers, uncles, brothers and acquaintances hit home, the mood shifted. Korowa girls, with heavy hearts, devoted their time to the service of those in need. Paying tribute to the good legacy that these girls in many ways began, we are here to tell you a little about their contributions. They remind us that good deeds, as small as they may be, go far.

First, there was a knitting front. Korowa girls volunteered to knit socks for the soldiers to prevent them from getting diseases and to keep them warm. The girls set targets that they tried to beat every month. In one month they managed to knit and send one pair of gloves, 10 washers, 20 pairs of mittens, 11 scarves, 6 helmets and 264 pairs of socks. That comes to a total of 312 articles of clothing. The Year 12 class, or the sixth class as it was called back then, also decided to adopt and support a baby in France.

When the war ended and remaining soldiers returned, Australians were overcome with relief and joy. The streets were lined with people waving palm leaves as a symbol of peace. To celebrate peace, Korowa changed the name of the School Magazine in 1919. Originally called Korowa, the school magazine would forever be known as ‘Palm Leaf’.
In May our Assembly Hall stage transformed into the rock’n’roll era, complete with a hot rod, as Korowa presented the popular musical Grease.

The talented cast included more than 40 Korowa students and 25 students from St Kevin’s College as they re-enacted Rydell High’s senior class of 1959.

Musical Director, Adam Starr, says, “As it’s Korowa’s 125th birthday, we wanted a musical that would be popular with all generations. It’s been one we’ve wanted to do for a while and we saved it for this celebration year. Grease is a big show with many chorus numbers and we had to work really hard to get the dance aspects of the show ready. The audience’s enthusiastic response made all those rehearsals worthwhile.”

Monte Scott, Year 12, who played the part of Sandy says, “I felt so privileged to be able to play such a well-known and loved character in my final year of school.”

With brilliant reviews and a new benchmark set, we are already looking forward to what the Korowa Drama Department has waiting in the wings for next year.
**International art invitation**

Artwork by Tanishka Brahmanand, Year 10, was selected for the White Night Art Festival in Remuera, Auckland. Tanishka exhibited a series of charcoal and graphite drawings in the one-night arts extravaganza. The festival was a collaboration of artists from all over New Zealand, held at over 100 venues and included visual art, performance art including ballerinas dancing in shop windows and interactive digital exhibits. Tanishka says, “The atmosphere of the event was amazing as I met so many new artists and hundreds of gorgeous people. The preparation process is something which would not have been so easy if it wasn’t for the Korowa Art Department - the support I received simply cannot go unacknowledged. All in all, it was a truly unforgettable experience.”

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**Making waves**

Congratulations to the Korowa Swim Team on their outstanding performance in both the GSV Preliminary and Championship Carnivals. After once again achieving a place in the Division 1 Carnival, Korowa placed fifth overall competing against much larger schools. The Intermediate Teams won their sections convincingly in both Carnivals and were awarded trophies. Molly Batchelor, Year 9, won five Gold Medals in total and broke the GSV record in the 50m freestyle and our Swimming Captain Jenna Strauch, Year 12, also broke a GSV record in the 50m Breaststroke on her way to claiming the Gold.

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**Shine Bright Candlelight Vigil**

Korowa students attended a Candlelight Vigil in Federation Square, organised by Safe Steps Australia, to condemn family violence. Australian of the Year, Rosie Batty, was in attendance and said the show of mass support was important for victims to know they are not alone.

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**Interfaith excursion reveals common ground**

Since 2003 Korowa students have been meeting annually with Islamic students at Australian International Academy in Coburg to make new friends and learn from each other. Last month, they met up at the National Gallery International in the Great Hall. Students learned that they have a lot more in common than they expected and made instant connections. One student said, “The value of the excursion taught us that everyone was equal. As we talked we came to realise that they are not different from us. Muslims and Christians share many similar elements.”
Pitch perfect

House Chorals always amazes and surprises and this year was no different with a jubilant Wilkinson being awarded the trophy. The show demonstrated the initiative and skill of our students in their presentation of performances and it was a tough competition. All the items were prepared by students and apart from the set song, all music and dance items were chosen and arranged by our students. The adjudicator, Sophie Weiss, was most impressed with the original compositions and the achievement of our students given the very tight timeline for this event.

Music to our ears

Congratulations to all the students who performed in the Autumn Concert to an appreciative audience. This was an informal concert that showcased a range of groups, some of whom performed for the first time. The performances included Menuhin Orchestra, Sarah Yang, Cripps Choir, Ciara O’Sullivan, Clarinet Ensemble, Amelia Ferlazzo, Concert Band, Lizzie Cheney, Danny Diao, Saxophone Quartet, Jade Jowett-Crociani, Robyn Morton, Byrd Ensemble, Emma Anvari, Da Capo Band, Luna Lethbridge and Amadeus Strings.

Leading the way

Our Induction and Commissioning Service is a significant event at the start of each year. Each Year 12 student and all the office bearers receive their official leadership badge. School Captains for 2015 are Louisa Bujor and Lydia Skabar who proudly accepted their new positions of responsibility. Mrs Kellie Lyneham was commissioned as Deputy Principal Student Wellbeing and Reverend Fiona Raike was commissioned as the new Chaplain for Korowa Anglican Girls’ School. The service was conducted by The Right Reverend Paul White, Assistant Bishop, Anglican Diocese of Melbourne in the Beatrice K Guyett Assembly Hall.

A feast for the eyes

A new exhibition by Tatjana Este, Melbourne-based multidisciplinary artist was launched at Gallery Ranfurlie in March. The Apple of Discord Project – Impressions of Eris exhibition, encompassed two parts – an installation made predominantly of gilded apples, red yarn and tree branches, and a series of pigmented ink works on paper. Tatjana Este spoke to several Korowa art classes during her week-long exhibition and answered questions on the themes behind her work.

Serving up a win

Our Tennis Team finished the season as Premiers after defeating Lauriston in a very close match in the Grand Final. The final score was two sets all with Korowa winning on games 21 to 20.
The Changing Face of Medicine

Dr Lois Williams (Parr ’58)

Lois Williams remembers her days at Korowa fondly and still lunches regularly with some school friends. From sickness-inducing school milk that was left out in the sun to mega-games of skipping involving many girls, Lois’ memories begin in Year 1 in the warm and friendly environment created by the well-loved Miss Barnfather. However it is the fearsome Mrs Waters that Lois credits with developing her sense of discipline where learning and study was concerned. Mrs Waters (or Torty as the girls liked to call her) was barely tall enough to drive a car and her driver’s seat was stacked high with cushions. Although short in stature, Torty was formidable in the classroom. There was homework set five nights a week and perfection was expected. From spelling to tables to memory dictation, girls were scored out of 10. At the end of the week girls were ranked in order of their score and made to dutifully sit reflecting that order from the front row to the back row. Lois explained, "This system motivated to me to do my best however I know it was demotivating to other students." The poems that Lois learned during this time are ones that she can still recite word for word and with perfect diction and melodic inflections.

Lois was fortunate to have had an Aunt and Uncle graduate from Medicine in 1915 and that undoubtedly played a big role in her motivation to follow in their footsteps. Although Lois’ family were highly supportive of her desire to do Medicine, there were some friends of her father who just didn’t see the point. Lois explains, "They told my father - she’ll do the course and then get married and never use it again."

There were 23 in the Year 12 class in 1958, a large cohort as many girls left in year 11 to pursue Teaching and Nursing. With encouragement from home and school, Lois was delighted to be accepted into The University of Melbourne Medical School. She was one of 30 female students in a course of over 180. After completing Medicine, Lois chose to become a General Practitioner (GP).

“The appeal of being a GP is you never know who is going to walk through the door next or with what condition,” says Lois. Contrary to her father’s friends’ warnings that she’d never use her Medical degree, Lois enjoyed many years as a GP with her own practice despite marrying and having a family. Lois’ husband was also a doctor and due to his health issues, Lois was the sole breadwinner for 20 years. “Being a GP at the same practice for many years allows you the privilege of looking after several generations of families. Knowing a patient’s family can provide more information about their own condition. I remember there was one family where I treated four different generations,” says Lois.

During her time as a GP, Lois has enjoyed witnessing the introduction of better diagnostic tools such as CT Scans and ultrasounds which has reduced the need for GPs to rely solely on their clinical judgement. With improvements in some areas due to technology, there have also arisen some worrying political and financial trends. Lois questions whether Medicare is sustainable. She explains, “Breakthroughs in medicine are happening daily but the cost of some of these treatments is phenomenal. Patients have different expectations, and with the help of the internet, search out experimental drugs and trials that they would like access to. Sometimes relatives will do everything to keep their loved one alive, but it may be inappropriate for that patient and may actually make the suffering worse. The doctor needs to be the voice of reason.”

Lois’ advice to Korowa students wanting to take up Medicine is to pursue the dream. “It’s such a rewarding career,” enthuses Lois.

Dr Jennifer Hoy (’71)

Jennifer Hoy credits Korowa with inspiring a love of Science that led her to Medicine. Although there were 64 girls doing Year 12 in 1971, only a dozen were doing Science. “This small group became very close and encouraged each other,” says Jenny. As is often the case, finding others with the same passion was a catalyst for high achievement. From that small group of budding scientists, three went into Medicine, others into associated health industries such as Pharmacy and one into Nuclear Physics.

“At Korowa the highest form of praise was being told you were a good citizen,” adds Jenny. “We knew we were privileged and that we had a responsibility to give back. There was an expectation that you would use all the opportunities available to you and have a strong work ethic in whatever path you chose. We were encouraged to live our dreams.”

After completing Year 12, Jennifer was accepted into Medicine at Monash University. Women made up 20-25% of the class in those days. This decreased again in internship at the Alfred as Jenny was one of the four women selected to be in the group of 40 interns. It was not easy being in the minority. Jenny says, “I will never forget the Senior Surgeon saying to me on my first day that there was no place for women in Surgery. In a few months he had changed his mind and was encouraging me to pursue a career in Surgery!”

Jenny describes her decision to specialise in infectious diseases. “I enjoyed all aspects of Medicine however in my final year I had a placement at Fairfield Infectious Diseases Hospital and I loved it. Patients, on the whole, got better from infectious diseases and when they offered me a job I took it,” recalls Jenny. However her chosen career path took an ironic turn. “In 1984, the advent of the HIV epidemic began and our patients were dying. It was a terrible time. Fear and ignorance made this vulnerable group of people even more marginalised.”
Dr Linny Phuong ('98)

Linny was a very active participant in Korowa’s extra-curricular activities. Some of her pursuits included cross-country, debating, senior school choir and of course the Palm Leaf.

“I was fortunate enough to be one of the School Magazine captains with Vanessa and Emma in Year 12. What a great edition it turned out to be... in 1998!” says Linny with a smile.

Linny’s advice to Korowa students is to believe in yourself. Linny took a few turns before becoming a doctor. “All I knew was that I wanted to do well at University and end up in a health science-based career. When I didn't get into Medicine first time around, I took another path and did Pharmacy. I enjoyed this, but then maybe being a sucker for punishment, years later - I thought I'd try my hand at the GAMSAT and apply for post-graduate entry Medicine.”

Linny reflects on her time as a medical student, “As a post-graduate, studying Medicine was perhaps a different experience to undergraduate entry. I was working at least three shifts a week as a Pharmacist whilst studying, which made for great pocket money,” remarks Linny.

After completing medical school, and her internship year, Linny had some big decisions to make about where she would head next. After a residency year in Adult Medicine, although enjoyable, Linny still hadn't discovered her passion. Linny remembers, “Having gone through so much schooling, I was determined to find something I was truly passionate about and enjoyed. Towards the end of the residency year, a wonderful mentor asked me why I wasn’t ready to prepare for the physician exams. This was the clincher. I had always contemplated Paediatrics during medical school but had very little experience in it- other than medical school rotations and an overseas elective.”

Linny threw herself in head first and did a neonatal intensive care year. “I haven’t looked back. Now an Advanced Trainee in Paediatrics, I have completed my part one and two physician exams, and am working towards dual specialisation.”

Linny believes the biggest changes in Medicine are yet to come. She says, “There are a lot of interesting things are always happening in Medicine new technology, drugs and discoveries - always lots to learn.”

Linny considers the most topical issue at the moment in Medicine is the issue of discrimination against women in surgery which has attracted some media attention. Linny says, “I am sure that this is not an issue unique to the Medical workforce. I do hope though that gender inequality issues become a thing of the past.”
We were delighted to have Linny (featured on page 17) speak to members of the Jessie Patrick Society in November 2014. Named after Korowa’s first student, the Jessie Patrick Society provides an opportunity for the School to honour and thank those Korovians and friends who name the School as a beneficiary in their Will, during their lifetime. Linny spoke passionately about her time at Korowa, her career and the Water Well Project – it was a wonderful evening.

If you would like to find out more about becoming a member of the Society or about leaving a bequest to Korowa, please contact the School’s Development Officer, Sarah Brook on Ph 03 9811 0295 or Esbrook@korowa.vic.edu.au.

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After four years as a Director of The Korowa Foundation, the last two as Chair, Andrew Cooke has resigned from the Board. Andrew has been an enthusiastic leader of the Foundation, including organising the 2012 and 2013 Korowa Annual Golf Days, and we thank him for his commitment to Korowa and the Foundation.

We are delighted to welcome Louise Eyres as the Foundation’s new Chair. Louise is a current parent, with a daughter in Year 6, and has been a Director of the Foundation since June 2014. In her professional life, Louise is currently Group General Manager Marketing at ANZ, leading the global marketing team. Louise has over 22 years’ experience in marketing in national and international roles including 12 years with BHP Billiton. We are really looking forward to working with Louise to further develop and enhance the Foundation.

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Special thanks to Noel Poon, representing the Foundation, for his role in organizing this event assisted by Pam Kelton representing the Korovian Club. Many thanks to other Korovian Club volunteers, Margaret Hill, Jan Miller and Jennifer Jaeger for their help leading up to and on the day.
As it happens, I write to you as President of the Korovian Club and also started as a Korowa English teacher at the beginning of this year. It is a delight to be wearing both hats in such a special celebration year for the school.

There’s been no rest for the Korovian Club committee since our first meeting in February. We’ve seen through a project that’s been in development for quite some time. Upon graduating, Steph Davies ('13) approached the committee with the idea of funding House Captain Honour Boards. With the help of school archivist, Sandra Turner ('70) we’re pleased to announce they’re now proudly on display in the east corridor of the school. The Club has also funded the beautifully designed stained glass windows for the new School Chapel, which we’re very excited to see unveiled this month.

The committee has been hard at work on our main event for the 125th Anniversary of the school the Korovian Dinner on Friday 4 September. The accompanying flyer outlines how to book tickets, and I can promise it’s an event not to be missed. It’s a chance for Korovians of all ages to let their hair down, share memories and have a lovely evening together. We’re happy to accommodate table requests if you drop us an email. It would be fantastic to see at least one table from every year level, and with the student price, there’s no excuse, so book your ticket today!

Coming up on the Korowa calendar is the 125 Year Celebration Concert at the Melbourne Town Hall on Wednesday 5 August. Of course, we’re all looking forward to the performance by our very own Korovian Choir, which is sure to be a highlight. If you’ve been thinking about joining the choir, it’s not too late. Alternatively, as many of us don’t have the time to commit to once a month rehearsals, I’m pleased to announce that there will be a Korovian contingent in the massed singing.

The Korovian Club Committee and I would love to hear from Korovians who have ideas, big or small, which can help us maintain our connection with the School and each other. We’re always looking to add new members to our growing committee, or simply drop us an email at korovian.club@gmail.com.

Looking forward to seeing everyone at Kooyong on 4 September!

Shelby Versa ('10)

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**From the President**

When I graduated in 2010, I always knew I wanted to continue my affiliation with the school that had given me so much. I (as well as many of my 2010 peers, I’m sure) never imagined that I could be more involved now, in 2015, than I was as a student.

Join us to celebrate 125th Anniversary of Korowa

What better way to celebrate than to join in wonderful music making! Just a short notice to let you know that there will be a Special 125 year Celebration Concert on Wednesday 5 August at Melbourne Town Hall. We are hoping Korovians will join us to sing in the grand finale as well as perform in the orchestra. Details will follow shortly. Please pass this on to your friends.
News

Rosemary Berrell (Allan ’67) has just won a Highly Commended Award in the Pen and Wash Section of the Australian Guild of Realist Artists Kenneth Jack Memorial Drawing Award, for her painting ‘The Sands of Sinai’.

Penny Holloway (’67) was the General Manager of North Sydney Council for 12 years and has now moved to a new position as administrator of the Board which provides most of the services on the Island. Lord Howe Island is in the Tasman Sea, 600 kilometres from the Australian mainland and is a World Heritage Site.

All Van Der Graaf (Bracher ’72) has returned to the Gold Coast to be closer to her family and is working full-time for the Department of the Environment and Heritage Protection in cultural heritage management and protection in Brisbane.

Amanda Clohosey (Sutherland ’91) is living in Echuca with her husband John and their children Liam, Pippa and Neva. She is studying for her Bachelor of Education at La Trobe University, Bendigo, and their children Liam, Pippa and Neva.

Births

Tamara Chalmers (Gallagher ’93) – a daughter, Lacey Rose. Sister for Lachlan.

Megan Pepper (Esson ’97) – a daughter, Amelia Catherine. Sister for Hugo and Holly.

Emily Kent (Atchison ’00) – a son, Harvey James.

Claire Louie (Ding ’00) – a daughter, Vivienne Skye. Sister for Annabelle.

Caroline Mills (’00) – a son, Charles Alan Stanley Millswood.

Anna Pilcher (’00) – a daughter, Millie Jennifer.

Deaths

Marie Williams (Cameron ’54) passed away on 1 November 2014.

Ann Ogilvie (Cole ’56) passed away on 11 April 2015.

Jan Douglas (Davidson ’57) OAM passed away on 10 January 2015. Jan worked in a number of schools, including as Principal of Mentone Girls’ Grammar from 1987 to 1997. Passionate about education, Jan also held roles with the Invergowrie Foundation, the AISV Block Grant Authority, various councils of Melbourne University, Haileybury College and was a long-serving member of the committee of management of Fairway Hostel for the Aged in Sandringham. She was awarded the Medal of the Order of Australia (OAM) in 2005 for services to education and the community.

She is survived by her husband Stuart, children Jeff and Roz, grandchildren Alexander and Claire and her sister Maxine Maxa (Davidson ’61).

Sue Latham (’79) passed away on 24 December 2013 from complications related to cancer. Sue attended Korowa from Year 4 to Year 10 and then continued at Toorak College where her family moved to the countryside. Sue’s sisters Jenny (’78) and Lizzie (’82) were also at Korowa.

Sue really shone at Korowa in every endeavour she undertook. With her insightful, sensitive and fun loving nature, she was a high achieving student. At around the age of 17, Sue first began to suffer from a serious mental illness, which had a profound effect on the rest of her life. With remarkable determination and her faith, Sue bravely continued on, worked at Veterans Affairs for over 25 years and secured her own apartment in Malvern.

Sue delighted in nature, travels and enjoyed a lifelong passion for the arts. Her joys and trials in life were shared with her close and wonderful family and friends.

(With thanks to Vicki Brown (’79)

To the bereaved families, we offer our deepest sympathies.

KOROVIAN CLUB NEWS

Facebook and Twitter

The Korovians Facebook page has recently changed from a Profile to a Page to fall into line with Facebook’s rules about Profiles only being available to individuals. Fortunately, our 1800 Friends were transferred over to Likers of the new page – if you haven’t already liked the Page, please search for Korowa Korovians. We’d also love you to keep Liking, Sharing and Commenting on the posts you see – which will ensure our posts keep appearing in your Newsfeed.

KOROVIANS IN PRINT

Strong to the Core
Strong and Stable
Exercising for two
Mums Shape Up
Lisa Westlake (’79)

On the Road to the Best Orgasm Ever
by Suzy J Brown (pseudonym)
Sue Langeder (Colquhoun ’91)

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Korovian News

We are always keen to include news from Korovians about what’s happening in their lives.

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Reunions

1960 Reunion  21 March 2015
Back Row: Anne Keys, Susan Suttle (Daly), Ros Griffiths (Tickle), Jenny Gedye, Judy Gregory (Stanton), Jill Dwyer (Lamborn), Janneke Casson (Van Holst-Pellekaan), Jill Rogers (Evans), Petah Creighton (van Hemert), Jill O’Keefe (Jones), Jan Miller (Kostos)
Front Row: Ann King (Trenwith), Carolyn Kelmar, Barbara Appel (Franklin), Elizabeth Loughlin (Rowell), Chrystal Bam (Hann), Margaret Lancaster (Tonkin), Susan Hutchinson (Elliott), Eleanor Thomson (Rowe)

1970 Reunion  21 March 2015
Back Row: Annie Ryall, Jennifer Johns, Meredith Lovell (Hill), Eleanor Morgan (Tucker), Margaret Ward, Wendy Little (Bedford), Sandra Turner (Burton), Christine Coles (Fisher), Annette Cleary (Minchin), Vicki Ponsford, Susan Bignell
Front Row: Jane Morton, Nancy Yeomans (Retallack), Margo Prophet (Murray), Jane Atchison (Richardson), Jenny Hale, Giselle Wilkinson, Penny Johnson (Meeking), Jackie Pearce (Tyers)

1980 Reunion  21 March 2015
Back Row: Niloufer Patel (Rustomjee), Kirsty Page (Smith), Sue Carpenter (Gladstones), Jackie Aslett (Moore), Helen Tope, Sally Giuyas, Julie Martin (Bickford)
Middle Row: Barbara Lyons (Skipworth), Liz Dunston (Solomon), Gaynor Thornell, Miriam Evans (Jackson), Christine Youings (Leseberg), Trish Ipsen (Govan), Jill Cashin (Francis), Cathy Mellor (Leslie), Susie Packham (Rowe), Kathryn Shedden (McNeil)
Front Row: Caroline Faulkner (Smith), Maryanne Long, Jenni Lier (Combe), Marianne Pollock, Anna Bennett, Jan Munro (Constable), Sally Guthrie (Gray), Lisa Dainty

2000 Reunion  21 March 2015
Back Row: Bronwyn Simpson (Forrest), Katherine Broome, Caroline Mills, Meaghan Bruce, Lisa James, Lauren Trethowan, Anna Pitcher, Josie Dunn (Cole)
Front Row: Noni Runacres (Coles), Claire Annable, Amanda Derham, Joanne Vanselow, Natalie Scharley, Sophie Popkiss (Young), Georgina Sloan (Hughes), Natalie Meissner (McMenamin)
1959 Reunion

On Saturday 21 March, 29 “girls” gathered for lunch on a delightful autumn day at the home and garden of Elizabeth Comeadow in Glen Iris.

Whatever our different experiences held for us during our school days, we all seemed to have a special bond and exchanged so many memories; the talk and laughter that was shared was amazing. Some of us had not seen each other for nigh on 55-60 years, some flew from interstate to attend especially. What a decent, great group of women have emerged too!

It seemed that holding our gathering in an informal home environment was appreciated by everyone present. We have exchanged contact details and some of us found that others now live in close proximity and so plan to meet more regularly together. Quite a few of those unable to attend have sent updates and contact details.

Others have started visiting some who are not in good health currently.

Many wonderful contacts developed from renewing our friendships. We have a happy picture of the group to share.

Saturday 19 March 2016 has been set as the date for the next lunch.

London Reunion

UK-based Korovians enjoyed Friday night drinks in London in March. Sarah Stevenson (Allen ‘87) sent this photo of three very loyal Korovians who turn up to each UK event.

1991 Reunion

Despite distances including Sydney, Perth and Echuca, this group of 1991 Korovians usually get together once or twice a year. Earlier this year they enjoyed a very special dinner on the beach at Brighton Yacht Club.

North East Victoria/Riverina Reunion Date Change

The date for this year’s North East Victoria/Riverina Lunch has been changed to Wednesday 2 September (from Wednesday 13 May). The venue will still be the Yarrawonga and Border Golf Club. Invitations will be issued to Korovians with addresses in the region approximately six weeks beforehand.

Do you remember when …?

We would love to include School photographs of you and your classmates in displays at reunions.

If you have any photos from your time at School, please contact Sandra Turner, School Archivist, who can organise to have copies taken, or receive them if you would like to donate them to the School.

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Monday 13 July
Students commence
Tuesday 14 July
125 Year Celebration Concert
Wednesday 5 August
Open Morning
Wednesday 12 August
Reunion (Class of 1965)
Saturday 29 August
Spring Jazz Concert
Thursday 10 September
Reunion (Class of 2010)
Thursday 17 September
Term 3 ends
Friday 18 September

TERM 4
Staff Commence
Monday 5 October
Students Commence
Tuesday 6 October
Speech Night
Wednesday 14 October
Korovian Reunions –
1975, 1985, 1995 & 2005
Saturday 24 October
Art Walk Opening
Tuesday 17 November
Valedictory Dinner
Friday 20 November
Community Day
Wednesday 25 November
Term 4 Ends
Tuesday 8 December

“Through my work I explored the theme of the flâneur which is a French concept of people watching. Through research I discovered that to be a flâneur is to go on a journey and follow whatever captures your eye; to wander the streets without a destination in mind and to watch how people interact with the environment around them.”

Mikaela Brand discusses The flâneur 2014 selected for Top Arts 2015 at the NGV Federation Square