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## *From our Principal's Desk, .....*

Our first whole of College Exhibition night has come and gone. The air of excitement and admittedly some "tension", as presentations were practised and finalized, has been replaced with an accomplished and satisfied tiredness today. It seems a bit mean to say that I enjoyed watching both the students' pleasure, and discomfort, as they shared their learning from the various inquiry tasks throughout the College but I want the students to both enjoy learning and also be challenged. It is only by challenging students and taking them out of their comfort zone that they truly progress and become genuine learners.

Using Inquiry and Project Based Learning tasks is an ideal method for catering for students' differing interests, academic levels, integrating and connecting subject areas providing depth in learning, as well as developing the students' collaborative, innovative, problem solving, technological and communication skills. In a Project Based Learning Task the greatest learning takes place throughout the process, however the Exhibition process, sharing with familiar and unfamiliar people is essential for the communication element.

Thank you for supporting your children's learning, other children's learning and the evening in general. This will be an annual event and Project Based Learning Units will become a more common practice in our College.

**COMMENT FROM PARENT:-** I just wanted to congratulate you on the performance of all the kids at the cricket on Friday. They were extremely well behaved, were smiling all day and the sportsmanship that they displayed was awesome. They were all very gracious in both winning and losing. It is also lovely to see our school uniform standards being carried outside of school with pride. It's was a pleasure and honour to be involved with them. Well done.

## *Music News.....*

An exciting opportunity for some of our instrumental music students will be commencing in Term Four this year. We will be forming a stage band with the intention of performing at our presentation night in December. To help our students get used to the extra challenge with stage band music, and to help fill out the sound, we are inviting parents and past students who play the following instruments to come and join us.

- Trumpet
- Trombone
- Alto Saxophone
- Tenor Saxophone
- Baritone Saxophone
- Bass Guitar
- Rhythm guitar

Because we will have parents and past students who work, rehearsals will be on a Tuesday evening 5:30-6:30pm in the Chapel. They will commence on October 9.

Please contact the College office for a form to complete.

*Michael Rankin*



### Upcoming Events

#### 17 September

- WOCP Rehearsals All Day

#### 18 September

- WOCP Rehearsals All Day - Dress Rehearsal
- BSHS Transition Day 1

#### 19 September

- WOCP Rehearsals
- Biloela Interschool Netball Carnival and Rugby 7's

#### 20 September

- WOCP Rehearsals All day - 11:30 Show for Wahroonga
- WOCP Performance - Doors open at 6:00 pm, Dance & Dress Up Competition at 6:15 pm and Show begins at 7:00 pm



## Prayer Families

### Week 9

- Stevens, S & H
- Thornton
- Van Itallie
- Walker

### Week 10

- Wall
- Warmington
- Wass
- Webb

## Birthday Blessings

The College Community would like to wish the following students a happy and blessed birthday.

### September

- 21 Zaylee Wilkinson
- 23 Shanyce Lower
- 24 Xavier Wills
- 25 Ella Wall
- 27 Mason Neill-Ballantine
- 30 Caidence Appel

### October

- 5 Coen Heading
- 7 Craig James
- 8 Harmony Dudarko
- 9 Arianna Wills

## Brisbane Royal EKKA 2018 Richard Porter Youth Sponsorship Program - Abby Buhlmann

This term I was lucky enough to be nominated and chosen to participate in the Richard Porter Youth Sponsorship program. Myself and five other students across Australia and Tasmania made our way to Brisbane the week of the royal show all eagerly awaiting the time to come. Once all arriving we were put to work straight away. As the program was a part of the poultry section our first job was to sort and classify groups of eggs into their classes. Soon enough day turned to night and it was time to head home. The next day consisted of judging. All students were allocated to judge of which we would steward for and look after. I was lucky enough to steward along side a bantam softer feather judge who was eager to talk with me and show me some tips and tricks about fowls. Judging took up a large proportion of the day so there wasn't much time to spare with the exception of a couple rides. The last day involved the novice judging. Novice judging works a lot like junior judging in cattle work. You are given a class of fowls and you have the judge the birds. After you have decided on your placings you have to also give reasoning on your decisions. The rest of the day was given to us kids to explore the show and experience the entire Ekka, including the night show and the spectacular fireworks. I would like to thank Jane Cockerton, Kevin Smith and Ben and Cathy Newton along with all the other young fanciers for the great time as it was a pleasure to meet you all and I couldn't have asked for a better group to share this event with.



I have received a wonderful donation of beads and some beading materials. Thank you Gemma Van Itallie who de-stashed her lovely collection. Many of these beads are quite precious and will be used in Fabrics and Textiles next year, however, some beads are ideal to keep little hands busy and I thought to open my office door during Morning Tea to offer some beading sessions. I will have a clipboard at my door and students are allowed to put their names down for a session. They are not allowed to bead more than once a week unless there is a spot available. I will limit the size to 6 students per session. I will also invite some students that may encounter some social/emotional difficulty and this is a great way to monitor conversations, help with friendship development and to role play proper behaviour. If you would like to discuss the matter with me feel free to email me or give me a call. Unfortunately I sometimes have to use my Morning Teas for meetings but will clearly stipulate that in advance. Eureka Coetzee

## *From the Bursar.....*

### Term 4 Fees Advanced Notice

The fourth and final account for College Fees for 2018 will go out on Friday, 12 October 2018 with a due date of **Friday, 2 November 2018**. Families are reminded that the cost of Book Packs for students in Years 1-11 for 2019 will be added to this invoice. Laptops for senior students and Book Packs for Preparatory students will be invoiced in Term 1, 2019.

Please pay your Term 4 fees promptly using internet banking, credit card, Parent Lounge, cash or cheque. All families are reminded that they are required to have a nil account balance by 31 December 2018. Any overdue fees will be charged the \$55 administration fee.

### Uniform Shop

- Existing families are reminded to please visit the Uniform Shop during Term 4 to purchase uniforms for 2019. These include:-
  - Existing families who have students starting Prep next year.
  - Prep families are asked to buy uniforms for Year One for next year.
  - Year Six families are asked to buy Middle School uniforms for next year.
  - The Uniform Shop will be open on Orientation Day only for new families to the College. Existing families are requested to avoid the Uniform Shop on this day to alleviate some of the pressure for our volunteers on such a busy day.
- If you would like to be a Uniform Shop volunteer, please contact one of the lovely ladies now to offer your assistance. Volunteers include Christine Cochrane, Karen Bryen, Penny Clapham, Janette James, Tanya Jensen, Stephanie Kajewski, Jenny Muller, Terri Osborne and Cindy Wyatte.



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