

Glasshouse Country Christian College

'Growing in faith and knowledge'



Term 2, 29 April 2011

newsletter

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SCHOOL CALENDAR

May 2011

- Mon 2 Labour Day Holiday
- Tue 3 Prep Mothers' Night
- Wed 4 Secondary Parent Teacher Interviews
- Thur 5 Mothers' Day Stall
- Fri 6 8.30am Primary District Cross Country (St Michaels)
- Tue 10-Thur 12 Years 3, 5, 7, 9, NAPLAN testing
- Fri 13 Senior Careers Day
- Wed 18-Fri 20 Year 5 Camp
- Wed 25 8.30am GCCC Athletics Carnival 12yrs - Open Beerwah Sports Ground
- Thur 26 8.30am GCCC Athletics Carnival 9yrs-11yrs Beerwah Sports Ground

June 2011

- Fri 3 Maleny Show Day (public holiday)
- Fri 3 Sec. Reg. Cross Country (Buderim)
- Wed 8 8.30am Primary District Athletics GH Mountains
- Fri 17 8.30am Primary District Athletics GH Mountains

Uniform Shop

New and second-hand
Mon 8.00 - 9.00am
Wed 8.00 - 9.00am
Fri 8.00 - 9.00am
2.30 - 3.30pm

DATE CHANGES

Open Day will now be on Saturday 30 July NOT 16 July.

The Maleny Show Day (public holiday for our area) falls on Friday 3 June NOT Friday 27 June.

From the Principal



Welcome back to GCCC for another action packed term.

It was a busy end to last term with Year 10 on Work Experience, Year 7 going to Canberra and our Years 9 and 11 on camp.

By all accounts the trip and the camps were a rewarding, entertaining and thoroughly exhausting time away. On behalf of the whole GCCC community I would like to thank all of our staff members who took time away from their family and went on

camp. It is a blessing to work with such a dedicated teaching and assistance staff.

It is with much anticipation that the Year 5s are waiting for their camp, which will be here in only a few short weeks.

The Bus Fare Assistance Programme is a scheme that many of you will be aware of. For those families that spend more than \$30.00 on their weekly bus transport you may be eligible to claim a rebate of a proportion of the amount over that threshold. For more information about the scheme please go to the website www.schooltransport.com.au/bfap.htm

The rebate is received in a lump sum, which can make it difficult for a family trying to budget for travel expenses. To assist, the College has an arrangement for eligible families that the cost of the weekly rebate is paid by the College and given to parents. In turn, when parents receive their rebate they pay the College.

If you would like more information about this scheme please contact the Finance Department in the College Admin. The payment however is not automatic and applications need to be lodged online through the website above. These

applications are being accepted from May 1 until May 31 for Semester 1. They have made it very clear that no late applications will be considered.

Thank you to all those families who braved the elements and represented the College at the local ANZAC Day march and service. It was great to see the passion and enthusiasm on display, particularly from the younger students. One of the last assemblies we had last term in the primary school was our ANZAC service where classes made a wreath and said poems of tribute and honour. At the end of that service the two RSL representatives were



Year 7 Canberra Trip group photo



From the Principal (continued)

IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM THE COLLEGE REGISTRAR:

It's that time of the year again... Family Database Check forms have been mailed to all of our College families. Please ensure that they are checked, amended and returned EVEN IF THERE ARE NO CHANGES by 6 May.

Thank you
Odette Perkins

College fees due soon

Please remember that College fees are due by 13 May. Statements were mailed out during the recent holidays.

If you paid by direct deposit on 31/1/11, 25/2/11 or 1/4/11 and your statement doesn't reflect that payment, please contact Heather Hill in Administration.

LOST PROPERTY

- earring (stud) found in church
- blue water bottle
- green water bottle
- blue City Edge lunch box
- green shorts, towel in blue City Beach bag - from surfing
- white jogger (from Cross Country)
- middle school sports shirt
- a few formal hats (boys)
- Billabong rashie
- boy's shirt, shorts, towel in blue bag
- black sunglasses
- brown sunglasses
- set of head phones
- Spec savers glasses case found outside church on opening day
- small watch face (without band)
- two silver necklaces
- mobile phone from Yr 7 Camp
- blue sleeping bag (RD initials) Yr 7 Camp
- Toothbrushes and toothpaste Yr 7 Camp
- Holden blanket Yr 7 Camp
- Light blue water bottle Yr 7 Camp
- Packet of textas Yr 7 Camp

Please see Office or Student Window to collect.

in awe of the quality of the service and the behaviour of our students causing one of them to remark, "If this is the future of ANZAC Day then the future is looking brighter than what I could have ever hoped."

Finally, it is with great sadness that I would like to extend our deepest sympathies to the Neumann family on the passing of Lisa Neumann, mother of Bailey and Joshua and wife of Brett. Lisa had been battling cancer for many years now and during that time she was in our prayers and never far from our thoughts. She was farewelled in a beautiful celebration of her life at Glasshouse Country Baptist Church on Wednesday this week with many of Bailey and Josh's close friends from school in attendance.

Mike Curtis

Introducing Tim Siggs

Tim is our new groundskeeper and Mark Becker's partner in lime (sorry, bad garden joke).

Although Tim has a background in kitchen sales and design, his true love is the outdoors. Since the age of eight, Tim has enjoyed a passion for birds and he spends a lot of time videographing feathered friends for DVDs destined for markets in Japan, USA and the UK.

Tim also enjoys landscaping and is looking forward to giving GCCCs gardens a good makeover. Our very own Karen Siggs (Student Reception) is Tim's wife and together they have five children.



Introducing Kathryn Hopson, Library Technician

Firstly, thank you for making me feel so welcome on my first day. It was lovely to have the children introduce themselves to me and for me to meet them.

What a beautiful library you have and what a wonderful job Vanessa and Jane are doing, as well as all the wonderful volunteers I have been introduced to.

My back ground is 25 years in libraries – (I started very young)- working in such institutions as The University of Western Sydney, The Royal Blind Society and Westmead Hospital and Christian Schools in NSW. After moving to Bribie Island I worked as 2IC in Council Libraries both in Caboolture and Bribie. I have also worked as a Teacher Aide at Banksia Beach State School and Bribie High School.

The one thing I always get asked by people is, "What is a Library Technician"? I am always happy to tell people about my role in supporting your Teacher Librarian and the skills that I have to offer. So please feel free to pop over and meet with me. I am looking forward to working with you all and getting to know you.

Kathryn Hopson





Primary Anzac Assembly

A very moving Anzac Assembly, led by some of our Year 6 students and with other students from Years 3-6 also participating, was held just before the holidays.

I have to say personally that I felt honoured to have been a part of this special assembly and a sense of great pride as I listened to the incredible insight and "heart" which students displayed as they read poems and other short pieces of writing, many of which they had penned themselves, about war and its impact on individuals and our nation as a whole.

We were also blessed to have had Mrs Lauren Loft play the Last Post once again this year, as students and adults observed a minute's silence.

As Head of Primary, I was also impressed that teachers at this time of year were continuing to instill into our young people a sense of pride and sincere gratitude for the sacrifices which have been made over the years by so many who risked everything to maintain our Judeo-Christian heritage and keep our nation free.

I was humbled by the obvious respect shown by the students who attended and this was reflected in the words expressed by Mr Peter McDonald, one of the guests representing the local RSL Branch, when he closed the Anzac Assembly by saying that it was "unequivocally the most moving School Anzac Day Service he had attended over the years."

"LEST WE FORGET"

GCCC ANZAC Day March 2011

Thank you to all the students and families who attended this year's ANZAC Day march on Monday 25 April in Beerwah. It was raining slightly as we gathered together at the appointed place but it was heart warming to hear many of our parents commenting that rain wouldn't have stopped our Diggers, so why should it stop us from marching to honour them.

Even though it was the holidays and a long break, our College was still represented well by students and staff.

RESPECT, as you know, is the second of our College G-R-E-A-T values. Your attendance with your children at the ANZAC Day march reinforces this important core value more than you may know. It gives your children a sense of 'connectedness' to the College community and also to the wider community where they live.

At a guidance officers' conference I attended a few years ago, speakers presented research papers on adolescent delinquency - possible contributing factors and ways to prevent it happening to our children. It was interesting to hear that "connectedness to family, school and the local community, along with faith" were two significant deterrents to juvenile delinquency.

As a school, we really value your commitment to supporting the Beerwah ANZAC Day march to honour the men and women who have served our country so faithfully, but never underestimate how your support of this annual march is reinforcing that important value, RESPECT, and building good character in your children- not only for now but for the future.

Cheryl Bryers



Free Seminar on anti-bullying

Don't forget the upcoming anti-bullying seminars by well-respected psychologist Dr Michael Carr-Gregg. Registration is essential. Visit <http://education.qld.gov.au/studentservices/behaviour/workingtogether.html> or ring 07 3235 9072 to book.

This experience in 1992 has been forever etched in my heart although I know that the greeting I have described above was simply a cultural tradition and not necessarily a person's actual heart attitude towards God or an indication that they had a relationship with Him through faith. However, I am challenged more and more as the years go on by the apparent indifference we Australians who actually have a Judeo-Christian heritage, seem to have to the true significance of this special time of year and it causes me to ask myself, "Are we truly a Christian nation, or simply a nation with a veneer of Christian tradition?"

Cheryl Bryers



Market Day

During Term One, Year 2 students learnt about Goods and Services. Each child prepared and presented a talk about an occupation. We investigated what they did and whether the job provides goods or a service to the community.

So as a culminating activity, we dressed up in these roles and had a 'Market Day', with eight different activities to rotate through: postie's run, medical station, builders' tower, baker's cupcake decoration, fisherman's catch, fireman's challenge, GCCC Café and the plumber's pipeworks. Despite the rain's deluge, our spirits were not dampened! Our sincere thanks to the many parents, Mrs Bull (our Teacher Aide) and Cody (Year 10 work experience student) who so capably led small groups. It was such fun to learn this way!



Mrs Lin Smith and Mrs Sarah Leary

PREP ALERT! URGENT MESSAGE FOR PARENTS OF 2012 'PREPPIES' PREP ALERT!

Prep classes for 2012 are almost full and we want to ensure that no College siblings miss out. If your child is ready for Prep next year and you **have not been invited to attend an interview** with Mrs Cheryl Bryers, this could mean that your child's name was not included on the original Application for Enrolment form.

If this is the case please contact the Registrar, Odette Perkins, immediately.



For Louie with love



Year 6 students count out how much has been raised for Louie in Term 1.



Louie is a PNG student who GCCC has been supporting for many years by paying his tuition fees. This year Louie is in Year 12 and so far we have raised \$1,010.35 to help pay his fees.

Nicole Jen

Family Day Care

Hatchling House is a caring, in-home quality alternative to centre-based care. Phone 5432 3885 or visit www.hatchlinhousefdc.com.au or email mary@hatchlinghouse.com.au for more information

GoLingo and Go Isabelle!

Isabelle Westaway (Year 7) will very soon be seen on national TV on a new ABC game show for 11-12 year olds called GoLingo. Isabelle had to try out for the show online and was thrilled to find out she had been accepted.

Go Lingo is a high energy vocabulary game show using a combination of technology and physical games. Isabelle enjoyed the whole experience from the TV make up to jumping into a pit full of cubes where she had to spell out her name. The show also includes games focusing on indigenous Australia and Torres Strait Islander history, culture and language.

Isabelle's story featured in GC News in 13 April and the TV episode will screen late May or early June.



Years 7 – 12 of GCCC are excited to announce a new program that we are introducing to assist with managing student behaviour.

It is called:

THE RESPONSIBLE THINKING PROCESS (RTP)

Please read the following to give you an understanding of how this process works.

BACKGROUND:

At Glasshouse Country Christian College we believe that teachers have the right to teach uninterrupted and that students have the right to learn uninterrupted.

Staff were commissioned to investigate all possible options for a new behaviour management approach and on their recommendation we are starting to use the RTP in Term 2.

Edward E Ford founded RTP in 1991. It is based on a model of behaviour called "Perceptual Control Theory" which has, as a fundamental principle, the belief that we were designed to be self-controlling beings that are responsible for our actions and resulting consequences.

We aim to have disruption free classrooms and safe school grounds that foster an environment for learning responsibility, respect and relationship. Classroom & College rules are designed so that everyone can get what they want without disrupting the rights of others.

By allowing the students to do the work and compare themselves to the standard and draw conclusion as to whether they are meeting the standard or not, they decide what they want to do next, and impose upon themselves a solution to the behaviour identified (develop self-discipline).

Students must take ownership of their behaviour!

THE PROCESS:

RTP requires that if students choose to behave in a manner that disturbs the learning of others, they efficiently choose to withdraw themselves from the learning environment and opportunities that have been created for them.

The teachers will use a series of questions to get the student to learn to take responsibility for their actions. Opportunity is given for the student to reflect on their behaviour within the parameters of the classroom/College rules and make the choice to remain in the classroom or to proceed to the RTC.

Once a student has chosen to withdraw from a particular class they are required to negotiate a written plan to return to that class.

THE QUESTIONS:

If a student chooses to disturb the learning of other students or disrupts the teaching process, the teacher will ask the following questions:

- WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
- WHAT ARE THE RULES? IS THAT OK?
- WHAT HAPPENS WHEN YOU BREAK THE RULES?
- IS THAT WHAT YOU WANT TO HAPPEN?
- WHAT DO YOU WANT TO DO NOW?
- WHAT WILL HAPPEN IF YOU DISRUPT AGAIN?

Most students get back to work at this point.

NEXT STEPS:

If the student's response is to continue to be disruptive or avoid dealing with the teacher, the teacher will then ask:

- WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
- WHAT DID YOU SAY WOULD HAPPEN NEXT TIME YOU DISRUPTED?
- WHERE DO YOU HAVE TO GO NOW?

The student then goes to the Responsible Thinking Classroom (RTC) - (K1a). The RTC is not a place for punishment but a place where the student can think about their disruption and, with assistance, plan for a more successful future.

The referring teacher completes a referral card with details about what happened, which the student presents to the RTC teacher.



Doing Kokoda in Emu Gully

Year 11 students spent the last few days of Term 1 on an exhausting and challenging leadership course at Emu Gully (Helidon campus) where they were put through their paces in a series of arduous courses. These were built round an 'ANZAC' theme to bring out the best in the students' characters of perseverance, courage, mateship and sacrifice. Under the expert leadership of the staff at Emu Gully the students tackled the 'Western Front', the 'Seige of Tobruk', the 'Bridge over the River Kwai' and the 'Kokoda Trail'. The staff at Emu Gully put each exercise in the context of the actual experiences of the soldiers who had to endure the real thing, and the quality of character that was shown on the battlefields.

While they were glad to get back to their own beds, the memories, experiences and important lessons learnt will remain for a long time.

Rob Hill



THE PLAN:

When the student arrives at the RTC they begin a process of creating a detailed plan in order to demonstrate that they are ready to negotiate a return to the class which they disrupted.

This plan focuses on the consequences of their actions, its impact on the other students, the teacher and their own learning. It also sets out in detail how they are going to deal with the situation next time in a way that respects the teacher's right to teach and the other students' right to learn uninterrupted.

Thinking comes before behaviour! By assisting the student to 'think' about the choices that they are making they are able to make the connection between actions and consequences.

RE-ENTRY:

The student then takes the plan to the teacher outside class time and works through a process of negotiation to re-enter and obey the rules. This can only occur if the teacher and the RTC coordinator agree to the plan.

PATTERNS:

Statistics from other schools using the program demonstrate that 90-95% of students will attend the RTC less than 3 times, if at all.

For students who continue to disrupt after making a plan the teacher will ask:

- WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
- ARE YOU FOLLOWING YOUR PLAN? DO YOU NEED TO CHANGE YOUR PLAN?

If the student continues to disrupt they return to the RTC to revise their plan to be more successful.

The RTP team meets once a week to review the program. If patterns of repeated visits with particular students are noted by the RTC then an intervention team meeting is called.

INTERVENTION TEAM:

An intervention team consists of the RTC coordinator, pastoral care staff, subject teachers and parents. The purpose of the meeting is not to 'fix' the student, but to see in what ways the College and home can work together to help the student succeed behaviourally. The team also endeavours to discover what it may be that the student is trying to control through disrupting.

If, after the intervention team meetings, the student still chooses to behave in a way that is outside the boundaries of College expectations and rules, an enrolment review meeting may be called.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Students may be 'automatically' referred to the RTC if their behaviour is deemed to be 'grossly inappropriate'.

Students who fail to abide by the rules in the RTC will, by their behaviour, choose to be sent to the office and may be sent home. They will be expected to negotiate a return to the RTC.

The Responsible Thinking Process applies to all Middle and Senior School students and to all classrooms, subjects, areas and activities related to the College both inside and away from the College, eg. bus behaviour, tuckshop, carnivals, excursions, camps etc.

SUMMARY:

The RTP has been very successfully used for a number of years in Australia and in many other countries. It refers to a process to teach students to be responsible for their learning and actions.

A basis for its success is the Proverbs principle that "mere words cannot correct a man, although they understand, they will not respond". RTP gets away from the 'yell and tell' model and gets the students to take ownership for their own behaviours.

The College looks forward to a continuing and deepening partnership with parents as we together seek to help students learn important life skills of responsibility, respect and relationships.

(Special thanks to Nambour Christian College for allowing us to use their information and spend time with them in their RTC. Their support has been invaluable.)

Commencing in Term 2, 2011, we have appointed Mrs Jenny Moore to take on the role of supervising the Responsible Thinking Classroom. The Responsible Thinking Process will be explained to students during Assembly this week.

Sue Fraser



Rain Didn't Stop Junior Cross Country Runners

After a night of rain the Prep to Yr 3 Cross Country was run in very squishy conditions but this made for a memorable day of competition and fun. Students were fit and ready to race after 6 weeks of training during the Run Around Australia Challenge.



Water splashed all over runners and the brief showers kept them cool but everyone had a huge smile on their face as they ran through the finish line, proud of their efforts, to receive their finisher's card. The Prep and Year 1 competitors bolted around their 750m course showing how fast and tenacious they were. Year 2 and 3 students ran 1000m and there were some very close and exciting races between classmates.



House support was fantastic as students cheered so loudly the whole College could hear them!! The points score was very close with Ararat finally coming out on top but only by 11 points ahead of Zion in second and Sinai in third place.

Thanks go to the awesome number of parents and grandparents who braved the weather and enthusiastically encouraged the students.

Wendy Stott



Age	1st	2nd	3rd
Girls Prep	Zara Cody	Nicole Morris	Adelie Tomokino
Boys Prep	Wesley McDonald	Bryce Sambrook	Tyler Reeves
Girls Yr 1	Genevieve Kratzmann	Ella Childs	Jorja Goddard
Boys Yr 1	Daemon Cruise	Mason White	Lincoln McKenzie
Girls Yr 2	Amity Roser	Shelby Daunt	Tiahna Donai-Quinney
Boys Yr 2	Declan Martin	Casey McRostie	Cooper Ward
Girls Yr 3	Willow Hildreth	Emily Roach	Madeline Roulston
Boys Yr 3	Aiden McKellar	Julian Munyard	Ethan Sauer

Athletics Training Opportunity

The College Swimming and Athletics Program (CSAP) is a program designed to offer extra specialised training for students interested in improving their skills and fitness in swimming, cross country and athletics. Training resumes in Week 2 and is held every Tuesday and Thursday morning at 7.30am on the College Oval. The benefits of this training program have been clearly seen as students participating have improved their personal performances and have often become winners in their age groups and become GCCC representatives. Students from 9 yrs of age who are keen and willing to learn are encouraged to come along.





This is the table that should have gone into the previous newsletter.

Secondary Cross Country Results			
Age Group	Place	Student	Winning Team House and Runners
13yr Girls	1st	Laura Davis/Andrea Little	Tahlia Rosa-Denham, Jessica Illing, Jessica Jacobs, Ebony Neilson. Sinai
	2nd		
	3rd	Tahlia Rosa-Denham,	
13yr Boys	1st	James Beutel	Jaieden Andrews, Jayden Hills, Jesse Snelling, Jake Hoeksema. Sinai
	2nd	Jaiden Andrews	
	3rd	Jesse Snelling	
14yr Girls	1st	Abbey Bates	Abbey Bates, Emily Scott, Louise Munyard, Danielle McLure. Ararat
	2nd	Jayde Talbot/Emily Scott	
	3rd	-	
14yr Boys	1st	Isaac Cornell	Jamie Burton, Brayden De Lacy, Glen Morris, Oliver Sutton. Zion
	2nd	Brayden De Lacy	
	3rd	Glen Morris	
15yr Girls	1st	Spencer Cittolin	Spencer Cittolin, Jacqueline Newell, Emma Offord, Jamie-Lee Groer. Zion
	2nd	Jamie Coogan	
	3rd	Jacqueline Newell	
15yr Boys	1st	Nathan Siggs	Nathan Siggs, Jonah Bryant, Lachlan Thompson, Chris White. Zion
	2nd	Jayden Newell	
	3rd	Jonah Bryant	

Upcoming Sport Events

- WCC Regional Cheerleading - Saturday 21 May/ Sunday 22 May
- GCCC Athletics Carnival (12yrs to open) - Wednesday 25 May
- GCCC Athletics Carnival (9yrs to 11yrs) - Thursday 26 May

District Sport Trial Information

We encourage any student who is competent in the following sports to attend the trials. Please contact the PE department for more information.

Secondary Trial Day 3

- Soccer (15 yrs girls) - 17 May
- Soccer (15 yrs boys) - 17 May
- Basketball (15 yrs girls) - 17 May
- Basketball (15yrs boys) - 17 May
- Surfing (Open boys and girls) - TBA
- Rugby Union (15yrs boys) - 17 May

Girls Shine at Regional Softball

Natasha Hoeksema, Samara O'Donnell and Elizabeth Gregory were all selected in the Glasshouse District Softball teams and competed at Redcliffe against teams from all over the Sunshine Coast. The girls played really well and gained many new skills with the 12 yr girls team finishing 4th and the 11 yr team placing 3rd overall. This was a great improvement from last year. The girls played in a variety of positions and enjoyed getting to know girls from other schools.

District Sport Success

Congratulations to the following students who have been selected to represent the Glasshouse District in a variety of sports. These students were successful in trials and gained positions in the district teams from amongst many local students all keen to gain selection. Competition was fierce so we also congratulate those students who trialled but missed selection this year. We would encourage them to try again next year.

AFL: Sean Nalty-Leal, Joshua Einsporn

Rugby League: Tom Dwan, Amalee McClellan, Ryan Sauer

Touch Football: Amalee McClellan, Tom Dwan, Joshua Einsporn

Tennis: Jacqueline Roach

Netball: 11 yrs Hannah Johnson, Teagan Gisler, Tenaia Owens

Soccer: Girls: Jacqueline Roach,

Boys: Sean Dern-Williams, Cameron Shervey, Tim White

Vocational Education and Training (VET) News

Our big news is the wonderful way our Year 10 students participated in work experience before the holidays.

All the VET teachers, Mrs Fraser, Mr Evans, Mrs Woolston, Miss Devitt and Mrs Ferris spent the week out and about visiting the students.

All reports that came back were very positive and we are very proud of the students for their great work and spirit during the week.

Making this possible is a big job all round. I want to thank the students for their cooperation and terrific attitude which has made the whole exercise very enjoyable. Thanks also to parents for their help and support. Thanks to the VET teachers and Kim Sutton who all helped me and assisted the students.

Very special thanks to our wonderful employers and all at the workplaces where our students spent the week.

Work experience is a partnership between the College and the community and we are so very fortunate to have many workplaces who welcome our students and take care of them so well.

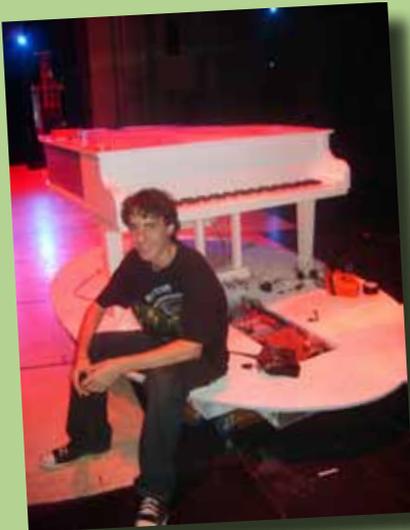
Thanks to the following organisations and businesses who have hosted our students this year:



Aeropower	Shani Forsyth
Redsell Air - Conditioning	Sue Redsell
Beerwah Computer Service	Ian Larard
White Electrical and Air	Paul White
Valhalla Studios - Lightmare	David Harding
Peter's Camera House	Edward Solien
Agri-Science Queensland DEEDI	Peter Lee
NHR Design Built Homes	Rex Gray
Bashi's Auto Electrics	Gezin Bashi
Elimbah Capers	Sharlene Van Rooy
Mad Hatters Tea and Gifts	Sue Healey
Rydges Oasis	Melanie Turnbull
Caloundra City Autos	John McAndrew
Portrait Patch	Steve Field
F.rock Fashion	Helen Sattler
Scott Damien's on the Lake	Scott Damien
Katrina's School of Beauty	Sarah Brady
Board Store	Rob Betaeu
Norman Richards Design and Interiors	Norman and Fiona Richards
Maleny Vet Surgery	Tom Duggan, Debbie Thorn
Empire Theatre	Kerry Saul/ Lewis Jones
Graeme Lean & Associates	Graeme Lean
Glasshouse Country Christian College	Cheryl Bryers
North Pine Motors	Brett Neumann
Landsborough Mechanical	David Gott
Mooloolah Valley Riding Centre	Atalanta Moreau
GCCC	Cheryl Bryers

CYC Burleigh	Andrew Grant
Woodgroup	Shannon Crowhurst
Red Building	Dean Parry
ENG Consulting	Sarah Brown
Caboolture State School	Bob Kennedy
Aussie Automotive	Scott Holman
Caboolture Hospital	Glenys Jenkins
Beerwah Cycles	Eric Smith
King Tobin Lawyers	Tracy King
The Big Mower	Greg Cassidy
Beerwah Magic Trees Early Learning	Dee Pitt
Beerwah Kindy	Michelle Kramer/Katie Piva
Glasshouse Country News	Greg Brown/Lea Parkes - editor
University of the Sunshine Coast	Ava Kerr
91.1 - Prime Radio	Annie Mackel
MPE	Paul Baericke
Beerwah Flowers and Gifts	Sue Neilen
ADK Electrical	Tony Kerr
Whisper Images	Kathy Hill
Lizards Early Learning Centre	Kathryn Schultz
Beerwah Vet	Cate Griffith
Suncoast Aero Engines	Sharon Page

More photos of our Work Experience Students



National Employment and Careers Expo

On Friday 13th May all the senior students (Years 10, 11 and 12) will be attending a careers expo at the Convention Centre in Brisbane because this year other expos closer to home will be held during the school holidays. Students will be travelling to Brisbane by bus leaving straight after form class and will be arriving back before 3pm. Details of this excursion will be sent home to parents in the next week. The expo is being held on both Friday 13 and Saturday 14 May with free admission so any interested students are also welcome to attend on the Saturday with their parents.

Joan Ferris

DATE CLAIMER!

The 'Hollywood' musical comes to GCCC! An adventurous group of secondary students and staff are well under way in their rehearsals for our upcoming production of 'Calamity Jane'. They have been working hard learning lines and songs ahead of the performance dates of July 22 and 23. In Term 2, assemblies across the College will be treated to a 'teaser' to showcase the wonderful work being done by the students involved.



On Saturday April 9, cast and crew will be involved in a film shoot at the Caboolture Historical Village. To see how all of this comes together with our musical, come along in July and see for yourself. Stay tuned for some exciting updates ahead!

P.S. If there are any College families out there who may have an old luggage trunk, vintage looking suitcase or doctor's bag lurking in their garage and would love to donate it for our props, I would love to hear from you.

Jo Winlaw

Pause and Ponder

Learning from the Past - Deuteronomy 2

The most important lessons we learn in life are those that we learn from experience. Experience is the best teacher and anyone who wants to gain wisdom should draw heavily from experience, not only personal experience, but the experiences of others. Even negative experiences can be profoundly instructive. Often you don't know the truthfulness of truth until you experience the opposite, not that we should ever seek such an experience. There are some things that you should not have to find out for yourself. We can benefit from the experiences of others and it is for this very reason that most of the Bible is made up, not of abstract teaching, but of real life experiences written down by those who experienced these things. These stories are there for the purpose of shaping our own experience of life. You can choose the life you want. The Bible is a kind of life-options menu. It shows us where our choices will lead us and leaves it to us to choose what sort of life we will live.

Taken from Thrive Feb-Apr 2011 by Dr Matthew Jacoby

For Sale - soft guitar cases

1/2, 3/4 and full size available

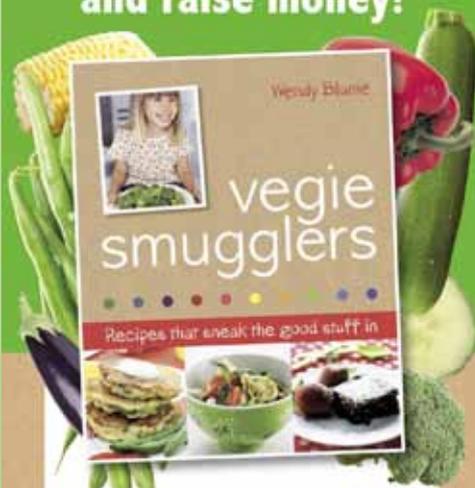
\$5.00

Purchase from the Music room.

Débutante Ball

The Glasshouse Country Débutante Ball committee would like to advise that there will be an information night on the 11 May 2011 at 7.00pm for any interested Year 11 girls. If you have any queries please phone Di (after 4pm) ph 5494 9858 Mob 0409 263 655 or Cynthia on 54930119 Mob 0417 998 757.

Inspire parents, promote healthy eating and raise money!



We are currently running a Veggie Smugglers Fundraiser for the Kitchen Garden Program.

The Veggie Smugglers Cookbook is a fantastic resource for parents; filled with ideas for sneaking in the healthy ingredients that the kids won't voluntarily eat.

There are over 60 tasty recipes that the whole family will enjoy.

The book sells for \$30 with \$10 of each sale being donated to the Kitchen Garden. A sample book is available to view at the Prep Classroom and order forms are available at the Office, Library or Prep Classroom.



This year the Mothers' Day Stall will be on one day only. That day is Thursday 5th May so please have your child bring \$5 or less to purchase a gift.

Dena Rogers

Past Student/Alumni News

Each fortnight we will try and bring you an update on a past student. Even though it has only been two years since our first graduating Year 12 class, there is no time like to present to begin the GCCC Alumni news section. This fortnight we feature Katherine Griffin.

My life since graduation in 2009 has been an ever-changing roller coaster of choices. From Year 12 I delved straight into the alien world of university, and started studying a double degree with Law at QUT. To put it lightly, me studying Law is like throwing an emu off a cliff and hoping it will fly – it's never going to happen. I made it through both semesters and came out the other end relatively unscathed thanks to my supportive parents, amazing friends and a wonderful God. Though I suspect I now possess a somewhat irrational dislike of law. It was with unsurmountable joy that I sold my law books at the beginning of the year and replaced them with ones pertaining to education. I'm now studying secondary education, specialising in English and Chemistry, and loving every minute of it (maybe enjoying playing with chemicals a little too much). I cannot wait for my first practical training next year and to eventually teach.



Excepting those times when I'm drowning in assignments and exam preparation, which is reflected by the state of my desk, everything is going smoothly. I'm working at Morayfield McDonalds and enjoying it immensely.

Everyone should come in and visit me! I'm currently on Easter break and enjoying some welcome relaxation. I came back from camping at Easterfest in Toowoomba. It was a brilliant weekend, even if it did end a little damper than expected!

All in all, I'm loving life and can't wait to see what the future holds.

**Katherine Griffin
Graduating Year 2009**

