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**NOVEMBER**

| Tue 3                                                               | Middle and Senior School Awards Night                                              |
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**COVER PHOTO**

Year 5 teachers Donna Andrews and Leath Ramsay with Olivia Ellis dressed as the theme, ‘Books light up my world’ for Book Week Parade. For more photos, click here.

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PRINCIPAL’S ADDRESS

Shine and Prep to 8 years athletic postponements

These two events had been planned for a long time so it was disappointing for everyone when they had to be postponed due to the bad weather. Many of us remember back to last year’s terrible storm which really put a dampener on Shine so we didn’t want a repeat of those circumstances.

The new date for Shine is Friday 11 September and the new date for the Prep to eight years old athletics carnival is Thursday 17 September. Both of these dates are also on the College calendar on the home page of our website and inside page of the newsletter. The P and F have put out a special request for volunteers to stay around after the athletics carnival to help hand out pies for the pie drive. If you can help it would be very much appreciated.

I hope you check these dates regularly as I sometimes hear people express disappointment that they have missed out on an event. There is no need for this to happen when the dates are so accessible. We don’t expect our families to read the whole newsletter – just the sections that interest them, but we do hope that everyone takes 30 seconds to scan the upcoming events on the calendar.

Book Week

This was such a big event that I’m sure you will read more about it later on in the newsletter. Book Week was more than one day of dressing up. Our Library team and teachers had a week of planned activities which highlighted the theme of ‘Books light up our world’ and it was a huge success.

This year for the first time ever, our secondary students joined the fun. On Tuesday a plethora of creative costumes and captivating characters flooded into the College. Secondary teachers also dressed up and stayed in character for most of the day which meant most of the staff avoided Amanda Gook in case she accosted them with her staff and commanded, “Off with their head”. The Queen of Hearts was ferocious!

For our primary students, the Book Week parade is the highlight of the week and I am constantly astounded at the detail, fun and creativity that goes into the costumes. I know that this represents many, many hours of hard work by parents and I’m sure your children appreciate your efforts on their behalf.

I am also thrilled by the attitude and efforts of our wonderful primary staff who fully embrace the day. Some year levels joined together to form themed characters like the Prep team who came dressed as the characters from a nursing home based on a Mem Fox book. Year 4 teachers came in matching pyjamas as Jessie from a book by Libby Gleeson and Year 2 teachers dressed as three blind mice. Year 5 teachers took the theme to heart and made costumes symbolising ‘Books light up my world’.

The photos are all on our Facebook page and you can also click on the following links to see the photo galleries on our website. Secondary Book Week Character Day. Primary Book Week Parade.

Volunteers’ Lunch

Last Friday our talented Hospitality Department hosted a beautiful lunch for Glasshouse Christian College volunteers. Our volunteers really are the backbone of the College and our students and staff benefit hugely from their gift of time and talent.

A few people said they didn’t know about the lunch in time. We did make a small change in how we invited people this year which may have resulted in the lower numbers on Friday. The invitations were uploaded to the website, included in the newsletter and printed and put beside the volunteers’ sign in book on 20 July.

If you do volunteer at the College and weren’t able to make it on Friday, we still have a small gift for you. Just ask at Main Admin next time you are signing in.

Julie Peters and the Hospitality students outdid themselves with the food which was delicious and plentiful. We all appreciated the hard work that went into creating such sumptuous meals. One of our volunteers was working too hard at preparing the food to eat the food. A big thank you to Lana Balazs for all her help on the day. If you would like to see photos of the event, please click here.
Volunteers please sign in at the Main Admin

I would like to take this opportunity to remind all of our hard working volunteers that it is very important for you to sign in at the Main Admin every time you are on College grounds helping out.

This is how we keep track of who is on campus at any given time, which is to comply with government legislation and good safety principles. It is also critical to have a register of all the people on campus should we have an emergency event requiring evacuation etc.

QCS

On Tuesday our Year 12 students began the day with a hearty breakfast, courtesy of Year 11 English Communication students, before embarking on two days of QCS. QCS stands for Queensland Core Skills and it is a common state-wide test designed for Year 12 students. Rather than test specific subjects, the QCS identifies a set of generic skills identified in the Queensland senior curriculum.

Over the two days of testing the students will complete four papers; a writing task, a short response test and two multiple choice questionnaires. The test was compulsory for all students eligible for an OP and optional for those not going for an OP.

New changes for Year 11 students in 2018

You are probably aware of the announced changes concerning senior schooling and university entrance scores due to the extensive media coverage it received last week. These changes will apply to our current Year 8 students when they enter Year 11. In brief, the changes are that the OP system will be replaced by a Tertiary Rank system. This will bring us in line with most of the other states and will mean that the rank received in Queensland will have standing right across the country. It will also mean that there will be no more QCS tests, but it could mean that each subject could have an external exam component to it. As yet the scheme is thin on details, but we will keep you fully informed of these changes.

New app for parents

Learning Potential is a new app to help parents be more involved in their child’s learning from Prep to Year 12. The app is put out by the Australian Government and is freely available on Google Play or from the App Store. You can tailor this app so you only received tips, advice and activities for your child’s age group. The App will be updated on a regular basis and looks to be a valuable tool for parents to enhance their involvement in their child’s education journey. Click on this website to learn more: http://www.learningpotential.gov.au/.

Mike Curtis, Principal

Now scheduled for Friday 11 September 5pm to 8pm

GCC’s Student Voice proudly presents...

THE NIGHT OF TALENT

Nomination Info

Open to all students of GCC
Nomination forms available from primary & secondary admin
Nominations close Wednesday 2nd September (forms need to be returned to secondary or primary admin with payment)
Cost: $5 per person (add $5 per person for groups performances)
Auditions start Monday 7th September
Please note, if your nomination is unsuccessful, you will be issued with a complimentary ticket to the finals night

The Night of Talent Info

Date: Thursday 15th October (term 4)
Venue: Glasshouse Country Baptist Church
Time: 6.30 – 8.30pm

(Available from primary and secondary admin)
BOOK PARADE 2015

Well, where do we go from here? This year’s Book Parade excelled once again and one has to wonder if following years could possibly “raise the bar” any further.

The standard of the dress ups and the “buy in” from nearly all of the primary students was amazing and a real credit to families, all staff including library staff, and the students themselves. I often say that children’s fondest memories of their school days is not what they learn, important as this may be. The things they remember all their lives are staff who have shaped their lives, their friends, excursions, camps and special events like the Book Week Parade. Learning and being equipped for life educationally is an absolute “given” but must always be balanced by times like these where children’s fun tanks are filled up. That’s what memories are made of!

I cannot express enough my gratitude to every member of staff who entered into the spirit of “Books Light up Our World” for the thought and care which went into their costumes for last Thursday’s Book Week Parade. I have taught in many schools during my teaching career but have never experienced the total “buy in” by staff and students which we have here at Glasshouse Christian College during Book Week.

This is such a team effort every year and the love of books and reading continues to increase as a result. How wonderful is that! More photos here.

5M Celebration - “A Party Like No Other”

Last Thursday, Mrs Ramsay’s class had a celebration for surpassing the goal the class had set to read 1200 books by 27 August. Many stories read by the students were tested with an online comprehension activity where they had to achieve 70% to be counted in the total. The class read a total of 1717 books by 27 August.

Congratulations 5M on an amazing achievement. I am so glad you enjoyed the book Laeni Rees from 3W wrote, “Tootie’s Trunk Trouble” which I was able to read to you on the day of the party. That made a total of 1718 books! Amazing!

PARENT/TEACHER MEETINGS AND STUDENT LED CONFERENCES

Information regarding bookings for these was emailed last Friday 28 August. Please make every effort to attend these important appointments as this demonstrates to your children that you support strong home/school connections and are very interested in their learning.

Cheryl Bryers, Head of Primary

LEGACY CUP TERM 4 - SPELLING BEE

The next Legacy Cup competition is a SPELLING BEE, which will give every student the opportunity to earn points for his/her House.

Each primary student will be given a list of words (at their own level of ability) which they will learn over the last week of Term 3, the September holidays (should they wish) and Week 1 and 2 of Term 4. These words will become their spelling programme during this time and children will concentrate on learning them and asking parents to help by revising the words during that time.

Their actual House spelling competition will be at the end of Week 2 in Term 4. Students will score house points depending on the percentage they spell correctly from their list.

Based on class results, each teacher will nominate one student from every house to participate in the combined Spelling Bee competition which will be held on Friday 23 October.

Years 5-6: 9:15am – 10:15 am
Years 3-4: 11:30 am – 12:30pm

The points for this House team Spelling Bee will be added to the individual class results to determine the 2015 Primary Spelling Bee Competition for Legacy Cup.

The competition is not just about the talented spellers winning for their house, but for every student, regardless of which list they are on, as each list is an important part of the Spelling Bee competition and the final result.

Nicole Jen, Coordinator for Legacy Cup
Vegetarian rice paper rolls were on the menu in Kitchen Garden this fortnight. The cooks chopped fresh lettuce, snow peas and mint from the garden then added crunchy grated carrot and hoisin sauce before trying their hands at rolling the sticky sheets of rice paper. Not all of the rolls looked perfect (some we even called ‘pillows’ because of their shape!) but they tasted delicious.

Rice paper rolls are easy to make, healthy and are great for the lunch box; layer them between a damp new Chux/towel to keep them fresh.

Lots of mulch has been spread in the garden beds to help retain moisture and to suppress the weeds. Many of our mulchers looked like scarecrows after they had finished!

Giant pumpkin seedlings have been planted into a garden bed. We have not grown these before but it is always fun to try new and interesting crops. Who knows, we may end up with a record breaking pumpkin!

Spring has arrived so it is time to think about spring/summer plantings. Corn, zucchini, squash, eggplant, shallots, lettuce, okra and tomatoes will all be planted in the next week.

More photos here.

Until next fortnight, happy gardening.

Mandy Ward, Kitchen Garden Convenor

PREP FATHERS’ NIGHT

Fathers’ Night at Prep was such a fabulous event we wanted to share some of the stories and pictures from the evening.

On the Tuesday night, the children invited their dad, or another special man in their life to their classroom for a whole lot of playing, dancing, singing and eating!

The evening started with games and activities in each classroom, where each Preppie was able to show their special visitor their room, have a chat to their teacher and use some of the equipment in their classroom. After this, the three classes joined together for a sumptuous supper in the new Outdoor Learning Area in front of the Year 1 rooms.

Fathers’ Night was a really great opportunity for dads to see what their children get up to throughout their day at Prep. The Dads enjoyed catching up with each other as well. Thank you to all who could attend. We had such a great time!

Heather Dodwell
Last week I spent two days and an evening with our Year 9 ladies on an overnight retreat. It was a great privilege to watch them work through what it means to be a young woman of character and strength. As we hopped off the bus at the end of the retreat, I also had the unexpected pleasure to be welcomed by the Year 9 gentlemen offering to unload the girls’ bags. It is encouraging to see our Year 9s grow into thoughtful, respectful young men and women. Photos.

At this point in the term, Middle School students are putting their knowledge to the test or representing their newly formed skills into projects and assignments. Please remember to encourage your child to communicate with their teachers if they are struggling or unsure.

Recently we celebrated Book Week. It was wonderful to see how many Middle Schoolers enjoyed getting into character of a favourite book. Books really do ‘light up our world’, which was this year’s Book Week theme. More photos here.

The Bible states that ‘the word is a lamp to our feet and a light to our paths,’ Psalm 119:105. This message was reiterated and echoed by a recent visiting band LZ7 from America last Friday and the Freestyle BMX stunt crew - JCEpidemic this week in Chapel time. Besides the photos below there are some awesome videos on our GCC Chaplaincy Facebook page. You can also see more photos here.

FRENCH SPEECH COMPETITION

At least 1600 people visited the University of the Sunshine Coast on Sunday from 40 schools, where seven different languages were being represented for the MLTAQ Sunshine Coast annual speech competition. GCC parents and teachers joined in the event to watch and wait while students showcased their prepared French speech and presentations and to enjoy this celebration of learning a second language. There was a buzz of excitement (and butterflies!) amongst contestants, teachers and parents alike.

Awesome results were achieved by our students on Sunday, with Mason White winning 1st place, followed by Ruby Smith 3rd and Teanna Newell and Cara Bales from Year 5 both achieving Highly Commended placements from Year 5. Jasper Tait delayed his birthday celebration to celebrate his exciting 3rd place win for Year 4. Madeleine Roulston celebrated her Highly Commended placement for Year 7.

The French teachers at GCC are very proud and thrilled at the dedication and commitment of all students who have over the last few weeks tirelessly prepared and practiced their speeches and presentations towards this big event. What an awesome result! More photos here.

Nadine Hammill

Family Update of Details

On the 20 August all families were emailed through a link from GCCC admin@spider.gccc.qld.edu.au. If you have not already done so please verify or update all students’ details by way of the link provided within the email.

This update does not work on mobile devices, please use your desktop computers. It is important that everyone edits and submits changes as soon as possible to ensure we have the most up to date details on our College database.
I hope you enjoy these photos of some of these recent ‘extras’ in the Middle School curriculum and that these will give you some points to probe your child about as you chat over your evening meals or taxi-drive them to various events.

As the term winds to an end, please help with ensuring uniform standards remain high. One area in particular are sports shoes; these must be full black leather. Any other coloured sports shoes are not to the uniform code. It has also been a few weeks now since our ‘hair check day’ and a few students are due for a trim once again. This cannot wait until holidays as there are too many weeks still remaining. Remember also the Assessment Calendars for each Year level can be found on the Connect site. If there are valid concerns that a deadline cannot be met, an Assessment Extension form needs to be downloaded off the Connect site and sent or handed to the relevant teacher, at least two days before the due date.

Jacqualina Vreeling, Head of Middle School

**TRIP TO EUROPE 2016**

Here is a reminder for the French Trip next year. Deposits due soon!

Ever wanted to see the sights and sounds of Paris and London? Well here is your chance! First deposit due 15 September 2015.

For more information email or see Mrs Gordon in M4, or email her on lee-anne.gordon@glasshouse.qld.edu.au

**CHAPPY CHATTER**

Go the Broncos! One thing that always starts discussion with students on the oval is my Broncos Member hat. Week in week out, I will get a fan of another club come up and tell me how their team is going to beat mine this week.

I’m sure that if you are someone who is even remotely interested in the sport of rugby league, you will know that I have been vindicated more often than not this year:

The great thing is that I can win (and occasionally lose) without ever having to put my comparatively weak body on the line. I share the victory because of what someone else has done on my behalf.

This is like what it means to be a Christian. Throughout my life I have lost repeatedly to sin; I simply cannot live the way God wants me to all the time. One day I know I will lose to death; I am yet to figure out a way to beat it. But Jesus won a victory of both of these things.

In His life and crucifixion He defeated sin, and when He rose again He showed that He was stronger than death itself. Colossians 2:15 tells us that Jesus “disarmed the powers and authorities, and made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross.” What looked like a man losing his life was actually a man winning the greatest of victories.

The best part about this victory over sin and death is that we too are able to share in it. Jesus invites us to join with him, to tie our fortunes to his. That way, though we too will die, just like Jesus did, we will also live again, just like Jesus did! Jesus has won the toughest game of all. Would you like be a part of it?

Chappy Dan Bassett
At the beginning of this year, six students from GCC were appointed as QUT Young Ambassador. Each term they have met with staff from QUT and are involved in a variety of workshops. The QUT Youth Ambassadors are from Year 10, Billie Sandes, Ella O’Keefe, Jesse Woods and from Year 11, Isabelle Westaway, Lachlan McCaig and Will Smerdon. Jesse Woods was asked to describe the latest workshop they did last Thursday.

On Thursday 27 August, six students from Year 10 and 11 attended their third QUT Youth Ambassadors workshop. The workshop is normally held at the QUT Caboolture campus and is an opportunity for secondary students to provide feedback to the university on how to engage with students and identify university access issues for young people. On this occasion a special workshop was held at the QUT Gardens Point campus in Brisbane providing us the opportunity to engage in Science and Engineering activities.

Upon arrival, we toured around the campus and visited various buildings. In this tour we were shown The Cube located in P block. The Cube is a huge interactive cube with different games and displays on each side.

Afterwards, we had the LittleBits challenge. During this challenge we designed electric circuits using LittleBits to perform various tasks, such as creating a nightlight or a flashing light. LittleBits are basically the Lego of the circuit world. We also learnt about the different types of engineering. Lastly, we went back out to The Cube and were given a chemistry quiz sheet. We used the mini-games on the Cube to find the answers. I enjoyed this workshop and, in particular, listening to a current engineering student talk about his university experience. It was also good talking to the other students from different schools. We are all looking forward to our fourth and final QUT workshop for this year in early November.

University @ Glasshouse

Starting next term, Students in Year 11 have the opportunity to complete a Diploma of Business by the end of Year 12. From the start of 2016, this will also be offered to our current Year 10 students.

The program will require about five hours per week of study. This can be done mostly on Wednesdays however those Year 11s doing it this year will need to do a two-hour class once a week on one afternoon from 3:30 - 5:30pm.

More information about this program was given out on Thursday evening however if you were unable to attend then please contact me for further information.

In 2016 we will be offering university subjects from the University of the Sunshine Coast (USC), the University of Southern Queensland (USQ) and Queensland University of Technology (QUT). To do these courses, students need to be achieving at a B average grade. Only those in Year 12, 2016 can apply to QUT.

Approximate costs to do these courses are:

- Diploma of Business: $3,500 for which Commonwealth assistance is available through the VET-FEE HELP program.
- University of the Sunshine Coast: $400 per subject (a saving of 50% on normal fees)
- University of Southern Queensland: Free for the first subject.
- Queensland University of Technology: Free for those who are accepted.

The USQ subjects are online and can be studied here at school. The USQ subjects are done through the Sippy Downs Campus and the Diploma of Business will be delivered to students at GCC.

For more information see the following websites:

- USQ Headstart: http://www.usq.edu.au/study/high-school-students/head-start
- QUT START: https://www.qut.edu.au/study/high-school-programs/start-qut

Rise and Shine Scholarship

Our College presents one scholarship for a student currently in Year 10 to do a USC Headstart subject in Semester 1, 2016. The course is fully paid for and the student also receives $100 towards text books and stationery. More information about this scholarship will be sent out to Year 10s soon.

Please don’t hesitate to contact me for further information about University @ Glasshouse.

David Heyworth, Head of Senior School

ONE THING I ask of the LORD, this is what I seek; that I may DWELL in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to GAZE upon the BEAUTY of the LORD and to SEEK Him in His temple.

Psalm 27:4
THE SCIENCE SPOT

On Thursday 20 August the Senior Science students organised various Science activities for the Prep to Year 6 classes. The Primary students were organised into groups of four to five students with each group rotating around six Science hands-on activities.

The six hands-on activities included: magnets; an optical word illusion; a cartesian diver; steady hand electric circuit; a lens and candle demonstration and an electrostatic flying orb. Each group had about three minutes at each of the activities so there was no time to waste.

All the Primary students participated enthusiastically with the various hands-on activities. The feedback from the Primary students was overwhelmingly positive.

I would like to personally thank Mrs Mitchell, Mr Hill, Mrs Horrigan and the Primary teachers for their excellent supervision and organisation of the Primary students. I would also like to thank our lab assistant Mrs Jenny Ritson for all her help and support with setting up these hands-on activities.

Finally, I would like to especially thank all of the 30 Senior Science students who helped out with Science Week this year.

Next year we are looking to make the session times longer and have a student question and answer session at the end. More photos here.

Fenton Doolan

Shine - It’s a wrap!

After an incredible and unforgettable time with our Year 11 girls, we were all a little bit sad that Shine has come to an end for the year. I can honestly say that as a teacher, it is moments like running Shine that makes me believe that I have the best job in the world! To have the support and backing from the College to run Shine is a huge blessing. We are so grateful.

During our final session on Friday and over a delicious ‘high tea’ the girls had an opportunity to share what they’d learnt throughout our time together this year. We had such a powerful time of sharing and encouragement.

Over the last few months, I have seen a group of 17 young ladies begin doing Shine as individuals and witnessed them finish Shine as an empowered company of young women who believe in themselves, who believe in each other and who believe in their extraordinary worth, value and purpose. What a privilege!

I wouldn’t be able to run a program like this if it weren’t for my mum, Kristina, and Ellen who cheerfully and devotedly meet with me once a week to plan, shop, prepare and pray about each session. It truly is a blessing to have them sowing seeds into our young women.

We are already looking forward to next year! More photos here.

Annaleise Bullock

Hospitality Volunteer Lunch

This was the last practical assessment for the Year 12 Hospitality Studies Students!

They all worked very hard for weeks trialling different menus. On the day they all showed a great team effort and produced a three course meal with drinks. The weather was perfect and the guests were served their meals by the Year 11 students. Lana Balazs was a wonderful asset in helping again with out functions. More photos here.

Julie Peters
FUTURE PATHWAYS

National Skills Week was held between the 24-30 August 2015 and was dedicated to raising the status of vocational education and training (VET), including Australian Apprenticeships. This year’s theme ‘Discover your incredible journey to a career’ brought into focus the skills need associated with Australia’s emerging areas of opportunity.


Guest Speakers at Glasshouse Christian College recently included Sebastian Marx, from the University of Queensland.

On the 27 August, Sebastian spoke of the new and innovative courses at the University of Queensland, Scholarships and Special Entry Schemes.

QTAC

Mr Nash is setting aside Wednesday 16 and Thursday 17 September to finalise QTAC Applications with Year 12 students and their parents. Students should contact the Future Pathways Office to make an appointment.

The closing date for QTAC Applications is 30 September 2015. After this date, a late fee of $134 will be incurred.

Those students applying through the Educational Assistance Scheme (EAS) need to have forwarded relevant documentation to QTAC by the 30 October 2015. Students wanting to apply interstate should go to the following website: http://www.qtac.edu.au/applications/apply-here/applying-interstate A hard copy of the UAC admissions guide is at the Future Pathways Office.

Students applying to NSW (through UAC) have access to the Schools Recommendation Schemes (SRS), as they do with particular institutions in Qld. Applications are now open at www.uac.edu.au/srs. The final closing date for SRS applications is Wednesday 30 September 2015. Email any queries about SRS to: - SRSSchools@uac.edu.au

On Thursday 3 September, Mrs Parker supervised three Year 10 students attending the Sunshine Coast Private Hospital Experience. These students had the opportunity to gain a broader understanding of the acute health care by their involvement in hands on workshops involving clinical scenarios, information sessions, touring the hospital and visiting a variety of areas and interacting with students and registered health professionals. The students really enjoyed the opportunity and experience.

Upcoming Events

Open Day – Australian Film Television and Radio School – Saturday 5 September 10:00am-3:00pm. Go to ahrs.edu.au/opendays for further information

Headstart 2016 Information Night 9 September 2015 6pm to 7pm. Venue: USC Sippy Downs, Building C, Lecture Theatre 7

Getting a Headstart helps to: Familiarise yourself with university; broaden your education and life experience; enhance your performance at school; gain credit towards your Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE); gain credit towards related USC degrees; get guaranteed entry into USC if you successfully complete two courses within the Headstart program. Your performance in the Headstart program will not affect your OP - this is still calculated based on your performance at school.

Hospital Traineeships – Caboolture Hospital – Students and parents information session: Education and Skills Centre, Caboolture Hospital is being held on Thursday 10 September; 6-8pm. Students must register with Kylie Boccuzzi: Ph 3883 7627, by Wednesday 9 September. The information night covers traineeships in: Health Services Assistant (Assistant in Nursing), Allied Health Assistance, Dental Assisting and Business Administration. There is a new Business Administration Traineeship in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Unit.

Hospitality Traineeships

Two exciting school based traineeships are being offered by Jake Nicholson, Executive Chef at Brisbane’s prestigious Blackbird Restaurant (located at the Riverside Centre Eagle Street, overlooking the Brisbane River and Story Bridge). Jake has cooked for everyone from Madonna to Robbie Williams, Katy Perry to Bono. He states the two greatest things about his job are working with his awesome team and mentoring young and upcoming chefs. If you think this could be for you, contact Mr Nash so you can apply (you will need a resume).

Additional school based traineeships available through Look Now Training includes: Nine different Certificate III in Hospitality opportunities within locally based businesses. Full details can be found on Connect under courses/students&families/Future pathways/Jobs, Apprenticeships and Traineeships.

Queensland University of Technology’s parallel program to USC’s Headstart is QUT START which is an opportunity to allow high-achieving Year 12 students to extend their studies in their final year of high school; to sample university life and to trial up to two different areas of interest before committing to further study; to access all of QUT’s facilities and enjoy campus life in the same way as current university students to receive credit for your studies, putting you ahead of your peers and setting you up for future success. Applications opened on 1 August and close on 31 October 2015. For further details email: startqut@qut.edu.au telephone: 3138 318.

Virtual Open Day – Central Queensland University, Noosa Campus. Online: Thursday, 10 September 2015, 10am - 6pm.

School to Work Transition Meeting Maroochydore State High School State High School will be held on Tuesday 8 September 2015.

There are two main areas, Transport-Logistics, and Health...
Support: 5:45pm-8:00pm. This is open to current Year 11 students and parents to attend also. Registrations can be made at: http://wired.ivvy.com/event/GOS1H7/

Defence Work Experience Program:
Defence Force Recruiting (Specialist Recruitment Team Women) and HMAS Cairns are very pleased to offer the first Women in Navy Technical Trades Residential Camp in North Queensland.

The camp will be held from 28 September to 2 October (second week of school holidays). The Women in Navy Technical Trades Camp will provide a hands-on and interactive experience for young women who are considering a career in Navy technical trades. Navy technical careers include Marine, Electronics and Aviation technicians. Interested students can learn more about these jobs at www.defencejobs.gov.au/navy/trades/

The camp is open to female students in Years 10, 11 and 12 aged between 16 – 18 years of age. Successful participants must have passes in Year 10 English, Maths and Science and applicants will need to provide proof as part of the application process. Applications close Monday, 7 September 2015.

Successful applicants will be sent detailed information about the Camp closer to the event and full details can be found on Connect under courses/future pathways/defence

Year 11 National Summer Art Scholarship
The scholarship is at the NGA Canberra from 9-16 January 2016. It is a unique opportunity for students entering Year 12 in 2016. It includes airfares, accommodation, meals and workshops. The scholarship week is an enriching learning experience and demonstrates for students the potential of career opportunities in the visual arts. Application Forms are available at the Future Pathways Office.

Antipodeans Gap Break
Antipodeans Abroad is running important Gap Break Application Days from Tuesday 22 to Thursday 24 September 2015. This is the final round of application days before end of year exams. If students wish to participate on a paid work or volunteer travel program in 2016, they need to select a time for a 25 minute application meeting on one of these days.

For more information go to: www.antipodeans.com.au/Programs/GapBreak

The College wishes to congratulate go to Samantha Ruhle who has finished her Hospitality Traineeship with Maroochydore RSL.

Paul Nash, Future Pathways Co-ordinator
The Secondary ‘Light’ Poster Competition was won by Amelia King and the ‘Whose book? Whose light?’- Guess the Teacher Competition was won by Holly Dodwell, Emma Johnson and Jayde Treloar. All prizes will be presented at Assembly before the end of term.

Thank you to everyone who participated in book Week Competitions and events and for sharing your creativity and imagination with us.

RIDDLE CHASE 2015 (Year 7 – 12)

Have you ever had to solve a riddle and find your way to different destinations with time ticking away? Book Week 2015 saw the return of the secondary school ‘Riddle Chase’ and greater involvement from our problem-solving students. Greeted by cryptic, sometimes ‘corny’ and quite creative clues our students solved each riddle/clue and made their way to the final destination. The chaser’s efforts were hastened by none other than the Queen of Hearts – who appeared in person on one of the Riddle Chase days.

Our ‘cluey’ winners with the most correct clues are:
• Middle School: Kirra Dodwell and Casey Woods
• Senior School: Shannon S, Shannon Barnard and Maddison Larfield

READERS’ CUP NEWS

The Year 9 Regional Readers’ Cup Competition was held at Immanuel Lutheran College during Book Week and was a great evening of intense competition. Our conscientious team competed well in what was a tough round of quiz questions about the 6 books that the students had studied for the event. Although unsuccessful in reaching the final, they finished in the top third of the ‘field’ and were delighted with their perfect score in the Visual Literacy/picture book round.

The Year 7 team are already eagerly preparing for their competition that’s coming up in early Term 4. This week they have been busy reading and building their team strategy for the first Year 7 Competition to be held at the Secondary Schools level. The Readers’ Cup competition provides a great opportunity for keen readers to collaborate and discuss as they prepare to compete against other students with a passion for reading, learning and teamwork.

See you in the Library.

Vanessa McKellar and Beryl Morris, Teacher Librarians
The Glasshouse Christian College Equestrian team competed at the Fraser Coast Interschool competition last week.

More than 70 schools attended this two day event which is hosted by Riverside Christian College and held at the Maryborough Equestrian Centre.

This is the first year that our College has attended and we had seven students representing the College. Lauren Brockhurst won Reserve Champion for grade 8 and Bronte Brannigan won Age Champion for grade three.

Thanks to Flash It Photography for these lovely photos.

Ann Brockhurst

P AND F NEWS

Hi Everyone,

Pie Drive

Thank you to everyone who placed orders for pies.

Orders have been finalised, and delivery will be Thursday 17 September. Pies can be collected between 2:30pm-3:15 pm outside the hospitality cold room which is behind the hospitality room.

If you can help with sorting pies and despatching between 12:30pm-3:15pm, please email P and F.

Primary Disco

As you would be aware, the primary disco had to be postponed. With the rescheduling of Shine and Prep - Year 2 athletics carnival, the last couple of weeks of this term has become a little busy.

The new date for the disco is 9 October. It is the first Friday in Term 4, so mark it on your calendar. More information to come closer to the date.

Prep-Year 2 athletics carnival

With the new date of Thursday 17 September, we are looking for help with the sausage sizzle. Please email P and F if you are available.

There will also be cup cakes and jelly cups for sale and a coffee van.

Funfest 2016

The year 2016 is knocking on our doorstep - scary but true. For those new families to our College who may not have heard about Funfest - it is our major fund raising held at our College with stalls, rides, displays, food, entertainment etc. We hold Funfest every two years and it is a great family day out and a terrific way to raise valuable funds for the P and F. A committee of wonderful College families is formed to create this memorable day for our children. The Funfest date is set for next year, Saturday 30 July.

If anyone is interested in being on the committee or just hearing more about Funfest 2016 then mark Friday 23 October on your calendar.

There will be an information session, held in the library from 8:30am-9:30 am. You are welcome to bring your young ones,
they can play on the mat, or read a book.

Any questions you may have prior to this session, you can email P and F and either myself or Leisa McKenzie will be happy to answer them for you.

Leisa has co organised the last few Funfests and has kindly offered to pass on any of her knowledge to anyone keen to be a part of this wonderful fun day. Leisa will also come along on the 23 October to share her wealth of Funfest information.

Please try and make the time to come along.

Our next P and F meeting is Tuesday 7 October, 7 pm in the library.

Lynelle Sim, pandf@ghlasshouse.qld.edu.au

COMMUNITY NEWS

For more information on this after school program please click here.
Can you help?

My name is Nicole Morrison and I am an Australian Zoo Keeper out at Africa. I am heading to Medan Indonesia in October to assist the Sumatran Orangutan Conservation Program (SOCP) at the Batu Medan Orangutan Sanctuary Centre.

SOCP is constantly trying to acquire the following items to make their orangutans lives as comfortable and stimulating as possible. This list includes:

- black cable ties
- pruning scissors
- sheets and towels (new)
- single bed sheets (new)
- pillow cases
- baby bottles (small ones - not large ones)
- new spices / bottle steriliser x 2 units
- shakers for Ubecko x 1
- training pouches
- bamboo saw
- enrichment devices eg. logs, puzzle boxes, footballs
- hats / shads for staff (new) x 13
- toothbrush / utility knives (zwiss army knives)

If you or you know someone who is able to acquire or willing to donate any of the purchase of these items please email Nicole Morrison via email: morrison.nicole.j@gmail.com.

Thank you for your support!

About The Sumatran Orangutan Conservation Program (SOCP)

The mission of SOCP is to conserve wild populations of the Critically Endangered Sumatran Orangutan through habitat protection, reintroduction of endangered primates to the wild, education, research and scientific research.

The Orangutan Centre cares for rehabilitated, endangered Sumatran Orangutans, mostly sections of the large male baboon and the illegal pet trade. More often than not, they arrive in poor health, some with severe injuries such as bullet holes, gun shot wounds and cuts and gashes from being led up too tight or rope.

After they receive expert care at the centre and they are deemed suitable for release they are either sent to the Borneo ‘Tigipax’ release site in the province of Jambi or to the Tesso Nilo Rehabilitation Centre in the province of Aceh.

Over 100 Sumatran Orangutans have been released back into the wild since the first release in 2003.

It costs approximately $150 per annum to care for 1 Sumatran Orangutan. Costs include staff salaries, orangutan survival costs, transportation costs, veterinary costs, orangutan medical costs, food, staff and equipment costs.

Visit the website at www.conservationsumatran.org for more information and learn more about the Sumatran Orangutan Program.

Sensory Movie Day - PIXELS

Inclusive Event for Families with Special Needs

Sunday at 11am on the 13 September at Birch Carroll & Coyle Maroochydore.

“Sensory Movie Day” was created for Families with Special Needs.

Children are free to try every seat, to flap or sit.

Lights up, sound down

Fire exit doors are monitored by volunteers

This movie experience is a positive, non-judgemental experience.

Siblings and extended family are welcome to attend.

Tickets are $8 each.

Companion I.D. Card Accepted.

Children 2 years and under are free.

Tickets on Sale NOW!! Come along and support our event. Organisers are in the foyer from 10.30am.