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**COVER PHOTO**
Primary Captains Olivia Ellis and Daemon Cruise presenting a donation to Bruce and Denise Morcombe.

**COLLEGE CALENDAR - FULL VERSION ON WEBSITE**

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**Volleyball state champions p17**
Normally I begin my article with the most recent news last but we have had too much excitement for that to happen this time.

Over the weekend our boys won the Junior Schools Cup State Championships in volleyball! Not bad for a little College in Beerwah against all the big Brisbane schools! Our girls came 7th which is excellent on a state level. You will find a more detailed report later on in this newsletter but this was too big of a win not to mention first up. Congratulations to all the students and thanks to Jarred Pienaar for giving up his weekend for this event.

Another huge win for GCC was our Primary Band who came second at the School Concert Band Spectacular at St Columban’s College. This is a very exciting win for our young musicians and there was much celebration when the bus arrived back at GCC Friday afternoon. Well done students and to Christine Walton our primary music teacher wonderfully assisted by Penny White. You can read more about this later on in the newsletter.

Last week we were privileged to have Bruce and Denise Morcombe speak to our Year 2 to Year 6 students. The Morcombes taught our students the “Three Rs” of staying safe: Recognise their own body signals; React by finding safety and Report the incident to a trusted adult. Students were also encouraged to sit down at dinner with their families and discuss what they learned and come up with a family ‘password’ which can be used in emergencies. I hope you had a good conversation with your child or children that night.

I would also like to thank the College P and F along with our Student Voice for the purchase and establishment of a new clock for the oval. This has been a project of the Student Voice (Middle and Senior Student Council) for some time now in response to concerns that sometimes the bells could not be heard on the oval. The P and F graciously contributed the money after the presentation by the Student Voice at the last P and F meeting. The clock is a practical and complementary addition to the oval landscape.

Speaking of changes to the landscape, you may also have noticed that our new entry signs are being erected after months of planning and getting them just right. In the same way that there has been unanimous agreement that the new signage of the College has been a very welcome and possibly overdue addition to our College, the new entry signs will give the College a more defined entry statement. The signs will also serve a practical purpose of better informing our parent and student community with an LED screen that can easily be refreshed from my office. At the moment it is very time consuming to erect messages on the old reader board and potentially dangerous. We are looking forward to these signs contributing to an entrance that the whole College community can be proud of.
Term 4 is a funny mix of activity-driven adrenaline combined with almost losing your mojo in the face of the hard end of year slog. At GCC we make it a point that every day is a learning day – right up until the last day of term. It can be difficult to keep on keeping on so here are a couple of tips to help the whole family stay motivated until the next holiday.

The first tip is one that Nike coined for us some time ago; “Just do it”. When you are stuck or don’t feel like doing a particular task, just start it and within ten seconds motivation kicks in and the job becomes easier. Your brain switches from, “I don’t want to do this” to “I am doing this and it isn’t that bad so I may as well finish it”.

The second tip is do the small jobs first. It can be overwhelming when there is a lot on your plate. Tackling the small assignments or homework first can make you feel empowered to do the big job in front of you.

The third tip is to keep your eyes on the prize. For you, the prize may be the feeling of relief that comes when a difficult job is conquered or being free to spend more time with your friends. Long term prizes may include the goal of making your post school career pathway more of a reality. Think of all the good things that come with conquering obstacles and persevering to the end and then go back to tip one – just do it!

In the biggest journey of all – life, the Bible has its own excellent tip: Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. For the joy set before him he endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. Consider him who endured such opposition from sinners, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart. Hebrews 12:1-12.

Mike Curtis, Principal

Term 4 Uniform Bookings

Due to the change in our College name and logo, all students need to be wearing uniforms with our new logo from Term 1 in 2017. This applies to every student from Prep to Year 12 and relates to formal shirts, sport shirts, hats and library bags. The only exception is the College backpack which must be changed by January 2018.

We are going to have a very high demand for uniforms, so we will open the Uniform Shop EVERY morning this term, 8:00am - 9:30am as well as Friday afternoons. We will also open the first two weeks of the December holidays.

All of these new opening times can be viewed on our booking calendar here and by entering the school event code: Q5SZR.

Stephanie McCredie, Uniform Shop Coordinator

PRIMARY NEWS

Term 4 has started already with a number of significant events and teachers have prepared all the important documents for Semester 2 reporting and the class lists, book and equipment lists etc for 2017.

The closing term of any year is so important for the smooth start and establishment of the following one.

Over the past weeks primary students have been involved in:

- Excursions
- 20/20 cricket matches
- A visit from Denise and Bruce Morcombe
- Primary band competition at St Columban’s College
- Australian Council of Educational Research online testing Year 1 - 6
- Learning songs and dances for the end of the year Christmas Concert
- Noosa Spring Dance Festival for Year 4 and Year 5/6 Dance Troupe
- P and F Disco
- Samsung Netball Competitions in Ipswich
- Network meetings with Kindergarten and Prep teachers in the area.

Uniforms

Recently I sent home an important email regarding uniform regulations and in particular shoes and hair regulations. It is important that all students comply with our uniform regulations at all times. This is a condition of enrolment at the College.

We have noticed some boys wearing their sports uniform shorts with their dress/formal uniform. Please ensure that the correct shorts are worn with each uniform.

Christmas Concerts

Preparations for our Christmas concerts for the last week of the year have begun and the list of costumes for Year 3 – 6 has already been sent to all families. Some T-shirts were due to be sent in by the end of Week 3 which is today. All other costumes are due by the end of Week 5. The email contained all the details for every class so please refer to it as you make preparations. Maybe even put it on the fridge as a reminder.

The P and F has kindly offered to organize the food stalls again this year and all GCC students will be given a small gift to light up their concert night. I’m sure you will all agree that the end of year concerts and award nights are a lovely family event.
Morcombe Foundation Visit

We were honoured to have Denise and Bruce Morcombe present their child safety session to all Year 2 – 6 students last week. Students heard a very strong message on keeping safe with the three KEY elements

1. RECOGNISE – the feelings of discomfort when our bodies tell us that something isn’t right (butterflies in the tummy or hairs standing up on the back of our neck etc).
2. REACT – Move away or if on the street to the other side of the road or maybe say something like NO to a person who is making us feel that way.
3. REPORT – to one of the five people who are in our safety net (family members and teachers etc. or maybe police if necessary).

The Morcombes are an inspiring couple and our captains were able to make a presentation of $796.65 in the form of an oversized cheque. These funds were raised by the Student Council and we thank you for your wonderful support by sending your children in red and donating a gold coin.

Assessment and Reporting

Over the next few weeks teachers will be delivering any curriculum content which still needs to be covered and doing assessment for the aspects which will be required for Semester 2 reporting. These next few weeks are a very important time for your children and it is essential that days absent are kept to a minimum. Children can demonstrate what they know much better in the context of normal class assessment rather than having to do these at a later date.

Primary Band

We congratulate the primary band members who attended a competition on 14 October at St Columban’s College and came SECOND against local and some Brisbane schools. Thank you to Mrs Walton and Mrs White and to the band members themselves (and their parents) for their commitment to before school practices and to developing their skills.

Mason White in Year 6 was given a special award (scholarship) for his outstanding musical ability. Congratulations Mason!

Dance Troupe

We are also delighted to announce that the Year 5/6 dance troupe came FIRST PLACE in the Noosa Spring Dance Festival recently. Year 4 dance troupe performed well also. It is wonderful to have dance troupe as an extra-curricular activity in Primary.

Cheryl Bryers, Head of Primary

MESSAGE FROM THE REGISTRAR

Withdrawal of students

The Registrar’s Office would like to remind all parents/caregivers about the terms and conditions concerning the withdrawal of students. If students are leaving at the end of a school term, parents/caregivers are required to give 90 days written notice to the Registrar by way of an email: registrar@glasshouse.qld.edu.au. Failure to do so will most likely result in financial penalties.

Important information regarding Waiting Pools and Sibling Entry for the future

With the ever growing population of our GCC community we are discovering changes in our enrolment intakes.

If you have siblings interested in enrolling at GCC please note the following:

Parents must complete and submit a separate Enrolment Application form to the College for each new sibling. This is the first step in the enrolment process and families are cautioned that whilst siblings are given priority enrolment consideration they cannot be guaranteed a place within the College.

With the extensive growth over the last few years we are seeing a trend whereby new families are submitting their applications much earlier. This creates waiting pools across many year levels including Prep. Please ensure you have enrolled siblings into the College to avoid disappointment in the future.

Prep 2018 and 2019 enrolments are now open. We ask our existing families to apply now. Prep interviews for 2018 will commence in Term 1 of 2017 and therefore submission of applications is strongly encouraged during this year.

Please contact the College Registrar as soon as possible regarding enrolments on 5439 0033 or registrar@glasshouse.qld.edu.au.

Sonya Bowden, Registrar
KITCHEN GARDEN NEWS

We are so excited to be back for Term 4!

We have already harvested a bumper crop of beetroot, lettuce, tomato and kohlrabi. Kohl rabi is a member of the brassica family and tastes like a cross between broccoli and potato. The children have loved trying kohlrabi for the first time by eating our kohlrabi fritters with beetroot dip.

This term we are learning about sugar; where it comes from, what it does to our bodies and how much is in the foods we eat. The children have set up an experiment to see what sugary drinks can do to our teeth. We placed egg shells in cups of water, orange juice and cola to see which ones will ‘rot’ our egg shell teeth. We know the children are very excited to see if their predictions are true or false.

Our gardeners have been busy planting sugar snap beans and rock melon seedlings. We have also stared to see some flowers appear on our pineapple plants. Photos and yummy recipes for kohlrabi fritters and beetroot dip here.

Prep’s Sound of Music

On the holidays a new and exciting thing happened in Prep; a music wall appeared on a wall beside our Prep playground!

A collection of recycled items have been used to give opportunity to bang and clang and whack and ting. You may now regularly hear sounds emanating from Prep in break times as we create happy music there. Thanks to Beerwah and Witta Recycle Markets for their generosity and musical Mr Ben Joy for working hard to attach all the bits (and testing it out).

DATE CLAIMER: “The Reason for the Season”

Reminder to all families from Year 3-6 to start organising your class Christmas items (as per letter sent home recently) and to bring them in to your class teacher:

Year 3W and 5G have t-shirts due end of Week 3.

Don’t forget to ‘SAVE THE DATE’ for the Christmas Concert

Week 9 – Tuesday, November 29 starting at 6:30pm

Preps Underwater World Adventure

I really liked holding a shark egg. The octopus was funny when it squiggled. I had fun.
- Azulie

My favourite thing about Underwater World was the tunnel. I liked it because it was so pretty.
- Amarli

My favourite thing about Underwater World was the Octonauts. They were my favourite thing because they were fun.
- Emma S

We went to Underwater World. We went to see the Seal show. We had lots of fun. We saw lots of fish.
- Oscar

I went to Underwater World. I saw rocks with fishes. I stamped my paper.
- Harry

We went to Underwater World. It was fun. I saw some fish. I loved it.
- Lucia

I went to Underwater World. It was fun when the seal pulled her pants down and pushed her in.
- Ariella

I went to Underwater World. We went on the bus. It was fun. My best bit was the Seal show and I touched a sea star. I had chicken and chips. I saw a sea jelly. We learned that a sea jelly has no brain and that they have no eyes. I saw a shark. We had fun.
- Chloe

My favourite thing about Underwater World was the baby turtle because it was cute.
- Sam C

The octopus was tipping water out of the tank. The octopus was cheeky. The octopus was trying to fit in to get in the octonaut toy.
- Jye

We went to Underwater World. It was fun. We saw a shark and we saw a fish and we saw a seal show and we had fish and chips. We saw an octopus and we saw a stingray.
- Mitchell H

My favourite thing about Underwater World was the seals. They do tricks.
- Emma D

I went to Sealife. It was fun. I saw jellyfish. We saw jellyfish upside down. I saw a seal. His name was Groucho. He was having a photo but the seal pushed the lady in the water… Then another seal came. Its name was Bella. It was pretending to be a shark. The lady came out of the water but she actually worked there.
- Zali

My favourite thing about Underwater World was the sharks because I like their teeth!
- Coen

I went to Underwater World and we saw a shark and my mummy came.
- Jade

For more photos of the adventure, click here.
Year 3 Girls Tunnel Ridge Camp

Our lovely Year 3 girls enjoyed a very successful camp this year! We had lots of fun taking part in many activities including horse riding, leather making, swimming, volleyball, canoeing, swinging from a rope into a large pool, exploring the environment and archery.

We enjoyed eating lots of delicious food and sharing cabins with friends. Mrs Brissett and Mrs O’Donnell were thankful for the support given by our terrific parent helpers and Chappy Dan. We left our two-day camp with increased confidence, having learned many new skills and with wonderful memories of our very first camp. Also thank you to Paul Britton for his great photos.

Wendy O’Donnell

CHAPPY CHATTER

This morning I followed my regular morning tradition - 5am, my alarm went off. That was overly optimistic! After resetting it for 5:30 I drift off back to sleep. The same thing happens at 5:30, 5:45 and finally 5:55. At 6am I bound out of bed, officially running late. We all have our traditions, which dictate what we do for birthdays, Christmas, weekends, or even in the mornings. Some of these traditions are helpful, while others can actually be quite harmful.

Jesus warned his opponents that the way they followed tradition actually got in the way of them following God (read Mark 7:1-13). What they dictated as ‘correct behaviour’ was based on human customs, and not on God’s expectations. We too, fall into this trap when we get angry at people from different cultures who don’t follow what we consider basic etiquette. For Christians, we often feel uncomfortable when people do not live up to a certain high standard that we set for ourselves. Saying grace before every meal is great, but is not a mark of godliness; abstaining from alcohol can be admirable, but does not increase one’s standing with God; Going to church every Easter and Christmas does not make you a better person than those who choose to spend this time with family. Ultimately for us all, it is not by sticking to human traditions that we can earn favour with God, Jesus himself is wonderful evidence of this, as he upset almost all the human traditions that the Jews had, yet still had the favour of God. Because of His death and resurrection, He has secured for those who trust in Him the favour of God. Now we can know that we have are right with God, not because of our adherence to rituals, but due to our friendship with his Son.

Chappy Dan Bassett

MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS

For a little known independent school hidden away on the Sunshine Coast hinterland, we can be very proud of some of our students who have recently made a name for themselves. Our congratulations go to our junior boys Queensland State Volleyball champions and to our junior girls who ranked 7th in this competition.

Congratulations also to Holly Lubcke who is the Under 15s XCO (mountain biking) state champion. Well done to these students and others who perform at top levels in their fields.

Awards Night is another opportunity to recognise many of our students; not only our academic achievers, but also those who have been recognised for diligence in their subjects and those who uphold our College values. There will also be artistic items presented throughout the evening, showcasing some of our College’s top talents.

Another highlight of the evening will be the photo stories representing each year level. Awards night attendance is compulsory for all Middle (and Senior) school students. It is held at the Caloundra Events Centre on Tuesday 8 November at 6.00pm.

Middle School Experience Morning was held last Friday morning for all students who will be in Year 7 next year. It was a great opportunity to meet our new families and for the students to gain some insight into Middle School at GCC. I encourage all families to please contact the College if there are any questions related to next year.

This TEDEx on Grit was shown and gives food for thought on what best helps students achieve well.

Class lists are generally adjusted in Middle School each year. This gives students a chance to get to know others in their cohort and an opportunity to continue to explore their friendship groups. If you have any requests, please email them to the Head of Middle School for consideration in the next few weeks.

ACER testing/NAPLAN

Over the last week, Middle School students will have undertaken three ‘in-house’ diagnostic ACER tests. These allow our school to evaluate our programs and assess the progress of each individual student and the cohort as a whole. They are important tools for our teachers to know
their impact on students academic growth. Our English Department in conjunction with the Secondary Librarian, Mrs Beryl Morris have been implementing a reading program and targeted reading strategies over the past two years. It has been great to see the significant improvement in comprehension results both through the Lexile Reading tests we use and also in the NAPLAN data.

There are so many great opportunities and programs offered to Glasshouse students on top of their school academic program. Some of the recent ones or those coming up soon are

**Deadly Australians** This was a highly informative (and entertaining) presentation given to Year 7 and 8 students on Australian wildlife that can be dangerous. Interactive information was given on how to identify them and what to expect. You will be pleased to know that no Middle School students were harmed by this presentation! See photos of this [here](#).

**Year 7 Survivor Day** is happening on Friday 21 October (by the time you are reading this it has probably happened). This outdoor experience day, besides being a huge amount of fun, has proves to be a significant day of learning in the area of teamwork and collaboration.

**Start Smart budgeting presentation** on Monday 24 October will hopefully guide our students in helpful strategies in the area of money management. Asking your child and discussing what they learnt from this program is a great way for the information to cement in their minds and will result in a greater chance of them remembering the lessons learnt!

**2017 Year 10 Work Experience Information Night** for Year 9 students was held last week. If you missed this important information evening, please contact Carol McKee our Future Pathways Leader at carol.mckee@glasshouse.qld.edu.au, for more information. Work Experience forms are due in November.

**QUT Explore Uni day** for Year 9s is on Wednesday 2 November. Students will travel to QUT (Caboolture Campus) during school time to gain some knowledge and insight on what universities have to offer and university life.

**Important Calendar Dates**

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Alternative activities week for all Middle School students. Loads of exciting learning opportunities offered in this week. Students will be given specific information in Week 7.

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**Jacqualina Vreeling, Head of Middle School**

**Year 9s Clowning Around in Term 3**

Last term the Year 9 Drama class had an opportunity to perform their student-devised clowning routines to the Primary students and staff. The students spent Term 3 studying the Conventions of Clowning, Foundational Elements of Drama and honing their skills of performance. There was plenty of smiles, laughs and audience participation as the Primary students were taken on a journey of learning, watching the clowns discover and play within the different worlds they created. For more wacky photos, [click here](#).
Last week the Year 11s travelled to Corbould Park to participate in the Rotary Young Drivers Awareness Program (RYDA). This is a fantastic program put on by a variety of volunteers and Emergency Services workers including Police and Paramedics. Joining the students was myself and Mrs Bullock. Our students were split into two groups and went through five different sessions that included hazard and risk awareness, driver stopping distances and a variety of other activities aimed at making our students more driver aware. This was a great day and I want to acknowledge all the volunteers and particularly Rotary for organising this event. I also want to congratulate our students who acted as wonderful ambassadors of the College. I received many compliments about how well behaved they were and the way they participated in all the activities. It was wonderful that the Sunshine Coast Mayor, Mark Jamieson was able to welcome the students and open the event.

Also last week, our Year 12s enjoyed a Rite of Passage evening held at Tunnel Ridge Ranch. This term is going so fast and it won’t be long until we farewell these students with the traditional clap-out. Please pray for our Year 12s as they spend this short period of time contemplating their futures and preparing their minds for the next chapter of their lives. I was pleased to see all the Year 12s get involved in the Service Day on Tuesday, focusing on helping people in the wider community. Photos here.

On Monday we had a student-free day which enabled teachers to meet at District Review Panels and review the Year 12 work. This is a very important day and staff have been working very hard to get their submissions ready for these panel meetings.

Our Year 10s will be participating in mock job interviews tomorrow. A number of business representatives have agreed to take our Year 10 students through a job interview process and this is a great learning activity that will help prepare our students for their future career paths.

Coming Up:

Next week (Thursday) is “Day for Daniel”. Typically this day is held on 28 October however due to sport commitments in the Middle School, Secondary will hold this day on Thursday 27 October. Students are invited to wear red T-shirts or red accessories with their normal uniform to support this day.

On Monday Week 5 our Legacy Cup competition for this term will be held. Typically this term we focus on academics having a Spelling Bee competition however this time we will change it up a bit holding a Boggle competition. This will be a lot of fun and get students enjoying creating some unusual words for their house.

Awards Night – Tuesday 8 November 6pm for a 6:30pm start.

Awards night is fast approaching. This is one of the few events that is compulsory for all students to attend. It is held at the Events Centre in Caloundra and we anticipate the evening program will be finished by about 9:30pm. Please contact the College if there is any problems getting your child to the event. We will then try and help make other arrangements to ensure they can come. Please do not think of this evening as just a celebration of “students being smart”. This is a celebration of 2016. We want to award those students who have worked diligently and those who have demonstrated our GREAT values as well. These awards have no bearing on achievement grades. We also want to celebrate the graduating Year 12s. Please join with us on this night if you can.

Exam Blocks

• Year 12s will have their final exams in Week 6/7 culminating with their formal and graduation assembly at the end of Week 7.
• Year 11s have their exams in Week 8.
• The final day for Year 10 and 11 is at the end of Week 8.

David Heyworth, Head of Senior School

Vice- Chancellor’s STEM Camp

Last September holidays, I had the privilege of attending the 2016 Vice-Chancellor’s STEM Camp. The camp invited 160 of Queensland’s brightest students to spend five days at the Gardens Point campus to work with leading QUT scientists in real-world research projects.
You are warmly invited to share in the culmination of the year that has been The DeLorean Project. The Year 10 students have spent the year learning about what it means to be innovative, collaborative and make a contribution to the world. Of course, success can be measured in a variety of ways: An end product, a new skill, the acquisition of knowledge or even a better understanding of the way you learn. All of the Year 10 students have been challenged to pursue something they are passionate about, in an innovative way, with a resultant outcome to benefit someone else, all the while, learning to constructively work with each other.

D-DAY is a celebration of all these things. Each group will have a presentation of what they have been working on all year and, as such, it is a compulsory event for all Year 10 students.

Where: GCC – L8
When: Thursday 17 November 2016
Time: 5:30pm – 7pm
RSVP: Monday 14 November 2016

Jesse Woods (Year 11 UQ Science Ambassador)
Our Primary Band achieved an outstanding SECOND PLACE in the Primary School Section at the annual Concert Band Spectacular held in Caboolture on Friday 14 October.

This competition continues to grow with more entries every year from local and Brisbane public and private schools. Our Primary Band can hold their heads high and congratulate themselves for all of their hard work and commitment especially for such a young band, with 20 of our 32 members only joining the band in Term 3.

Special mention also goes to Mason White on Trombone who received “Most Outstanding Performer” for the day from over 200 students. His prize was a full scholarship to a 5 day Band Camp in Brisbane in December (very proud mum).

Thank you as always to our parents and caregivers for encouraging their young musicians in the family, and to Mrs Walton and their respective instrumental tutors for their instruction and guidance.

I am extremely proud of each of the students – they are like the 31 extra children I never had, and I look forward to watching their musical journeys within the school and community for many years to come.

If you would like to come and share their success with us, we will be presenting the students with their competition certificates at Assembly of Week 5.

Mrs Penny White

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**Dramatic Drama Excursions**

The Year 12 Drama class are culminating their 12 years of learning within the arts with numerous real world experiences and establishing links with industry professionals.

During the first week back to school the Year 12s had the opportunity to learn special effects makeup techniques suitable for the stage in an incursion taught by professional makeup artists. The students participated in a hands on workshop where they learnt the techniques in create life like cuts and bruises. The whole class had a go and produced some very realistic results.

Last week (13 October) the Year 12 Drama class had the opportunity to attend an interactive workshop at Warner Brothers Movie World, run by actors from the park. Students participated in activities which were designed to provide them with the opportunity to develop the skills required to work within the film, TV and theatre industry. Photos [here](#).

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**ISQ - Investing in Child’s Education**

Please click [here](#) to read in full this letter from Independent Schools Queensland.
It's hard to believe that our Year 12 cohort only have four weeks left of school! I'm sure many parents and students are wondering where the years have gone. So what's next?

**QTAC and Year 12 Applicants**

On 16 December 2016 the Queensland Curriculum and Assessment Authority will post out results to OP eligible students. These results can be accessed from 9am on 17 December on Student Connect: [https://studentconnect.qcaa.qld.edu.au/](https://studentconnect.qcaa.qld.edu.au/)

OP ineligible students who apply to QTAC can find their rank in their application from 28 December 2016. QTAC preferences can be changed up until 9:59am on 9 January 2017.

Students who have applied for consideration through the Educational Access Scheme (EAS) must have any requested documents submitted by 8 December – please note these documents cannot be emailed in, they must be posted or handed in to the QTAC Brisbane office in person.

If you feel you have had some extenuating circumstances that have impacted your final two years of school, but have not applied for consideration under EAS, please call into the Future Pathways Office to have a confidential chat.

Most courses that our students have applied for have their major offer round on 16 January 2016. Courses are considered on merit with highest achieving students being offered a place until the course is at capacity. Course cut-off guides published in QTAC and online are an estimate only based on last year's actual cut-off and may go up or down.

Most students have applied for a 'back up' course in their QTAC application so they have already considered the possibility of cut-offs changing or not getting the OP or Rank they hoped for. Students who do better than expected may also want to take the opportunity to look at other courses with higher cut-offs before the 9 January deadline.

**Responding to your offer**

Once you receive an offer, you can accept, reject or defer your offer.

**How to respond to your offer**

1. Log in to your Application Services account.
2. Under My Application, select 'View or Edit'.
3. Under Offers, select 'View Offer Details'.
4. Select the 'Respond to Offer' link.
5. Select one of the following options (only the options available to you will appear).

- **Accept offer**
  You can now enrol by selecting the institution’s enrolment button. If no button appears, your institution will contact you directly with enrolment details.

- **Defer offer**
  Your institution will now contact you directly with deferment details.

- **Reject offer**
  No further action is required.

- **Conditionally accept offer**
  If you already have higher preferences listed, then you are automatically considered for those courses in the next offer round. If you need to change your preferences, you can do so by selecting the ‘change your preferences’ link.

- **Conditionally defer offer**
  If you already have higher preferences listed, then you are automatically considered for those courses in the next offer round.

- **Conditionally reject offer**
  If you already have higher preferences listed, then you are automatically considered for those courses in the next offer round.

Respond by the date specified. If you do not respond you lose your right to that offer and may not be considered for any other courses.

**What if I need a break?**

Deferment lets you delay starting your course.

There are a number of reasons you may want to do this:
- Travel
- Volunteering
- Saving money to pay for a course
- Helping out a friend or family member
- Taking advantage of job opportunities
- Not getting into the course you want

Usually, you can defer for up to a year, but some institutions let you defer for longer. Others do not allow deferment.
In most cases, you can defer when you respond to your QTAC offer. The institution contacts you to advise what to do next.

Still not sure what to do next year?

**Fee-free training for Year 12 graduates**

Year 12 graduates have been able to access fee-free training in high priority areas from January 2014.

To be eligible for fee-free training, Year 12 graduates need to commence training in a high priority qualification with a pre-approved training provider within the calendar year following their completion of Year 12.

Fee-free training applies to [high priority qualifications](PDF, 50KB).

**Participant eligibility**

To be eligible to access fee-free training, individuals must:

- have completed Year 12 in Queensland and hold a Senior Statement issued by the Queensland Curriculum and Assessment Authority or equivalent certification
- enrol and start training with an approved training provider by the end of the calendar year following your completion of Year 12
- be a Queensland resident.

**More information**

The student fact sheet (PDF, 324KB or DOCX, 428KB) provides more information on fee-free training for Year 12 graduates.

For further advice call into the Future Pathways Office.

**Ergon Energy apprenticeship vacancies for Year 12 school leavers.**

Ergon Energy have released their annual recruitment drive for apprenticeships commencing in February 2017. Applications opened Friday 07/10 and will close Monday 24/10.


NB: Ergon Energy have noted a variety of trade types and locations on offer:

Any students requiring assistance with their resume, cover letter or application forms, please call into the Future Pathways Office.

*Carol McKee, Future Pathways Coordinator*

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**LIBRARY NEWS**

**Library Hours**

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**Homework Club:**

| Every Thursday (Year 7-12)    | From 3.00pm – 4.00pm |

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**End of Year Book and Mac Returns (Prep – Year 12)**

Please note the following dates for end of year book and Mac returns. Ensuring items are returned efficiently helps us prepare resources and texts for the commencement of the new year. More details will be sent closer to the dates listed below.

Prep – Year 6: Items due back Friday 18 November

Years 7-9: Items due back end of November Dates TBC

Years 10 & 11: Items due back Friday 25 November

Year 12: Items due back Tuesday 15 November

**Are you a member of the Sunshine Coast Libraries?**

The Sunshine Coast Council’s free library service is available at eight branches, two mobile libraries and online. Membership is free and provides access to a wide range of the latest books, music and much more. Check out the amazing range of eLibrary links below and access them with a membership card on your computer, eBook reader, tablet or mobile phone.

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To become a member visit a branch and provide your details or join online and then visit a branch to show identification prior to borrowing items. Please note children under 16 will need a parent or guardian to register as a member. Members can borrow up to 30 items at a time, offering the perfect opportunity to read widely and never be without a book.

**Robotics Challenge (Prep – Year 10)**

Stockland’s Robotics Challenge is running until November 4 and calls on school children across Australia from 5 to 15 years to submit a creative idea on how robotics technology...
could improve their life. To enter, students must either submit an idea in 50 words or less, or upload a video or drawing, or Scratch item, addressing the question, How could Chip help you, your family, school or community? Chip, a humanoid robot and the only one of its kind in the Southern Hemisphere will be showcased at the Sunshine Coast’s Stockland Young Innovators Day on 10 December. Check out this link for the entry form for more details and play a game with Chip at www.stockland.com.au/chip.

The Major Prize includes attending the Young Innovators Day on 10 December, with free travel, accommodation and meals for two. Minor Prizes include $3,000 worth of supplementary prizes consisting of 2 x Apple Ipad Mini 4s valued at $600 each, and 9 x Little Bits Base Kits valued at $200 each.

MS Readathon (Prep – Year 12)

Special thanks to everyone who took part in the 2016 MS Readathon. Thank you for encouraging students to make a difference in the lives of others. Nationally students raised an amazing $192,892.02 for people living with multiple sclerosis. As a College we were able to raise $380 towards this. A fantastic effort to promote reading and raise funds for such a worthwhile cause!

Australian Zoo Wildlife Warriors Readathon (P-12)

Is your child looking for another way to read for a cause? Students are encouraged to participate in the Wildlife Warriors Readathon that runs from 15 October – 17 November. All funds raised directly support the Wildlife Warriors conservation projects in Australia and around the world. Students are encouraged to collect sponsors for their reading efforts, who can choose to donate either per book, per page or by per minutes read. The more books they read, the more precious wildlife we can save!

Follow the steps below to get involved:

• Register your child to participate in this event
• Go through the prize list together to motivate them and begin setting goals
• Talk to them about their reading goals - do they want read 10 minutes per day? Read 10 pages every day? Or read 10 books by 15 November?
• Help your child find sponsors amongst your family and friends! Sponsors can pay directly online via your child’s Everyday Hero page.
• If you would prefer for your child to register and fundraise offline please contact the Wildlife Warriors team on (07) 5436 2026 or info@wildlifewarriors.org.au

For more information please head to the Wildlife Warriors website: https://wildlifewarriors.org.au/get-involved/readathon/

Readers’ Cup News (Year 7)

Six books, 163 chapters and 1630 pages were perused, dissected, discussed and enjoyed as part of this year’s preparation for the Year 7 Readers’ Cup. The Regional Competition held on October 20 at Immanuel Lutheran College was a highly contested event. Our team of four eager participants, Alex, Lara, Caitlin and one other student combined their efforts, enthusiasm and love of reading to become a formidable team on the night alongside teams from 18 schools across the Sunshine Coast Region. Congratulations to the team for their great teamwork, collaboration and enthusiasm leading into the competition and on the night.

Wheelers eBooks (Year 7-12)

A large range of eBooks in ePub and PDF format are now available for loan to Secondary students and can be read on any device. Books can be read via your browser or as a PDF using an Adobe Digital Editions software (See HelpDesk link)

Our College’s eBook platform is located at the following link: https://glasshouse.wheelers.co/ are encouraged to collect sponsors for their reading efforts, who can choose to donate either per book, per page or by per minutes read.

Mrs Morris is available during class, Homework Club and at breaks to give eBook demonstrations and show some of the special text features to support reading. Students can email her with queries and to arrange a ‘help’ session.

The eBook platform is accessible 24/7 and will be available for students to use over the coming summer holidays. Loans are automatically ‘returned’ at the end of the loan period or sooner if the student has finished with the item and wishes to borrow other items. Our range of eBooks is extensive and more titles will continue to be added in the future.

See you in the library.

Vanessa McKellar and Beryl Morris, Teacher Librarians
SPORTS NEWS

Endless Energy from Netball Teams

If you wanted to see tenacity you need look no further than our GCC netball teams at the Samsung Primary Schools Cup. These students played 10 games of netball over Saturday and Sunday last weekend in Ipswich.

Two teams were selected last term and they have been training during lunchtimes and after school. Mrs Weatherburn has done a great job coaching both teams who were very excited about the weekend’s competition.

The competition was huge with 110 teams from all over Queensland playing in 20 round robin pools. After day one, teams were ranked into six divisions for the second day of games. This was fantastic for our teams as they could then play opposition more similar in ability to us.

Both teams won one game on day one, with the A team winning their first game against Good Shepard Primary School and the B team winning their last game. The B team had improved with each game played and in the last game of day one, they were all on fire. The ball was passed quickly down court and goals were scored resulting in a very exciting win for the team.

The A team put some great passing combinations together and had some very close games in their 4th division pool. They made a fantastic comeback against Mansfield SS after being down 3 – 5 at halftime. Lilli-Jean Cruise was put into shooter position who shot 6 goals in a row to take GCC to a 10 – 7 win. They finished the carnival with three wins and finished second in their Division 4 pool.

The B team kept up their determination in every game even when legs were aching and bodies were asking for rest in the hot Ipswich conditions. They were in Division 5 on the second day and finished the competition with one win but they have gained a great deal of experience and had a lot of fun.

It was fantastic to have four boys playing in the teams and they showed great athleticism when making some fantastic intercepts throughout the games. Olivia Ellis was unable to play the final games of the carnival as she badly sprained her ankle and had a visit to hospital. She did return to the courts and faithfully cheered her team on for the rest of the days play.

The parents were fantastic in supporting all the players in every game and GCC showed great sportsmanship in every game. The competition was won by Matthew Flinders College by just one point. Photos.

Wendy Stott

A Boys’ Touch Football Champions

The A Boys’ Touch Football team were very excited after winning the Interschool Sport Touch final against St Michael’s making them the Glasshouse District Touch Champions.

Year 5 and 6 students spent the last two Fridays of term playing touch football against other Glasshouse District schools. Teams played up to six games each week so they certainly worked hard. There was great improvement seen from all four teams and they were all very competitive in their divisions.

The A Boys’ teams were only beaten once in round games in a very close competition between St Michael’s and GCC. The boys increased their discipline in defence and some clever running by Beau and Daemon led to many tries along with the speed of wing players Mason and James. Mr Rogers was proud of the improvement the boys showed and winning the final 5 – 3 against St Michael’s was a highlight for us all.

The A Girls’ team also played great Touch and improved over the competition which saw them beat Elimbah SS on the second day 2 – 1, after having been beaten by them 3 – 0 the previous week. GCC were beaten into second place by Elimbah by only one point after all the pool play games and played 3 vs 4 in the final. The girls showed their class and beat Beerwah 6 – 0 to finish in third place having six wins and only three losses throughout the competition.

The B teams needed to call on all their physical reserves as they played five games each week. The B draws contained teams with a wide range of ability. The B boys had five wins and five losses with several very close games in round play and finished in 6th place overall, being beaten by Mooloolah in their final.

The B girls’ team improved dramatically during the carnival and went from four losses and one win in the first week to one win and two draws against quality opposition. They played Peachester in their final and lost 1 – 2 after a very close game finishing 6th. Most of the B team players were new to touch football so we were all proud of how they played. Both teams gave it everything they had and some young talent certainly emerged from students who played touch for the first time.

Wendy Stott
MILO T20 BLAST – Schools Cup

In mid-October, nine students from Year 5 were selected to represent the College in the Milo T20 Big Blast.

This form of cricket is a modified version of the game that requires all of the players to bat and bowl during each innings. It is also played on a modified field that has restrictions to the fielding positions and allows for bonus points to be scored.

The length of the pitch is also slightly shorter and bowlers are limited in the length of their run-up. The squad had only a couple of weeks training to hone their batting, bowling and fielding skills for the day of the competition.

Much credit must be given to Mrs Stott for her coaching efforts during the lunch breaks to make this possible. This was only a short preparation but all the students were keen to participate and give their best.

During the tournament our boys had to play four games against other schools in the region.

They started off impressively with a win against one of the teams from St Michael’s College. In the other games the results went the other way and we finished with one win from four matches played.

As a team, the boys performed impressively as a unit with their fielding skills by taking difficult catches, knocking down the stumps with accurate throwing and showing great commitment to dive and use their bodies to save runs.

Some batting and bowling lapses cost us in the end but those skills are something that the students are keen to work upon for next year’s competition.

Mark Bowman

Students Excel in Sport

Laura Coumi has showed her fitness when she ran against a large field of primary students and beat everyone. Laura won the primary girls’ 5km race at the North Lakes Fun Run and was presented with her medal last week. She finished in just over 26 minutes which is a great time for a 10 year old girl. Laura who loves running, has been training at home with her family and is looking forward to running in more fun run events.

Declan Martin competed in the Gold Coast Challenge 12 year old Football Championship during the holidays with his Caloundra Football Club team. Teams came from all around the South East Queensland area including strong teams from Brisbane City. Declan’s team played fantastic football and defeated Brisbane strikers to win the whole competition. This team has been together for several seasons and are very talented players. They look forward to competing again in similar competitions.

Noah Australian Champion for a third time!

Noah Smerdon outclassed the opposition at the Australian Junior Moto Cross Championships to gain his third Australian title in three years.

The event was held in Renmark, South Australia and more than 400 of the top under 16 year riders from all over Australia gathered to compete. Both Noah and Adam competed in two divisions of 60 – 75 riders so were really busy riding several motos each day of the competition. The boys have been working so hard all year training every day on their track at home as well additional fitness training. This training certainly paid off as the boys improved with each ride in the difficult conditions at Renmark.

Noah dominated his 65cc class winning every heat convincingly so went into the finals as hot favourite to win. Noah rode fantastically in the finals clearly winning all three of his finals. He gained maximum points by starting fast to avoid crashes and riding smart in the tricky track conditions.

Noah rides as part of the KTM Australia Junior Motocross team and is the youngest and only Queensland rider in the team. There are only five junior riders in Australia selected in the KTM Team so he is very proud to ride for this team. The KTM team sponsors provide an allocation for Noah’s bike, race gear, graphics kits, helmets, oils, tyres and parts budget so it a very big help to Noah’s family.

During the last few days of competition the severe storm and power blackouts hit South Australia which delayed
competition as the track was flooded. The wind was ferocious and it was very cold at about 7 degrees but it felt much colder due to the wind. Queenslanders certainly were not used to this kind of weather or conditions! Water needed to be pumped off the track before competition could resume.

Adam Smerdon had some great rides during the qualifying rounds on his 85cc and 125cc bikes and qualified comfortably for the finals. Unfortunately he got quite sick before the finals and this greatly affected his riding ability. To his credit, he completed the finals but finished further back in the field than he wanted due to his illness.

Noah also raced in the 85cc 10 – 11 years class and was also a contender for a medal in this class after the heats. He was sitting in 4th place and needed a great ride in the final race of the finals series to put him amongst the medals. Unfortunately he was involved in a crash so had to work his way back through the field. He finished 5th in that race placing him 4th overall in the 85cc class. This was still a great result as he was one of the younger riders in this class.

What an adventure the Smerdon family had during this competition. It was certainly a whole family effort as keeping four bikes running perfectly, let alone clean, was no mean feat. Kerry and his support crew did a great job there. Ros of course supplied endless food, encouragement, and the biggest challenge of all, dry clean clothes amid atrocious weather conditions. KTM and its associated sponsors are a great support to Noah and he would like to acknowledge and thank them all. They are KTM Australia, Motorex Australia, Troy Lee Designs, Dunlop Tyres, Lusty Industries, Kustom MX as well as Pro Motorcycles Sunshine Coast, MXRP, CFX Seats, and Ford Dale. Adam is also sponsored by Pro Motorcycles Sunshine Coast, MXRP, CFX Seats and Ford Dale.

We are very proud to have a three time National Champion at our College and wish Noah and Adam and the Smerdon Team much success in the coming years as they follow their Motocross dreams.

**Volleyball State Championships**

Over the weekend we had two Year 8 teams go away to participate in the Junior Schools Cup State Volleyball Championships. Both our girls’ and boys’ team were nominated for the division two competition.

Our girls started off their competition strongly by going undefeated in their pool A match facing stiff competition from All Hallows, Redlands College and Cleveland State High School. This placed them into the quarter finals where they had a close but tough three set match against Ferny Grove State High. Unfortunately the girls lost but came back later in the day to beat All Hallows to secure 7th out of 16 teams.

Our boys topped their pool in a three-way fight for 1st place. Ferny Grove State High, Kings College and Glasshouse had four wins and one loss each. Due to the boys’ performance in previous games we had the best for and against scores and were given 1st place in Pool B. This placed us straight into the semifinals where we would face the winner between Kings College or Redeemer Lutheran College. Kings beat Redeemer which bought us a rematch that Kings sorely wanted to win. The boys played and won a tough and very close three setter against Kings and Glasshouse was in their very first state grand final!

Ferny Grove State High were our eventual grand final opponents after they won their rep-charge against Sheldon College and semi final against Cleveland State High. Ferny Grove beat us in a close three set tussle during the pool stages, so our boys were eager to exact revenge for the loss. The Year 8 boys played some of the best volleyball I have ever seen to win the grand final two sets to nil.

The boys and girls teams have worked hard all year, each having played in three separate volleyball competitions. The girls have made two finals and come runners up twice and 7th at state championships. The boys have made three finals and won three championships! More photos here.

*Jarred Pienaar*
SCISSA Soccer Update

For the second week in a row our three SCISSA soccer teams continued their successful Term 4 campaign by winning all three games.

The GCC Junior Boys’ team put in a dominant display vs Pacific Lutheran College. The final scores were GCC 5 – PLC 0. Goal Scorers were Declan Martin 3, Jacob Barbeler 1 and Ryan Kossen 1. Player of the match was Declan Martin.

The GCC Junior Girls won their game Vs Sunshine Coast Grammar. GCC 2 – SCGS 1. Goal scorers were Kirra-Leigh Crouch 1 and Georgia Breen 1. Player of the match was Georgia Breen.

The Intermediate Boys looked to be the better team in their game vs Pacific Lutheran however wasted their opportunities in front of goal early. In a very exciting finish, the game was tied up, 3-3 with 30 seconds to go before a late GCC goal from a corner kick allowed GCC to walk away with the win. Goal scorers were Ronan Martin 2, Dylan Myers 1 and Christian Jensen 1. Player of the match was Dylan Myers.

Wednesday 19 October was the only round where all three teams play at home at Beegees Soccer Fields. Say tuned for a score update!

Holly Lubcke’s Mackay takeover

Over the school holiday’s Holly Lubcke travelled to Mackay for the State Cross County Mountain Bike titles. After a very successful campaign throughout south east Queensland this year Holly continued the run of success and added the Queensland Under 15 Women’s Title to her already impressive list of big wins. Conducted under the Olympic format for cross country mountain bike racing the track was a challenge in itself and just surviving the course would yield a good result. Steep rock gardens and big drops were scattered all the way through the rainforest across the mountain top section and they tested even the Elite Men. The lower section was open and fast with big flowing berms and roll overs, all hand built.

Holly will now take a short break before she starts to get ready for a couple of Enduro events that she has been invited to attend later in the month, one near Toowoomba and then the following weekend on the Gold Coast.

The results Holly has achieved so far have been remarkable and she has now been recognised as a future prospect. Her improvement over the year and a half we have been going has been astonishing, driven by her desire to improve she gives 100% at every training session and happily looks for other opportunities to get on the bike. This effort has seen her go from absolute beginner early 2015 to now a genuine member of Queensland’s Elite women mountain bikers.

Her sportsmanship has risen to a new level, determined and a fierce competitor on the track she is also the first to congratulate the others after. Her obvious success has also inspired a group of young Glasshouse girls to take up the sport. She has embraced this and her support and the help she gives them seems to drive them along as well.

• First ride November 2014.
• 2015 TREX 20km Junior Girls - 1st
• 2015 Chicks in the Sticks Junior - 1st
• 2015 Beswick Bayview Blast Marathon Mixed Pairs - 2nd
• 2015 Flight Centre Epic, Mini Epic - 1st
• 2015 Hairy Mary 3 hour - 1st Under 19.
• 2016 Hidden Vale 24 hour. Team of 4 - 11th outright.
• 2016 TREX 20km 1st Outright - U19 1st
• 2016 Sunshine Series: 3rd outright, attended 3 of 6 events: Adare - 2nd, Samford - 1st, Hinze Dam - 1st.
• 2016 Beswick Bayview Blast, Saturday 25km U 19 Junior Blast - 1st. Sunday 50k Half Marathon Under 19 Women - 1st.
• 2016 Chicks in the Sticks 3 hour. Australia’s biggest female only mountain bike race - 1st in class, 4th outright.
• 2016 State Titles Mackay Qld - 1st

The list so far makes for quite a read, but if her progress continues at the same speed and her current desire and effort can be maintained the big results are still to come.

• 2017 eight race National Series January, February, March.
• Australian Cross Country championship March 2017.

Craig (Holly’s Coach)
The Intermediate Boys’ Grand Final was fantastic spectacle between our 9/10 Boys and Matthew Flinders Anglican College. GCC scored the first try and looked the better team early, however Matthew Flinders came back and ended up winning the game.

Congratulations to our boys on a fantastic effort. They have beaten every team in the competition except Matthew Flinders this term and I am sure they will be keen to knock them off next year.

P AND F NEWS

Hello GCC Community.

Can you believe it is October already? End of term and Christmas will be upon us in no time at all.

Whilst everyone enjoyed a break from the school routine over the holidays, the P and F Association has been very busy with lots of projects going on.

We are very excited to announce that the P and F Association, in conjunction with the College management, has recently acquired a coffee trailer. This trailer will be used by secondary students (and the P and F Association), specifically the Hospitality Department, for assessments and events. Students will not only be able to practice their barista skills, but also gain that important real world experience in customer service and financial transactions. We are very excited to be working with the Hospitality Department in setting up the coffee trailer ready for service in the near future!

Last Friday 14 October the P and F Association hosted the final primary disco for 2016. As usual the kids appeared to have a great time rocking out to tunes provided by DJ Kingy. Thanks so much to all who were able to lend a hand on the night. It was so greatly appreciated! We look forward to seeing primary students at the discos next year; dates to be confirmed.

The Beerwah Spring Fair is on Saturday 5 November, hosted by the Beerwah CWA. The P and F Association is lucky enough to be holding a Chocolate Toss stall on the day which is guaranteed to be lots of fun! If anyone is interested in helping out at the stall (students or parents) please let us know. The more the merrier!

The P and F Association will also be holding a stall at the GCC Christmas Concerts on Monday 28 and Tuesday 29 November 2016. We will be selling glow products and snacks. We are hoping to recruit some wonderful secondary students to help man the stall on the night. Not only would this be good experience for the secondary students but the primary students (and their families) will just love seeing the familiar faces. If you or your secondary child would like to help out please contact us.

As always should you have any questions, queries or matters to be brought up at a meeting, please feel free to contact me.

The next P and F meeting is on Tuesday 1 November 2016 at 7pm in the College library. This will be our final meeting for 2016. All welcome!

Until next time, take care and God bless.

Kate Adam, President pandf@glasshouse.qld.edu.au
**Good clowns and fun times**

There have been some horrible stories about clowns behaving badly recently so we thought we would fill this page of happy clowns and the joy they should be bringing to children. If you have a Primary child that has been troubled, remind them of the funny shows our Year 9 Drama students put on for them at the end of last term.