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COLLEGE CALENDAR - FULL VERSION ON [WEBSITE](#)

JUNE	
Thur 8-Tu 13	Year 11 and 12 Exam Block
Wed 14-Sun 18	Arts Tour to Melbourne and Hobart
Fri 16	Primary French Exp (until 12pm)
Fri 16	Last Day Term 2
Term 3 (10 weeks)	
JULY	
Mon 3-Fri 7	Pupil free week for staff training
Tue 11	P and F Meeting 7pm
Mon 10	First day of school
Thu 13	Primary Athletics Carnival
Fri 14	Secondary Athletics Carnival
Mon 17-Fri 21	Year 9 Camp
Fri 21	Grandparents' Day
AUGUST	
Tue 1	P and F Meeting 7 pm
Mon 7-Tue 8	Primary Buranga Camp
Mon 14-Fri 18	Year 7 Canberra Camp
Mon 14-Wed 16	Year 5 Camp at Currimundi
Wed 16	This is a school day (Ekka holiday is only for Brisbane)
Mon 21-Fri 25	Book Week
Thur 24	Primary Book Parade
Tue 29	Prep Fathers' Night
Thur 31	Fathers' Day Stall
SEPTEMBER	
Fri 1	Shine on the Arts
Tue 5	P and F Meeting 7pm



P5 Night of Talent



P6 Language Perfect results



P11 Stem Program



COVER PHOTO

Lize Kasselmann rushes balloons to where they are most needed as the 2017 Open Day gets into full swing.



P12 Agriculture Science achievements



P18 Sports Wrap Up



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PRINCIPAL'S ADDRESS



Open Day

This year's Open Day looked to be in dire straits with weather predictions of doom and gloom but sunshine prevailed and the weather was close to perfect. We hoped for the best but planned for the worst and it was a good exercise to prepare for wet weather just in case.

We are continually tweaking Open Day to improve the event for our visitors, current families, students and staff and each year is a little better than the one before.

I heard one person say that this year was more like a Shine on the Arts event than a school Open Day. We had more student performances than ever before and it was truly exciting to see quality talent and where the arts is heading at GCC.

One of the benefits of the wet weather preparations was that I actually saw the Dance performances this year and although I missed a lot of the musical items, I was able to catch up with them on Facebook.

I'd like to thank all of our parents who brought their students to Glasshouse Christian College on a Saturday so they could volunteer, perform and take part in this important event. I really appreciate your support.

Our P and F did a fabulous job and used the opportunity to raise a fantastic profit from their barbecue.

Beerwah Woolworths were good enough to donate more than 100 apples for us to put in our gift bags for new visitors. The apples were to show the College's encouragement for healthy eating and were greatly appreciated.

Photos of the day are on our [website](#).

Agritech Day

This was a huge event springing from an 'Engaging Queenslanders in Science' grant awarded to our Agricultural Science students. The students presented their studies and experience in drone technology to farmers, scientists and researchers.

Ag students took guests on a farm tour and then our Hospitality students treated them to a three course lunch featuring farm produce. Photos [here](#).

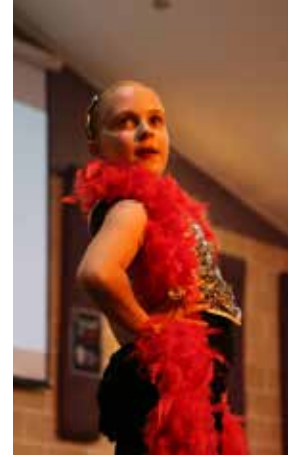


Breakthru

Congratulations to our Senior Dance team who made it into the finals of the Breakthru Music and Dance Competition run by the Sunshine Plaza. They did an awesome job and the finals are on this Saturday 10 June. If you can turn up to support them during their performance at 1:30pm, I'm sure they will appreciate it.

The Night of Talent!

Our Student Voice did a fantastic job running the third annual Night of Talent last Thursday. This night was 'by the students for the students' and a huge success with more than 150 guests. Congratulations to the winners and runners up who are: Lila Demerutis, Madeline Bell, Corey Bullard, Mitchell Tidy, Clancy Warner, Liam Hallink, Lincoln McKenzie and Lexi Brannigan. For more details on the night and all the photos, click [here](#).



Maleny Show



Congratulations to our Kitchen Garden, Hospitality and Agricultural Science students who all did well in the recent Maleny Show. Our Agricultural Science students gave presentations, volunteered and won two Grand Champion Ribbons in the Produce Section. They also won Grand Champion Plymouth Rock Rooster and came first and second for Plymouth Rock pullets.

The Agricultural Science students worked with Head of Hospitality Julie Peters to make cheese and one a first for their ricotta and second for their feta cheese.

Our Kitchen Garden students also excelled in the show, winning awards for ricotta, hummus, sticky date slice, salted butter and chocolate sauce. All the details and photos are in Mandy's Kitchen Garden article [here](#).

New newsletter format

We are aware you are very busy people and we are constantly looking for ways to communicate effectively in a way that suits your lifestyle.

Now that so much is happening in the College, the EAGLE has grown to a 20-page magazine that is a lot to wade through. Even though you have the choice to take short cuts, people are looking at the 20 pages of articles and understandably putting it in the too hard basket.

From next term we are trialling a new method of keeping you up to date with the news and events at College. We are sending out a weekly email with a photo and link to the most recent articles. You will be able to see all the articles at a glance and just click on the ones you are interested in.

This should not only save you time but delivers the news to you while it is still current.

Happy Holidays

The mid-year holidays are now just a week away and I hope you enjoy a little bit of down time enjoying the crisp Queensland winter. Although students have three weeks off school, the staff will be back on Monday 3 July for a week of professional development.

Mike Curtis, Principal

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 prior to withdrawal date to the Registrar by way of an email: registrar@glasshouse.qld.edu.au. Failure to do so may result in financial penalties.

Students get excited!
The last day of term will be a lot of fun!
"GCC French Expo"
Everything French will be celebrated -
food, fashion, art, dance, music, film, sport,
stories, competitions, craft, activities,
and more.....

P AND F NEWS

Hello College Families,

Term 2 is almost finished and I am sure you are all looking forward to the holidays.



The P and F organised the barbecue for the College Open Day a few weeks ago. It is always a success and we were very fortunate that it was lovely weather on the day. Thank you to Rachael McGuire who volunteered to organise it. She even had her mother-in-law from Coffs Harbour to help on the day which was fantastic. Thank you to all the volunteers who donated their time on the day. Your help is always appreciated.

Next term we have our Father's Day Stall coming up on Thursday 31 August. If you have any new items to donate for the stall please drop them into the Main Admin or email the P and F.

Also, if you would like to help on the stall please email your details to the P and F. All help is appreciated.



We will be having another Trivia Night – the date is still to be set for maybe some time in September. As soon as we have a date we will let you know.

If you would like to make a valuable contribution to your child's education and schooling needs or have any ideas to share, please come along to our meetings. Everyone is most welcome for an interesting and fun time (yes we have lots of laughs) or just come and see what the Parents and Friends are all about. Our next meeting is after the holidays on Tuesday 11 July at 7pm in the College library.

We hope you all have an enjoyable and safe holiday with your families.

P and F Executive Committee

pandf@glasshouse.qld.edu.au

Student Voice: The Night of Talent!



Last Thursday, the Student Voice ran the third annual Night of Talent, and it was a spectacular evening with talented student performers entertaining in excess of 150 guests! A variety of acts took to the stage in an attempt to impress our guest judges: Mrs Jenny Broderick, Mrs Sonya Kadel, and Mr Renat Yusupov. In the end the judges had to make some tough decisions, and the following students were declared winners and runners-up in each category:

Prep to Year 4

Winner: Bella Campbell with a beautiful rendition of “How far I’ll go” from Moana.

Runners up: Aimee Cullen and Amelie Handy kept the audience intrigued with their mime “A silent love story”.

Year 5 to 6

Winner: Lila Demeruitis owned the stage with her theatrical song and dance to “How far I’ll go” from Moana.

Runners up: Madeline Bell performed a technically choreographed dance to “All of me”.

Year 7 to 12

Winner: Corey Bullard, Mitchell Tidy, Clancy Warner, Liam Hallink and Lincoln McKenzie rocked the stage to Seven Nation Army and indeed had the audience entertained with their band performance.

Runners up: Lexi Brannigan elegantly danced to the beautiful song “Waves”.

A huge congratulations to all those who participated, the judges and the Student Voice Team – together everyone put on a fantastic show. A further thank you to all those who supported the acts by coming along on the night, we look forward to seeing you all again next year! For the photo gallery of the night, check out the [website](#).

Please look forward to our next project, our new recycling bin decoration art competition!

Alisha Mens and Rory Tait
Student Voice Representatives

PASTOR’S PEN



Parenting involves wearing many hats: chef, psychologist, handyman, cleaner and nurse. I have worn all these hats and more as I raised my four children into adulthood. Yet there were times when I asked myself, ‘Am I doing everything right? Am I doing enough? Will my child succeed in life?’

Psychologists at Harvard came up with five things parents should do to raise “good kids”.

SPEND QUALITY TIME: Love them by being there. Physically and emotionally. Talk and listen to your child. Turn off the screens and give them your focused attention. Initiate activities with your kids.

BECOME A ROLE MODEL: Be the example you want your child to become. So be careful with your words and actions. When you make mistakes, admit them and apologise.

TEACH THEM VALUES: Our Colleges values of godliness, respect, excellence, attitude and teachability are a G.R.E.A.T. place to start. Encourage responsibility with chores, schoolwork and keeping promises.

TEACH THEM GRATITUDE: Teach them to appreciate people and things. The study showed that people who practice gratitude in their every-day lives, are more helpful, generous, compassionate and forgiving.

SHOW THEM THE BIGGER PICTURE: Challenge your kids to care for others outside their circle, a new class member, an elderly neighbour, support a community charity or overseas mission.

A Proverb in the Bible sums this all up saying: 22:6 “**Train up a child in the way he should go; Even when he is old he will not depart from it**”. As a Christian parent, prayer has been a great strength to me as I have asked for patience, wisdom and strength on a daily basis and some days more than others!

Recently some of our College Pastors ran a parenting course called Child Wise to help parents put all this into practice. Later in the year they will be offering support and information for parenting teens. I’d encourage you to join us as we all aim to be the very best parent we can be so we can support our kids to be the best they can be too.

God bless you in your parenting journey

Pastor Fi

PRIMARY NEWS



Over the past weeks, students in Year 5 and 6 have been involved in mentoring days for the boys and the girls separately. The Year 6 boys accompanied by Mr Bennett and a number of male pastors and chaplains, had a memorable day bush walking and swimming at Kondadilla Waterfalls. The theme

for the discussions throughout the day was "What it means to be a godly man". Photos can be found [here](#).



The girls had a special day also with a visiting presenter who spoke on the importance of developing a good self image and how to navigate the pre-teen and teenage years with confidence and discernment regarding advertising. Unhealthy images are so often wrongly portrayed in the media as "ideal" for young ladies. The girls worked in groups throughout the day with the Year 6 teachers and Pastor Joc, discussing the topics presented and making summaries of the points raised by the girls.

This week the Year 5 boys went on a biking excursion with Mr Bennett and other male teachers, pastors and chaplains and the theme continued to be "What it means to be a godly man".

The Year 5 girls also had a very special "Girlie Day" with their teachers and Joc, our Primary Pastor. In Health, the students have been doing the friendology program which has kindly been funded by our College P and F. This program addresses the issue of friendships – how to be a good friend and how to tell the difference between toxic friendships and healthy friendships. This will be very important as our girls move through Upper Primary and Secondary school. The Year 5 girls had a lovely day which we believe will create memories and skills which will stay with them for a lifetime.

These mentoring days will continue also for the Year 4 boys and girls in Semester 2.

We believe that the impact of these special days may

not be measured in educational standards of A's, B's, C's and D's but will certainly be measured as important milestones in becoming strong young men and women.

Cheryl Bryers, Head of Primary

Preppies Farm Excursion



Thoroughly spoiled, that's what we are! In a week of showers and uncertain weather conditions, we were super blessed with a sunshiny, rain-free day for our excursion to Green Valley Farm, just what we had prayed for! Thanks God!

We were able to enjoy the natural surroundings, wander the peaceful paths and see the animals and crops of the GCC Agriculture students.

Our sincere thanks to Mrs Cherie MacLeod who was our guide for the day, and Mrs Jade King for opening her farm for our visit. While the ups and downs of the road trip on the bus were a highlight for many of the children, we did do some great learning too. We were able to consider how the needs of the animals were met, how the seasons and weather influenced farm decisions and we saw natural and man-made features too. The children used all of their senses as we listened to the bird songs, smelt the cows, touched the feed to scatter for the hens, tasted finger limes and saw the shiny black coats of the fat cows. We visited the farm in class groups. Photos [here](#).

Lin Smith

Matthew O'Shea Chess Champion!

Matthew O'Shea (Year 2) competed in the Sunshine Coast Chess Tournament recently and is now crowned the Under 8-years chess champion for this region.



Second Place for GCC in 2017 Language Perfect Championships

GCC students finished second place in Queensland for French during the recent 2017 Language Perfect Championships



Our Year 4 – 6 Primary students recently enjoyed competing in the Language Perfect World Championships. This event lasted 10 days and students took the challenge head on. Many gave up their lunch breaks and others enjoyed hours of self appointed homework fun! This dedication paid off and our Primary students won a total of 64 certificates. We are proud of the team spirit from Primary and Secondary students which enabled such an awesome win once again this year. A very special acknowledgment goes to Arno and Jasper from 6M who both achieved their personal goals of winning Elite certificates this year – that is a total of 10,000 points each!

Of course a celebration is not a celebration without pizza, music and dance with friends, and that is exactly what our certificate winners were rewarded with.

This semester's French learning and fun does not end here, as students look forward to enjoying a French Expo morning on Friday 16 June – stay tuned. We are extremely thankful for our amazing team of parent volunteers who have prepared a treat of French activities and fun for our students. More photos [here](#).

Nadine Hammill

Prep Mother's Night

We love to spoil our mums and thank them for the tireless efforts being a mum entails. Prep Mothers' Night is a super special evening for mums to have a date with their Prep child to try some of the things we do as we learn in Prep, singing, dancing, creating and playing. As always, the delicious supper to follow was generously provided by the mums who came and we were all able to have happy chats together at this time too. We value you all, mums! Thanks for your tremendous support and encouragement as we strive to nurture your children. For photos from the night, click [here](#).



KITCHEN GARDEN NEWS

Congratulations to our Year 2G class for winning the Grand Champion ribbon and trophy for their goat's milk ricotta in the cheese section at the Maleny Show. The judges were bowled over when they discovered that the champion cheese was made by such young competitors! Year 2G also won first place for their olive and orange tapenade.



First place awards were also awarded to 2W (roast beetroot hummus), 1W (traditional hummus) and our Preppies (Raw Energy Sticky Date Slice.)



Year 1G received a second place for their delicious chocolate sauce and 1W obtained a third for their salted butter. We are so proud of the classes and their achievements.

Many children asked for the winning slice recipe so here it is:

Raw Energy Sticky Date Slice

Ingredients

6 Weet-Bix/Vita Brits
500 grams of pitted dates
1 cup of desiccated coconut
½ cup pepitas
¼ cup chia seeds
1 ½ tsp vanilla extract
2 tbs coconut oil

Method

Soak dates in boiling water for five minutes then drain. In a food processor blitz Weet-Bix. Add dates and blitz until broken down and sticky. Add remaining ingredients and blitz until combined. Line a slice tin with baking paper. Add mixture to tin, spread evenly. Cover with another sheet of baking paper and roll lightly to flatten the mix and make smooth. Refrigerate until cold. Remove from tin and slice. Mixture can also be rolled into balls then placed in the fridge to set.

Mandy Ward, Kitchen Garden Convenor

MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS



A wrap up and what's in store for next term:

Open Day was a wonderful opportunity for parents to have a peek around the classrooms and see some of the excellent student work on display. I hope you had a chance to pop in, to see, meet up and just generally be proud of what is happening in every aspect of the school.

Well done to our sportsmen and women on their wins these last few weeks, the French students for some great placings in recent competitions, the Eisteddfods, Music Gala night and Night of Talent competitors who showcase the excellent talent and hard work which many of our students put into their extra-curricular activities.



Click [here](#) for photos taken over the past few weeks of Middle School students either in classes or learning 'in the field'. Quite a few of them were taken on one day as I walked around the school. Year 9s were learning how to change a tyre for the service component for their Eagle Award, Year 8s were working on

Music assessments and a little later testing 'rocks' they had made to better understand geological knowledge. Year 7s were working on mummifying chickens.

This photo shows a presenter dealing with very current teenage issues such as cyber-safety, bullying and substance abuse. Her session with the students and parents was relevant and appreciated by all those who were able to make it.



Once again I would like to say thanks for spurring on your child as they stressed about meeting deadlines or helping them to understand concepts so they could do a better job. I would like to encourage and remind you that if all we care about is today, we would make life for our students easy and meet many of their needs for them but instead we are choosing to think long term. We have high expectations, we don't allow them to give up quickly and it can be tough going. However, in this perspective, we can be confident we are best preparing them for their future when we won't be around and they are running the world (even just their small part of it.)

What's coming up

Next term the Year 9s go on camp in Week 2 and the Year 7s head to Canberra in the Week 6.

This is a reminder that camps are an essential part of the curriculum and are not optional. The costs are included in the school fees. Forms for both of these camps need to be completed in the next few days if not already done.

The Middle School staff pray your children have a safe, active, creative and refreshing break.

Jacqualina Vreeling, Head of Middle School

French News in Secondary

GCC Welcomes French Exchange Student

French exchange student Alice Leautey-Pommerie has started her 12-week stay here at Glasshouse Christian College this week. She will be attending Year 10 classes until the end of August. Alice is from the Paris region and enjoys sports, camping, shopping and cinema. Let's make her feel welcome at our school and in our region. Why not use the opportunity to practice your French skills and learn more about France.



Excellent results in Language Perfect World Championships



The annual Language Perfect World Championships took place in May. Glasshouse Christian College French students continued to improve their results in the Championships, over 112 certificates were earned in the whole College. We came second in Queensland

in the French Category.

The Secondary French Department organised a Pizza Party to celebrate the outstanding achievement of their students on Thursday 8 June. Bon appétit!

Tuija Hast

SENIOR SCHOOL NEWS

Life after School



At this stage of the year, many seniors are contemplating life after school. Our Year 11s and 12s are very busy with exams contemplating what doors will be opened once they achieve the grades they have strived for. Our Year 10s have had a long series of

careers guidance from our Future Pathways Coordinator and are now being prepared for SET (Senior Education and Training) plan interviews that will be held in August.

There are many opportunities for students to explore career pathways. Below are listed some that could help.

Important Dates

Thursday, 8 June: Year 10 – Experience USC Day

All our Year 10s will be heading to University for the day. They will get a taste of University life, meet lecturers and experience some workshops. This is a great opportunity for them to consider a university pathway.

Tuesday, 18 July 3:30-6:30pm: Sunshine Coast Careers Expo Calvary Centre Tanawha

If your child says they are not sure what they want to do after they graduate from school then consider going to this careers expo. Even if your child is in Year 10 consider attending this expo to get them thinking what they want to do as well as what they don't want to do.

Saturday, 22 July 9am – 2pm: Australian Catholic University Open Day

I recently visited this university and was quite impressed by what they offer. They have some great courses and are definitely worth checking out.

Sunday, 23 July 10am – 2pm: University of the Sunshine Coast Open Day

Make it a careers' weekend and check out USC the day after ACU. This will give you the opportunity to compare some of their courses. USC also offers courses that are not offered at ACU. Of interest is the proposed Petrie Campus opening in 2020 when our Year 10s graduate.

Thursday 3 August: GCC Careers day and information night

This is our very own Careers expo and will be held in various venues at the College. The main careers showcase will be held in L8 above the library and we will have displays from most of the major universities, TAFE, Defence Force recruiting and others. We will then have information sessions for the Year 9, 10 and 12s. These will help students and parents understand the QTAC application process for Year 12, the SET plan interview process for Year 10 and subject selections for Senior for our Year 9s.

7-18 August: Year 10 SET Plan Interviews

Our SET plan interviews are scheduled shortly after our Careers evening. Parents will need to book an interview with myself or our Future Pathways Coordinator, Carol McKee. Information about the booking process will come out with the End of Semester Reports. It is important for parents/caregivers to be a part of the SET planning process so that the child feels fully supported in choosing their career pathway.

20 August 9am – 2pm: Qld University of Technology (Caboolture) Open Day

QUT Caboolture campus is also a university at our backdoor. Put this date in your diary to check out what it offers.

Finally let me take this opportunity to wish you a safe and relaxing winter break with your child. Semester 1 Reports will be uploaded onto the Parent Portal in the last week of the holidays.

David Heyworth, Head of Senior School

“Voice of Youth” Competition



Recently I had the opportunity to participate in the Rostrum Voice of Youth, which is a public speaking competition for high school students.

I was already a confident public speaker so I thought I'd give it a go. I got to see how my speaking skills looked compared to students from other high schools in the area. Although I didn't make it to the next round I have been able to take my speaking to the next level.

This experience was one that helped for me to grow in my public speaking, not as much in the ability to speak in front of people, but more in the refining of my ideas that I am speaking about.

The feedback that I received from the adjudicator will help me in the future to create more engaging content for my audience that I am addressing.

Katie Ellett (Year 12)

DeLorean Project Update – a look back in time.



Term 1 – The making of great teams and project concepts.

The Year 10 students have had a whirlwind semester in the DeLorean Project. The term started with a focus on developing teamwork and collaborative skills; aimed at equipping the students with skills and strategies to enhance the effectiveness of their team and ultimately their business projects. Part of the process involved the students taking personality tests and exploring what strengths and weaknesses different personalities bring to a team and how to accommodate and utilise these. Based on their experiences, students were able to form their teams for the project and it is encouraging to see the progress that the teams are making.



In the last weeks of the term, students started exploring possible business ideas. It is exciting to see the imagination and passion that went into either solving a global problem or recognising a niche market to create a list of projects that have enormous amounts of future success. The businesses for this year's project involve a social enterprise for homeless people, game controller device, capturing elderly people's life story, DMC coffee van, surfboard modifications, healthy eating app, mobile phone case, website for motorbike parts, fidget spinners, exercise classes, basketball competition, sportswear modifications and a storage solution for commercial kitchens to prevent cross contamination.

Term 2 – Swimming with the sharks!



The motivating factor for this term was for the teams to conceptualise and pitch their ideas to a team of sharks; industry representatives with a flair for entrepreneurial initiatives. The sharks consisted of Macca Reardon, an 18 year old entrepreneur who was somewhat of an inspiration for the Year 10 students. Kayleen Thompson, co-owner and manager of Pakton Technologies; John Sterling-Carter, a Productivity Ecologist who coaches in growth and development for businesses; Graham Scott,

an ex-high school PE teacher who is now a successful entrepreneur with his establishment of two businesses, Wheelhouse Coffee and The Crow & Arrow bar; and finally, Patrick Twomey, General Manager for Growth and Development at Sunsuper. This line-up of sharks brought an overwhelming amount of knowledge, advice, feedback and encouragement for the students. The sharks were provided with funds to invest in the projects and each team had the opportunity to earn up to \$200 in capital investment.



Presenting to the sharks was a nervous task, but the students all rose to the occasion with maturity and confidence. Comments from the post-pitch interviews with the students highlighted the value of the experience in having the opportunity to present their project concepts to real-life industry experts; an opportunity that not too many Year 10 students get in traditional education. Another dimension that added to the experience was that all the Shark Tank pitches were streamed live on the DeLorean Project YouTube channel.

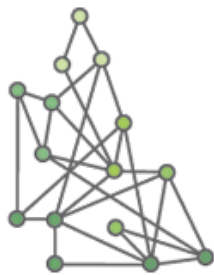
The DeLorean Project is facilitated by a team of seven teachers who come from different teaching areas who all have a passion for preparing students for the future. They take opportunities to step outside the box of traditional education in order to enhance the quality of learning for our Year 10 students. We are always looking for community mentors to connect with our students in ways that will add value to their learning and experience in the DeLorean Project. We invite expressions of interests for any of our GCC parents who may have a high level of expertise or experience in any of the related projects mentioned above, or specifically in engineering, innovation, technology, business, digital marketing, or social enterprise. If you are interested in being involved, please contact Rob Steffler (rob.steffler@glasshouse.qld.edu.au) for more details.

To keep up-to-date with the DeLorean Project or to find out more information, please check out the website deloreanproject.com.au. Photos here.

Tanya Cullen

Year 10 STEM Program at USC

QUEENSLAND STEM EDUCATION NETWORK



The University of the Sunshine Coast gave us an amazing opportunity to spend five spectacular days over five weeks to participate in their STEM Program.



On the first day we had an activity about the G Forces of Grasshoppers presented by Dr Christofer Clemente. We learnt about how animals move, in particular the grasshopper. In this activity, we got to catch our own grasshopper, and record how fast it could jump. Once we had the video of the grasshopper, we got to calculate the G Force of the insect using a computer program and mathematical calculations. This was very interesting and some ways difficult. This was a very engaging and practical start to the program and was a great eye opener to the different STEM careers available to us.

On the second workshop of the STEM program, we had Dr Javier Leon teach us about 3D information. We learnt about the importance of 3D information and how it can help us measure things like sea level rise. In groups, we took many photos of a lego display from multiple angles to create a 3D image on the computer.

After taking these photos, we used a special platform where we were able to upload them onto a data base and they were transformed into pixels. The more photos the better as a more accurate 3D representation will be made. This presentation showed the importance of technology and how it can help us see the world.

On the third week we had a playing with light spectroscopy activity. Dr Carolyn Jacobs gave a riveting

presentation about how she got to where she was, working at the University of the Sunshine Coast. She has travelled and worked in so many amazing places because she is an engineer. We did an activity where we made our own light spectrometers that we could put on our phones, and when we took photos you could see a rainbow. It was a lot of fun. This presentation was very eye opening to the many different STEM careers.

In the fourth week we had an interactive lesson on maths and science with Dr. Aaron Wiegand. He taught us about the fundamental differences between maths and science and how nothing can be proven with science, but it can with maths. We did an activity with smarties in which we came up with a hypothesis on the number of smarties in one box.

This was probably one of the best lectures, as it was quite interesting and we learned some tricks with equations that changed how we viewed the world.

On the last amazing day of the STEM Program, we had a series of lecturers from the University of The Sunshine Coast talking to us about their passions and how they achieved them.

One of the lecturers Dr. Christofer Clemente, told us the he began researching spiders. Dr. Clemente then told us that after he got bored with spiders he began researching other animals too, such as lizards, bats and grasshoppers.

All the speakers shared inspiring and helpful stories that helped broaden our knowledge and understanding of the many different STEM career pathways out there for us. Overall, it was an experience very worthwhile!

Finally we must thank Mr Doolan for driving us to and from the University each Monday afternoon for the last 5 weeks.



Kacey Dickens, Ariana Doolan, Kate Jackson, Sarah Mens and Casey Woods.

Agricultural News

It has been an amazing couple of weeks for the Agricultural Science students, with the Sunflower Competition, AgriTech Program completion, and the Maleny Show.

UQ Sunflower Competition



Once again as tradition has it, the Year 10s ventured down to University of Queensland with their 12-week old sunflower to compete against loads of schools from South East Queensland for the heaviest sunflower. This year Glasshouse Christian College came second with Alyssa Rose's sunflower weighing a massive 3285 grams! More photos [here](#).

AgriTech



The Year 11 Agricultural Science students have been involved in the AgriTech Program, where they were getting hands-on with the very latest technology available in agriculture thanks to the Queensland Government's initiative 'Engaging Queenslanders in Science'. Technology has included Normalised Difference Vegetation Index (NDVI) surveying with a Phantom 3 Drone, Electromagnetic Surveying and Light Detection and Radar (LiDAR) surveys from satellites! These technologies of the future, are the NOW for our Agricultural Science students!

At completion of the surveys, the students then presented their findings and recommendations for the various farms they surveyed across the region to Research Scientists, Producers and Drone Operators! Some of the special guests included, Tony Gilbert of QLD Drones, Stuart Irvine-Brown of DAF and Helen Thompson from the Department of Science, Information Technology and Innovation.

The icing on the cake, so to speak, was the Year 12s

Hospitality students' sensational Farmer Harvest Luncheon in the field, featuring our key produce, strawberries, pineapples, macadamias, custard apples, ginger and finger-limes. These students should be commended on their exceptional food creations and amazing service, and we are all blessed by the ever amazing Mrs Julie Peters who makes it all happen. More photos [here](#).



Maleny Show

The GCC 'Aggies' excelled in every way at the Maleny show this year, and has certainly been our biggest year yet! First up, both Year



10 and 11 presented to the crowds in the Small Farmers' tent, providing great information of plant nutrition and technology in Agriculture. The most successful category was the Produce section with two Grand Champion Ribbons, 15 firsts, six seconds and six thirds. This achievement has taken students the entire semester timely planting out seeds and seedlings of a massive range of fruit and vegetables.

The 'Aggies' also entered for the first time the Poultry section, and came away with Grand Champion Plymouth Rock Rooster, as well as first and second for Plymouth Rock pullets. A few of the students also practiced at being Poultry Judges in the Novice Poultry Judging Competition, and certainly got a taste of how detailed judging can be!

In the cheese section, the Year 11 'Aggies' after begging to make cheese again this year, received a Gold and a Silver for their fetta and ricotta they made under the guidance of Mrs Julie Peters.

Finally, the proudest activity of them all, was the willingness of the 'Aggies' to give back to the Maleny Show and volunteer to assist the Maleny Show Society with various jobs throughout the day. It is one thing to compete and aim for the prizes, but it is so much more rewarding to give and help others. Very proud of my 'Aggies'! More photos [here](#).

So overall, massive achievements all round and certainly a testament to how hard the Agricultural Science students have worked all year!

Jade King, Head of Agricultural Studies

PERFORMING ARTS

Sunshine Plaza Music and Dance Competition & Dance Workshops



Thank you to those of you who voted for our Music and Dance students last week in the Sunshine Plaza music and dance competition.

We are happy to announce that the Senior Dance team made it into the finals! Unfortunately Julian Muniyard missed out on a finals spot this year, but his performance in the heats was amazing. The videos are up on the Sunshine Plaza Breakthru website if you would like to watch them or find the links below.



The Dance Team: <https://youtu.be/VXtzY7dKVMc>
Julian's Performance: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zE3VRMmp2Xw>

This Saturday our senior dancers will be competing in the Breakthru Finals at Sunshine Plaza. They will be dancing on the Riverwalk stage near the food court at 1:30pm. So if you're free, come along and support our dancers.

Some of the Senior Dance students were treated to a live performance, Commercial Jazz workshop and careers talk with some of the dancers from Raw Dance Company in Brisbane. It was a great experience for the students to learn from people who are currently working within the Dance industry.



Stacey Whyte Head of Performing Arts.

FUTURE PATHWAYS NEWS

Traineeships available in Health

This week Year 10s had a presentation from Kylie Boccuzzi, the Coordinator of Training & Education with Metro North Hospital & Health Service.



She outlined the opportunities available to the students during Years 11 and 12 to complete one of five health related Certificate IIIs in Dental Assisting, Allied Health, Business Administration, Aged Care or Health Services Assisting (Nursing). Students commit to working one day a week in either Redcliffe, Caboolture or North Lakes Hospitals over two years whilst completing the theory component of their certificate.

There are opportunities for continuing employment after Year 12, even on a casual basis, should the student decide to go to University or TAFE.

Numbers are limited across the five qualifications and entry is by application, interview and trial work experience.

Interested students should email me on carol.mckee@glasshouse.qld.edu.au to register their expression of interest. Application packs will be available early Term 3 with a due date of the first week in August.

Students who THINK they might be interested but are unsure, are encouraged to apply anyway as they will have an opportunity during the work experience trial to ascertain if the traineeship is for them or not before signing up.

Georgie-Leigh Snow in Year 12 was successful in gaining a traineeship in 2016 and has been nominated by her employer, Metro North Hospital Trust, for a Queensland Training Award under the category Indigenous School Based Trainee of the Year. Georgie will attend the QLD Gala Finals in July. We congratulate her and wish her all the best.



Glasshouse Christian College Careers and Tertiary Studies Expo 2017

We are holding our annual Careers and Tertiary Studies Expo on 3 August between 5:30pm and 8pm upstairs in the Library. All students in Years 9 – 12 are encouraged to attend with their parents/caregivers.

There are a number of important information sessions

throughout the evening for students and parents from Years 9, 10 and 12.

- **Year 9 Subject Selection Session** – 5:30pm in the Church
- **Year 10 Senior Education and Training (SET) Plan Session** – 5:30pm in the Theatre
- **Year 12 QLD Tertiary Admissions Centre (QTAC) Session** – 7pm in the Theatre

Heads of Department will be available downstairs in the Library after the Year 10 SET Plan session to discuss subject choices further.

This year we have an even bigger range of exhibitors including universities, apprentice employment agencies, TAFE, Defence Force Recruiting and private training organisations

Exhibitors confirmed so far are:

- Australian Catholic University
- Busy at Work
- Centacare
- Central Queensland University
- Christian Heritage College
- Community Solutions Employment
- Defence Force Recruiting
- Demi International
- Drama Works Academy of Performing Arts
- East Coast Apprenticeships
- East Coast TAFE
- Endeavour College of Natural Health
- Epic Assist Employment
- Griffith University Sports College
- JMC Academy
- Katrina's School of Hair and Beauty
- Latitude Global Volunteering
- Queensland Agricultural Training College
- Queensland University of Technology
- Step Employment Solutions
- Strategix
- Sunshine Coast Technical Trade Training College
- University of Queensland
- University of the Sunshine Coast
- TAFE Brisbane



More information will be sent out early in Term 3.

Year 10 SET Plan Interviews 7 – 18 August

In Year 10 we work with our students and their parents/caregivers to develop a Senior Education and Training (SET) Plan.

What is a SET Plan for?

- structure learning in Years 11 and 12 around abilities, interests and ambitions
- think about education, training and career options after Year 12
- set and achieve learning goals in Years 11 and 12, and beyond
- include flexible and coordinated pathway options in the course of senior study
- communicate with parents/caregivers or teachers/careers counsellors about post-school plans.

Year 10 are working through their draft Senior Education and Training Plans in Monday Pastoral Care classes. They will bring these to their SET Plan. I encourage you to chat to your child about their plan before our meetings.

A parent or guardian must attend the SET Plan interview with their child so that they are fully informed in this important decision-making process for every student.

Appointment slots are available with myself (Future Pathways Coordinator) and David Heyworth (Head of Senior). Appointments will be available in 30 minute slots from 8:30am – 7pm.

Instructions on how to book will be emailed to all Year 10 parents/caregivers next week. I encourage you to book as soon as possible after receiving this information to ensure you secure a slot that is convenient to you and your family.

Year 11 students will have an opportunity to discuss their plans with myself in Term 4 to ensure they are still on track.

Upcoming Events

The 15th annual Sunshine Coast Daily Careers Expo is the region's most comprehensive careers, employment and training expo that offers visitors the latest information on tertiary studies, further training, hands on demonstrations and employment opportunities. The event offers a unique opportunity for anyone interested in starting, changing or upgrading their career to meet with a diverse range of organisations that are both locally-based and from around Australia.



We will be taking our whole Year 10 cohort to the Sunshine Coast event in the morning however, Year 11s and 12s may like to attend with their parents after school.



For an even larger event, with representatives from each university discipline, I recommend the 36th annual Tertiary Studies Expo (TSXPO). Don't miss this great opportunity to map out your future, all in the one location!

 **15 & 16 July 2017**
 **RICC, Brisbane Showgrounds**
 **10 - 4 Both days**

Carol McKee, Future Pathways Coordinator

LIBRARY NEWS

Library Hours

The library is open Monday-Friday during term time.

Prep - Year 6 Students 8:00am - 3:15pm
 Year 7 - 12 Students 8:00am - 4:00pm

Homework Club

Every Thursday (Year 7 - 12) From 3:00pm - 4:00pm

National Family Reading Month Winners

Many thanks to the staff, students and families who took part in our Read Aloud More in May initiatives. We hope you enjoyed finding time to read aloud with loved ones. Winners of the Read Aloud More in May GCC reading and colouring competitions are noted below. The winning colouring competition entries are on display in the Library until the end of the term.

Year Level	Read Aloud More in May GCC Winners	Colouring Competition Winners
Prep	Olly Kelly PM	Hamish White PW
Year 1	Micah Matthews-Frederick 1W	Charli Adam 1G
Year 2	Stephanie Turnbull 2G	Sam Wells 2G
Year 3	Oliver Geeves 3W	Jade McClure 3G
Year 4	Riley Pollock 4M	Emily Bowden 4M
Year 5	Natasha Larard 5G	Brooke Gledhill 5G
Year 6	–	Lachlan Klein 6W

Library and Information Week Winners

As part of the National Family Reading month, we celebrated Library and Information Week, an annual event celebrated in schools, universities and community libraries across Australia. At GCC it was a great opportunity to showcase the Library and the services we provide for the College community. Thank you to all who celebrated with us. Extra special thanks to Mrs. Lindsay, Mrs. Geldenhuys and Mrs. Roach, who volunteered as our mystery readers who kept students enthralled at first break with some read aloud fun. See below for the winners of our Library and Information Week competitions and check out the GCCHub gallery for Primary and Secondary photos from the week. Please note the GCCHub is a password protected site; students will know the password.



Primary students were also invited to take part in National Simultaneous Storytime on Wednesday 24 May at 11am. Over 686,324 participants took part across Australia, with 6129 locations registered, to read *The Cow Tripped Over the Moon* written by Tony Wilson and illustrated by Laura Wood. The story was a wonderful book to showcase with students and beautifully celebrates themes of perseverance, a 'have a go' attitude, rhyming and telling the time.

Library and Information Week Winners		
The following students guessed the number of pages in our mystery book.:	Prep-Year 2	Charlotte Graham 1W
	Year 3-6	Maddie Bell 5W
The Primary LIW Bingo Board Challenge winner was:	Year 3-6	Ellie Nyenhof 4W
The following students won our mystery borrower competition:	Year 3-6	Brooke Gledhill 5G
	Year 7-9	Maddy Russell 8W
	Year 10-12	Calim Stevenson 11M



Don't forget to remind Primary students to join us for Storytime in the Library from 8-8:25am on Monday mornings. Students are encouraged to attend this weekly session which is kindly led by Kate Adam, one of our College parents. There is no need to book, students are welcome to come along when they can to hear a great story.

Year 5 Code Club



Selected Year 5 students were invited to take part in the Primary Code Club this term and have been regularly coding once a week before school and at Code Club Extended sessions on Thursdays in the Library. Code Club is about fun, creativity and learning through exploring. It immerses students in computational thinking and develops a wide range of critical and creative thinking skills. Students have diligently worked through a range of tutorials on Scratch, allowing them to move on to harder projects, to create impressive computer games and animations. Many students have used the coding books available in the library to enhance their skills and to complete example projects. They have been quick to learn, eager to help each other and willing to explore projects shared by the Scratch community. It's been a delight to see the students' coding skills grow exponentially over the term.

Scratch Junior is available to all Prep – Year 2 students at our 'Makerspace Monday' session and for Year 3-6 students at our 'Tech Tuesday' Makerspace sessions at first break in the Library. For more information on Scratch go to <https://scratch.mit.edu/>. More photos [here](#).

Year 6 Readers' Cup



Congratulations to our Year 6 Readers' Cup team who recently competed at the Regional Readers' Cup Competition. In eight short weeks they read five novels and one picture book to participate in the competition. The girls competed against 26 other teams and came 2nd and 3rd in their heats. They also had the opportunity to hear author Richard Newsome speak. Phenomenal effort girls and congratulations on being selected to represent GCC in our first Year 6 team!

2017 Year 6 Readers' Cup Team: Meg Jarvis, Amelia Siddans, Mariah Evans, Jessica Roach and Olivia Gregson.

School Holiday Writing Camps

There are two holiday writing camps coming up these School Holidays; including Sunny Kids Camps and Write Like an Author:

Sunny Kids Camps (Year 3-9)

Sunny Kids Camps are back for the winter school holidays and are offering ALL NEW WORKSHOPS on Tuesday 4 July and Wednesday 5 July. Children will enjoy a full day writing camp with Aleesah Darlison in a tutorial/class environment with one-on-one time throughout the day, plus instructions and advice on various writing skills and genres. Elements of writing and drawing are included in each program, with plenty of stimulating discussion, group and individual exercises and take home materials. Attend one day or both. Sunny Kids Camps are held at Gondor Writers Centre, in Landsborough. Tickets are available through Eventbrite: <https://goo.gl/49ETaW>

Write Like an Author (From Year 5 – Older teenagers who enjoy writing)

Brian Falkner's Write Like an Author holiday camps allow students a focussed writing time without other distractions. Students are encouraged to focus on producing a story to the very best of their abilities, learning all the skills they need, with one-on-one mentoring. It's not all work, there are games and other fun activities, all designed to help turn your child into an

author. There is a Future Author Boot Camp from Monday 3 July to Thursday 6 July and an Advanced Camp option on Friday 7 July. More information can be found at [Write Like an Author](#). To register follow this [link](#).

Parent Library

Did you know our Library collection includes a wide range of titles in our Parent Library. Parents and caregivers are welcome to browse and borrow from the Parent Library and titles are regularly added throughout the year. One of the newest titles is Growth Mindset for Parents by Mary Cay Ricci and Margaret Lee; a book full of ideas designed to provide parents with a roadmap for developing a growth mindset at home. It includes strategies and resources to encourage parents and children to embrace life's challenges and to develop strategies to increase perseverance, effort and success.

The Parent Library includes titles on:

- General Parenting
- Family Support from a spiritual perspective
- Shared Parenting/Step Families
- Grandparents
- Special Needs (including ADHD, Autism and Aspergers)
- Raising Boys/Raising Girls
- Raising Teens

Holiday Borrowing

Holidays are a great time to escape from the pressures of time, find a quiet corner and lose yourself in a great adventure, a superb mystery or rediscover a favourite hobby. Students are encouraged to take the opportunity to borrow something new for the holidays from our Library and eBook collections (Secondary students) to read over the break.

Secondary eBook Collection

The Wheelers ePlatform has recently upgraded the functionality of their online borrowing platform and Secondary students can download the app to any device. Students can browse and borrow from the Glasshouse Christian College collection by logging in with their school login details. There's a wide range of titles available across different genres, interest areas – including information books. eBooks are available for 14 day loans, automatically return themselves and can easily be re-borrowed. The ePlatform is also available via Connect>>Library>>GCCHub and by logging onto <http://glasshouse.wheelers.co>. Please note the GCCHub is a password protected site; students will know the password.

See you in the library,

Vanessa McKellar and Beryl Morris, Teacher Librarians

SPORTS NEWS

Very Close Finish in GCC 3000



This year the Junior School competed in the GCC 3000 race which was the challenge to improve fitness of students before the

GCC Cross Country. Each class ran for ten minutes each day and counted the number of laps completed by each student.

During the first few weeks the competition remained reasonably even but as the weeks went by the two Year 2 classes emerged as leaders of our race. 2M held a narrow lead until the very last week when 2W put in a last minute surge and squeezed ahead to win the race. Prep Green, Prep White and 1W were all very close with Prep Green gaining third placing by just 70 laps.

Each week the students checked their progress on the racetrack in the library eagerly watching as their class racing cars edged closer to the finish line.

The girl and boy in each class with the highest total number of laps was presented with a certificate at the Junior Assembly and the winning class was presented with the GCC Running Trophy. 1W will go on an outing with Mrs Stott towards the end of the year for a full day of fun and activity. It was great to see the fitness of all students improve as they increased the number of laps run as they got fitter.

Wendy Stott

Conner Represents Sunshine Coast in Basketball

After a very successful Sunshine Coast Regional Carnival, Conner Knapp was selected to play in the Sunshine Coast 10 – 12 year Boys Basketball Team. The State Championships were held last week in Brisbane and Conner loved the experience. His team worked well together and improved with every game they played. They finished 7th overall, winning their last game by 20 points over a team who had beaten them by 20 points the day before! This was their best game in the whole carnival.



Conner made many new friends and is looking forward to playing in these Championships again next year. Although he is tall he is only 11 years old!

Tough Competition at Regional Cross Country



This year we had eight students qualify for the Regional Cross Country Championship held in Buderim recently. The course was mostly flat and fast and some fantastic times were run by outstanding athletes from all over the coast.

Jared and Noah Moss were our top performers on the day. Jared was the first to race and began strongly settling in the top third of the field. As the race went on he moved through the field passing many tiring runners. He finished with a tremendous sprint to pass a long time rival and finish in 10th place in 7.49 minutes for the 2km race which was fantastic. This laid down the challenge for his brother Noah who also ran very strongly throughout the race. He kept an even pace, running under 4 minutes for each kilometre over the 3km course to finish 13th from the field of almost 50 runners.

Chloe Turnbull, Lilli-Jean Cruise, Chelsea Breen, Ella Childs and Nathan Kennedy also competed well but all found the pace very brisk and finished in the higher placings. Many of these students ran personal best times which was a great accomplishment for them. Dominic Ruhle was the only high school student to compete and placed 18th in the 15 year boys race. All students were great representatives of GCC and were proud to be competing at this high level.

More photos [here](#).

Interschool Netball and Soccer off to a Great Start

The Year 5 and 6 Interschool Netball and Soccer teams have been training all term and the hard work paid off in the first round of games. Every team won every game but one which was a fantastic start to the competition. There are two more weeks of competition remaining so teams will need to be consistent as they meet other Glasshouse District School teams to complete the round robin competition. Finals will be held on the last Friday of term so we are hoping our teams are not depleted by early holiday makers.

Wendy Stott

Week 7-8 Term 2, GCC Secondary Sports Wrap

XC Mountain Biking National Championships



Congratulations to Holly Lubcke who is now the National Schools U17 XCO, (Cross Country Olympic) and U17 XCE (Cross Country Eliminator) Champion.

Last weekend saw the running of the National All Schools Mountain Bike Championship on the Gold Coast. Sponsored by Bond University, racing was held over three days at both the university complex and the new trails in the Nerang State forest.

Holly was able to win two National Titles riding for Glasshouse Christian College. This is the first time a student representing our school has won a national championship in an all schools event.

Congratulations also to Ella O'Keeffe and Tara Fissenden who along with Holly finished in third place in the senior Girls 4 hour Enduro relay race. The girls covered 12 laps of a 5.5k course which used parts of the new tracks built for the upcoming Commonwealth Games. Tara and Ella did an amazing job considering they had never raced in an event such as this. Both girls had a fall and took some skin off, but both agreed it was all worth while to stand on the podium and receive a national championship bronze medal.

Thank you to Craig Quinn from 'Eleven Hills Adventures' for the time he has invested into training and supporting our students in this demanding sport.

Regional Cross Country

Congratulations to Dominic Ruhle in Year 9. From his 4th placing at District Cross Country he was selected to compete at regionals. Dominic ran very well to finish in 17th place.

Volleyball Schools Cup – State Competition

Congratulations to our GCC Boys and Girls teams that represented us in this competition. This year our girls competed in division 2 and managed to win their pool. Through to the finals they continued to compete well

and finished in 7th place. After winning division 2 last year our boys team moved up to the top division this year and managed to win their pool. In the Grand Final they were beaten by Gympie to finish 2nd in QLD. Photos [here](#).



SCISSA Senior Volleyball

In Week 7 our senior teams found the going tough this week. With several senior boys not showing up for the contest versus Good Shepherd Lutheran College, both of our boys' teams went ahead undermanned. Games were close however eventually they lost by just a few points. The senior girls matched their opposing team however were beaten by the oppositions height at the net. Week 8, senior boys' white team and the senior girls' teams have games versus SC Grammar at GCC. These will be the last games for these two teams this term. The senior boys' maroon team has finished second on the ladder in their division and will compete against Good Shepherd in the Grand Final on Wednesday in Week 9.

SCISSA Rugby 7s

GCCs Rugby 7s teams have been competing throughout Term 2 in the Wednesday SCISSA competition. Results from Week 7 were as follows...

U17s

GCC Defeated Nambour CC 20-5.
GCC Defeated Pacific LC 19-0.

U15s

GCC Lost to St Andrews AC 15-17.
GCC Defeated Pacific LC 20-10.

Regional Soccer Trials



Kirra Leigh-Crouch, Molly McCaughey, Bakani Kombanie and Sophie Trevan recently competed at the U15 Regional Football trials at Maroochydore Soccer Club. Congratulations to Bakani and Kirra-Leigh who were both selected for the Sunshine Coast Regional team to compete at States.

(Soccer) Bill Turner Cup

The boys and girls Under 15 teams competed in the very prestigious Bill Turner Cup. They came up against some of the strongest soccer schools on the Coast, some of which run academy programs. Apart from both being beaten convincingly by Chancellor State College, both teams had close losses or draws throughout the day. These games could have gone either way and with a bit of luck, both teams could have finished top four.

Upcoming in Term 3

We look forward to more sports competitions in Term 3. The Vicki Wilson Cup for Netball players as well as SCISSA Touch Football and the Sunshine Coast All Schools Basketball competition will also be taking place. Students have already started nominating to play for GCC teams and to date we have five Basketball teams and nine Touch Football teams entered. We also have our GCC Athletics Carnival taking place in Week 1 Term 3 and the preceding district and regional athletics events. Congratulations to all students who have represented GCC at any of the sporting events so far this year.

NB: A mid term Sports Report has more details [here](#).

Matthew Beattie, Head of Sport and HPE

Surf's Up for Primary Students



This term for the first time in the Primary School the College was able to offer an early morning surfing program. A dedicated group of 20 Year 5 and 6 students stood on the sand of Kings Beach two mornings a week to watch the sunrise then paddled out in a 'learn to surf' program run by North Caloundra Surf School. More photos [here](#).

Joshua Bennett

Indoor Netball Championship Competition



On Thursday 1 June, the Junior Falcons netball team played at the Secondary Schools Indoor Netball Championship Competition. The girls played incredibly! They won every single game and finished the day undefeated!

Details from each game are below:

Game 1: GCC 21 v Grace Lutheran College 7

MVP: Maddy Chidgey

Game 2: GCC 28 v Clontarf State High 2

MVP: Zara Boxsell

Game 3: GCC 29 v Tullawong State High 7

MVP: Steff Twidale and Ebony King

Game 4: GCC 14 v St Columbans College 9

MVP: Willow Hildreth and Chelsea Johnson

During the day the girls had the opportunity to play a 'scratch match' against an open mixed team from Tullawong State High. Unbelievably, our GCC Junior Falcons WON against them! It was a pretty awesome and exciting achievement!

Well done to all players and thank you to our supportive parents who were cheering us along throughout the day. We are looking forward to our next competition, the Vicky Wilson Shield in August.

Annaliese Bullock

COMMUNITY NEWS

Click [here](#) for discount movie tickets for these school holidays.

Bisbane Cartooning Workshops - all details [here](#).

Learning Connections Brisbane School Holiday Workshop - details [here](#).

District Cross Country Report 2017

A strong team of runners represented GCC at the District Cross Country competition at the Maroochydore Cricket grounds. GCC runners dug deep to mix well with the best runners from nine Sunshine Coast Independent Schools. Many GCC runners finished within the top 20 for each race.



The individual efforts of our Cross Country runners this year were exceptional especially given that each race consisted of up to 100 competitors. Special mentions should be made for the following runners who managed to finish within the top 10 for their age group. Dominic Ruhl 3rd, Alyssa Rose 8th, Chloe Dunford 9th and Bakani Kombanie 10th.

Other students to represent GCC at this event were as follows: Mia Andreassen, Georgia Breen, Gracie Ciantar, Daemon Cruise, Sean Dern-Williams, Cassidy Ferris, Annabelle Freeman, Stephanie Freeman, Stella George, Natasha Hoeksema, Kate Jackson, Jack James, Christian Jensen, Ryan Kossen, Holly Lubcke, Patrick Mackie, Declan Martin, Molly McCaughey, Aiden McKellar, Lincoln McKenzie, Patrick McKenzie, Ethan Palmer, Jayden Post, Kyara S and Keeley Thomas.

Congratulations to all runners! Photos [here](#).

Cello with Love – Renat and Hila Yusupov Upcoming Concerts

The very talented Primary Music Teacher Renat Yusupov and his wife Hila are performing at a series of concerts at Bribie Island on 17 June, Mt Mee on 27 July and Maleny on 29 July.

To book follow [this link](#) or for more information visit the [Facebook Page](#).

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