Inside this issue:

Hairlarious Day - p2 & p4
Kitchen Garden News - p5
French Pizza Party - Thank you Language Perfect - p7
Great Touch Football Experience - p11
Semi Finals Next Challenge for Community Cup Team - p11
Development Cup - p12
# Newsletter Term 2, 27 June 2014

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>TERM 3</th>
<th></th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>JULY</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Mon 14-Fri 18</td>
<td>Student Free Days</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Mon 21</td>
<td>First day Term 3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tue 22</td>
<td>Sunshine Coast Careers Expo Senior School</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tue 22</td>
<td>7pm P and F Meeting</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tue 29</td>
<td>ICAS English</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Thur 31</td>
<td>Year 12 Parent Teacher Interviews</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>AUGUST</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sat 2</td>
<td>FUNFEST</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tue 5</td>
<td>Secondary Athletics Carnival 12 years to Open</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Wed 6</td>
<td>Primary Athletics Carnival</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Wed 6</td>
<td>6pm &quot;Your Future Options&quot; Info Night Years 10, 11, and 12.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Thur 7-Fri 8</td>
<td>QCS Practice Year 12</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tue 12</td>
<td>7pm P and F Meeting</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Mon 11-Fri 15</td>
<td>Year 10 SET Plan Interviews</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Thur 14-Fri 15</td>
<td>Primary District Athletics Carnival</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Mon 18-Fri 22</td>
<td>Bookweek Activities</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Fri 22</td>
<td>Junior Athletics Carnival Prep to 8 years old</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Fri 22</td>
<td>Shine on the Arts Evening</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tue 26</td>
<td>Parent Teacher Interviews for Years 7 to 11</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Wed 27</td>
<td>Parent Teacher Interviews for Years 7 to 9</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SEPTEMBER</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tue 2</td>
<td>6.30pm Prep Fathers’ Night</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tue 2-Wed 3</td>
<td>QCS Exams Year 12</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Wed 3</td>
<td>Prep Fathers’ Day Chapel</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Thur 4-Fri 5</td>
<td>Year 9 Boys’ Retreat/Camp</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Mon 8</td>
<td>Volunteers’ Lunch</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Wed 10-Fri 12</td>
<td>Year 3 Camp at Tunnel Ridge boys/girls</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tue 9-Fri 12</td>
<td>Year 9 Girls’ Retreat/Camp</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Fri 12-Tue 16</td>
<td>Years 11 and 12 Block Exams</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tue 16-Wed 17</td>
<td>Primary Parent Teacher interviews 3.15pm to 7pm</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Wed 17</td>
<td>Middle School Messy Games day</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Thur 8-Mon 29</td>
<td>French Trip</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Cover photo:** Some crazy hair styles with Hairlarious Day, Bethany Bell, Lara James, Kimberley Bland, Tiana Sambrook and Lilly Harding showed off their hairlarious locks! For story see page 2 and for photos see page 4

**Contact Details**

58 Roberts Road, Beerwah Qld 4519  
Ph: 07 5439 0033 Fax: 07 5439 0044  
Email address: admin@gccc.qld.edu.au  
Web address: www.gccc.qld.edu.au  
Absentee line: 5436 5670  

*GCCC is a ministry of Glasshouse Country Baptist Church*
Fiji Mission Trip

While most of us are looking forward to the school holidays for some relaxation, several of our staff and 15 of our students are planning to work hard in the schools and villages of Fiji.

The Fiji mission team began work months ago by planning their ministry, practicing presentations and fund raising for the trip. The team will be visiting schools, running after school clubs and youth groups as well as visiting the surrounding villages. During their time there, they will receive one day off to go snorkelling on one of the surrounding islands – a well-earned treat!

Hairlorious Day

National Hairlorious Day was a big hit at GCCC last Friday. The whole school threw themselves into the spirit of the day by sporting the craziest hair possible and raised $883.45 for the Childhood Cancer Association.

This year the Association is putting the funds towards its Home Tutor Scheme which tutors students who miss out on school because of cancer treatment.

Even students with the shortest haircuts possible managed a creative cut on the day. We had some very fancy inventions which had obviously involved much thought and time. Thank you to all the parents who plaied, parted, ponytailed, pigtailed, patched and pigmented their children’s hair for the day.

GCCC is now entered into the Childhood Cancer Association’s section for ‘Most funds raised by a regional school.” We will let you know how we go.

Please click here to see some of the Hairlorious Day photos.

Annual Report

Compiling an Annual Report and making its publicly available is a legal requirement but one that benefits us as a College as well as our families. The report gives a snapshot of the previous year highlighting some of the key improvements and shows how GCCC is changing and growing. Sometimes it is easy to lose sight of the big picture and the Annual Report helps prevent that from happening.

This year we are making the Annual Report available on our website as well as the magazine hosting site we use for our newsletter. I hope you have a chance to visit the report some time.

Congratulations Matt Beattie

Matt and Valerie Beattie are proud to announce the arrival of Mason Oliver Beattie. Mason was born on 16 June at 8.36am, weighing six pounds and six ounces (2.89kg). For those mums out there who want to know all the details – the labour was a magical 3.5 hours. Mother and baby are doing very well and the Beattie family want to thank everyone for their prayers.

Felicitations to Rochelle Thomas

Rochelle Thomas, our Primary Music Teacher, is getting married this Sunday 29 June on the beach and on behalf of the staff, students and their families, I’d like to wish her all the best for her new married life. Rochelle will be marrying Ken Harrison which means we will have two Mrs Harrisons on staff next term.

Welcome Kylie Birkwood

Many of you may have heard that our Art Teacher Patrice Cutlack, has needed some time off to take care of one of her children undergoing medical treatment. Unfortunately, what looked like a short term medical problem has become much longer so Kylie Birkwood will be job sharing with Patrice until her child is better. Kylie will be working two days a week beginning in Term 3. Please make her feel welcome if you see her on campus.
Farewell Simo McMinn

Simo McMinn is leaving us at the end of this term to spend more time with her parents and family. Simo has been a valued member of the Future Pathways Department for some time and she will be sorely missed by students and staff alike.

I have pleasure in announcing our very own Mel Parker as the successful applicant for the job. Mel will leave her Teaching Assistant duties to take on her new role for the beginning of Term 3.

Parent Handbook

The Parent Handbook will be undergoing some slight revisions and streamlining during the school holidays. I hope to have the updated handbook uploaded onto the website and connect by the first week back at school.

Term dates for 2015

For those of you planning your holidays for 2015, the term dates for this year are now on our website. Visit our home page and then scroll down until you see Calendar Dates on the left hand side. At the bottom of this list you will find the term dates for 2015.

Funfest

Funfest is just around the corner and only two weeks after students go back in Term 3. Please stay updated with the current needs for Funfest by visiting their page on our website and reading the latest newsletter. At the moment they are asking people to dig deep for articles or services that can be auctioned and there is also a pressing need for filler items for the mystery jars.

Happy Holidays

Our students and staff have been working hard and are looking forward to the upcoming holidays. I hope you are able to find some time to relax with your family and plan some quality time together during these holidays.

Please remember that Monday 14 July to Friday 18 July is a pupil free week so students don’t come back until Monday 21 July.

Mike Curtis, Principal

Hairlarious Day
After another busy term I would like to wish all our families a safe and restful Semester one holiday. I know that most of our parents and caregivers appreciate the change of pace during holidays as there is a break from the flurry of making lunches, checking homework and all the day to day aspects of getting children ready for school each morning.

However, if you could still find time on occasions to read with your children and encourage them to read age appropriate books, it would benefit them greatly.

Reports will be posted out and emailed to parents and caregivers early next week.

Please discuss the report with your child and encourage them for progress. There may also be other areas where they need to improve – particularly in the comments or effort rating. Strong partnerships between home and school are so important in a student’s educational journey. If you have anything you need to discuss about your child’s report, please make an appointment with his/her class teacher so we can strengthen this partnership.

I am sure that all those who attended the Parent Pipeline sessions have been empowered to help their children in reading and spelling. As a school we are making opportunities to meet your needs in terms of areas you are keen to know more about. Please support these sessions in Term 3.

Finally, we had another wonderful Grandparents’ Day this week. This event is such a beautiful time when children can honour their grandparents and build that sense of “family” and “community” which is so important in their young lives. Grandparents’ Day will be the feature article in the first newsletter of Term 3. In the meantime, you can enjoy the photos by clicking here.

Have a wonderful holiday and drive safely, particularly if you are travelling during the break.

God bless, Cheryl Bryers, Head of Primary

Kitchen Garden News

It is difficult to believe that the end of term has arrived. Time flies when you are having fun and what fun we have had in the last fortnight.

It is wonderful to see how the children’s palettes have developed over the course of the past semester. Chefs made a healthy chicken and bok choy stir fry which was laced with lots of ginger, garlic and sweet soy sauce (kecap manis) and I was delighted to see (as were many of our wonderful volunteers) that most children ate the stir fry with many wanting seconds and thirds!

Lots of broad bean and pea seedlings were planted into our garden bed. The seeds were planted last fortnight by the Preps and were big enough to be planted out into the beds.

The Year 3s joined us on Wednesday for their end of term lesson. We made damper and butter from scratch to tie in with the classes’ term theme of ‘then and now’. Once the work was done we played some old fashioned games while waiting for our damper to cook. The Year 3s were also put to work weeding and giving our beds and paths a final tidy up for the holidays.

I would like to thank all our lovely volunteers who have helped out in KG, especially those of you who get ‘thrown in the deep end’. If any one is able to come in during the holidays and do some watering, weeding or maintenance please let me know.

Don’t forget to check out our KG website www.gccckitchengarden.com.au for lots of photos and for the recipes from lessons.

Enjoy you holidays, stay safe and happy gardening!

Mandy Ward, Kitchen Garden Coordinator

For more photos, see the GCCC Website.
Buranga Camp 2014

On the 10 and 11 June, eleven Year 6 students attended Buranga Camp at the Mapelton Centre, where they took part in a learning intensive experience in one of the following disciplines; Science, Math, English, Art and Music. The students met together on the second day of the camp to showcase their accomplishments and parents were invited to attend.

Each year Buranga Camp is organized by the Sunshine Coast Independent Primary Heads Association and all the Independent Primary Schools on the Sunshine Coast are invited to attend. The purpose of Buranga Camp is to give students the opportunity to increase their skills and knowledge, work with students from other schools with similar strengths, make new friends and have lots of fun. Students are encouraged to challenge themselves, step outside their comfort zone and become they best that they can be.

In English students created an e-Magazine and in Science, students worked in the disciplines of Physics and Chemistry. The Math group had to design and cost a landscaping project build a model and in Art students were exposed to silk painting and water pastels. In Music the students had an opportunity to fine-tune their singing skills as they worked on a 3 part harmonies and other intricate choral performances.

This is what the students had to say about their experience:

Maddie: The English group’s challenge was to create a magazine aimed at kids our age to inspire them to write. We had to put on our green thinking hat (creative thinking hat) and get imaginative! My magazine was called “Inspired” and it was a bit of everything, from things about pets to crafts and advice on writing a narrative. We also had to create a “secret weapon” that had never been seen in a magazine before. Lastly, we made our own website and posted our magazine on it. At the end of the camp, parents were invited to come and see us showcase our masterpieces as we put these on display. We had a great time and we also got to meet new friends and work with them. I would definitely recommend this camp to anyone. I learnt a lot and it was great fun!

Emma: The food there was so good that we almost always went back for seconds. In the afternoon of the first day most of us went on a bush hike to relax after a hard day of work while some of us stayed in our cabins and continued working. In English we had to make a magazine and in the Maths group they had to make a scale model of a garden and stay within a budget of $5000. In Science they did lots of experiments like making sherbet and deciding which type and amount of liquid will shoot a rocket bottle the highest.

Patrick: At Buranga I was a member of the Maths team. Our challenge was to draw and then build a model to scale that had to meet many requirements. What was tough about Buranga was just getting all of the requirements to scale and finding lots of prices. Boys slept in cabins in Harrison Lodge. Buranga also had really good food. I recommend that if you have the opportunity you should go because it is a fantastic opportunity to develop your skills and your knowledge.

Buranga Camp was a wonderful opportunity for our students and we look forward to taking another group in 2015.

Gail Mitchell, Assistant Head of Primary

Le Français à GCCC est très fantastique!

This sentence encapsulates something of the buzz in our French class’ this Term. Our recent Language Perfect Championship results, in which GCCC finished 9th in QLD, coupled with the amalgamation of some of the aim language learning gestures in our lessons; has resulted in greater student confidence in their ability to recall sufficient vocabulary to speak French.

Congratulations Olivia! For coming first place during the championships for Primary

We are proud of our Language Perfect Championship Certificate winners. With Olivia Logar from 6M coming first for Primary, followed by Isabel Holley [5G], Emily Ikin [5M], Madeline Chidgey [5G], Ebony King [5M] and Casey Rowe [6G]. These students were recognised at our Primary assembly last Monday, for their excellent efforts during the championships and received their credit certificates. Well done to everyone who put in a great effort for our College with fantastic results.

To view some of our celebrations this term and to access some great French language games for the holidays, visit our GCCC French Primary website at GCCCprimaryfrench. For more information about the AIM Language program follow this link: www.aimanz.com/what-is-the-aim/. Direct any questions by email to: nadine.hamill@gccc.qld.edu.au.

Nadine Hammill - Primary French LOTE Teacher
Legacy Cup – Challenge of the Minds

The air was tense with excitement as our top GPA students contended for the Legacy Cup, Challenge of the Minds, during assembly last week. A collective breath was held as students waited to see if their team members would correctly state the name of Postman Pat’s cat. All waited in awe to see if the Sinai team member knew the next number in the Fibonacci number sequence. And, all Zion sighed a breath of relief as their team correctly ‘guessed’ in which Star War’s film the Ewoks appeared. It was a great event with the final scores very close!

At the end of this term we will know out of Primary, Middle and Senior which team has won the Challenge of the Minds Legacy Cup event. Each term the school runs a Legacy Cup event. The scores across Primary, Middle and Senior are tallied to give a cumulative total at the end of the year for the overall Legacy Cup winning team.

Eggmobiles

There have been bated breaths around the Middle School in many OTHER places also. The Industrial Tech students tested their eggmobiles and built bridges – with the record being 85Kg’s! Year 7s compared their answers on their data analysis assignments on social messaging sites – did you know 22 identified social messaging sites were identified as being used by our Year 7s? Then there are these great Haikus. My favourite being:

Reports

This is a wonderful time of the school year with students demonstrating their knowledge, skills and ability in their finished projects, presentations, assignments, speeches, tests and much more.

I am sure parents sometimes wish they could pop their head in to some of their child’s classes to see these results in action. Sadly, we often only hear from the students about how it went and then see the work transformed in to marks and comments on the reports.

Having said that, teachers work very hard to assess work accurately, grade the final results and write report comments. These will be emailed out at the end of the holidays. Later in Term 3 all parents are invited to a student-led conference where students will walk their parents through their schoolwork, results, highs and lows. This is another way to have a ‘peak in the classroom’ so to speak.

Parental Participation

Parents deserve a pat on the back for their contribution to the work their child produces. I know from my own experience that there are many things parents put in place to encourage, prod, critique, inspire and at times call to account for their child to produce good results. After all this work – I hope you all enjoy the holidays! And, that you gain some refreshment, ‘smell the roses’ together and set some goals with your child for the next half of the year.

French Pizza Party – Thank you Language Perfect

What a wonderful way to celebrate our achievements in the Language Perfect World Championships 2014 with a sponsored Pizza Party.

The 36 well deserving certificate winners enjoyed meeting up over a slice of pizza. Bon appétit!

We continue to use the Language Perfect App in middle school French classes over the year, and tasks on the App are the main homework set each week. It is the perfect way to revise vocabulary learnt and to continue to improve listening and speaking skills in a fun and competitive way. The students compete against each other in year groups and earn points the more they practice.

Let’s hope this event has captured the students’ imaginations and will encourage them to continue to work hard over the year!

Lee-anne Gordon

For more photos, see the GCCC Website.

Jacqualina Vreeling, Head of Middle School

For more photos, see the GCCC Website.

Next term we will be having guest speakers on Healthy Relationships and Study Skills early in the term. Please make a note of this and remember to talk about these topics with your child, as I am sure it will be the basis for some good discussions.

Let’s hope this event has captured the students’ imaginations and will encourage them to continue to work hard over the year!

Lee-anne Gordon

For more photos, see the GCCC Website.
Senior School News

Exams, Assessments and Reports

This is our final week of term and we have been extremely busy with exams and assessments. Our exam block finishes in the last week of school allowing just two days for Year 11 and 12 to hand back papers and check results. It is therefore vital that students do not finish school early but end the term strongly with attendance right through until the last day. Staff will now complete reports over the holidays and these will be emailed in that third and final week.

The Year 12s will have Parent Teacher Interviews in Week 2 of next Term so you will be able to discuss feedback on reports prior to the critical Term 3 assessments and the Year 12 Verifications. Information about the Parent Teacher Interviews will be included with reports and there will be a link to our online booking system.

Late Submissions of Assignments

It is disappointing to see some Seniors still getting after school detentions for failing to submit work in on time. Students know that when assessment tasks are handed out and the due date is set then under no circumstances will work be accepted after this date unless an extension from the Dean of Studies is granted. Work after the due date will not be marked and only the work received by this date will be considered. GCCC introduced a check date system this year where students must submit what they have done approximately one week prior to the due date. This helps validate the work they are doing and demonstrate to the teacher that their work is in fact their own as well as providing something for the teacher to mark should assignments be handed in late.

The Fiji Mission Trip

On 9 July, 15 students and staff will fly to Fiji as part of the 2014 Fiji Mission Trip. The students are doing their final practises before we leave. We have met virtually every Friday afternoon as well as Thursday lunch times. These are an amazing group of young people and we are excited by what God has planned for us in Fiji. The students will arrive back to the College on Tuesday of Week 1, 22 July. Please keep us in your prayers particularly for safety and that we will recognise God’s leading. I also want to thank everyone for their support as well. The Mission Team through the Glasshouse Country Baptist Church have also organised a container load of equipment to be shipped over to Fiji for the locals. This includes a tractor.

An evening with Dr Kaku

On the 5 June, one of our Year 10 students attended a special presentation with Dr Michio Kaku, possibly the world’s leading theoretical physicist. Duane Botha asked me if he could attend and after I spoke with him and saw his passion for Science, I realised this was an opportunity too good to miss.

Below are Duane's thoughts of his meeting with Professor Kaku.

“I went to the Brisbane convention center to see Dr. Michio Kaku live. Dr. Kaku is a world-renowned theoretical physicist, he has three New York times bestsellers and has been my inspiration for the love of Science for the past six years. The moment he came out on stage the crowd went wild. Dr. Kaku sat down on stage and was questioned by a lady. When he answered these questions I got really excited. Hearing him deliver his speeches right in front of me was fantastic.

“He spoke deeply about the future of the human mind at the beginning of the seminar. This was all new information to me but he described it so clearly, it feels like I am an expert on it now. Halfway through the seminar, Dr. Kaku started talking about time travel and infinity. All these theories of his took years to develop and he explains it so well in his many books and TV shows.

“My love of science started when I saw him on the Discovery Channel talking about Einstein and the speed of light. I would stay up late watching his shows and then started discovering YouTube channels that he would appear on and I expanded my knowledge from that day on. The trip to watch him talk was well worth it.”

by Duane Botha Year 10

2014 Indigenous Australian Science and Infrastructure Development Winter School

I wish to congratulate Hayden Snow in Year 11 for being accepted to participate in the 2014 Indigenous Australian Science and Infrastructure Development (SID) Winter School. Hayden will be attending the Queensland University of Technology for four days over the holidays. The SID Winter School is a fully-supervised and funded four day, residential program designed to inspire Indigenous Queenslanders in years 10 and 11 to consider higher education studies that can lead to career pathways in: biological sciences, earth sciences, environmental sciences, chemistry, Information Technology (IT), urban development, urban planning and stakeholder engagement.

David Heyworth, Head of Middle School
Agricultural Science News

What an amazing Agventure we have had this last fortnight! Here’s a riddle for you . . .

. . . What is black and white and has 40 little legs?

No, it isn’t a caterpillar. Nor is it a mob of short Holstein dairy cows! It is . . . ten new Wessex Saddleback piglets! Matilda the mother pig is proving to be a great mum – very proud and protective. The piglets are all well marked (for their breed type) and seem very healthy. Mrs King and the students will be watching their progress carefully over the next few months. Did you know that the expecting sow makes a big nest just before she gives birth to her piglets? They really are amazing creatures!

The students have been working hard all term, learning new concepts – from crop growing requirements to cost inputs, harvesting, and marketing – and putting their knowledge into practice. They have been able to harvest and sell their own strawberries.

On the less serious side of our Agventure, there was lots of laughter when the students were trying to catch bugs, beetles, and butterflies with their butterfly nets recently – everyone ended up quite out of breath, covered in all sorts of paddock debris (seeds and prickles), and with very few insects! Maybe we just need bigger nets?!

Agricultural Science is great – so much more than pig nests and butterfly nets (try saying that fast ten times!). Ask the Ag students and Mrs King about other things that happen at Green Valley Farm.

Neri Allen

Here are some pig facts/terms that you may not know, from Jade King:

Farrow – to give birth, or a litter of piglets

Nesting – sows build a nest just before farrowing! I had to see this to believe it!

Gilt – a female pig that has not been pregnant

Barrow – castrated male pig

Boar – Male mature pig

New Enterprise for the GCCC’s Agricultural Plot

In the past week our Agricultural Science Programme has benefited from a commitment of $500 from Coochin Creek Co-op to assist with the establishment of a Fingerlime orchard. Furthermore, local Fingerlime farmers, Tracy and Gerard Mackle of Coonowrin Fingerlimes, have pledged to support the students in the planning and maintenance of the orchard.

Coochin Creek Co-op representative, Errol Graham, was set with the difficult task of selecting the enterprise to be supported from several presented to him by the GCCC Ag students. The students demonstrated an in-depth knowledge after thoroughly researching their chosen industries, including interviewing key stakeholders. Presentations included passionfruits, blueberries, cacao, dragon fruit and the ultimate winner, fingerlimes.

Taylah Holt selected fingerlimes as the new enterprise she would like to see established on the property due to their unusual appearance and novelty. The varieties “Pink Ice” and “Red Champagne” were Taylah’s favourites, and during her presentation she detailed the pros and cons for both varieties, pest and disease risks, profitability and possible marketing strategies for the future product.

Errol Graham was impressed by the students’ presentations and the educational value of the College’s agricultural plot.

It is inspirational to see how the local community are pulling together to ensure that the next generation has the opportunity to play a vital role in agriculture. Each and every bit of support towards the Agricultural Programme is so greatly appreciated. It is envisaged that the reward will be repaid tenfold when the next generation continues to provide using their agricultural understanding and knowledge.

Jade King

Year 10 Culinary Challenge

Year 10 students around the Sunshine Coast showcased their talents before the “Queensland Junior Secondary Schools Culinary Challenge” at the Coastal Cookery Trade Training Centre. Each team has been working alongside local chefs in creating their competition dish. The Master Class involves hands on cooking, gaining some tips straight from competition judges on how to maximize their chances to score highly in the state and regional cookery competition. This event provides an opportunity for hospitality students to get a taste of the pleasures, excitement and the professionalism that can accompany a career as a future chef while being coached by an industry professional.

The culinary challenge is being coordinated in the Sunshine Coast and Moreton Bay regions by Sustainable Partnerships Australia (SPA) in association with the Australian Culinary Federation (ACF).

Julie Peters, Head of Hospitality
GCCC is now a STEM X Centre for Excellence in Teaching, Learning and Research

Fenton Doolan and Brad Hampson submitted an application for GCCC to become a STEM X Centre for excellence in teaching, learning and research in the domain of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics. The application was successful and GCCC is now one of five schools in Queensland who have been awarded this title.

The title comes with a $10,000 grant that goes towards setting up and implementing the program. More details of the program will come soon. Here is a summary for now:

Glasshouse Country Christian College has a partnership with the University of the Sunshine Coast of peer mentoring from undergraduate students with GCCC students in mathematics, science and technology. Students engage with environmental technology and digital prototyping engineering technologies to work on real life programs. They plan to use their funding for professional development, specialised resources and support staff.

Rob Steffler, Dean of Studies

Future Pathways

The term has certainly been very active in terms of the promotion of careers and the exposure of options, such as various career events to Year 10 students.

Most recently Year 10 students had the 'USC Experience', which was enjoying two faculty based workshops at the University of the Sunshine Coast. The interactive nature of the workshops certainly enriched the learning experience of students with one example being using paramedic equipment within the Bachelor of Paramedic Science degree.

Year 10 students have now completed their 'My Future' lessons and should have a hard copy called their 'Career Profile', ready for their SET PLAN interviews in August. A letter for Year 10 parents will be sent out detailing how parents can make appointments to see Mr Heyworth and Mr Nash in due course. Similarly a letter will be sent to parents regarding the night of 6 August.

It is important to note that if you are intending to do a school-based traineeship, a traineeship sign up before the 30th June 2014 will mean that the employer will incur no costs. Currently there are school based traineeships still available in Horticulture Hospitality and Retail.

Immediately after the June-July break, parents should be aware of the annual Tertiary Studies EXPO on the 19 and 20 July. Further details can be found at www.tsxpo.org ( visit as it has links to key information, prizes to be won, a bursary of $2000). Other social media details are www.facebook.com/tsxpo & www.twitter.com/career events. It is held at the Exhibition Building, Brisbane Showgrounds, Bowen Hills from 10.00am-4pm (Admission Free).

The Sunshine Coast holds its Careers Expo – Tuesday 22 July. The Australian Defence Force among other exhibitors, will be present. This enhances and refines your decision making process.

The expo is relevant for both tertiary and TAFE students alike, particularly in exploring alternative pathways, scholarships and preparatory courses, in the event that a student is unsuccessful in their initial plans.

Year 12 students should be aware the application process is an ‘all round year’ application process which starts from the 5 August 2014 running through until Semester 2, 2015. A structured QTAC program will be run by me in Term 3 2014 and students should do the program before submitting an application.

So a 2014 Year 12 student’s application ‘remains current’ in 2015 even though they may not have received an offer in the January round of offers in 2015.

Year 12 interviews with both parents and students have begun and the Wednesday seems to be the most preferred day for interviews. Appointments can be made through the Future Pathways Office. The QTAC Guide will be distributed on the night of the 6 August, which is a Future Pathways /QTAC EXPO night.

A good starting point for Year12s who are quite unsure about their future options, is to go to Future Pathways on ‘I learn’, within the school’s website, complete the quizzes and questionnaires, and additionally start to compile a list of interests/courses through the My Future website www.myfuture.edu.au. The Job Guide 2014 is also available on line at www.jobguide.education.gov.au and is a very useful resource.

This ensures the Year 12 interview process with me is productive with information obtained by the student and gives a range of possible outcomes to follow through in 2015. A gap year in 2015 is possible, but it is only as meaningful as to the goals attached to it.

Applications for 2015 courses run through the Sunshine Coast Trade Training Centre have opened. Students should obtain an expression of interest form from the Future Pathways Office, and return it to me. Students should then attend the SCTTC, Caloundra High School Information night on August 27 regarding enrolment information.

Paul Nash, Future Pathways Coordinator
Athletics Carnivals

The 2014 Athletics carnival is fast approaching. The students have nominated for non compulsory events and have been doing trials for 100m sprints. The students have been practicing all the events to get them ready for the big day which is in week three of term three.

Secondary Carnival (12 Years-Open) Tuesday 5 August 2014

Primary Carnival (9-11 Years) Wednesday 6 August 2014

The Carnival will be held at Skippy Park, Landsborough. Buses will depart the College at 8.15am with the last bus leaving at 8.40am. These times will be for both carnivals. Please ensure your child is on time so we can get the carnival started.

If you normally drive your child to school, you can drop them directly at the venue from 8.00am.

Great Touch Football Experience

Sophie Trevan and Jaylah Daunt were selected in the 12 year girls Glasshouse District Touch Football team and have trained for the past six weeks with the team.

Last weekend they competed at the Sunshine Coast Regional Carnival held at Glasshouse District Sports Grounds. The team meet some strong opposition but defended well and also scored some great tries themselves. Although they only won one game, the team had several very close games finishing only one or two tries behind the opposing team. Caboolture once again dominated the competition showing their class in beating all other teams quite convincingly.

Sophie and Jaylah learned a great deal about touch, improved their skills and also enjoyed getting to know students from other Glasshouse schools.

Semi Finals Next Challenge for Community Cup Team

Semi finals are the next step for our enthusiastic Community Cup Football team.

Throughout Term two our team of Year 6 and 7 players have played four games against other Sunshine Coast Independent schools in the after school Community Cup Competition. The team has won three games and drawn one game which will put them into the semi-finals next term.

The last game against Good Shepherd Lutheran Noosa was rather frustrating as our team had all the possession but Good Shepherd scored three goals against the run of play. Mark Kennedy scored a penalty after a hand ball in the box making the score 3-1 going into half time.

GCC came out firing and very determined in the second half. The half was shortened due to time restraints but our gallant team managed to score two quick goals just before the final whistle sounded. The final came as the ball was crossed in across the face of goal, passing everyone except little Declan Martin who was positioned at the back post. He simply hit the ball into the back of the net. It was a great relief to score the equaliser just before the final whistle sounded.

The team is very grateful to the commitment of parents who transport students to each game and cheer enthusiastically throughout.

We now have to wait on this week’s results to find out who our opposition will be in next terms semi-final.

For more photos, see the GCCC Website.
Teams in Strong Positions at Interschool Sport

After two weeks of competition in netball and soccer at the Glasshouse District Interschool Sport competition, our year 6 and 7 teams are competing strongly. Most teams have only lost one or two games from the five or six played. There is one more week of competition and final positions will be decided at this week’s games.

Last week the A soccer team played a very close game against St Michaels with the score locked at nil all at half time. St Michaels scored two goals in the second half to win the game giving GCCC their first loss. They went on to beat Elimbah 8 – 2.

The A netball team are also playing very strongly dominating most teams but finished with a draw against St Michaels last Friday giving them four wins and one draw. They remain the only undefeated team thus far.

The B soccer team are also enjoying scoring many goals having scored 16 goals in five games but they also met strong opposition when playing St Michaels losing 2 – 0. This was the first time the team had let any goal in.

We have been so impressed with the B Netball team as this is a team of girls who are either new to netball or have only played for a short time. The girls have learned quickly and are so enthusiastic on the court. They have had some big wins and a few very close low scoring games. Tegan Gisler, Tenaia Owens and Hannah Johnson have taken on the role of coaches for this team and also share the umpiring of the games. These girls are doing a fantastic job coaching and umpiring and we look forward to them being involved in junior netball in the future.

For more photos, see the GCCC Website.

Allez Sport 2014 Cross Country Series

Four of our students participated in this year’s Cross Country series with outstanding results.

It is a six race competition at venues all over the Sunshine Coast.

Andrea Little came first in her age division, Natasha Hoeksema came second in her age division and Thomas Boroughs came third in his age division even after missing the first two races of the competition.

Declan Martin also participated but didn’t complete the series due to him making it through to school District Cross Country.

What an excellent result from these committed students, well done.

Michelle Boroughs

Development Cup

Glasshouse District Rugby League champions!

This year, the Rugby League Development Cup for Years 6 and 7 was played at Beerwah Bulldogs RLFC, where four teams (GCCC, Elimbah SS, Glasshouse SS, Maleny SS) gathered to play in a series of 20-minute games.

GCCC were undefeated throughout the three games. Each game consisted of a tight score line and was a tough contest. Going into the final game, GCCC was up against an undefeated Glasshouse SS. Whoever was to win this game would win the district competition. The scores were 0-0 with 4 minutes to play, when a play that you could only believe would happen in the NRL, stunned the onlookers at Beerwah.

Damian Tomokino, swooped down and picked up a boot lace ball on the run from a charge down and linked up with Travis Kuijpers-Weeks who drew three opposing defenders and passed inside to Alex Smith who sprinted 40 metres to score the match winning try! Absolutely breathtaking!

Each player played with great strength and agility, with special mention to Nick Dwan, Damian Tomokino and Patrick McKenzie who were wonderful in defence and attack. GCCC’s best defensive player was Beau Howard who captained the side, and our best attacking player was Mark Kennedy who scored three tries on the day.

GCCC will played St Peter’s Catholic School in the next tier of the competition on the following Tuesday. We will let you know how they go in the next newsletter.

Cameron Hall (coach)

For more photos, see the GCCC Website.
Hi Everyone

What a great time the students had at the primary disco last Friday, 20.6.14 008

There were some real groovers and shakers on the dance floor.

I noticed a couple of staff members with some fine moves too.

Mike Curtis was showing the Prep to Years 2s how it is done and Vicki Childs was tearing up the dance floor with the Year 3 to 6 students.

Wayne the DJ was awesome and when the Year 3-6 did the limbo, the night just became more entertaining.

A huge thank you to the wonderful parents who helped on the night. Events like this just can’t happen without the help and support from the college families. So thanks to everyone who came along. I hope everyone enjoyed the night as much as I did.

Due to school holidays, the next P and F meeting will be the first week back, Tuesday 22 July, 7pm in the library.

We have also changed August meeting to the second week, Tuesday 12, 7 pm in library. Please make a note of these new dates. Everyone is welcome.

Have a safe and happy holiday.

See you all in three weeks.

Lynelle Sim

To see all the Funfest news, visit GCCC’s home page and then scroll down until you find the Funfest button.

Chappy Chatter

Pause and Ponder

When we are in a conflict situation or a high stress time of life, or even when things don’t go the way we want them to we tend to respond in certain ways.

Sometimes we lash out physically or emotionally. Sometimes we hide or run away. Other times we bottle it up or simply ignore everything.

There are circumstances where these reactions are appropriate (for instance, if someone is attacking you it’s healthy to defend yourself to get away).

But often, when we learn that a certain response worked once we learn to use that same response for everything… all the time. Whenever we aren’t sure how to respond, we just pull out old faithful!

Clearly this go to reaction might not be the best response for every circumstance.

Instead, when we find ourselves in a high stress or complicated situation we need to follow these simple steps:

Stop, Think, Pray, Ask, Do

Stop! Take a breather and realize where you are and who you are with.

Think! What is actually going on right now? Is my go to reaction really the right reaction?

Pray! God help me in this situation! I need your protection, wisdom and advice.

Ask! Ask the Lord to help you respond in the best way. The most constructive and god honouring way.

Do! Finally you have the opportunity to react. But by following these steps you have given yourself a great head start in reacting positively, instead of destructively.

Proverbs 3:1-6

My child, never forget the things I have taught you.

Store my commands in your heart.

If you do this, you will live many years, and your life will be satisfying.

Never let loyalty and kindness leave you! Tie them around your neck as a reminder.

Write them deep within your heart.

Then you will find favor with both God and people, and you will earn a good reputation.

Trust in the Lord with all your heart; do not depend on your own understanding.

Seek his will in all you do, and he will show you which path to take.

Mick Spann, Youth Pastor
Young people with asthma survey – win an iPad

Help improve the lives of young people with asthma

The Young and Well CRC is looking for young people with asthma, aged 12 to 25, to participate in an online survey about their health and wellbeing.

To help us evaluate Asthma Australia’s National Young People and Asthma Strategy, we aim to create a snapshot of the experiences, health and wellbeing of young people with asthma in Australia.

Participants who complete the survey can go into the draw to win an iPad or iTunes vouchers.


Ashley Walton
Programs Coordinator PO Box 394 Fortitude Valley Q 4006 Phone 07 3252 7677 asthmaaustralia.org.au

School Holiday Tennis Clinic

Tuesday July 8th
Wednesday July 9th
Thursday July 10th

5-7 years 10:30am – 11:30am $30 three days or $15 per day
8+ years 11:30am – 1:30pm $60 three days or $25 per day

Beerwah and District Swimming Pool

Ph; 54 940 022

Get a head start to your summer fun and racing fitness! (School swimming carnivals are held in November!)

Enrol now for Spring Term (August to September) swimming lessons/squad. Simply phone the pool or drop in and see us at the kiosk.

Swimming – teaches you water safety and skills for life!

Take a Hike Sunshine Coast

Event Details

Venue: Sunshine Coast Date: 27 July 2014 to 27 July 2014
Time: 04:00am – 02:30pm

Forty kilometres. Nine hours. One day. Once chance. To change the life of a child with autism.

The largest and most inspiring organised autism walk in Australia is coming to the Sunshine Coast!

Take a Hike is the ultimate corporate and community challenge which inspires hundreds of Queensland’s most community-minded leaders to put their best foot forward for children with autism at AEIOU Foundation every year.

Take a Hike Sunshine Coast will be held on Sunday, 27 July 2014,
School Holiday Workshop

THEATRE and PERFORMANCE

Five full days of creativity, excitement and fun with a showcase event to close.

Learn from an industry expert valuable life skills to build your self-esteem and confidence through:

Speech and Articulation,
Improvisational Tactics,
Script Writing,
Characterisation,
Performance and Presentation

June 30th to July 4th
9.30am – 4.00pm
BADYACC - 13 Roberts Road, Beerwah

Tailored for students aged 11 to 17 with a passion for theatre, performance and writing.

PLACES ARE STRICTLY LIMITED

For further information or to reserve your place contact BADYACC on 07 5494 0505.

OPEN DAY

Sunday, 6 July 2014
10am - 3pm
Guide Dogs Queensland
Breeding and Training Centre, 1978 Gympie Road, Bald Hills

- Guide Dog training demonstrations
- Kennel tours and kids activities
- Photo with a Guide Dog-in-training

Open Day highlights

- Our canine friend dog displays
  Police Dog Squad, RAAF Military Dogs and more!

For more information, Freecall 1800 810 122 or visit guidedogsqld.com.au

Free health checks day for children 3 July

The QUT Health Clinics is offering a FREE health check day for children during the school holidays at the QUT Caboolture Campus.

Students from the QUT Faculty of Health will be providing:

- foot checks
- vision screening
- dietary and lunchbox advice
- education and development assessments
- fun hands on activities for kids.

This FREE comprehensive screening event is on Thursday 3rd July from 9:30am to 3:30pm at QUT Caboolture Campus.

Parents are able to book their children into sessions by phoning 07 3138 7568 (bookings are essential).
This is a call out to all parents, grandparents, friends and family to help with specific tasks to assist in the smooth running of the Funfest –

*Many hands make light work.*

This year Funfest is being held on the Saturday 2nd August – this is only 2 weeks after school is back!! We need people **ASAP**.

We have identified some areas where we will need assistance. This could grow as we get closer to the day. We are also aware you may have been asked for assistance from your class representatives for your own class stall.

**Here is this list of the TASKS** –

- Rides & Booth sales (1 hour slots)
- Security
- First Aid (on call)
- Tuckshop (1 hour slots)
- Traffic Warden (open & shut the day TBA)
- Work in BBQ (1 hour slots)
- Greek BBQ (1 hour slots)
- Setup on the Day (starting at 7am)
- Cleanup Team (at the end of Funfest Approx, 4pm)

We are also looking for people who would be able to be a “**All Day Wonder**”. Last year we found stalls needing help at various times during the Funfest. To have people on hand during the event would be great help.

Please contact myself – Alison Prentice either by e-mail: alibilbe@hotmail.com or call/text: **0400 796 455**. Also you can fill in the bottom form and hand into the office.

---

**Glasshouse Country Christian College**

*Growing in faith and knowledge*