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Cover photo: Teachers Kimberly McLaren and Leetice Evans brought Penny Pesgettie and Dagwood Dog to dance the night away at the Primary disco.

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What’s happening on the new block?

Many of you may have noticed all the activity which began on the new block on Friday 12 September. Clearing is now full speed ahead for the first stage of construction. As promised, the first thing to be built will be a new car park that will hold almost 100 cars. This will also include a set down area to relieve the congestion on the Kiss and Go. Following the completion of the car park, work will begin on three Primary classrooms.

During the clearing process an arborist is on site determining exclusion zones which are clumps of trees listed in the environmental management plan. There is also a wildlife spotter who will ensure no harm comes to animals inhabiting the area.

The new land is now a work area and due to safety regulations, access is restricted to the workers and site manager.

Volunteers’ lunch

This year the Volunteers’ Lunch was held in the church hall. The Hospitality students, led by the talented Julie Peters, did a wonderful job giving the space ambience and decorating the tables with style. Thanks also to Lana Balazs for volunteering her time.

Gourmet antipasto platters and gifts of chocolate truffles with a lantern pen awaited the volunteers as they were greeted and seated by the Hospitality students.

Alternate drops of slow roasted beef cheeks and Asian pork stir fry were followed by cream caramel with caramelised pear and chocolate Bavarian cheesecake.

After the meal was over I overhead quite a few of the volunteers talking about the exercise they were planning as a follow up to such a deliciously decadent lunch.

The lunch doubled up as a culinary assessment task for the Hospitality students so Julie Peters had to remain in the kitchen to mark the students’ cooking and preparation skills. The remaining Hospitality students took care of ‘front of house’ on their own and did a brilliant job. They handled the usual hiccups that came their way with aplomb and discretion and gave superb service with a smile.

More photos of the GCCC website.

Primary Disco

I don’t know if any of you remember the old Mortein ad, “when you are on a good thing, stick to it” but the same could be said for our Primary discos.

These events have become a real highlight for our Primary students. This time the theme was, “Let’s Celebrate Spring” and the students dressed up as something or someone beginning with the letter ‘S’ to get into the swing of things.

Students bopped the night away and enjoyed a surprise visit by puppets Penny Pesgettie and Dagwood Dog.

Thanks to Lynelle Sim and the P and F members who put so much hard work into raising funds for our College and making fun for our students.

NAPLAN results

NAPLAN results are in and you can now access your child’s scores through your family portal. Just log into your family portal, then click on Student Documents and then Shared Documents. Please note that even though this section is called ‘Shared Documents’ it just means that the document is shared between the College and yourself. No other families have access to your student’s information.

Sad news

Many of you (especially Secondary families) may remember Dr Robert Flegg who used to teach at our school. Sadly, Robert’s only son passed away suddenly and unexpectedly last week and he leaves a young family behind. Please keep Robert, his wife and his son’s family in your prayers this week.

Are you moving?

If you are planning to leave the College please remember that we require 90 days’ notice as per your enrolment contract. If notice is not given, you will be charged one term’s fees in lieu of that notice. To keep our fees low and the running of the school efficient, we must be able to forecast student numbers to finalise staffing plans, timetabling and budgeting. Thank you for your assistance with this.

What are we passing on to our children?

Have you ever thought about what you are passing on to your children? I’m not talking about who inherits Great Granny’s china cabinet but what values we are passing on to our children now.

Living in Australia, it’s easy to think our focus should be to pass on good Aussie values of working hard, being fair dinkum and doing the right thing by your mates. These are good values but should they be our top priority?

The wisest father who ever lived had a completely different top priority. In Proverbs 4 King Solomon wrote “Listen, my sons, to a father’s instruction; pay attention and gain understanding” in verse 1, and then in verse 5, “Get wisdom, get understanding; do not forget my words or turn away from them.”
The best value we can pass onto our children is wisdom. Wisdom will show them how to do the right thing by their mates. Wisdom will show them what it means to be fair dinkum. Wisdom will guide our children and keep them safe. Proverbs 4:11-13 says: “I instruct you in the way of wisdom and lead you along straight paths. When you walk, your steps will not be hampered; when you run, you will not stumble. Hold onto instruction, do not let it go; guard it well, for it is your life.”

How do we get wisdom so we can pass it onto our children? Once again the answer is found in Proverbs (9:10). “The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, and knowledge of the Holy One is understanding.” Wisdom begins with God. If we want to be wise and grow wise children, we need to know God.

Your children will often come home from school with something they have learned about God. Take the time to talk to them about it; look up Bible verses together; learn and grow in true wisdom together.

Mike Curtis, Principal

Emergency mobile phone app

The Daniel Morcombe Foundation have created an emergency mobile phone app which can be downloaded for only 99 cents.

To find out more visit this link: http://www.danielmorcombe.com.au/app/

Natalie Woolston

Primary News

As the term comes to a close I just wanted to leave you with a message which I shared with our fathers at the Father’s Day Chapel last week (click here for photos). I hope it is an encouragement to everyone who reads the primary section of the newsletter this week and blesses you as you fulfil the greatest role in life -parenting.

The Story of the Chinese Bamboo Plant.

The Chinese Bamboo plant starts from a tiny seed. You plant the seed in the dirt and you water the seed. Very little seems to happen in the first year. Despite your efforts, only a tiny shoot pokes out of the ground.

So the second year you water, fertilize and protect the seed – but nothing happens. In the third year you water and fertilize and protect the seed – but still nothing happens. So, in the fourth year you continue to water and fertilize and protect the seed but there is no evidence of any growth. But finally, during the fifth year, the Chinese Bamboo plant begins to grow 30 metres tall in just six weeks! The question is, did it grow 30 metres in six weeks or in five years? The answer of course is that it grew 30 metres in five years. It took five years to develop the root system which would support a 30 metre plant.

If the Chinese Bamboo immediately shot up 30 metres in the first year, one strong wind would blow it down. By growing deep before it grows tall, it gains the strength it needs to withstand the force of strong winds. Similarly, lasting growth starts on the inside of our children. It is often difficult to see that change is taking place but this is a necessary process – and it is all happening below the surface! God’s Word has a great deal to say about parents and children. “Train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old he will not depart from it” Proverbs 22:6.

A baby and toddler watches and takes in a great deal from his family; and then come the primary years where our children are like little sponges. This is a real time of growth where they will challenge and wait for strong caring nurturing parents to guide and correct – and as this happens the root structure goes deeper.

Then before you know it, the teenage years come around and all that nurturing, watering and fertilising brings forth a young person who has tight family bonds, close relationships with you his parents, good character and a strong moral compass to guide them through life. They can discern right from wrong (because you have taught them this) and are able to make good choices. As you look around today, we can see many young people who seem to have lost their moral compass. What a tragedy it is when the media and reality TV shows become their guide because they have no personal moral compass instilled in them by loving parents over many years of watering, fertilizing and protecting that little seed.

So parents you are in this watering, fertilizing, nurturing stage with your primary aged children. Hold the line and in a number of years, just stand back and watch them shoot up tall and strong because of their deep roots; and you will rejoice in the fact that you can enjoy their company through the teenage years. They will turn to you for guidance as they face the
challenges which will certainly come their way, because they will have confidence based on the many years previously when you have spent the time developing that strong foundation. They will know that you can be trusted to be a sounding board or give them wise counsel when they need it.

May the next two weeks be a time of great refreshing for you and your family as you enjoy your time together May God keep you safe as you travel or contented as you simply enjoy staying at home.

Blessings, Cheryl Bryers, Head of Primary

eagerly awaiting the next bunch. We have planted cucumbers, zucchini and squash into the beds and have planted pumpkin and rockmelon seedlings into pockets of compost in the banana garden.

Enjoy the holidays and see you in the garden in Term 4. More photos on the GCCC website.

Mandy Ward, Kitchen Garden Coordinator

Primary Performing Arts

Our Performing Arts ensembles gave a community concert in Week 9 for the lovely people at Glasshouse Country Care on Peachester Road, Beerwah.

The concert opened with Primary Band performing a tight set of three songs, followed by our String Ensemble many of whom were making their debut performance.

Next, Junior Choir sang and grooved to ‘Absolutely Everybody’, and then thirty seven Little Voices added the cute factor with their crowd pleasing renditions of ‘Watermelon’ and ‘Wombat on a Surfboard’. To close the concert, Chloe Dunford and Rachel Wood confidently performed two clarinet duets.

The performers were all very well received and to show their appreciation the staff presented each student with a small edible gift.

All of our ensembles should be very proud of their various performances this term, and we look forward to more in Term 4.

Penny White

GCCC comes third in Qld State Language Perfect Competition

We are again excited to report that GCCC came 3rd for French in the recent QLD State Language Perfect Competition. This comes after a marathon 1st place finish in a three week Sunshine Coast Competition. These results indicate that our students have continued to improve on their earlier excellent Worldwide Championship results in May, when we came 9th for French for QLD.

Ebony King 5M was presented with her silver certificate at assembly this week. Ebony earned 2,111 points during this competition, coming 1st for French in our College and 22nd out of some 1,400 participating QLD French students. Hamish White from 7G came 2nd for French on 1846 points. Hamish did an outstanding job in the ‘all languages category’ earning a gold medal and 1st place in that category. Emily Ikin received her 3rd credit certificate and is to be congratulated for her consistent excellent results during each competition earning a credit certificate each time. We are very proud of all the great learning which our students have achieved during these competitions.

Nadine Hammill
**YWAM Medical Ship**

Many Primary families contributed to donations of glasses, toothbrushes/paste and soap for the YWAM medical ship, to use in Papua New Guinea. The YWAM volunteer staff hold clinics, conduct eye operations and dental work, in addition to general hygiene education.

This week the Year 6 students had the privilege of delivering the donations to the ship and were given a tour. One of the interesting pieces of medical equipment used are the portable dentist chairs which can be folded up and carried as 15kg back packs, solar powered and used in remote villages.

We send out a huge thank you to all the families who donated the much needed resources.

Here is the email we received from Andrew Smith of YWAM:

*Hello Nicole,*

*It was great having your school group onboard today and getting to meet the face behind the phone calls and emails.*

*Kind regards,*

*Andrew Smith*

_Nicole Jen_

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**Middle School News**

Our Year 8s Walked on Water last Friday … well not exactly. However, it is a good reminder to keep looking upwards and outwards. That was the disciple Peter’s (almost) fatal flaw – he began to look down. The end of the year is almost in sight. It is so important to keep looking ahead at that big long term goal and not to get too stuck on the nitty gritty of the day to day things. If we remember our big goals we have a better chance to stay on track.

Middle and Senior Awards Night

A few weeks into Term 4 (Week 5, Tuesday) we will be holding our Middle and Senior Awards Night. This is a corporate event and all students with their respective families are expected to attend. It is an opportunity to celebrate together as a community our achievements and recognise the various awards that our individual students will be receiving as well as a night where some of the best items of 2014 are showcased. It is great to acknowledge and encourage those students who stayed focused on that long-term goal – looking up and ahead.

**Middle School Awards are given for the following:**

Academic Awards – Gold and Silver. The Grade Point Average of each student’s subjects are calculated for the first three terms of this year. The top five students in each year level will be awarded with a Gold Award and the next top five academic students, will be awarded a Silver Award.

Diligence awards are presented to five students from each year level who have been nominated by their teachers for consistent effort and/or their outstanding improvement due to hard work.

GREAT Award is presented to five students from each year level who have been nominated by their teachers for displaying the characteristics and values that are our school’s GREAT Values. These are: Godliness, Respect, Excellence, Attitude and Teachability

The Year 9 Dux is awarded to the highest academic achiever in Year 9 based on the calculation of the Grade Point Average.

The Year 9 All Rounder is awarded to the student, nominated by teachers, who has demonstrated excellence across the academic, cultural and sporting spheres of the College.

The Principal’s Award, is presented to the Year 9 student who best exemplifies our GREAT values.

One of the most important aspects of this evening for Middle School, is the graduation of our Year 9s into senior school. It has been a pleasure to observe our Year 9s mature into thoughtful young people as the year has unfolded. At GCCC, we recognise and celebrate these young men and women through the milestone of ‘graduating’ them from Middle School at our Awards Night. All Year 9s will be on stage for this part of the evening.

**Up and Coming Dates for Term 4**

- **Messy Games** We will be starting Term 4 with a bit of fun on the Wednesday afternoon with the annual Messy Games, which is traditionally run by the Year 9 leaders.

- **Middle School Experience Morning** – if you have a child beginning Year 7 in 2015, there is
an information morning on Friday, 17 October from 8.45am – 10.30. It will begin in the church with an info session for parents and students, followed by morning tea for the parents while students head off to some more specific info sessions. At 10.30, students will return to the church for a morning tea. New students can be collected to return to their own schools and GCCC Year 6s will return to regular classes. This is a great opportunity to learn about a range of Year 7 questions, meet some other parents and for our new students to get to know their teachers and new 2015 class members.

• **Awards Night** – as mentioned previously, this is a compulsory evening for our middle and senior families.

### Looking ahead to 2015 start information

- **Thursday 22 January**        Student Administration Day. This is an opportunity for families and students to come to school to pick up textbooks, IT devices, check class lists, meet teachers, organise lockers etc.
- **Tuesday 27 January**        Year 7 Orientation Day
- **Wednesday 28 January**     First Day for Year 8 and 9

*Jacqualina Vreeling, Head of Middle School*

### Middle School Debating

GCCC sent its first competition debating teams to the ‘Chancellor’s Trophy’ Middle School debating competition over August and September. Two teams of Year 8 and 9 students competed across four rounds on consecutive Wednesday evenings and did the College very proud.

Both teams had victories in what were often quite close rounds against schools with considerably more experience. Food was eaten, confidence was developed and Mr Warren and Mr Maguire were well impressed with the dedication and courage of our students throughout this competition.

A big thank you to Georgie Leigh Snow, Annabelle Freeman, Jesse Woods, Nathan Wood, David Cantwell, Ella O’Keeffe and Caitlin Westaway for their GREAT efforts and attitudes. Caitlin ranks a special mention for stepping into our final round with only 3 hours notice and taking it in her stride. Thanks also to the parents for their support of this competition.

Stay tuned in Term 4 as the debaters further hone their skills in exhibition bouts and the much anticipated student versus teacher round.

*Rob Maguire*

### Year 9 Hospitality Excursion to Strawberry Fields

The students had a very interesting time learning about the work involved in producing strawberries.

They watched a video and then had a tour of the packing shed. After this they picked their own strawberries to take home and were given some strawberry ice cream. Yummy Yummy.

*Julie Peters, Head of Hospitality*

### Chappy Chatter

**How much do we love?**

I once read a quote that stated how God wouldn’t remember all the “good” things that you did but what he would remember is how much you loved others.

I think that is so true. God gave us a commandment “Love your neighbor as yourself” Luke10:27. We Christians are supposed to be known by our love. People are supposed to see us and think, ‘they must be followers of Jesus because of how loving and kind they are.’

I know it is so much easier to be nasty and rude than to be loving and kind but what a great reminder for us to see what is important. It is how much we love others, whether we show other people the love of Jesus everyday or whether we choose to be selfish and think of our own needs above others.

This week, let’s try to show Jesus love to others through the way we live, the way we act, and the way we treat people.

*Chappy Danielle Bassett*
Secondary Awards Night

Events Centre, 20 Minchinton St, Caloundra at 6pm on Tuesday, 5 November

Our awards night will soon be happening, followed by Graduation ceremonies and the school formal. Please note that attendance by students at the Awards night is considered compulsory. Please mark this evening in your diary and plan to be there. It is a great evening and we want all students to be present to celebrate the night with us. Dress for students is full formal uniform.

Awards and how they are determined: In Senior, awards are given to the best performing student in each subject in each year level. We also award up to 5 diligence awards and 5 G.R.E.A.T. awards to each year level. Diligence awards recognise those students who have put in the greatest effort and strived hard in their academic studies and yet did not achieve an academic award. G.R.E.A.T. awards are given to up to 5 students in each Year Level who most clearly demonstrate our G.R.E.A.T values of Godliness, Respect, Excellence, Attitude and Teachability.

There are some special awards that include:

- Recognition for those students who have achieved VET Certificates;
- Recognition for those who have completed university subjects;
- Leadership awards provided by the Australian Defence Force;
- The Year 11 Rotary All-Rounder award;
- The Emily Lord Award, presented to the student who demonstrates the highest level of commitment across all facets of the College including Academic, Sporting, Cultural and Service;
- Dux of Year 12, awarded to the student who has achieved the highest academically; and
- Principal’s award, presented to the student in Year 12 who is recognised by staff as most clearly displaying the GREAT values.

By far the most difficult award to determine is the Dux. This award is based on students’ placements on verification Levels of Achievement in each of their subjects at the end of Term 3. Each Level of Achievement is given a calibrated score and these are tallied. The student with the highest tally is awarded Dux.

Term 4 Week 1 – 3 Important Dates

- Week 1, Wednesday 8 October – Year 12 Community Service Day
- Week 2, Tuesday 14 October – Year 11 Rotary Driver Awareness Program
- Week 2, Tuesday 14 October – Year 12 Peer Power Day
- Week 3, Monday 20 October – Student Free Day – Verification
- Week 3, Wednesday 22 October – Sports Awards Night

2015 Important starting dates

- Thursday 22 January – Student Administration Day. This is an opportunity for students to come to school to pick up textbooks, IT devices, check class lists, organise lockers etc. After this day students should be ready to start work!
- Tuesday 27 January - First day of school for Year 10, 11 & 12
- Thursday 29 January – Year 12 Student Leaders Camp (overnight only)

Uniform expectations in 2015

- Blazers are compulsory for Senior Students in 2015.
- Formal hats are to be worn with formal uniform and sports hats with sport uniform.
- House shirts are required for all inter-house carnivals.

David Heyworth, Head of Senior School

Agricultural Science News

This last month has seen the Ag Science students learn about the digestive system of monogastric (single stomach, eg pigs) and ruminants (four stomach, eg sheep and cattle) animals. As they journeyed through the digestive system, they discovered the key functions of each structure.

The anatomy lessons continued with the reproductive tract, a vital aspect for the success of any animal production system. Fortunately, this coincided with the birth of 12 Wessex Saddleback piglets and a Wiltipoll lamb!

Finally, the students were able to examine both the digestive and reproductive system of a piglet (still born and not from the Ag plot!). The students carefully dissected both a male and female piglet, bringing to life the diagrams from their theory.

Community support has once again been amazing for the Agricultural Programme, with Biomites providing Predatory Mites (Phytoseiulus persimilis) to combat our two-spotted mites (Spider mites) infestation on the strawberries. This was a great practical lesson for the students on biological pest control!

Furthermore, the Australian Macadamia Society generously supplied twelve Macadamia trees to establish
our very own ‘Macadamia Grove’ on the agricultural plot. Local farmers, Cameron and Mary Lister also supported the project and shared their extensive knowledge on the farming of macadamias. Channel 7 News also popped out to film the event! This tree planting provided an amazing experience for the students as they learnt about establishing a new crop and the preparation involved. The macadamia grove will also be a valuable resource for future Ag students as they learn about a growing local industry.

The Agricultural Science students and staff are truly appreciative of everyone that has assisted and provided support to the Agricultural program. We are blessed, thank you.

Jade King

Future Pathways

One of the key features of Future Pathways is the priority we have placed on networking and Industry Groups in the community. In particular, the Industry Training Reference Group (TRG) Sunshine Coast, including Moreton Bay) and Sustainable Partnerships.

Year 10 Mock Interviews on 15 October

It has been these key connections that have been pivotal in engaging individuals from Industry in our Year 10 Career Education/Pathways program this year, and in the forthcoming Mock Interviews on 15 October.

This has been demonstrated by the number of interviewers from Industry wanting to participate in partnership with the school, with the Year 10 Mock Interviews in October.

Year 10 students have been engaged during their PC period in finding a job, compiling a resume (modifying their existing one, but tailored to the job they have found), cover letter and preparing for the formal interview process, the Mock Interview. Students must be clear on the qualifications needed for the job they are applying for.

Currently, we are in the process of reviewing student’s draft cover letters and resumes, and it is quite noticeable, that in some cases, students are not following the templates that can be accessed through Connect, on the school’s website.

It would be appreciated if parents could assist in checking their son or daughter’s resume and cover letter in relation to the job they are applying for, so that they comply with the templates. Students must print two copies of the job advertisement, resume and cover letter. One set is given to the interviewer.

Headhunters Turn Online

If you’re posting your resume in the letter box rather than online you’re doing it wrong. A study reveals that more than half of hiring managers look to the web to headhunt talent. Personal websites like blogs and LinkedIn are innovative ways to promote yourself and “cut through the clutter”, the report from online profile experts Workfolio says.

Year 9 Work Experience 2015 Information Evening.

On 14 October, Year 9 students and parents will be required to attend a Work Experience 2015 Information Evening. This will be held in the theatre at 6.30pm.

‘Sustainable Partnerships’ a school –industry partnership broker with many years of experience in Structured Workplace Learning (SWL), will provide an overview of the Work Experience process for Year 10 students in Term 1, 2015.

They will obtain Expressions of Interest from students in their areas of priority, for placements. Compulsory attendance is expected that night.

The Sunshine Coast Private Hospital Experience, Buderim

This was held on Thursday 4 September the students including Sean McKeown from our school found it stimulating and fulfilling and were proactively involved, often with newly acquired hospital equipment.

Year 12 QTAC interviews are continuing to take place. Students are to be reminded to check the QTAC website (there is a link on the College’s website), as to whether courses have been added or withdrawn.

A substantial number of TAFE courses have been withdrawn for 2015

This includes The Certificate III Health Services Assistance and Youth Work type courses offered externally. Due to the withdrawal of so many TAFE Diploma courses (predominantly at TAFE Brisbane, Southbank Campus), the dual qualification, (diploma-degree) has also been withdrawn. ie Diploma Justice Studies and therefore Diploma Justice Studies /B Business is withdrawn.

Notable additions to QTAC courses since the QTAC book was published include:

Bachelor of Paramedics (external) through CQ University; The following are additions at USC: B Psych (Honours), Bachelor of Animal Ecology, B Design and Marketing, three new degrees in Health Science at USC in, 1. Applied Environmental Health, 2. Applied Health Promotion 3. Epidemiology and Public Health.

Students school programs, which include
TAFE programs and school-based apprenticeships that form part of their program, have additional responsibilities to submit their assessment work on time, to their TAFE teachers. Often this gets neglected in the face of school commitments, extracurricular activities, social media diversions, and not managing their time productively.

Students who repeatedly promise TAFE teachers that their assessments will be in on time and don’t deliver are not fulfilling their School Based Traineeship or Apprenticeship responsibilities. This is a poor reflection on individual character and the image of the College.

The College reserves the right, in consultation with parents and employers, to withdraw the ‘work day’, or more than one, if needed. That means the trainee doesn’t get the ‘traineeship wage’ in that week and/or some of the following week/s, depending on the individual circumstances.

That day then is used instead to catch up on assignments, assessments and logbooks, entering log hours at school, so that theoretical obligations of the traineeship or apprenticeship are met.

Year 12s will apply the same way in 2014 as they always have, selecting the TTT (Twelve to Tertiary) application and starting the application with their LUI number and PIN.

‘Supporting Women Scholarships’, introduced by the Qld Government.

Year 12 girls should be aware of new scholarship initiatives such as the ‘Supporting Women Scholarships’, introduced by the Qld Government.

The Supporting Women Scholarships provide women with financial support to take up opportunities in male dominated fields of study and employment.

Scholarships are valued at $5,000 per annum (full-time study) for the length of the qualification, and worth up to a maximum of $20,000.

Scholarships are available from certificate IV to postgraduate level for study in:

• Agriculture and Environmental Studies
• Architecture and Building
• Earth Sciences
• Engineering
• Information technology


If you need advice and support in preparing an application, contact the Supporting Women Scholarships team at supportingwomen@dete.qld.gov.au or on 1800 177 577.

Scholarships in the Petroleum and Gas Industry

The Society of Petroleum Engineers offers students scholarships in pursuing petroleum engineering for up to a maximum of four years. Year 12 students interested should go to the website [www.spe.org/scholarships](http://www.spe.org/scholarships) for further information.

Girls interested in the Defence Forces

This has increasingly become a priority for the Australian Defence Forces, in recent times. Senior Girls who are interested in pursuing a career in the Defence Forces have great support available to them.

The recruitment process can be a long and at time quite a daunting process to go through. It’s not uncommon to feel like things are getting on top of you, or that you just don’t know what to do. So feel free to call or email any of the W-ADF team.

The following can be contacted for course advice and support regarding the recruitment process: Navy - Leading Seaman Karen Dwyer-0478 064 611 kdwyer@dfr.com; Army - Captain Jess Boyd 07) 3016 2310 wid@dfr.com.au; Airforce - Squadron Leader Amanda Gosling agosling@dfr.com.au.

The APP has Career Info on TAP.

A new free smartphone app for iPhone and iPad is now available to help young people plan career paths and find job opportunities

The Career Hunter App provides up-to-date information allowing young people make tangible links from school to the world of work and highlights the industries where skills are most needed.

Believed to be the first career exploration app of its kind, Career Hunter provides information about occupations in different industries, job descriptions, training and qualification requirements and job vacancies. It is a simple way for young people and their parents to find the information needed to explore career opportunities.


Upcoming Events:

• Applications close for the Sunshine Coast Technical Trade Training Centre 19 September.
• Supporting Women Scholarships close at 2pm, on 10 October 2014.
• Applications for QTAC Tertiary Admissions closes on the 30 September 2014,
• QUT Academic Scholarships Seminar, Thursday 2 October 2014, 5.30pm – 7pm, F block, QUT Kelvin Grove. Prospective undergraduate students: Year 12 students expecting to receive an OP 1 – 5, and their parents need to register to attend. Email exploreevents@qut.edu.au For further information, contact Susan Thomas on phone on (07) 3138 8567.
• Year 9 Work Experience Night, 14 October. Facilitated by Sustainable Partnerships.
• Year 10 Mock Interviews, 15 October.
• Year 9 students will be visiting QUT for the ‘QUT Explore Uni’ day.

Paul Nash, Head of Future Pathways
Interschool Touch – A great way to finish the term

The Year 6 and 7 Interschool Sport for Term Three is touch football and our teams all started well in the reduced two week competition.

The Year 6 girls’ team, competing in the B division, had a perfect first week of games winning all three games by at least seven tries and conceding none. Sophie Trevan and Jaylah Daunt both played in the District Touch team so brought much experience to the otherwise inexperienced team. The girls learned quickly and gained valuable ground by simply rucking the ball up the field. Sophie and Jaylah combined really well and scored many run away tries out on the wing.

The Year 6 boys’ team also started well with two strong wins against Maleny and a draw against Beerwah which placed them in second place after Week 1. Most of these boys are used to playing rugby league but they are transferring their skills well into touch football.

The Year 7 teams have been playing Touch Football in the SCISSA Year 7 and 8 after school competition and are more experienced. They did meet strong opposition though in this A division competition. The boys started their games strongly and gained a lead only to be beaten in the later stages of the games. They finished with two loses and a draw and hope to score some more wins this coming week. The Year 7 girls played two very close games against Glasshouse and St Michaels, winning by one try against Glasshouse and losing to St Michaels also by one try. They were convincingly beaten by Elimbah 2 -5 and are sitting in fifth place after day one as are the boys.

For more photos click here.

Wendy Stott

Primary Athletics Results

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| 2nd | Sinai 634 |
| 3rd | Ararat 508 |

Spirit Points

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| 2nd | Ararat |
| 3rd | Sinai |

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Awesome Lapathon Effort Rewarded

Presentations were made this week for the mighty effort put in by students and teachers during the Lapathon Challenge in Term 2. The classes have been patiently waiting to find out who the Overall Class Champions are so all was revealed this week. Year 6M led for most of the competition and were not able to be beaten even after 6G won the lapathon Relay Challenge. 6M are Senior Lapathon Champions for 2014.

Year 1M were so determined during their daily runs and really worked as a team to claim victory and ne named Junior Lapathon Champions. They encouraged each other running every single day and edged ahead of the other Junior classes in the last couple of weeks. Both classes have won a day of adventure and fun with Mrs Stott in term four.

Students were so determined each day to run as many laps as they could to accumulate more laps than other classes. Faces were bright red and sweat ran down foreheads as students returned to class after each daily ten minute run. Some students ran stride for stride with classmates and others ran and walked and jogged as many laps as possible, all the time improving their fitness. This improvement was very evident during the cross country races where most students ran the courses and finished really strongly.

The boy and girl from each class running the highest number of laps were presented certificates and prizes amongst the cheers from classmates. The girl and boy with the most laps overall in the Junior and Upper Primary were also presented prizes.

Bakani Kombanie and Patrick McKenzie did run stride for stride every day and completed exactly the same number of laps to become Overall Individual winners. They ran 147 laps or 44 kilometres over the duration of the lapathon. Lilly-Jean Cruise also excelled winning the Girls Overall Award for most laps run completing 115 laps or 34.5 km and she is only in Year three!

The highest number of laps run by a Junior student was presented to Jake O’Grady who won convincingly running 109 laps with Thomas Quinn second and Matthew Fielding in third. The girls competition was much closer with Bre-Enna Coops and Maryanne Eder both running 88 laps to be joint winners of the Girls Individual Award. Brianna Albrand and Claire Logar were second equal and Kaitlin Moore third.

**Individual Class Winners 2014**

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More photos of the [GCCC website](http://gcccsite.com).
PE Classes go swimming

Next term all the Year 1 to 6 PE classes will be walking to the Beerwah Community Pool for swimming lessons in each week’s lesson time. Children will be put into ability groups in each class and Mrs Stott and Swim Instructors from the pool will be teaching each group.

Each class will need some parents to help supervise the groups and also be in the water with the children. If you are able to help out with this, could you please let your child’s class teacher know and fill in the form which was sent home this week.

Swimming is an essential safety skill for our children to have so if you would like to have further lessons for your child, please consider making a booking at the Beerwah Community Pool. This is particularly important for the Prep students who do not participate in class swimming sessions.

Wendy Stott

A Record Five Students Qualify for State Athletics Champs

Qualifiers for State Championships

We had five students qualify for the State Athletics Championships last week which is awesome. They will compete in Week 2 and 3 next term.

The students are:
10 year Cassidy Ferris – 200m
11 year Laura Vobr – Discus and Shotput
Ella Micheilson – 400m, Long Jump, Triple Jump
Andrea Little – Discus, 100m Hurdles
Jacqueline Roach – 1500m

These five of our top athletes qualified to represent the Sunshine Coast at the State Athletics Championships in October. Cassidy Ferris and Laura Vobr will compete at the Primary competition and Ella Mickelson, Andrea Little and Jaqueline Roach will compete a week later at the Secondary Championships.

The girls were part of a team of 25 students who competed at the Sunshine Coast Athletics Championships last week. There were some great performances from our students but the competition for State qualification was fierce. Primary and Secondary students competed at the same carnival over two days in a new format this year. It was inspiring for the primary students to watch senior students jumping over two metres in high jump and sprinting really fast!!

Laura was our first to qualify with a fantastic set of throws in the 11 year discus competition. She threw a personal best distance of 27.37m to win the event and was excited about her 2 metre improvement. She also placed second in the shot put with a 10.15m put which was equalled by another competitor and Laura was relegated to second by two centimetres after a count back.

Cassidy Ferris sliced over three seconds off her school times in the 200m race to qualify third in the 10 year girls 200m. She was thrilled with this run especially as she had to run an 800m race just one hour before her 200m final. As Cassidy also competed in the multi-event she competed in 4 events during day two with heats and finals of the 200m race. Her strength and determination shone through as she raced into third in the 200m to gain selection. Her smile showed her excitement at the end of the race! She also placed third overall in the multi-event which included the 100m, 800m, long jump and shot put.

Ella Mickelson and Andrea Little are both 16 years old so one or the other represented GCCC in almost every event over the two days of competition. Andrea’s highlight was winning the discus competition with a great throw of 29.81m . She also placed 2nd in the javelin event but failed to reach the qualifying mark, however did qualify in the 100m hurdles after finishing 4th in the final.

Ella jumped really well and qualified for State Champs in both the long jump, where she placed 2nd, and triple jump. She was aiming to break the 63 second qualifying mark in the 400m race and she ran a well-judged race to finish in third place and also better the qualifying mark by 1 second

Jaqueline Roach was our fifth qualifier with a determined run in the 15 yr girls 1500m race. She had been training hard for this event including running the Mooloolaba 10km race two weeks ago. She finished strongly in second place with a time of 5.16 which qualified her to compete at the State Championships for a third time this year having already competed at Triathlon and Cross Country State Champs.

We wish these students all the best as they prepare and compete in the Queensland State Championships in October.

Wendy Stott
Hi Everyone

Another term over, and holidays are about to start.

It was a busy Term 3 for P and F which kicked off with Funfest; a very enjoyable and successful day. The money raised will go towards something that will benefit our children in the College.

We also did a BBQ for “Shine”, a Primary Disco and Fathers’ Day stall.

A big thank you to Jodi House for organising all those lovely gifts to pick from for the Fathers Day stall.

I hope all you Dads loved your gifts and had a special day. Thanks also to the wonderful volunteers on the day who helped. We certainly could not have done it without you, so thank you to you all.

Another fun night last Friday at the primary disco. There was a great job on the imaginations for the “S” themed costumes and congratulations to the winners. I hope everyone had a fabulous time. Of course these events don’t happen without our wonderful volunteers. Thank you to all those who helped on the night.

Out next P and F meeting is Tuesday 7 October, 7 pm in the library. We would love to have more come along. Everyone is welcome.

Have a fun and safe holiday and see you in two weeks

Lynelle Sim

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Community News

**After school dance classes**

A new dance school will be opening in Term 1, 2015 running out of the dance studio at GCCC.

Masterpiece Dance, run by a local dance teacher Sarah Kwarcianyi, will be offering ballet, jazz, hip-hop and contemporary classes open to children from three years and up. Sarah has been running her own dance classes at Kallangur for the past year and has a passion for teaching fun and creative classes for all abilities.

For more information, uniforms, fees and timetable come along on Monday 10 or Tuesday 11 November straight after school outside the dance studio. Sarah can also be contacted via her [Facebook page](#). MASTERPIECE DANCE.

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**Child Healthy Lifestyle Program**

Caloundra weekly Parent Program Commencing Thursday 23 October running for six sessions.

If your child is overweight, you may be at a loss as to how to help. Talking to children about weight can be a sensitive topic, no matter what their age. As parents, we don’t want to say the wrong thing and so often avoid the discussion altogether, even though we may worry about their physical and emotional well being.

QLD Health runs free child healthy lifestyle programs and support for families who have children aged 2-12 years. The program addresses all these areas of concern and will assist you to tackle the challenges of achieving a happier, healthier child.

If you are interested in attending this program or expressing an interest in future programs and services then please contact 5450 4766 (leave message) or e-mail SC-Child-Healthy-Weight-Team@health.qld.gov.au

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**Become a Volunteer Host Family**

Gain A Friend From Another Country!

World Education Program (WEP) is inviting Australian families to experience another culture within their own homes by becoming volunteer host families.

Choose a student from Italy, Belgium, France, Switzerland, The Netherlands or South America and get a glimpse into the life of another culture without having to leave the comfort of your home! Imagine the look on your new brother’s or sister’s face as you introduce him/her to Vegemite for the first time. Our exchange students are just as excited about sharing their own culture and life experiences as they are about becoming a member of an Australian family.

Find out more!

Getting to know your student before he or she arrives brings fun and joy to everyone involved. Take the next step and contact WEP today to receive a full information pack for your family, including student profiles.

**Sylvia Kelly**, Manager – Inbound Exchange Programs

**Phone:** 1300 884 733

**Email:** info@wep.org.au

**Online:** [www.wep.org.au](http://www.wep.org.au)
Youth Excel September/October Holiday Programs

**Tuesday 23 September: Decision Making – Where Are Your Decisions Leading You?**

- **Pre-Teen Program:** 9am-11am
- **Teen Program:** 11am-1pm
- **Cost:** $30.00

We make hundreds, even thousands of decisions every day. Some are naturally easier to make, while others require a little more thought and support from those around us. This holiday program is designed to help equip young people to be able to make the best choices possible, teaching them how to say no to peer pressure and helping them to stay on track with their goals and aspirations. This workshop includes morning/afternoon tea.

**Tuesday 30 September: Body Image & Self Esteem – Feeling Confident in Your Own Skin**

- **Pre-Teens Program:** 9am -11am
- **Teens Program:** 1pm -3pm
- **Cost:** $30.00

If your daughter has attended any of the body image and self esteem workshops we have held this year, she will enjoy this one too. In this workshop we will be discussing strategies which help girls identify their uniqueness. We want them to play to their strengths and value what they have been given. This workshop includes morning/afternoon tea.

**Wednesday 24 September: Dance Revolution**

- **Little Ones Program (6-10 yrs old):** 10am-12pm
- **Pre-Teens & Teens Program:** 1pm-3pm
- **Cost:** $30.00

What better way to spend the school holidays than by making new friends and learning to dance at Dance Revolution. We have designed a fun and creative workshop for young girls to build confidence and express themselves. This holiday workshop is designed for all ages and dance levels. This workshop includes all materials and morning/afternoon tea.

**Thursday 25 September:**

- **Friendship Dramas – How To Deal With Peer Pressure**
  - **Pre-Teen Program:** 9am-11am
  - **Teen Program:** 1pm-3pm
  - **Cost:** $30.00

This holiday program is aimed at having fun and meeting new friends while creating something great to put in your room. We will be talking about how to respond to friendship dramas and peer pressure, as well as enjoying friendships and making new friends. This workshop includes all craft supplies and includes morning/afternoon tea.

**Thursday 2 October:**

- **Anxiety & Resilience – High Ropes Activity Course**
  - **Pre-Teen & Teen Combined:** 10am-2pm
  - **Cost:** $40 (4 hour workshop)

In Australia, anxiety is estimated to affect about one in every 10 young people aged 18-24 years. This is an exciting new workshop that has been developed to help young people understand what anxiety is, equip them with strategies to overcome it and challenge them to build resilience into their lives. This workshop is unique in that we are offering a high ropes course to challenge them to go to new heights. This workshop includes high ropes course, transportation and morning/afternoon tea.

All programs have limited spaces and fill up quickly. Full payment is required at time of registration.

To book your daughter in today please contact our office:

Email: reception@youthexcel.com.au  Phone: 07 3482 3466

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**Learn to Swim program**

The Beerwah and District Swimming Pool is taking bookings now for:

- School holiday – Learn to Swim intensives from Monday 29 September to Friday 3 October, 2014 from 8am to 11am
- Term 4 Learn to Swim classes from October 7 to December 13, 2014.

Swimming – teaches you water safety and skills for life!

Call the pool on 54 940 022 to make your booking.

*Sharon Beattie*

Beerwah and District Swimming Pool
Caloundra Fringe Festival

The annual Caloundra Fringe Festival will be held from 26 September - 6 October 2014. Now in its 3rd year, it is the community’s “Curtain Raiser” leading up to the Caloundra Music Festival at Kings Beach on the Sunshine Coast.

The 11 day festival will host over 70 events full of fun for the family. There will be a mix of free and ticketed events all around Caloundra including Festuri Multicultural Festival, Caloundra Street Fair, Fringe Film Festival, Avant-Garden Party, Rumba Carnivale, art workshops and amusement rides.

A variety of creative school holiday activities are on the calendar, some bookings are essentials.

Bring your family to Caloundra for a celebration of music, arts, culture, and film from 26 September.

For more information, visit www.facebook.com/caloundrafringefestival or email caloundrafringefestival@gmail.com

2014 Suncoast Libraries Tournament

The Suncoast Libraries and friends of the Library enjoy holding this tournament each year during the September school holidays. Please come to beautiful Kawana and enjoy a full day of fun chess and a sausage sizzle barbecue lunch. This tournament is open to all ages in the community and is particularly popular with juniors.

Hosted by the Suncoast Chess Club Inc

To be held at Kawana Library on Wednesday 24 September 2014

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Any decisions of the Director of Play/Arbiter are final. |
| Contact Details | Daniel O’Connor  
Secretary of the Suncoast Chess Club  
PO Box 196 Buderim QLD 4556  
Phone 0450 563 330  
Email: Email: docon26@gmail.com |
| Entries         | Register through Sunshine Coast Libraries |
| Registration    | Registrations 8:30am – 9:00am |
| Prizes and Age Groups | All players in the one tournament but recognition in Age Groups ~ Under 8, U/10, U/13, U/18 and Open |
| Player Limit    | Due to the size of the venue, player numbers are capped at 80. |
| Presentations   | About 3:30pm |
| Entry fee       | $5 On the day |