11 November 2013

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Farewell to Year 12s

On Friday, 15 November, we will be farewelling our Year 12 students. The occasion will be celebrated with a Graduation Ceremony in the morning and the Formal on Friday night.

Students will begin their journeys of true independence. We hope that you will reflect on your time at Morayfield State High School with pleasure and satisfaction. We hope that you will understand and value the culture in which you have been immersed at this school. Our staff have worked hard to guide and support our students with their academic progress and have helped to develop personal and social skills in our students to equip them to cope with future challenges.

On behalf of the students, staff and community of Morayfield State High School, I congratulate all of our Year 12s on their success in completing 12 years of formal education. We are proud of what you have achieved and the personal growth and learning that we have observed in you since you began your journey with us. We thank you and your parents/caregivers for the support and loyalty you have given our school over the last 5 years.

We wish our students and their families all the very best for the future. We encourage you to continue this partnership with our school and look forward to learning about your future successes and challenges.

Junior Secondary

In 2015, we will welcome Year 7s into our Junior Secondary School at Morayfield State High School. In preparing for this move, we have been working with Project Managers and Architects to design a building which will be the centrepiece of our Junior Secondary Precinct. This two-storey building has 12 classrooms, two Flexible Learning Areas, two Collaborative Learning Areas, two Project Development Areas, a staffroom, an interview room, a landscaped courtyard and handball courts.

Building will commence early next year and it will be ready for the Year 7s when they commence in January 2015. The building site is at the southern end of the school near the Science Block.

Our Junior Secondary Committee have been focused on ensuring our curriculum and pedagogy considers the specific learning needs of young adolescents and on ensuring our school creates a model for Junior Secondary that works for our students and community.

We recently participated in a Readiness Review with a Regional Office representative and two Principals from the Region (including Vicky Gahan from Morayfield State School) which confirmed that we are well placed to receive the Year 7s in 2015.

Remembrance Day - Monday 11 November 2013

Remembrance Day marks the anniversary of the armistice which ended the First World War (1914–18). Each year Australians observe one minute silence at 11 am on 11 November, in memory of those who died or suffered in all wars and armed conflicts. We, of course, will be observing this at Morayfield State High School.

This year is not only the 95th anniversary of the armistice on 11 November which ended the First World War, but also the 20th anniversary of the re-interment of the Unknown Australian Soldier in the Australian War Memorial’s Hall of Memory.

Janelle Amos
Principal
INTRODUCING OUR NEW CHAPLAIN - JESSE DAVIS

Jesse holds a Diploma of Youth Work. Outside chaplaincy, Jesse works as a professional entertainer. He is also a singer/songwriter. Jesse is particularly interested in talking with students who are struggling with changes at home, bullying and other issues.

HOBBIES: Singing, songwriting, playing guitar

FAVOURITE THINGS: Thai food, good coffee, live music

MOST EXCITING LIFE MOMENT: I sang with my musical hero Keith Urban on stage at a sold out Brisbane Entertainment Centre (over 13,000 people)

WHAT IS A CHAPPY HERE FOR?

Chaplains deal with 3 broad areas: Spiritual Support (I Believe), Social/Emotional Support (I Matter) and Community Building (I Belong).

INDIVIDUALS

- Students with low self esteem
- Students with a lack of “connectedness”
- Students/staff exploring their own worldview and beliefs
- Students dealing with broken families

FAMILIES

- Providing emergency care meals/clothing
- Linking families with community groups that may benefit them
- Families experiencing grief/loss

Jesse will be working at the school on Thursdays and Fridays until the end of the year.

Jesse Davis
School Chaplain

HOURS:

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No Year level textbooks will be distributed during OO Week
All year level textbooks will be distributed during the first two weeks of Term 1 2014.

All items are currently available for sale in the Uniform shop.

Trading hours for the remainder of 2013: Monday – Thursday 8.00 – 10.30am
EFTPOS facilities available

Carrolyn Reiter
Uniform Shop

GUIDANCE NEWS

Year 12 School Leavers - Are you interested in becoming a Dental Assistant?

You can complete this qualification through Southbank Institute of Technology by enrolling into one of our internal or external program deliveries.

Full time: 1 Semester. This program is attendance based and classes are timetabled at Southbank Institute of Technology. You do not need to be working as a dental assistant to complete this program.

Apply now to start in January 2014.

Traineeship: 12 months full time or 24 months part time. If you prefer to “learn on the job”, you can contact some Dental Clinics and ask if they are looking for any Trainee Dental Assistants. If they agree to employ you as a trainee, you will work at the clinic and complete your written assessments online with Southbank.

For more information go to www.southbank.edu.au or call the Dental Assisting Team on 3244 6577.

Year 12 Students - Have You Got Questions About Starting University in 2014? USC Options Q and A Evening

With the release of OPs due on Saturday 14 December, you may have questions about your study options for 2014, including:

- how your OP score affects your QTAC preferences
- costs of study and financial support
- support services available to help you achieve in your studies

USCs Options Q and A Evening is the perfect time to get these questions answered. You can get one-on-one advice from our
academic, admissions and support staff, attend seminars, tour the campus, gain insight from current USC students and get tips on thriving in your first year of uni.

University scholarships, early entry schemes and Centrelink entitlements for Year 12 students

Universities offer scholarships for students. Some of these are related to academic ability however others are based on different criteria around income and equity. A range of links are provided below about scholarships at some Institutions.

University of Queensland
http://www.uq.edu.au/study/scholarships/

Queensland University of Technology
http://www.scholarships.qut.edu.au/commencing/

University of Southern Queensland
http://www.usq.edu.au/scholarships/

Griffith University
http://www.griffith.edu.au/scholarships

Centrelink Youth Allowance

Calculations may change slightly and some students who do not currently qualify for youth allowance may begin to qualify. Any qualification for Youth Allowance means that student gain access directly to equity scholarships. Centrelink manage this program of scholarships.


Centrelink Healthcare Cards

Students at the end of Year 12 begin to qualify for the Healthcare Card independently of their parent’s income. This card may give some discounted rates at TAFE and also allow students to generally gain bulk billed doctor’s appointments and reduced cost medications.


If you need information about the early entry scheme and scholarships at other institutions, search the institution’s web site to find further information or see the Guidance Officer at school for further information. Please see Centrelink at the end of the year to check on your student’s eligibility for Youth Allowance and Health Care Cards.

Kara MacLennan
Guidance Officer

Sudoku is a game that originated in Switzerland, was developed in America and then was introduced to Japan. It is based on a nine-by-nine grid. A player has three sections to think about: three rows, three columns and nine individual boxes. Sudoku requires a player to fill the three-by-three grid using the numbers 1 to 9.

The name Sudoku comes from Japan and means ‘single number’. Therefore, within Sudoku activities only the numbers 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9 can be used.

One line of thinking suggests Sudoku was derived from magic squares. Both games share key characteristics: each row and column add up to the same number. The big differences though are that Sudoku uses logic, probability and numbers to nine whereas magic squares use all numbers and requires the player to add, subtract and generally be mathematically competent.

Each number can only be used once in each section. A Sudoku puzzle will already have some of the numbers filled in. The player has to logically work out where to put the others. Trial and error is a common strategy but deductive reasoning is far more effective.

Try this one!

Stephen Langdale
Literacy and Numeracy Team

CHILDGCARE

This term in Childcare we have had a pre-service teacher, Ms Flew. During the term we have covered a lot of different learning areas and have completed simulated tasks which contribute to our Certificate III in Children Studies. The simulated tasks...
allowed us to interact with one another in many different ways. Some examples included: painting with our fingers to make book covers, the experience of changing nappies soiled with nutella and vegemite and to make different shapes out of fruit.

The main thing we learned from all of this is that children like to learn in an engaging environment and that we will be more successful in Childcare if we make learning fun.

**Sam Bassett and Jasmine Van Deyl**

*Year 12 students*

Students’ participating in various Childcare simulated tasks.

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**EYEBALL ART EXHIBITION**

*Students’ artwork displayed on Wednesday 23 October at Eyeball Art Exhibition.*

**Art Department**

**DANCE NIGHT**

Congratulations to all of the staff and students who were involved in Dance Night 2013. The evening was a great success, showcasing the work of students to a sell-out audience at the Redcliffe Cultural Centre on 25 October. Students from Years 8 to 12 demonstrated the performance work they have been completing in-class throughout the year as part of their curriculum studies. Additional pieces by Dance Troupe, Drama Troupe, our Pan Pacific Islander and Maori students and Morayfield East State School students were also included to demonstrate the diversity of dance and its function within our school and the local community.

It takes just over 12 months to prepare for such a huge event and also a lot of help and support from a variety of people. A sincere thank you to the following people for their help before, during and after the show: Julie Hill, Jodie Blunt, Larry Forman, Chris White, Kris Parker, Mandi Schulz, Kaye Grant, Kerri Furlong, Raelene Bates, Loralei Self, Michaela Lee, Nicole O’Hearn, Melissa Scott, Lisa Jordan, Sharon Rowntree, Jenny Briese, Jill Rushton and Katrina Hughes and her family.

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**Liz Rigby**

*Head of Department - The Arts*
SPORTS AWARDS NIGHT

Wednesday 30 October marked the date for the 17th Morayfield State High School Sports Awards Night. A great night was had by all as we recognised the school’s sporting stars and celebrated their achievements throughout the year. The night featured our guest speaker, Brent Elliott, a former Morayfield State High School student who is the current Queensland super featherweight boxing champion. Brent spoke well about the importance of setting goals and ensuring that whilst trying to achieve them you do so without losing the fun element of life. It was a very positive message for our students and we appreciated Brent giving up his time.

The awards were a chance to recognise our Age Champions, representative players and teams that excelled. The evening culminated in the presentation of our Junior and Senior Sport Stars of the Year.

With one side winning the Metropolitan final this year (Year 8 Boys Volleyball – summer season), four teams as Runners Up (Year 8, 10, Open Rugby League and Open Girls Netball) and five other teams winning the District final, I would suggest it was the most successful year in sport Morayfield State High School has had for a long time. Along with 16 students representing the Sunshine Coast in various sports and a full complement of teams in both senior and junior sport in both seasons, Morayfield State High School continues to forge a reputation as one of the leading schools in the region in sport.

I would like to thank every student and teacher who made the sporting program what it was this year. Our school was represented in a number of outside school sporting competitions, such as All Schools Touch.

Special congratulations to Year 12 student Alex Albert on being awarded the Senior Sports Star of the Year and Year 8 student Kyle Barnwell the Junior Sports Star of the Year – a great effort by both boys. Also, congratulations to Matt Paulo as the winner of the Pierre de Coubertin nominee for 2013.

Please keep a look out for details of sporting dates in 2014 on the school’s Facebook page. This is a tool that will be utilised to provide information to parents and students alike next year.

Steve Moody
Junior Sports Master
TIWANA PERE SELECTED TO REPRESENT QUEENSLAND U15 UNDERWATER HOCKEY TEAM

Year 8 student Tiwana Pere has not only been nominated for the Coach’s individual Year 8 Basketball Award, but he has also been chosen to represent the Queensland U15 Underwater Hockey Team as a result of his outstanding skills and efforts while competing in the Underwater Hockey Toowoomba State Titles on 5 October. He scored an impressive 10 goals in the 2 games.

Tiwana will compete in the Australian National Titles, being held on the Gold Coast from 23 - 27 January 2014. This will be the first time Queensland has been able to enter a team in the U15 division.

We wish Tiwana every success in the Australian National titles and congratulate him on his sporting achievements.

Steve Moody
Junior Sports Master

BREAST CANCER FUNDRAISER

I would like to extend a thank you to all staff and students who supported the CJ’s Pastries Fundraiser held on Wednesday 23 October as part of ‘Breast Cancer Week’.

The homemade pink lamingtons and cupcakes were very delicious and with the support of everyone we sold out early. It was a huge success and raised $448.50 that will go back to the very worthy cause of Breast Cancer research.

Lorna Lukey
Tuckshop

SRC ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

The Environment Committee has been doing well the past couple of weeks; we have been focused on our latest project which is the window at the multi-purpose shelter where students are able to borrow balls or any other sports equipment which was donated by the Coles Sports for School Program.

Hamish Swinfield-Hutchins, Bryce Robinson and Jay Almeroth have been giving up their lunch hours to help hand out equipment to those students who want to borrow in exchange for their Identification Card.

The committee appreciates their assistance to get this new project up and running and welcomes them to the team.

Ma.Fhey Dungao
Environment Committee Liaison
From left to right
Jay Almeroth, Bryce Robinson and Hamish Swinfield-Hutchins handing out sport equipment in the multi-purpose shelter.

MURRI HEALTH SCREENINGS

At the beginning of Term 3 Murri Medical conducted a very successful health screening program with our Indigenous students. They returned to our school on 7 and 8 November to provide free medical and dental screenings for ALL our interested Year 12 students. Also this service was offered to the Indigenous students who missed out in Term 3. Students did not have to be Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander to participate in this program and was a great community service for all of our departing students. Thanks to all students and practitioners who participated.

Karen Scott
Indigenous Student Coordinator