Habit of Mind

Knowing is not enough; we must apply. Willing is not enough; we must do.

Johann Wolfgang von Goethe

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SCHOOLS AND STUDENTS ENCOURAGED TO TAKE PART IN QUEENSLAND PLAN COMPETITION

A new competition has been launched to encourage Queensland students to contribute their views towards the Queensland Plan - a 30-year plan for the state. Primary school students have the chance to win iPad minis while secondary students can win $2500 educational resource vouchers for their schools. The Queensland Plan will outline where Queenslanders want their state to be in 30 years’ time and what their priorities are for the future.

Students are encouraged to engage with The Queensland Plan through a series of in-class activities supported by activity resources. Schools will start to receive materials in the near future, with activities to occur in schools in the first half of Term 3. Competition winners will be announced at The Queensland Plan summit in Brisbane in October. For more information go to the Queensland Plan website (http://queenslandplan.qld.gov.au/).

SCHOOLS RECEIVE CONDITIONAL EXEMPTION FROM LIQUOR PERMITS

Amendments to the Liquor Act from 1 July mean eligible schools and other not for profit groups will no longer have to apply for a liquor permit to sell alcohol at fundraising events. The move is a result of the Queensland Government’s commitment to reduce red tape. The Office of Liquor and Gaming Regulation will no longer regulate alcohol consumption at fundraising activities for non-profit groups like P&C Associations at events like school fetes and trivia nights.

Conditions include:
- all proceeds must be used for the benefit of the community
- the supply of liquor must be secondary to the fundraising event
- liquor can only be sold for a period of eight hours or less and between 7am and midnight
- liquor must be sold by an adult, in an open container and for consumption at the event
- the entity must ensure the sale of liquor does not create an unsafe environment at the event
- liquor must not be sold or supplied in a way that encourages rapid or excessive consumption
- liquor must not be sold or supplied to minors or patrons who are unduly intoxicated or disorderly

Further information can be found on the fact sheet (PDF, 450KB) or on the Liquor and Gaming website (http://www.olgr.qld.gov.au/).

FOCUS ON ASSESSMENT AND IMPROVING RESULTS

The majority of our students are working well and making good progress in their learning. End of semester block exams for Years 11 and 12 students began on June 11 and concluded on June 14. All other year levels have been busy completing end of semester assignments and exams and teachers are preparing reports for the semester. We will be issuing reports, by mail, at the start of the holidays. This is the last edition of the newsletter this semester. I’d like to wish our students a good mid-year break and a happy holiday.

Best wishes,
John Searle—Principal
Email: jsear13@eq.edu.au
On 21 and 22 of May, six Mitchie High students jetted out in Mrs Hamilton’s Tarago off to the McDonald’s head office in Aspley. We learnt many new things about ourselves and the McDonald’s organisation. Everyone thinks of burgers and fries when they think of Maccas but what we saw was that it all couldn’t be possible without the people outside of the restaurants.

There were heaps of jobs no one would have thought about. At the offices they have “an open door policy”. There are no doors on offices, so everyone can ask anyone anything. It was a great two days that I will never forget.

Amber Doggett
Year 11 Student

Both International programs have had a very busy semester and the students are looking forward to the holidays! Harmony Day was extra special. Heejae and Dahae organised many students from many of our diverse language groups and had them teach the Assembly how to say ‘Hello’ in the different languages. It was quite a trip around the world! We started with our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander groups, and then went to Indonesia, New Zealand, Philippines, Burma, Vietnam, China, Hong Kong and Taiwan, Korea, Japan, Russia, Spain, South Africa and back to Australia for the final G’day! Then the students gave interesting talks to their Care classes about their homes and the lives they had left.

At the end of April, we hosted the Education Queensland International Agent Familiarisation Tour. This is an important occasion for us, as the group does not see every international school. These agents mainly work with students who are interested in graduating from Year 12 to attend university. 18 overseas agents came and were welcomed by our Senior International students: Heejae, Dahae, Yuxing, Christina and Hikaru. Our Principal, Mr Searle addressed the group and both Dahae, who has been with us for 5 years, and Yu Fei, who is a comparatively new student, spoke of their experiences. The agents had a fabulous morning tea – thanks to Heejae’s Mum Jane, Lyn Johnson, Chen Ji, and Lyn Ta! The agents were able to meet with HODs and speak with many students. They saw the HSP in action, Yr12 Maths B and Yr11 English for ESL Learners, before they had to get back on the bus. Thank you to all the students who willingly spent time with the group. We packed in a lot in a two and a half hour visit!!

After this busy morning, the students were able to relax by participating in the cross country! Some ran and some walked while enjoying the beautiful weather, but all earned a point for their respective houses!

The following week was Open Day and a group of students were on duty writing visitors names in various languages! They enjoyed the afternoon being able to chat with visiting parents and children. Yu Fei and Timir and Sho were able to meet Mrs Jane Prentice, Federal Member for Ryan and have a good conversation. The Year 12’s attended the CitySmart Education Agency Tertiary Expo. They were able to speak with representatives from the various tertiary institutions and collect information.

Jack, Sam, Haobin and Mike have all joined the basketball team and are having a wonderful time. May and June birthdays have been celebrated. Unfortunately, we will have to say goodbye to Akiko in Year 9 as she will be returning to Japan at the end of the term. Akiko has integrated so well into the Year 9 group that it is tough to say ‘goodbye’ as she has been with us for ages. Special mention must go to Emily who has not just been a super mentor but also a great friend. We will all miss Akiko! So, as you can see it has been a big semester and on top of that there have been assignments and exams and lots of learning!

Judy Martin
Teacher/International Student Coordinator
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Grin and Tonic are coming to perform at our school as a part of the English program. All Year 10,11 and 12 are involved. This is a courtesy reminder that a $6.60 payment is required asap. Please email sbamp1@eq.edu.au if you have any questions.

Shelley Bampton
A/Head of English & The Arts
Email: sbamp1@eq.edu.au

On Wednesday 19 June, members of the P&C assisted with the School Disco. Funds raised on the night were collected by the Chaplaincy Committee to support the continuing service provided by our School Chaplain, Jimmy Dodsworth and his team of volunteers.

On Friday, Heidi Smith and Sharon Costello from the P&C, together with two of the teachers will be participating in the Parent & Community Engagement Workshops being conducted by P&C’s Queensland. The second day of the two day program will be held in November.

The P&C will be conducting a major raffle in Term 3. The major prize will include a Weber barbecue. We are planning to sell tickets at the local shopping centres and would be grateful for any assistance that members of the school community can give when we go to the shopping centres. We would also be grateful for any assistance that families and staff members can give in selling tickets to their friends, family members and work colleagues. As with all funds raised by the P&C, the money raised will go to improve facilities and opportunities provided for our students.

Tuckshop: The Tuckshop operates at Morning Tea, Monday though Friday, and at Lunchtime on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday. There is only limited service (drinks & placing of orders only) available before school each day. Tuckshop-cooked Spaghetti Bolognaise; Lasagne; Potato Bake; Hot Pasta Bake; Garlic Bread; and, Apple & Blueberry Muffins can be pre-ordered from the Tuckshop each day before school. Each of these items are also available over-the-counter on selected days.

Suggested menu items for winter (Term 3) include: Mexican Burrito Wrap; Minced Beef Tacos; Cheese Burgers; Hot Chicken Roll; Savoury Mince Roll; Ham & Pineapple Toasted Sandwich; Savoury Ham & Cheese Scroll; Pea & Ham Soup; and, Pumpkin Soup. Please let Anne know if you like any of these suggestions or if you have any other suggestions by dropping a note in the Suggestion Box at the Tuckshop.

Uniforms: The Uniform Shop is open before school on Monday and Thursday each week. Alternate arrangements are made when Public Holidays intervene with the normal trading days.

Unfortunately, our Uniform Shop Manager, Bev Kurkowski will be finishing up tomorrow. We thank Bev for her dedicated service over the past twelve months. Our Treasurer, Sharon Costello will be looking after the Uniform Shop until a new manager is appointed in the near future. The new school bucket hats are in stock and are selling for $12 each. The new wool-blend knit school jumpers have also arrived and look very classy! They are selling for $70 (size 8); $75 (sizes 10 – 22); and $80 (sizes 24 – 28). We hope to receive the new supply of the zip-up poly-cotton fleece jackets (with the blue collar) in the near future. There are limited supplies of the zip-up poly-cotton fleece jacket (with the blue collar), the maroon zip-up polar fleece jacket, and the spray jackets available for sale.

Volunteers: Volunteers are welcome at all times. If you would like to help out in the Tuckshop, please contact our Tuckshop Manager, Anne Jones. If you would like to help out in the Uniform Shop, please contact our Treasurer, Sharon Costello. If you would like to help out in any other way, please contact the School Office.

P&C Meetings: The monthly meetings of the P&C are usually held on the third Tuesday of the month in the school Library, commencing at 7.00pm. The next meeting will be on Tuesday 18 June.

All adult members of the school and local community are welcome to apply for membership of the P&C. I encourage you to join so that you can have a say in the running of your school and also so that you have a better knowledge of what is happening at the school. I hope that you can also find the experience fulfilling and enjoyable as you help to support our school and get to know other members of the school community better.

Situation Vacant: Uniform Shop Manager
Applications are invited for the position of Uniform Shop Manager at Mitchelton State High School. The position is for six hours per week (three hours per day) during the school term. Extra hours of duty may be required during uniform sales periods at the beginning and end of the year or as otherwise determined by the P&C. Normal days of operation are Monday and Thursday each week. If a Public Holiday falls on one of these days, a substitute day may be scheduled. Please contact P&C Secretary Heidi Smith on 0413328015 or h2oo4au@hotmail.com for further information.

Applications close on Friday 12 July 2013.

John Creagh
P&C Vice-President
Email: jcreagh16@eq.edu.au
**Who's chatting to your kids?**

The internet today contains many sites that are designed to encourage children and teenagers to communicate by messaging each other in real time. Many of these sites contain areas where children can post personal information about themselves including their name, age, location, photographs, and contact details. Please take some time to discuss these on-line safety tips with your children:

- Never give out personal information on the net, like your full name, address, phone number or school, even sporting events attended, or locations of extra-curricular activities
- Ensure your screen name does not reveal personal information about you
- Review your online profile. Predators can use this personal information to find you
- Only allow your friends to view your personal blog and profile
- Never send your picture to someone you don’t know
- Don’t accept invitations to view webcams from unknown internet users
- Never arrange for face-2-face meetings with people met online
- Understand predators ask personal questions and attempt to become friends quickly
- Time chatting online to a person does not equal trust or knowing the person.

Teach children the 5 R’s:

**REALISE** – people you chat with may not be who they say they are, nor what age/sex they give.

**REFUSE** – requests for personal information and ensure your internet profile is private.

**REVIEW** – your contacts. It’s not “kool” to have contacts you don’t know.

**RESPOND** – quickly if you ever feel uncomfortable while on-line. Close the program, tell your parents or a trusted friend.

**REPORT** – any suspicious or danger on-line contact to the police.

(Adapted from information provided by Queensland Police Service)

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**Guidance Counsellor News**

Vikki Hamilton
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**Reminder to Parents/Carers**

Reminding parents to keep their students home when they are unwell. Some students are immune-suppressed and infections can spread quickly in a school environment. Thank you.

John Searle
Principal
Email: jsear13@eq.edu.au

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**Senior Schooling News**

UQ Young Scholars Program (YSP)

This is a program offered by the University of Queensland for high achieving Year 11 students. The program is designed to nurture and develop future leaders and present students with a unique opportunity for academic extension and enrichment.

It is a five day residential camp (Sun 24 Nov to Thu 28 Nov 2013) held at the beautiful St Lucia Campus of The University of Queensland. Selected students will experience university life and be encouraged to form links and friendships with like-minded students.

Interested students please visit the website: [www.uq.edu.au/youngscholars](http://www.uq.edu.au/youngscholars)

Also please speak with Mr Kerry Smith, the AHOD of Senior Schooling, to assist you with your application. Applications including all supporting documentation must be received by UQ by 5pm Fri, 9 Aug 2013.

Vikki Hamilton
A/HOD Senior Schooling
Email: vhami4@eq.edu.au

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**Community News**

**June School Holiday program**

**Wednesday 26th June—10-12pm**

**Beads and Badges.** Come and make your own jewellery or beads. Lots of new charms and designs. Free. To book call 3354 2555. Under 10’s must be accompanied by an adult.

**Wednesday 3rd July, 10-12pm—Design and decorate your own T-shirt.** Using fabric paints and stencils, come and test your fashion design skills! Free. To book call 3354 2555. Under 10’s must be accompanied by an adult.

To book a place on any workshop, please contact Vicki on

- yiro@picabeen.org.au
- 3354 2555 or 0408 001 299
- www.picabeen.org.au

Picabeen Community Association-22 Hoben Street, Mitchelton.

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**Homework Club**

Need help doing your homework? Every Tuesday afternoon from 2.45pm in S Block, University students are available to tutor and assist students. Afternoon tea provided—all welcome!

Heather Blake
Deputy Principal
Email: hblak2@eq.edu.au
QTAC Information sessions 2013

Confused about applying for uni? ACU and QUT would like to invite you to QTAC (Queensland Tertiary Admissions Centre) information sessions for students, parents, teachers and non-school-leavers who are thinking about applying for university/TAFE study in 2014. This initiative is part of our widening participation agenda to encourage interest in tertiary study.

Information sessions

QTAC experts will run tailored one hour sessions for students, parents, non-school-leavers and school personnel such as teachers and guidance officers who want to know more about:

- Applying for tertiary study through QTAC i.e. selecting preferences, entry requirements and upgrading pathways if you don't get the OP or TAFE you need.
- How QTAC assesses applications i.e. calculating your OP or rank and assessing other Year 12 qualifications and certificates.
- Special Admissions Schemes i.e. Year 12 bonus schemes and PQA (Educational Access Scheme).
- Alternative entry schemes for non-school-leavers such as calculating your entry rank based on previous education or work experience.
- SRT (Special Tertiary Admissions Test) and PQA (Personal Competences Assessment).
- Tertiary costs; income support; income support via Centrepiece; Commonwealth scholarships and Commonwealth index.

University staff such as Admissions staff or Career Counsellors will be on hand to talk about courses, scholarships, student services and other information throughout the sessions.

Light refreshments will be served and free parking on campus is available.

Dates and venues

ACU and QUT are running multiple sessions on the following days for students, parents, non-school-leavers and school personnel. You can attend any of the options listed below. Please RSVP so we can cater appropriately.

Tuesday 16 July session/s

**Time:**

- **Session 1:** 3:00 - 5:00pm (for staff)
- **Location:** VA 01

- **Session 2:** 5:30 - 7:30pm (for parents and students)
- **Location:** A113

**Venue:**

- ACU, 1100 Nudgee Road Banyo (see over for map)

**RSVP:**

- Phone 07 3623 7668 by 9 July

Thursday 18 July

**Time:**

- **Session 1:** 4:30 pm (for students, parents, teachers)
- **Session 2:** 6:30 pm (for adults returning to study)
- **Location:** J Block, Room 1 113

**Venue:**

- QUT Caboolture Campus:
  - Ctr Martyn and Talton Street, Caboolture (see over for map)

**RSVP:**

- Phone 07 3185 8705 by 10 July