Habit of Mind

The only way of finding the limits of the possible is by going beyond them into the impossible.

Arthur C. Clarke

Arthur C. Clarke (1917-2008) was a British science fiction author and inventor.

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Mitchie Shines!

What a thrill to see the good news story about MSHS on the front page of the Courier Mail on Friday 1 June 2012. In 2011, 90% of the OP eligible students achieved OP scores between 1 to 15. 33% of our OP eligible students achieved OP 1-5, putting us in the top 25 schools in the state. Additionally 9 out of 10 Year 12 students attained a Vocational Education and Training certificate. Our vision is ‘Schooling a Future Generation’ and these positive student outcomes are testimony to the hard work by the school to support senior students and individualise their learning pathways. Congratulations to all the students, staff, parents/caregivers and community members who contributed to this success. State schools really are great schools. Let’s be proud and celebrate!

Completing Assessment

In these last two weeks of Semester 1 all students are completing assessment including assignments, exams/tests. Teachers are finalising results and writing reports.

Student of the Month—May

The following students were recognised for their positive participation at school and for their adherence to the school values of respect and accountability: Masiles A., Codie A., Daniel A., Angela D., Danielle D., Ashlee F., Dylan G., Aaron H., Sean J., Dean S., Emerald V., Rachel J., Loren K., Samantha L., Connor M., John M., Lydia M., Diaz N., Lachlan N., Sydney N., Lilly-Brooke O., Liam R., Joel W. and Yuko Y.

Semester 2 Start Up

There is no Student Free Day to start off next term so school will commence for all students on Monday 9 July. All Year 11 and 12 students are expected at their early classes which start at 8.10am. All Year 8, 9, and 10 students will start classes at 8.45am. New timetables will be issued to all students on the first day back next term.

Farewell

Last week we farewelled Mr Phil Campbell who has been Acting Principal during Semester 1. In Semester 2 we will welcome Mr John Searle as permanent Principal. As always, it is with honour, pride and pleasure that I undertake the Acting Principal duties in these final two weeks of Semester 1 2012.

As this is the last newsletter for Semester 1, I wish to thank everyone for their continuing work at Mitchie and I wish everyone a safe and enjoyable school break.

Best wishes,

Carmen Olivero - Acting Principal
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NAIDOC Celebrations

Mitchelton State High School Celebrate
NAIDOC DAY
2012

National Aboriginal and Islanders Day Observance Committee

You are invited to attend a special assembly to help us celebrate this event

Time: 8.45am – 1.00pm
Date: Friday 22 June 2012
Place: The Hall

After the Celebration in the Hall, please join us for Morning Tea in the Library Courtyard

Performance by
Malu-Kiai Mura Buai
Torres Strait Islander Dance Company

Year 9 ‘Clowning Around’

A Barrel of Laughs

Last Tuesday, over 100 Prep and Year 1 students from Mitchelton State School crowded into the drama room, eagerly awaiting our annual “Clowning Around” performance. Once again the Prep students looked fantastic in their colourful bow ties that they made and wore especially for our show.

The Year 9 class was very excited and nervous. They had been taught how to put on clown makeup by a professional makeup artist and tried to remember these instructions as they applied the greasepaint with shaking hands. Zac was a fantastic Ringmaster, ably assisted by his silly sidekick, Lachlan. Richelle, Crystal and Megan had great fun singing and dancing with the children. Kris was very excited to meet some new friends so he wasn’t the lonely clown anymore. Courtney, Riley and Chris hammed it up in the Boxing Gag and Tim was devastated when Raga, Chloe and Katherine lost all the fleas in the Flea Circus act. The clowns looked so real in their bright costumes and makeup that even their parents didn’t recognise them.

Both actors and audience were left buzzing with excitement.
Well done Year 9 Drama class on a great performance!!!!

Tracey Ah Boo - Drama Teacher
Email: tahbo1@eq.edu.au

Guidance Counsellor News

Training: Would you like to receive regular emails with information about courses and careers? If so, please send an email to our Guidance Counsellor expressing your interest.

Job Opportunity: Approximately 20 Casual Team Members are required over the next four weeks and ongoing on a monthly basis. A wide variety of positions are available throughout the Kmart Arana Hills store. Applicants must be aged 13 years of age or over. Students who apply must be available for training throughout the July School Holidays and Christmas Holidays and must be available at least one day after school and on Saturday and Sundays.

Anyone interested in applying must submit an application form (which is available at the Service Desk) and a Resume by close of business Monday 18th of June. For more information, please contact Carol O’Donoghue (Store Administration Manager) on 3351 3222.

Peta Matthewman - Guidance Counsellor
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Mitchie Sports Highlights

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Did You Know?

Take a Bow

On Thursday 7 June, family and friends of Year 10 drama students were thoroughly entertained in “An Evening of 1 Act Plays”. For some students, this was their first ever public performance and they acquitted themselves very well. Students took total control here – they edited their script, directed their play, designed their own costumes, sets, props and lights as well as learnt lines and created voice and movement for their character.

While they were nervous their hard work was evident and they remained confident on stage. Kim and Michael showed us what young love is like in “Miss Jealous”. Luulau, Enock, and Aaron were unsuccessful robbers while Jacob encouraged audience interaction by making sound effects in “Sound Off”. All Sam wanted to do in “The Exchange” was return a gift but Maddie wasn’t very helpful. Zane was going to end it all in “The Jumpers” before Cody saved him. Lauren, Sam, Connor, Jack and Dylan performed in “Theatre - Medium Rare”; a romantic comedy about a first date and despite Amber being a tough interviewer in “The Job”, Jacob got the job anyway.

Thank you to all the parents who came and supported the show and congratulations to the Year 10 Drama class on a thoroughly entertaining evening. We are all very proud of you.

Tracey Ah Boo - Drama Teacher
Email: tahbo1@eq.edu.au

Change of Hours for Uniform Shop

Commencing Term 3 and until further notice the Uniform Shop will be open on Thursday & Friday mornings from 8am-9am.

Open Day

Thank you to the volunteers, sponsors and the 18 market stall holders who helped to make the Open Day and markets successful. The raffle raised over $700. The BBQ & Tuckshop raised over $1000. The Prize winners included:

1st prize – Scott Edwards
2nd prize – Hayley Davies
3rd prize – Sue Jalil
Kid’s prize package – Noel Free

If you have an opportunity please thank or visit our Open Day sponsors: Bunnings, Charlie’s Fruit Shop, Keperra BCF, Sea & Salt Fish & Chips, Great Western Newsagency, Mitchelton Newsagency and Keperra Meats.

Volunteers for the Uniform Selection Committee

It is time to review the MSHS uniform and your input is important. If you would like to be on the committee, please email: pandcpresident@mitcheltonshs.eq.edu.au

Volunteer with computer skills needed:

A volunteer is needed to create the following:

- Online order form
- Electronic tax invoice and receipt
- Stock management spreadsheet.

This could be a great project for a student volunteer.

The next P&C Meeting is Tuesday 19 June 2012.

Marie Weatherford - P&C President
Email: pandcpresident@mitcheltonshs.eq.edu.au

Music News

Our combined schools band has had a successful and busy semester performing at our School Open Day, Band Bonanza Day, Everton Park State High School Music Night and Anzac Day. Congratulations to Andrew R, Evan P, Joseph M and Kris C for your efforts.

If your child is interested in learning a woodwind, brass, percussion, violin, viola, cello or double bass instrument, please don’t hesitate to contact me at phall35@eq.edu.au

There will be information in the coming week sent home to our students about an intermediate district camp being held at our school and at Mitchelton State School on Tuesday 14 and Thursday 16 August. All forms will need to be sent back to our school office by Monday 30 July.

For any further queries regarding instrumental music please don’t hesitate to contact me via the email address below.

Penny Hall
Woodwind, Brass and Percussion
Instrumental Music Teacher
Email: phall35@eq.edu.au

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Ashlee Finnigan
Grade 11
UQ Science Ambassador 2012
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Community Learning

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* Getting Back to Work * Organisational Skills * Positive Parenting

Children's and Women's Self Esteem

Families in Transition

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Incorporating the Samos program this is a course for children 8 - 12 yrs and their parents who have experienced change in their lives through family separation, divorce or death of a loved one. Children will explore ways to cope with family change and express their feelings in a healthy way. Parents are offered the opportunity to get together and learn more about supporting their children through family change.

Cost: $25 per participant / $40 per family for entire course
Thursday afternoons: Childminding available

Organised Living

A course to improve your skills and knowledge in home management, time management and personal care, self identity and self worth. Goal setting and priority identification.

Cost: $25 per participant
Tuesday Mornings: No childminding available

Positive Parenting for Mums, Dads and Couples

Join Ross Adams (family therapist) and other parents in a relaxed, inviting, safe, and confidential space to explore and develop positive parenting and communication skills within the relationships you have with your children and teenagers.

Cost: $25 per participant / $40 per couple for entire course
Wednesday evenings: No childminding available

Courses held up to 4 times a year (in line with school terms) - Course fees are negotiable

Enrol now!

For further information or to register your interest please contact Anita on 3205 2950 aritop@prnc.org.au

TSXPO - Tertiary Studies Expo
Weekend 21 - 22 July 2012
10am - 4pm
FREE ADMISSION!!
Exhibition Building, RNA Showgrounds, Brisbane

Community News