24 February 2014

FROM THE PRINCIPAL’S DESK

Welcome back to school to all students and families and a special welcome to families joining our community for the first time. We have had a great start to the year and all students are now in their classes and settling well into their studies. I have spoken to students on year level parades and the focus on my talks has been ‘Learning at Caboolture’. As learning is central to our school, we have set high expectations for our students with regard to classroom engagement in learning, school attendance and behaviour. I am sure your child will be able to outline our expectations in these three areas.

Equally important to the academic success of our students is quality teaching. We have invested a lot of time and professional development into ensuring that all our teachers provide a quality learning environment where the learning needs of all students are met.

I ask all parents to participate in the learning journey of your children as they progress through our school. Your support of the school and your children’s education is also critical to their success.

Thank you to the parents and carers of our Year 8 students who attended our Year 8 parent information evening last Wednesday. One of the strong messages from the night is the importance of communication between home and school in maximising your child’s success at school.

Congratulations to our graduating students of 2013. This cohort of students worked very hard and produced our best result for many years. Eighty-four percent of our graduating students gained their Queensland Certificate of Education and seventy-eight percent of our OP eligible students gained an OP from 1 to 15. Many students have successfully gained entry into universities, TAFE colleges and other tertiary institutions or have begun work. Of particular note is Lauren Stack, our school dux, who received an OP 1. I wish all of our graduates of 2013 the best for the year ahead. I am sure that our 2014 Year 12 cohort can surpass the fine results of last year’s seniors.

As usual, it has been a very busy start to the school year. On Thursday, February 13 we welcomed our new school leaders for 2013 with our Student Leaders Investiture Ceremony. Congratulations to our student leaders on their appointments and thank you to all the parents who attended the ceremony.

Our swimming carnival was very well attended. Congratulations to all students who contributed to its success. It was a very enjoyable day and the students from all Houses demonstrated plenty of enthusiasm and energy. Again this year the proprietors of the pool commented on the excellent behaviour of our students. Well done.

Finally, the Annual General Meeting of the Parents’ and Citizens’ Association will be held on Wednesday, February 26 starting at 7pm with the first General meeting of the year to follow. I invite the parents and carers of all new and returning students to this important meeting.

Thanks,

Jim Box
Principal

A NOTE FROM DR PADHY

Student Course Planners (Student Assessment Planner)

Course Planners enlist assessments in each subject along with due dates for Semester 1. Each student received a hard copy in Week 3 in house-group. All students also have access to their Course Planner/Assessment Planner online. Please contact Dr Padhy if you have any queries regarding this.

School Photos

School photos were taken on 18 February for all years with the exception of Year 9. Year 9 students will have theirs taken on Wednesday, 26 February. This is also a catch up day for those who may have missed out earlier. If you have any queries regarding this, please feel free to contact Advanced life directly – contact details are on the information letter sent home in Week 2.

Year 10:

All Year 10 students have been advised to meet with the Guidance Officer to discuss their career options/pathways in their senior years and beyond. Parents are welcome to attend with their student if they so desire.

Dr Padhy
Deputy Principal – Year 10

EARLY LEAVE PASS PROCEDURE

Students must bring a signed note from a parent/guardian to the OFFICE before school or straight after house group. This note must state the date, time and reason for early departure as well as the student’s full name and house-group.
Students must come to the office either during morning tea or lunch (depending on the time of departure) to collect a leave request. This leave request will ensure that students are able to leave class at the required time. Students will show this leave request to their teacher then come to the office to collect a leave pass at the time of departure. Students will not be able to leave class without a leave request.

Parents must be aware that Caboolture State High School does not have a PA system and our classrooms do not have phones, therefore it can be very difficult to find students when parents arrive to collect students who have not applied for a leave pass. This is especially true during morning tea and lunch break as we have no means of calling students to the office. In an emergency, we will do our very best to find students however parents need to be aware that this is not always an easy task.

Sick students – Students who are ill or injured need to report to the health room. Students are required to have their diary signed by the class teacher and will then move to the health room. Once at the health room, parents/guardians will be contacted if needed. Please support the school in this process, if your student phones you requesting to go home due to illness or injury, please request that they go to the health room. This will help ease any delay in allowing the student to go home.

JUNIOR SECONDARY NEWS

Year 8

A big welcome to our new Year 8 students and families! Transition has gone well for the Year 8 students and it appears that the majority of them have already settled into Caboolture SHS. If your child is having some difficulties adapting to high school life, please do not hesitate to let me know.

A Parent Information night was held on Wednesday, 19 February, for parents/care-givers of Year 8 students to meet the staff. Teachers discussed their expectations regarding class work, homework and assessment, along with answering any questions. If you weren’t able to attend the evening, we encourage you to either contact the classroom teacher by phone, or communicate with them through the use of the CSHS student eDiary (check your email for eDiary login details).

In March, there will be a Year 8 Day Camp held at Currimundi Recreational Centre. We have a large number of Year 8s attending the camp this year and have already confirmed numbers with the camp ground. If however, you would like your child to attend (and haven’t already returned your forms), please contact the school ASAP and we can check if there are any positions vacant. This camp will provide new Year 8 students with an opportunity to get to know other students better, not necessarily from their house or core classes, and focus on team building skills. It has proven to be successful in the past and our staff and students are excited about this upcoming adventure!

Please note the change of date/s for Year 8 Day Camp. **Day camp will run over two days in March, Monday, 3 March and Tuesday, 4 March.** Students will be notified in the coming days which day they will be invited to attend.

High school can be a very rewarding experience but, as with anything in life, you only get out of it what you put in. We encourage our Year 8s to grasp this thought with both hands and use it to do their best in order to get the most out of their time here at CSHS.

Year 9

Our Year 9 students have already started their preparation for the upcoming NAPLAN (National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy) test on 13-15 May. NAPLAN has five tests written over the 3-day period: Reading, Language Conventions, Writing (persuasive text), Numeracy (calculator allowed) and Numeracy (non-calculator). As part of the preparation for these tests, students will participate in practice tests, under strict exam conditions, to help familiarise themselves to the process. As well as these formal test programs, and rotation NAPLAN focus days in Term 2, programs will continue this year with the Year 9 students participating in a spelling program during their house groups and a homework program set by their Access teachers. Students are also undertaking extra literacy and numeracy sessions during both core and elective classes. A parent information brochure was posted out to all Year 9 families at the start of this term, however, further information and old test papers are available to parents on the NAPLAN website (http://www.naplan.edu.au/).

Learning Support

Our 2014 learning support class lists (LST) have been finalised and students with class changes received their new timetable in Week 4. There has been movement and letters to parents have been distributed, notifying you if your student will be undertaking the LST class or if, due to further testing, your child has been removed from the program.

Flying Start 2015

As our school prepares to welcome Year 7 in 2015, a number of our staff attended the region’s first Junior Secondary conference on 5 and 6 December 2013 at Marooona Beach.

The conference was aimed at developing the capacity of schools to implement the Junior Secondary phase of learning. Keynote addresses by leading adolescent and Junior Secondary experts, Professor Donna Pendergast and Associate Professor Michael C Nagel, provided insights on physiological, social and emotional changes happening throughout the early years of high school. This laid the basis for further discussion on specific Junior Secondary models and supporting students as they transition to high school.

We had the opportunity to hear about the different experiences of the North Coast’s four Year 7 pilot schools, as well as learning more about the different Junior Secondary models adopted by schools in our region.

Full implementation of Junior Secondary is expected by 2015, with our school taking away some key insights to help us shape a model that will best suit the social, emotional and academic needs of our students.
More information about Junior Secondary and the preparations being made ahead of the state-wide move of Year 7 can be found at www.flyingsstart.qld.gov.au.

Again, welcome to 2014, and I look forward to working with you in partnership so your child can achieve to their full potential. Continue to encourage your Junior Secondary child to try their hardest with their behaviour and effort at school so that they can strive to achieve a PRIDE Student status by the end of Term 1 (*excellent* and/or *very good* in both behaviour and effort on their report card).

Sarah Brady
HOD - Junior Secondary

Queensland Training Awards
This year’s Queensland Training Awards are now open. Nominations close 21 March 2014.

The Queensland Training Awards reward outstanding achievement by people and organisations involved in training. The awards are the state’s highest training accolade and are an excellent opportunity to recognise individual training success.

Nominations are open to apprentices, trainees and graduates of vocational education and training courses across a range of categories including Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Student of the Year.

After competing at a regional level, the top individuals compete for the state titles. For further information on how to apply, see Mrs Thompson.

Peer Power—Year 12 Leaders
Year 12 student leaders took part in the Peer Power Leadership day on Friday, 14 February 2014.

All Year 12 student leaders were invited to take part in the Peer Power day at Caboolture Show Grounds, for a day of fun while developing their leadership skills. The organisers of Peer Power found it to be a “privilege to work with students”. Students also found the day to be informative, fun, and motivating. Here are some quotes from students about the day:

- “I learnt that with the actions I already undertake, I am on my way to being a positive leader. I learnt that by adding value to my peers, I will help the community become a better place.”

- “I honestly believe today’s seminar was full of useful advice and made me seriously take a look at my life and how I live it, as well as the influence I have on my peers. Learning & being reminded that everyone has value and learning how to talk to people was also extremely useful. Lastly, the presenters were amazing & very welcoming."

- “The group of leaders this year are a good kind of group. We all blend/mix well together & normally I don’t really like participating, I just sit & watch, but the seminar helped me to feel more comfortable with others & it was fun.”

Work Placement
Year 11 & 12 students in vocational courses are to take part in structured work placement this semester.

In Term 1, all Year 12 students in vocational courses will be out on structured work placement in the last week of term (31 March 2014 - 4 April 2014). Please ensure “Application for Structured Workplace Learning” forms are returned to Mrs Kerr or Mrs Thompson ASAP to ensure the greatest chance for students to receive their preferred placements.

Year 11 and 12 students will be out on structured work placement again Week 10 of Term 2.

BRAKE Program
Year 12 non-OP students are taking part in the BRAKE program, designed to enhance students’ road safety knowledge and skills.

BRAKE is a driver awareness program which will be conducted during ACCESS and is free to all students. Upon successful completion of this course, it will be added to the students’ learning accounts and will give them 1 point towards their QCE.

BRAKE: Behaviour, Risk, Attitude, Knowledge, Education.

This program is designed to make students more aware and give practical skills which can be applied on the road.

To begin the program, students must have a QLD Learners permit or have completed the RACQ Free-to-go program.

QCS Preparation
Year 12 OP eligible students are starting early with preparations for the 2014 Queensland Core Skills test.

All Year 12 OP eligible students will be starting the QCS preparation program in Week 4 of Term 1. Each Thursday morning, during ACCESS, QCS students will be involved in a structured preparation program including workshops run by Mighty Minds, literacy workshops, numeracy workshops, practice tests and master classes.

QCS detailed programs will be distributed to students in Week 4 and will also be on display around the school. Please be advised that QCS students will need to be at school ready to begin these activities at 8:30am beginning Week 7 Thursday, 13 March 2014.

For more information about the QCS preparation program, and student requirements, please see Mrs Thompson.
CERTIFICATE III IN CHILD SERVICES

In 2014, we are happy to be offering students the opportunity to study Certificate III in Child Services.

In previous years, students interested in studying Child Services have had to travel to TAFE and miss out on time at school to complete their course. In 2014, a partnership arrangement between Caboolture High School and Australian Child Care Career Options (ACCGO) has enabled us to deliver the Certificate III course on campus to interested students.

Students and staff alike look forward to this opportunity for 2014 and into the future.

Amy Thompson
HOD - Senior Schooling

SCHOOL CAPTAIN NEWS

Wow, already, what a year, starting off with a bang! Day one, back and straight off to camp, was not only an amazing experience but also an educational one. Learning to cooperate as a team and discovering our leadership qualities. An extraordinary bond was created between our Year 12 cohort over the three days at Noosa North Shore Resort, which will benefit us immensely as this year we are no longer individuals with our studies, but more as one and we shall work together to achieve the best we can.

Straight into Week 2 and we have already slipped back into the rhythm of school. As this is our last year of high school, we must maintain our focus and remain on the front foot of our schoolwork. Although having our heads back into our books, we still managed to kick off our yearly house rivalry by having our annual swimming carnival, held on Tuesday, 11 February, which was a tremendous success with huge participation. The house spirit shown by all those who could attend was exemplary and the newly elected house leaders should be proud of their efforts.

On the following Thursday, we had our Leader Investiture Ceremony, in which we celebrated the beginning of our journey as school captains, house captains and leaders, arts and rural captains and mentors, student council members and beacon ambassadors. We are all looking forward to our responsibilities throughout 2014 and are jumping at every opportunity to get involved.

Connor and Victoria
School Captains

YEAR 8 NEWS

I would firstly like to say “Welcome” to all of our great Year 8 students and families who have joined us this year. I look forward to a very busy and exciting year with this wonderful bunch of students and can’t wait for all that the year can bring.

The first few weeks have been quite hectic for our Year 8s with working out how to read their timetables, navigating through the school grounds to be at class on time and, of course, making new friends. Most of the students are really enjoying high school life and the variety of subjects that they get to be involved in. Some have had to adapt to change with a new house-group and core group being formed.

This term is going to a busy one for the Year 8 cohort! Students from all houses battled in the pool to see which house would reign supreme at our annual swimming carnival. Students have selected to be involved in inter-school sporting teams, others have nominated for a Year 8 debating team and others are involved in the Junior Eisteddfod team. Just recently, in Week 4, students were invited to a pizza lunch that was catered for by our wonderful senior Hospitality students. All of the students and teachers that attended enjoyed themselves very much, indulging in the yummy treats that were there. Many thanks to Mr Branch, Ms McLean and our wonderful SAFE leaders for your help with making the lunch a success – we all enjoyed it!

Wednesday, 19 February, we had our Year 8 Information Night and student disco. This was a great opportunity for parents and caregivers to find out first-hand what Caboolture High offers to our students and the expectations that we have for them too. It was a chance for you, as a key person in your student’s learning, to come along and meet with their teachers and find out what is happening in each of your student’s classes. I hope you all had a lovely and informative evening.

Term 1 also sees our day camps in Week 7.

I have already sent out one Year 8 update via email to all parents/carers who have email addresses and I gave students hard copies if they did not have one. Hopefully another update will be forthcoming soon. Thanks for the positive feedback I received about this. I haven’t forgotten the offer for parent afternoon or morning teas. The response was not overwhelming, but given some parents were interested, I will proceed with a meeting. If you would like to come along, then please join us.

A special thank-you must go to house-group teachers, SAFE leaders, Mrs Brady and Mrs Seymour who have all helped set the standard for what is expected of students of Caboolture High and have made the transition from primary school to high school that much easier.

Jayne Hooper
Year 8 Coordinator
YEAR 9 NEWS

Welcome back to another year at Caboolture State High, Year 9s. I hope it will be another eventful and successful year for our cohort. I would like to extend a special welcome to those Year 9s who are new this year – I’m sure you will settle in quickly and soon feel at home!

Our 2014 calendar is quickly filling with important dates, both in the academic and social arenas. NAPLAN testing will take place in Week 4 of Term 2, from Tuesday, 13 to Thursday, 15 May. During house-group and Access lessons, Year 9s have continued with the solid preparation they began in Year 8. Each week in house-group, they learn 5 new spelling words and complete a homework sheet which has 3 – 4 questions from past NAPLAN tests. The hard work and preparation of resources by house-group teachers, Mrs Sarah Brady (Head of Department – Junior Secondary) and Dana Barrett (our School Literacy Coach), will not only stand our students in good stead for NAPLAN but also provides strategies for managing stress and anxiety during testing periods. On the morning of each NAPLAN Test day, a delicious free breakfast will be provided to all Year 9s. The spread will include bacon and egg burgers, hot Mio, juice, fruit, cereal and yoghurt, so please encourage your child/student to join us in the courtyard area on all three NAPLAN days.

At our assembly on 18 February, our house-group captains were announced. All students from each house-group were able to nominate for this leadership role and a vote was cast. House-group captains are responsible for collecting class rolls each day, reading student notices in the morning, thanking guest speakers at school functions, involving their house-group in extra-curricular school activities and, above all, acting as role models for their peers. All nominated captains are worthy recipients of this position and I look forward to working with them throughout the year.

Our annual swimming carnival was held at the Morayfield Aquatic Centre on Tuesday, 11 February. The Year 9s rose to the challenge I set them during the week and proudly displayed their house spirit either by competing, cheering or simply by dressing up and being there on the day. We have some exceptional swimmers in our cohort and I look forward to our upcoming house assembly where age champions will be announced.

The debating season is also about to kick off and our Year 9 team was just nominated last week. Our Year 9 debating team includes: Zoey Langbien, Ruth Jarrett, Chloe Platt and Kaitlyn Ellis. They were a strong team in Year 8 and I am sure they will continue to do our school proud this year. Updates about the competition start date and venue will be made through the student notices.

On March 21, the Year 9s will also participate in the National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence. During the week leading up to this day, students will be given the option to participate in the creation of a pledge in their house-group. This will involve them tracing their hand onto a piece of cardboard and signing their name in honour of committing to this pledge, which will then be displayed in their house-group room. As a token of their pledge, they will be given an armband which can be worn for the entire day on 21 March.

This year, I encourage all Year 9s to participate in as many school ventures as possible. In each house-group room is a coloured recording sheet where students are able to record any school-based activity they perform, e.g. inter-school sport, debating, sports carnivals, subject competitions, cattle showing, art night etc. If every student participates in at least one school-based activity this semester, they will show school spirit and feel a sense of belonging in our school community. Please encourage your child to peruse this list often and involve themselves in at least one activity this term.

Remember, if your child has any concerns, they can see me in BS1 staffroom.

Clare Tett
Year 9 Coordinator

The Debating team for 2014: Kaitlyn Ellis, Ruth Jarrett, Zoey Langbien and Chloe Platt (absent).

Housegroup Captains from 9B1, 9B2, 9M2, 9S1 AND 9S2 (absent – 9B3, 9F1, 9F2, 9M1).
MATHS TUTORING ON MONDAYS
Tutoring has begun again on Monday afternoons from 3pm to 4pm. Students do individual work supported by Maths teachers. This is the place to catch up on missed work or to get extra help with concepts which are not understood. We cater to all year levels. Just tell your student to turn up to room A15 after school on Mondays - it’s as easy as that.

Sandra Marks
HOD – Mathematics

TECH CREW NEWS
The tech crew is an important group of dedicated students who help ensure school events and formal occasions operate with a high degree of professionalism.

Approximately one dozen “seasoned” Year 12 and Year 11 “probies” work behind the scenes assisting with audio, lighting, AV, props and whatever else is required to make each event a success. The tech crew is involved in over 15 different events throughout the year, each bringing its own set of special requirements.

Tech crew Captain, Kassandra Varney, acknowledges that this is going to be a very busy year. Assisting her is Ian Hall, Ryan Andrew, Ashleigh Marriott, Hayley Martin, Corey Cobb, Daniel Walters, Adrianne-Joy Hutt, Jetta Ferguson-Male, Sarah Birt, Isaac Lee and Jaiden Blundell.

Having already completed the Year 12 Investiture, the Year 8 lunchtime mixer and the Year 8 disco night, our next event is the upcoming full school assembly.

Whether it be Music Night, Dance Night, Awards Night, Beacon Presentation or just a special, small performance, Tech Crew is there helping behind the scenes.

Good luck for a great year guys!

Mr Keehn
Tech Crew Coordinator

SOCIAL SCIENCE & BUSINESS FACULTY NEWS
Welcome students and teachers, to another challenging school year. This year we welcome back Ms Hooper, Mrs Lepper, Mrs McKinlay, Mrs Stanger and Mrs Muller to our department and say hello to Miss Blacklock. As usual, most of our regular faculty teachers have hit the ground running and are well into their specific subject areas.

Our department has already been busy arranging programs and activity for this term. Year 12 Legal Studies students will be attending the Australian Constitutional Convention at Parliament House this week and Year 11 Legal Studies students are preparing to visit the Brisbane Supreme and Magistrates Courts as part of their first core unit. Modern History and Business Communication and Technologies students will also be out on excursion during the next few weeks.

Middle school students are working on History and Geography C2C units and parents are encouraged to ask their students about the studies in this area. Senior Business Studies students have been busy with a Financial Records unit and have just completed a Valentine’s Day enterprise which was quite successful.

Assessment calendars have been issued, so students should be organising their work in preparation for these important assessment points in their studies. Senior students need to be sure to manage their time well as they navigate through this semester.

We encourage parents and carers to contact us at the school should you need to discuss your child’s progress.

Mr S Keehn
HOD - Social Science & Business

SPORTS NEWS
Sport is off to a flying start at Caboolture SHS in 2014. There are many opportunities for students to engage in both recreational and representative sport:

- Junior and senior inter-school sport selections commenced in Week 2 with fixtures beginning in Week 3 against other South Zone (West) schools. The top 2 teams in the West Pool at the end of fixtures will play in the semi-finals against the 2 leading teams from the East Pool. Champion South District teams will then go on to compete in the Brisbane Metropolitan Finals.
- Recreational Sport also commenced in Week 3

All students will have permission forms which must be signed and returned to their sport teacher. One-off fees and weekly bus passes for sport must be paid to the cashier at the office.
- District and regional trial days offer a representative pathway for students who excel in their sports. Students must nominate at the Gym staffroom and obtain principal permission before being permitted to trial. A student’s behaviour record will have an impact on the granting of principal permission:

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* No district trial in this sport. Students go straight to regional trial

- Whole school inter-house carnivals: Swimming - 11 February; Cross-Country - 28 April; Athletics - 1 August

Kylie Gbidi and Monica Corbett
Junior and Senior Sport Coordinators

JETTS FITNESS ON BOARD AGAIN IN 2014

Kerri at Jetts Fitness Morayfield is once again sponsoring the Physical Education Department. This is the third year in a row! Kerri’s sponsorship has assisted the PE department in purchasing a new set of Rugby League jerseys. This year, the department will be purchasing new Touch Football singlets for the All Schools Touch Tournament. This would not be possible without the help from Jetts Fitness.

Jetts will also cater for a selected group of Year 10-12 students for inter-school sport. This opportunity allows the students to attend the gym once per week and receive professional assistance and feedback at a fraction of the price.

SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Fraser

Thank you to all from Fraser house who showed up to the swimming carnival to support and cheer. To those who participated in the swimming and earning of our house points throughout the day, as your house captain, I would like to say congratulations and I hope you bring that same enthusiasm and more along to the other carnivals. Even though the participation was lower than we would have liked and we didn’t hit the 1000 point mark, we did well and can only improve with our achievements throughout the other carnivals.

A big congratulations also goes to the house-group of 8F1, for having a total of 82.76% of their house present during the carnival. Year 11s, your participation was the lowest of all the year levels and as seniors of the school, the lower year levels look up to you. It is only right to lead by example - for what you do is what they think they can do. So come on Year 11s, let’s step up and show the lower year levels what we seniors are made of.

Randall Hartley
Fraser House Captain

Bribie

This year, Bribie House intends to work even harder to achieve the Sports House Aggregate Trophy awarded at the end of the year. After winning both the swimming carnival and cross-country carnival last year, Bribie students hope to repeat that performance and take a commanding lead over the other sports houses.

Though points have yet to be announced, our participation and performance at the Week 3 swimming carnival confirms Bribie House should do well.

Bribie House Captains, Brenton Fox and Victoria Rogers, along with House Leaders, Tamara Eru, Brooke Hinkley, and Rachelle Young, are ready to enthusiastically lead and encourage Bribie students - the “red generation”.

Students should remember that they can win points for Bribie house by entering competitions and participating in many of the cultural events offered throughout the school year.

GO BRIBIE!

Mr Keehn, Mrs Chandler & Mrs King
Bribie House HODs
**Stradbroke**
THE SHARKS HAVE STARTED TO CIRCLE

Stradbroke’s swimming carnival was quite successful, with a lot of students who turned up and supported our house. Many students dressed up and got into the Straddy Spirit and many of us lost our voices during the day, by cheering on our house in the war cries, this showed our enthusiasm and excitement. The majority of our house participated in the competitive races but many more of us also got in the pool for the free swims for extra house points. We had just about every relay team filled and were quite successful in these races as everyone got in and had a go to fill the mixed teams.

It was good to see that people were willing to give swimming a go even if they didn’t have as much confidence as others and even just getting in the water for the participation points. All in all, it was a great swimming carnival, definitely one the Year 12s will remember for years to come. We cannot wait for the cross country and athletics carnivals to show our Straddy Spirit and be victorious.

GO STRADBROKE!!!!

*Mitchell Orupold & Amarlee Butler*
Stradbroke Captains

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**Moreton**

MORETON MUDDIES RULE THE POOL!

Moreton House have started the year in our predictably dominant style. With outstanding representation in the pool and in the grandstand, our Moreton Muddies presented with pride and unity in a brilliant show of yellow and gold. Our energetic house leaders and Year 12 students were unrelenting in their motivation of our Moreton Muddies as they lead, in chorus, our booming war cries, generated fantastic costume presentations and recruited our swimmers to fill our lanes with the most competitors and participants. A special mention must go to Mrs McLean, ‘The Mother Duck of Moreton’, who leaves no stone unturned in order to inspire all who are lucky enough to call Moreton their house.

**GO MORETON!**

*Amy Wood*
Moreton House HOD

Hello everybody,

For those of you who don’t know me, my name is Mrs Carter. I am the Indigenous coordinator here at school. I would like to take this opportunity to welcome back our previous students and welcome all the new students joining us at Caboolture State High.

My job is to assist the indigenous students in their subjects with class activities and assessments, personal issues, school concerns, coordinate indigenous cultural activities, supervise students on excursions, liaise with teaching staff and guardians regarding student progress, and communicate with stakeholders and elders and much more.

We have an allocated air-conditioned room where I am based for the indigenous students at the top of F Block stairwell for cultural studies and gatherings. This room, equipped with computers, internet and printing, is for students to work on any school activities with my assistance, meet with elders or the ARTIE team, or just to come up and say hi or have a chat. The room is also used for a quiet space if students need extra support with their exams or to meet up with friends and hang out.

Another program we have in the student room is Breakfast Club. The room is open from 8am-9am Monday and Tuesday each week for the students to work towards/complete assessments or homework during breakfast if they choose to have it. Students can also visit the room during lunch breaks if I am available.

We started our year with the ARTIE team launching the Term 1 goal. This year, we see a new change of 3 levels for the challenge. The students need to work hard during the term to achieve the set goal and will be rewarded according to the reward level. We will be advising students if they have achieved the goal soon after the term has finished.
Jasmine Pocock, Year 10 Indigenous Leader and I, had the privilege of meeting the Waminda Elders on 12 February. We were invited over to spend the day with the elders to help celebrate Apology Day. The day’s activities included welcome dance, Aboriginal art – making “Message Stick”, listening to elders tell their childhood stories, BBQ lunch and having personable conversations with many of our local elders. The day was enjoyed by all and will now see many elders become involved in our school community.

On 10, 12 & 14 February, nurses and hopefully a doctor from the Institute for Urban Indigenous Health clinic will be visiting our school. They will be performing an ears, eyes and health check on each student. This will be an annual event at the start of each school year to help make sure our students are ready to learn and participate in class. Parents and guardians will get a referral letter if students need further medical assistance.

Keep an eye out for upcoming events which will include the Cultural Infusion, Celebrating NAIDOC day, more ARTIE launches and SHOUT OUTS, QUT visits, Careers day at Suncorp Stadium, overnight camps and more.

It’s going to be a big and exciting year and I’m looking forward to meeting you all.

Mrs Carmen Carter
Indigenous Coordinator

A NOTE FROM OUR CHAPLAIN

Hi Caboolture SHS community,

My name is Josh and I am the new chaplain at Caboolture SHS. I previously worked as the chaplain at Aspley SHS and Bracken Ridge SHS. I wanted to work at Caboolture SHS because I grew up in the area and still live here. I have completed studies in youth work, ministry and theology and I am currently studying counselling. I have been married for 6 years and we have a 4 year old son together. So that’s just a little about me.

I will be at the school 5 days a week, so feel free to call or email me with any questions or concerns. I have plans this year to run a few student groups, help out with sports and organise some events. This year and, in particular, this term I will spending a lot of time getting to know and understand the school community and its needs. Every school is different, so even with the experience I have, it’s almost like starting again.

I look forward to getting to know the school and working alongside all the staff and students here. Keep your eyes and ears open for the updates I give you and for the events that come up.

Thanks,

Josh Woods
Chappy

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Phone: 5498 0124
Want to know more about school chaplaincy? Go to http://www.suqld.org.au/chaplaincy

UNIFORM & STATIONERY SHOP

8:30 TO 2:30 MON TO FRI
OPEN TO STUDENTS BEFORE SCHOOL AND AT BOTH BREAKS ONLY
BOTH NEW AND
SECOND HAND UNIFORMS AT GREAT PRICES
ALL YOUR SCHOOL STATIONERY REQUIREMENTS
AVAILABLE YEAR ROUND

Due to an oversupply of second-hand uniforms, we are unable to accept new consignment items until further notice.

Thank you for your support.

TUCKSHOP NEWS

Roster as follows:

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Best wishes and Happy Birthday to Adrienne for 6 March, Fay for 9 March, Deirdre for 24 March and Desley for 4 April.

Diane & Lina
Tuckshop Convenors

DENTAL VAN NEWS

The dental van is now at Caboolture State High School. Forms were recently emailed to parents. Students who require dental treatment must return these forms by 1 March, 2014. Students are able to collect spare forms from the dental van.