FROM THE PRINCIPAL’S DESK

Term 1 is nearly finished and students are in the middle of end of term assessment. All students have their assessment calendars and I ask parents and carers to work with their children to ensure all assessment is completed by the due date. Parent support at this time can make a great deal of difference to the attitudes and achievements of your children.

I have been emphasising to all students the importance of education to their futures and the importance of working hard to achieve their best results. Adherence to our school values - persistence, respect, integrity, diligence and excellence, support student learning. All students will have heard me talk about ‘Learning at Caboolture’ and their responsibilities to their learning. I have clearly outlined the school’s expectations around student engagement in all lessons, attendance at all classes and excellent behaviour while at school. Teachers play an equally important role by ensuring quality teaching at all times. All our students can achieve amazing results if we work together.

Student attendance is a critical issue in student learning, but unfortunately, as the end of the term approaches, I see many students believing they can miss school. I remind parents and carers of the importance of sending children to school on every school day unless there is a reasonable excuse for the student to be away, such as illness. Going shopping, visiting family, staying up late, being tired or extending school holidays are not acceptable reasons for students to be away from school. Please visit the Department of Education and Training website for more information:

www.education.qld.gov.au/everydaycounts

Our last Parents’ and Citizens’ meeting was also the Annual General Meeting. I take this opportunity to thank and congratulate Carolyn Ferguson, Rodney Dart, Bill Ferguson, Tania McCasker and Shae Offer for accepting positions on our Parents’ and Citizens’ Association Executive. The Parents’ and Citizens’ Association plays a critical role in the management and improvement of our school and of concern is that there were very few new members present at our first meeting of the year. I encourage parents and carers to become more active members in our school community and attend our monthly P and C meetings. The meetings are held at the school Administration Block on the fourth Wednesday of every month, beginning at 7pm. The majority of meetings are concluded by 8pm and it is a great way for you to have direct input into improving our school. The next meeting is on this Wednesday, March 26.

Term 1 school reports will be issued on April 4. Please go over these reports with your children, congratulate them for their successes and talk to them about areas for improvement. Our first parent/teacher reporting afternoon will be held on Tuesday, April 29. The interviews will run from 1.30 pm until 6pm and teachers will be available throughout this time. School will finish at 1 pm and students will be able to go home at this time. Supervision will be provided for students who need to catch later buses. Please take the time to make appointments with teachers as this will ensure that the teachers you wish to speak to will be available to meet with you.

Term 2 also sees the return of formal uniforms on Mondays during Terms 2 and 3. Please take the time now to ensure that students have their formal uniforms in good condition for the first Monday of Term 2, April 28. With the onset of colder weather students will also need the school bottle green pullover. Thank you for your attention to our school uniform.

I wish you all a happy and restful Easter break and I look forward to continuing our learning journey next term.

Thanks,
Jim Box
Principal

IMMUNISATION PROGRAM FOR YEAR 8 AND YEAR 10 STUDENTS

This year Moreton Bay Regional Council is providing free vaccinations for all Year 8 and Year 10 students on 20/3/14, 19/6/14 and 12/11/14 as part of the Queensland Health’s annual School-Based Vaccination Program at Caboolture SHS.

Year 8 students are being offered vaccinations to protect against varicella (chickenpox), human papillomavirus (HPV) and diphtheria-tetanus-pertussis (whooping cough). Male students in Year 10 are also being offered free HPV vaccination as part of a catch up program. All Year 10 students will be offered diphtheria-tetanus-pertussis (whooping cough) vaccination.

A consent form for each vaccination offered has been given to your child to bring home.

The vaccinations will be conducted by a team of specially trained registered nurses. Please encourage your child to have breakfast on the morning of the vaccination and that they bring adequate water to drink following. If there is concern regarding nervousness of your child prior to vaccination please ring the Council on 3205 0555 and ask to speak to the immunisation team. It can be arranged that they are vaccinated before the immunisation clinic starts should this be suitable.
BEACON AND CABOOLTURE STATE HIGH SCHOOL

Caboolture State High School continues to work with the Beacon Foundation to help inspire and motivate our Year 10 students to either stay in school and increase their educational engagement and attainment or choose a positive pathway that enables successful transition to employment, further education or training.

“The Beacon Foundation, a national non-profit organisation currently working in 130 schools across Australia, believes every young Australian can develop an independent will to achieve personal success for themselves and their community. Beacon’s programs support young people to develop this focus through engaging and influencing the attitudes and behaviour of the broader community. By harnessing community involvement, it works within schools to ensure young people are either earning or learning at vulnerable transition points in their lives.”

This year is our fourth year as a Beacon school and we have a great program planned for our Year 10s which compliments the career education and SET planning process taking place during ACCESS throughout the year. Some of the events/programs include:

- **Speed Careering and Ute Day**: Workshops are run to enable students to obtain up-to-date and first-hand information about their future options. A range of businesses present to students about their industry and career paths.
- **Industry Tours**: Hands-on tours of business/industries to learn more about a specific industry and careers available within it. (Holcim, SKM Engineering, Queensland Health etc)
- **Business Event**: An event for members of the local business community to initiate, build or celebrate the school’s Beacon program.
- **Business Blackboard**: Businesses visit the classroom to share their knowledge with students, matching real life situations to the school curriculum.
- **Charter Signing**: Beacon’s signature event where Year 10s publicly make a pledge that by the following year, they will be in education, employment or training.

The **Beacon Student Ambassador** role is also a fantastic part of the program as it offers students the opportunity to drive the program through taking responsibility, using initiative, motivating peers and being involved in our local community. This year we had an overwhelming response from Year 10 students applying for the Ambassador role with 16 students elected as Beacon Student Ambassadors. They will help in organising, preparing, and hosting events, and have opportunities for self-development.

**Congratulations to the 2014 Beacon Student Ambassadors:**

Sherian Muaki, Callum Young, Steele Ford, Grace Catchpole, Naomi Marsden, Anastasia Baggley, Lucy Paulus, Lacey Hill, Jasmine Pocock, Angela McCasker, Tye Lowe, Corey Rufus, Katie Offer, Jazzmine Young, Olivia McTavish, Rachel Neal.

Developing partnerships with businesses within the local community and community involvement is important to ensure the success and sustainability of the Beacon program in our school. If you would like more information on how you can be involved, please call Jessica Dann on (07) 5498 0111.

**Thank you,**

Jessica Dann
Beacon Co-ordinator

On February 7, the ARTIE program was launched, with 58 students attending from all year levels. ARTIE Academy has set higher expectations for learning and attendance. The aim is for students to have to have 90% attendance in school, to ensure higher educational outcomes. The students who successfully complete the ARTIE Term 1 challenges will be rewarded according to the level of goals achieved; gold, silver or bronze. A big reminder for all Indigenous students to try at all times in all classes for fantastic rewards.

The ARTIE program is named in honour of proud Indigenous State of Origin legend Arthur Beetson. The Former Origin Greats (FOGS), ‘ARTIE’ (Achieving Results through Indigenous Education) program is an Australian Government supported program funded under the Sporting Chance initiative. It provides Indigenous students attending selected Queensland secondary and primary schools the opportunity to participate in a program that encourages and rewards improvements in school attendance, behaviour, academic achievement and effort (particularly in Literacy and Numeracy).

At the end of 2013, we said a sad farewell to ARTIE co-ordinator Alys after 12 months involvement in our school. We thanked her for all the hard work she put into making a difference with our students. In 2014, we welcomed our new ARTIE co-ordinator, Daniel Rogers to our school. Dan has already made an important impact upon several students in our school. Dan visits our school on Mondays, 12pm–3pm and Wednesdays, 9am-12pm.

Our first SHOUT OUT was held on 7 March. Shout Out is to remind students about the ARTIE term challenge and celebrate students’ hard work and achievements during the term. Several students were acknowledged for their efforts. Four students were also chosen to be ARTIE student leaders in our school:
Tamika Ross, Dana Pocock, Beau Warner and Jasmine Pocock. These students will support Dan and me reminding the student body to apply themselves at school and they will also represent our school on special occasions.

On 10 and 12 March, the medical team from Institute for Urban Indigenous Health clinic visited our school. They performed health checks on each student and will refer further, if necessary, to parents/guardians. This will be an annual event running in Term 1 each school year to support students who are ready to learn.

I would also like to take this time to advise we have a new Acting Head of Department – Mr Shane Keehn. Mr Keehn will be with us until the end of Semester 1. Keep an eye out for our upcoming events; Cultural Infusion, 2 June and NAIDOC, 24 July.

I hope everyone enjoys their holidays and Easter break and will catch up with more news when we return in Term 2.

Stay safe.

Mrs Carter
Indigenous Coordinator

YEAR 10 CAREER PLANNING AND SUBJECT SELECTION PROCESS FOR YEARS 11 & 12

Year 10 is a preparatory year for the senior years and a key step in the process to ensure transition to a successful career pathway. To support this process the Access lesson (Thursday Period 1) each week is dedicated to supporting our students through this phase. All Year 10 students have received a copy of the Access program and subject pre-requisites (used for 2014) and a copy has been emailed to you for your information and active involvement.

Mrs Kaye Pedwell
Head of Department – Senior Schooling & Agriculture

YEAR 12 UPDATE

The Year 12s are off to a flying start in 2014, kicking off with the leadership camp on their first day back.

Students participated in activities such as body boarding, canoeing, raft building and high rope activities. They also enjoyed night festivities such as mini Olympics and the traditional Garbage Bag Formal.

The main goals of the camp were to step out of our comfort zones and build leadership skills and for most, this certainly was the case. It was great to see so many students take on activities that were quite daunting. The encouragement that the students received from their peers helped them to achieve their best. The camp instructors made several comments about the positive and encouraging behaviour that our students demonstrated throughout the camp.

On February 14, our Year 12 student leaders participated in a leadership development day with ‘Peer Power’. The day was full of activities that developed and enhanced skills and gave strategies that are useful for not only this year, but into the future. The student leadership team are meeting regularly to follow on from this day and put some of the theory into practice.

Students participating in the QCS test in September are already well into their preparation, with weekly workshops and ‘Mighty Minds’ tutorials. Keep an eye out on the QCS schedule for the Mighty Minds master classes which run after school. Remember that A4 is available before school as a QCS study area where students can get together and work through some of the more difficult processes.

Non-QCS students have already commenced ‘Brake’ in their access lessons, which is a driver awareness program, that upon successful completion, contributes to 1 QCE point.

Year 12s, sometimes the days feel like they are going slow, especially approaching assessment time when things are beginning to stack up. Keep in mind though, that the weeks go by fast, so it is crucial to manage your time well and stay on top of your work. Don’t over-commit in areas that will inhibit you from reaching your goals this year.

Anthony Royter
Year 12 Coordinator

SCHOOL CAPTAINS’ REPORT

As the end of Term 1 approaches, the stress levels begin to rise. Having so much to do in such little time; it is important to manage our time to stay on top of our work.

Our OP students have had their introduction to QCS practices on Thursday mornings. This is just the beginning of the journey for us all. As a group, if we can maintain the hard work ethic, I am quite confident that we can obtain a good overall score.

In Week 7, we along with our young budding Biology and Science 21 students, adventured to North Stradbroke Island. After three full days outside studying the different environments,
everyone was ready for a good night sleep (some even snoozed on the bus back). Camp was a great opportunity to learn about the history of ‘Straddy’ and understanding the ecology of the island.

On the 14th of this month, the school once again supported the World’s Greatest Shave charity. Quite a few students had their heads shaved on stage and there were many more who opted for a coloured style. A big thank you must go out to Louise Moule, our hairdresser for the event.

To all the staff, teachers and students have a relaxing safe holiday and see you all back here prepared to get straight back into Term 2.

Connor and Victoria
School Captains

JUNIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL NEWS

Year 8 Report

In Week 6, 160 of our Year 8 students boarded a bus over two days, destination, Currimundi Camp. The students were very excited on arrival and were eager to engage in the day camp program. Our students were able to experience a wide range of activities including body boarding, alpine challenge and team challenge. Even though it rained, then stopped, then rained, then stopped, over the course of the two days, we were able to still participate in the program that our students thoroughly enjoyed!

The students showed respect to all the staff, themselves, their peers and the environment. The staff were impressed with the students’ attitude and behaviour on the day camps. We also received positive comments about our students from the Currimundi Camp staff. I’m sure that a lot of new friendships have been made, along with memories that will last a lifetime.

Year 9 Report

Year 9 NAPLAN testing preparation and practices have already begun. The National test will be held 13 – 15 May 2014. Students have been participating in focused literacy and numeracy lessons this term, targeting essential skills. We have also been running a number of programs in our Access and house group lessons including a spelling program, homework program and Literacy and Numeracy activities. We will begin our formal practices in the hall, under strict testing conditions, in the last weeks of Term 1 and the first few weeks of Term 2.

For further test preparation materials to help your child succeed in the NAPLAN test, please refer to the websites below:

- Sample test materials for Literacy and Numeracy are available on the NAPLAN page of the QSA website: http://www.qsa.qld.edu.au/1407.html
- The Literacy page also has resources for the teaching of persuasive writing and has a link to the 2011 Persuasive Writing Marking Guide: www.qsa.qld.edu.au/10524.html
- ACARA is currently developing a full set of sample tests for public viewing. These will replace the currently available tests for 2008 to the current year on the National Assessment Program website: www.nap.edu.au

For further information for parents please refer to the following website;

The brochure NAPLAN 2014 Information for Parents is available from the National Assessment Program website: http://www.nap.edu.au

Mrs Sarah Brady
Head of Department - Junior Secondary School

Year 8 students showing excellent teamwork and participation at Camp Currimundi- Well done!

Brittney Walker, Todd Donnelly, Bailey Quinnell, Ben Ellis-Court, Hayden Quirant, Pesamino Brunt, Ellie Tidswell, Declan Beurville

YEAR 10 NEWS

Term 1, 2014 has already presented our Year 10s with a new range of learning, leadership and career-building opportunities and experiences. Many of our students have taken on a number of leadership roles within the school including the Year 10 BEACON Ambassadors who were announced mid-way through the term.

Congratulations must also go to the students who have been selected as our Year 10 house-group captains this year. These students are responsible for upholding our school’s PRIDE values and RESPECT rules. They demonstrate leadership by collecting class rolls through the week, reading student notices in the morning at house-group and at our weekly assembly. The captains put the “spotlight” on ‘Learning at Caboolture’ by organising events for the cohort and the school, thanking guest speakers at school functions and contributing to Student Council.

Our house group captains were announced at assembly on 12 March 2014. They are: Matthew Bautista and Kate Brown (10B1), Callum Young and Angela McCasker (10B2), Corey Rufus, Alex Rios, Rachel Neal and Jazmine Young (10F1), Luke Sheehan and Bianca Wicks (10F2), Katie Ofer and Olivia McTavish (10M1), Zoe Vines and Sabrina Savill (10M2), Adam Varney and Bree Parker (10M3), Bianca Montgomery and Leith Naumann (10S1) and Chelsea Emblen and Kerri Nouws-Thomas (10S2).
Of these twenty candidates, the four students who have been selected to represent the cohort at Student Council are: Callum Young (10B2), Kate Brown (10B1), Olivia McTavish (10M1) and Kerri Nouws-Thomas (10S2).

On behalf of the entire cohort and the school, I’d like to thank these students in advance, for taking on these important leadership roles. I am certain that these students will embrace the opportunities and challenges these positions offer them. They will make our cohort proud!

One of the first events our Year 10 cohort leaders were responsible for organising was Clean Up Australia Day which was held in second break on Friday, 28 February. The day allowed students across the school, to pitch in and pick up rubbish, to show respect for our environment and contribute positively to the broader community. A special thanks must go to Bianca Montgomery, Angela McCasker, Callum Young, Kerri Nouws-Thomas, Chelsea Emblen, Katie Offer and Olivia McTavish who organised student registration and resource allocation. These students were indeed instrumental in ensuring the successful running of this event. Well done, students!

With only two weeks left this term, our cohort is focusing on exam preparation, assignment work and other assessment at the moment. I would like to encourage all of our students to concentrate on maximising their school performance to achieve their academic potential this term and all year!

Ms Dee Marshman  
Year 10 Coordinator

THE ARTS

The Arts faculty continues to be a hub of activity within the school. Our junior and senior Dance Eisteddfod teams are industriously training for their first Eisteddfod on the Sunshine Coast on May 2.

Our classroom students are viewing professional work this month. Senior Art students visited the Gallery of Modern Art to view the ‘Falling Back to Earth’ exhibition as well as the permanent exhibitions in GOMA and the Queensland Art Gallery, on March 18.

Instrumental Music students will travel to The Old Museum to view a concert from the Queensland Youth Orchestra on March 30.

Finally, our senior Drama students will view the highly anticipated production of Shakespeare’s ‘Macbeth’, at the Queensland Performing Arts Centre, on April 1st. Our Concert Band has resumed rehearsals, with a view towards competition at the ‘Urban Upbeat’ festival in August this year.

A new and welcomed addition to the Instrumental Music program, is a core of dedicated students who have reformed our new ‘Stage Band’ – we look forward to hearing some Jazz standards from this group in the near future.

Our school Vocal group and Drama club are currently being formed – if you are interested in joining, please see Mrs Wood in the P block staff room. Take a look at what’s been happening this week in our Arts classrooms in these photos:

Mrs Wood  
Head of Department The Arts

Students respect our environment by pitching in on Clean Up Australia Day!  
Chelsea Emblen and Kerry Nouws-Thomas lead the clean up!  
Chantelle Duarte Year 9 Music  
Cloe Truin Year 8 Instrumental Music  
Melissa Benjamin, Tamika Ross Year 12 Dance
INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGY FLYING HIGH

Year 10 Design and Technology students have been busy at work designing and modelling flying mobiles. Students were asked to design and make a range of flying mobiles that could be sold in a shop. Students came up with some original designs aimed at entertaining young children. The mobile designs included lions, dragons and an assortment of planes, each carefully cut from timber and painted with a variety of eye catching colours. While these mobiles are impressive to look at, the work behind the scenes is just as impressive. Students are required to create a folio of designs including a detailed description of their processes. They are also using a Computer Aided Drawing (CAD) program to recreate their design.

Students have excelled at this task and should be very proud of their efforts.

SENIOR INTERSCHOOL SPORT SUMMER SEASON 2014

Firstly, I would like to say a big thank you to all the students for their continued support and participation in our Interschool competition for the Summer Season.

I would like to remind students and parents that there is a small cost of $6.00 involved for interschool teams when travelling. All other recreational sport costs were outlined when selections were made.

Already this year we have some sporting success here at Caboolture State High School with over 25 students trialling for a variety of district sports.

Congratulations to the following students who have been selected in the South Zone District teams to trial for Regional teams.

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Congratulations, again, to the following students who have been selected to represent the Sunshine Coast Regional Team for 2014. These students will go on to represent their region at the QLD State Titles over the next few months. We wish them the very best of luck.

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The Open Boys and Year 10 Boys Rugby League also participated in the Sunshine Coast Gala Day at Cooroy on Friday 14 March.

Mrs Corbett
Senior Sports Coordinator.
STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

Elly Buckholz Year 8 won the under 14 years 400m Queensland Athletics Titles in February 2014 at QEll.

Elly has been selected for the Queensland heat team to compete at the National Titles in Sydney from the 12 to 16 March 2014. Elly will be competing in the 200m, 400m and 4 x 100m relay.

Elly has only been running for 18 months, so to have reached this standard of competition in such a short time is amazing. The National Titles will be a great experience for her.

Congratulations to Elly and best of luck for the National Titles.

INDIGENOUS COMMUNITY ADVISOR
OFFICE HOURS

Sue Williams, the Indigenous Community Advisor for Caboolture State High, is available on Thursdays 12.30pm-4.15pm. Sue is situated in the Administration building during these times.

National Youth Week 4-13 April 2014

It’s time to celebrate our young people!! Be proud of their achievements no matter how small you think they are!!

National Youth Week is the largest celebration of young people in Australia. Thousands of young people aged 12-25 from across Australia get involved each year. Planning is well under way for 2014 and young people should be excited and pumped. That’s how massive it is going to be!

2014 Queensland National Youth Week Message from:

The Hon. Tracy Davis MP, Minister for Communities, Child Safety and Disability Services

I encourage all young Queenslanders to join in the celebrations for National Youth Week 2014.

As the theme ‘Our Voice. Our Impact’ suggests, Youth Week is a great opportunity for young people to show off their skills and talents, share ideas and get involved in their local communities.

Our Queensland Youth Strategy is all about supporting young people to make connections that will help them reach their potential. Connections might be to their families, friends and social networks, education, training and employment, health and wellbeing, volunteering and participation, supports and services, and arts and culture. I am sure that Youth Week will offer many opportunities for you to build these connections.

This year the Queensland Government is partnering with PCYC for Youth Week celebrations. We want young people to be the focal point, so PCYC is working with young people across the state to plan a variety of activities and events which promise to be engaging, entertaining and fun!

A special feature of this year’s celebrations is a series of art workshops in the lead-up to Youth Week. These will be an ideal way of connecting young people to arts and culture, and a great showcase for their creativity and originality.

I urge young Queenslanders to take up the wonderful opportunities on offer and to make this year’s Youth Week celebrations bigger and better than ever.

Visit the PCYC Youth Week web page to find out about preparations for Youth Week in Queensland, and where you can list your event and see what is happening near you.

Sourced from http://www.youthweek.com/

Stay Safe & Healthy

Marie Pritchard
Youth Health Nurse