16 September 2014

PRINCIPAL’S UPDATE

This week brings to a close a very busy term, especially for our year 12 students. On September 2 and 3, eighty-three of our Year 12 students sat the Queensland Core Skills test and I must congratulate them not only on the positive way they approached this test but on the work they have done over the last eight months preparing for it. I am sure that the parents and carers of these students are also relieved that it is over. Now for the final run home to their Valedictory and the end of their time at our school.

Mr Royter and Mrs Chandler are tracking the progress of all year 12 students in attaining their Queensland Certificate of Education. Gaining their QCE is the acknowledgement that students have worked hard and been successful in completing their schooling. The majority of our students are on track but there are a few that are gaining extra assistance to ensure their success. Next term is a very important time for all our year 12 students and I encourage them all to work diligently right up the completion of their last assessment task.

This Tuesday evening we are hosting an inaugural event for many of our local employers. The five state high schools in the Caboolture area, Morayfield, Tullawong, Bribie Island, Kilcoy and Caboolture, along with many of the local businesses, have formed the Caboolture Area Schools Industry Reference Group. The aim of this group is to ensure that that curriculum offered by the local high schools is meeting the needs of business and industry by providing students with the skills and capabilities necessary to move smoothly into work or further training. I will keep you informed of the progress of this group.

We have enjoyed an extremely successful term with regards to sport. I reported in the last newsletter that we had several students qualify for the regional athletics trials and, after these trials four of our students have qualified for the state athletics titles. Congratulations to Doug Baggley, Hana Walsh, Sophie Hartley and Elly Buckholz for their outstanding success. Congratulations also to our Boys Open Soccer team who have made the Metropolitan final which will be held on Wednesday. This is a great effort and we wish the boys all the best against Cleveland District State High School.

Thank you to all parents and carers who have had enrolment interviews for their children entering Years 7 and 8 next year. To those parents who are considering sending their children to our fine school can you please contact the school on 5498 0111 and make an appointment. An enrolment interview is necessary for all students starting at the school next year.

There are some important events occurring in the first few weeks next year. These include:

Friday, October 10 Reports for Term 3 issued
Wednesday, October 15 Dance Night
Friday, October 17 Year 12 Formal
Monday, October 20 Sports Award Night and student free day
Wednesday, October 22 Art/Music Night

Thank you for your support this term and I look forward to the safe return to school of all students on Tuesday, October 7.

Regards,
Jim

Seeking Expressions of Interest – Certificate II in Automotive Servicing Technology

The school is currently seeking expressions of interest in a Certificate II in Automotive Servicing Technology. The course will be run on the school grounds, and will be delivered by the HELP Training Institute. This qualification builds basic knowledge and technical skill sets in automotive vehicle servicing and is suited to the needs of individuals with little or no vocational experience.

Please note: THIS IS NOT AN APPRENTICESHIP – IT IS A VOCATIONAL QUALIFICATION ONLY – IT DOES NOT GUARANTEE EMPLOYMENT

Course Details:

Days: The course will be delivered one day a week | Most likely a Wednesday
Time: 9am- 3pm
Cost: Free for students
If students feel this may be of interest to them, I encourage them to see me, in the administration building, to register their interest.

Mrs Amy Thompson  
Head of Senior Schooling