25 November 2016

**Acting Principals Report**

The jacaranda blossoms of late Spring early Summer herald in my favourite part of the school calendar, the Brisbane Bayside State College awards and celebrations season! Students are in their best formal uniforms proudly accepting accolades for hard work, determination and success that comes from these efforts, proudly championed from the audience by their parents or guardians.

As we go about this celebration of the diverse and amazing achievements of our students and the commitment of our teachers it is important to take a moment and reflect upon those persons that we sometimes take for granted whose support, encouragement, advice have enabled this growth and development in our important young people. Such persons include parents and family, teachers, office staff, year co-ordinators, bus drivers, tutors, volunteers, and peer group. It is this group of people working together that creates a community of support working tirelessly for the betterment of us all. So over these closing weeks of the term as we continue to celebrate the milestones and achievements of our young people, take a moment to pause and reflect upon those who are working behind the scenes whose often unseen efforts are ensuring our community’s success.

On Saturday 12 November the P&C also ran an extremely successful trivia night thanks to the efforts of P&C representatives Debbie and Steve Rickertts. The night saw 70 persons congregating in the Noel Humphry’s Sports Hall engaging in a robust battle of the wits. Great fun was had by all attendees with the event raising $1400 for the P&C. Thank you to all who supported this event.

We are well and truly planning for the start of next year with staffing for 2017 nearly complete subject offerings to students across all year levels for 2017 are also being finalised as we now focus on the allocation of teaching preferences to classes. Many thanks to Deputy Principal Lynelle Canavan, Administration Officer Andrea Persson who in collaboration with our Heads of Department whose leadership of this process will support a smooth start to next year.

I would also like to take this time to identify and thank the contributions of several valued members of the college teaching faculty whose time at the college will come to an end at the close of the term. These persons include long serving staff members Sue Wilson who will be retiring, former Arts Head of Department Joan Cassidy who is taking extended leave to spend time with her family, Ben Robson who is engaging in promotional work as a Head of Department at Spinifex College and SRC and Leo’s President Paul Cavanagh who has taken employment in the private sector. The College will also see the following departures of other valued teachers to a variety of other schools including Joanne Roberts, Michelle Rientsma, Megan Harley, Ryan Ricks and Nicole Williams. In addition to these teaching departures, administrative officer Gail Moore has also taken up a post at Coorparoo State Secondary College.

We thank you all for your contribution and service to the College with these endeavours supporting the creation of an engaging and responsive learning community for all.
We also will be wishing our Deputy Principal Steve Wilson farewell for the year as he embarks on a new educational leadership journey taking on the position of Lead Principal and Capability Coach at Northern Peninsula Area State College. He will be accompanied by his wife Sonya who will taking up the post of Head of Teaching and Learning for the colleges three campuses. We wish him and his wife all the best in this exciting new endeavour.

Julie Strong
Acting Principal

Year 12 Formal

Congratulations Sean and Ruby

Sean Gallagher

On the September school holidays Sean competed at the North Queensland Championships in Townsville, he competed in 4 events. He finished in the top 2 in the under 16’s which means he has qualified for Nationals for discus, shot put and javelin and placed in the top 3 for his 100m which he just missed out by 2 seconds to qualify. Sean is now training in preparation for the Australian Athletics National Championships to be held in Sydney at Olympic Park from the 26th of March to the 3rd of April 2017.

Also on Friday the 21st of October Sean also competed at the Queensland School Sport Championships, Sean placed 4th in javelin in the 13 – 15 year old age group. Fantastic results achieved at both events, Congratulations Sean.

Ruby Nathan

Congratulations to Ruby who competed in the 2016 Queensland Schools Karate Championships in Noosa on the 13th of November. Ruby achieved fantastic results while representing Brisbane Bayside State College. In her divisions she achieved the following results:

- Silver Medal: 11-12 years Girls Kata Combined
- Gold Medal: 11-12 years Girls Kumite Combined

Premier’s Reading Challenge Statistics 2016

We had an almost 50% participant-rate of students taking part in the Premier’s Reading Challenge this year. That means that nearly 200 junior students put their names down to read 15 books within four months. A quarter of them achieved this goal. 22 students went above and beyond this target, reading 16 or more books. One student read an impressive 60 books!

We were hoping that every junior student would take part in the challenge; however, compared to last year when only 15 junior students took part in the challenge, I believe that this year’s numbers were phenomenal!

Every student that read 15 or more books will receive a certificate personally signed by Annastacia Palaszczuk, Premier of Queensland.

Every student that took part in the Challenge received VIVO points.

22 students will receive a book award for reading more than the required 15 books.

The library is very proud of every junior student and their fabulous teachers for making these numbers possible!

Jane Allerton
Librarian

Girls 13 Years Touch

The finals for the Brisbane Metropolitan Touch Association were held last week with our 13 years girls’ team narrowly losing in an exciting semi-final. Located at the Whites Hill Touch Fields, the girls’ competition consisted of over 170 teams and was held on Thursday nights, for over 12 weeks.

The team finished equal second after the regular season with STM (St Mathews) and faced them in the semi-finals. The girls played very well and took a 1-0 lead into half time after winger Ruby Nathan showed good pace and a step to score in the corner. After the break the score remained the same until relentless pressure from the opposition resulted in them levelling the scores with five minutes to go. The game ended in deadlock with extra time, known as drop offs, to decide the winner.

Congratulations Ruby on your fantastic results in tough conditions.

Stephanie Norris
Head of HPE
Extra time time played until one team scored, and after two minutes, a player was removed from each team, until there was only three players left for each. Extra time in this game lasted for almost 10 exhausting minutes with the ball moving from one end of the field to another, when finally the opposition placed the ball down for the win.

We should be very proud, as a school, of our team as they showed great courage and sportsmanship in this game, and throughout the season. The team would like to thank our Parents and Citizenship Association for their support in making the team’s participation in the competition a possibility.


James Hasson
Head of Humanities

Congratulations to Mimi Pace

Congratulations to Mimi Pace, our College’s Youth Support Coordinator, for being awarded the 2016 Metropolitan Region Youth Support Coordinator Award for Outstanding Support of School Staff.

Mimi is a valued staff member of our College and supports the staff through her connections with external agencies, continued collaboration with staff and direct engagement with students. These connections have seen Mimi facilitate the running of the Rock & Water program (building student’s resilience and self-confidence), engage students in the Love Bites (Respectful Relationships Program, presented in conjunction with the College’s Youth Health Nurse and Year Coordinators), and support events that encourage appropriate social media use and enhance the wellbeing and positive mental health of all staff and students through links with BABI and Headspace. Mimi has worked extensively alongside the Senior Schooling Head of Department, Mrs Sue Littman, to support students at risk of not completing an appropriate level of schooling. This has seen her case management a number of targeted individuals to ensure they achieve successful outcomes. This has contributed to the College achieving 100% QCE (Queensland Certificate of Education) attainment. Mimi also provides students transitioning from school to work with assistance and links to post school options and alternative pathways for example gaining places within the Get Set for Work Programs.

Mr Ray Johnston, Assistant Regional Director, Department of Education and Training, Metropolitan Region presented Mimi with the award at the Youth Support Coordinator Awards Morning on Tuesday November the 22nd of 2016.

This award acknowledges the outstanding support of school staff, team initiatives and her contribution to the BBSC learning community. Thank you Mimi for assisting all of our students to successfully engage in the learning and wellbeing programs we offer at our great College.

Nicole Collins
Guidance Officer

Attention – Changes to Bus Routes in 2017

Please be advised there have been changes to the Transdev school service 5088PM which will affect students from the Wynnum area in 2017.

Please be advised there have been changes to the Transdev school service 5089PM which will affect students from the Manly, Thoreside, Birkdale, Wellington Point, Cleveland areas in 2017.

Please be advised there have been changes to the Transdev school service 5090PM which will affect students from the Manly, Carindale, Carina, Coorparoo, and Stones Corner areas in 2017.

Please be advised there have been changes to the Transdev school service 5092PM which will affect students from the Manly, Gumdale, Capalaba Interchange areas in 2017.

Please view the online newsletter to view changes.

The new directions and times will also be available from the following link soon.

http://www.transdevqld.com.au

Transdev

FINANCE NEWS

NEW Finance Office Opening Hours
Monday – Friday
8.00am – 3.00pm

Statements were issued this week for Year 12s so that you are able to finalise their accounts.

Thank you to all families to those families who have completed their payment of account.

It is greatly appreciated.

NOTE: The NEW SRS forms for 2017 were emailed or mailed to all families in November. If you would like to take up the
discount offer, please return the completed forms and make your payment by the 2nd of December 2016.

Here is a quick user guide to follow when using **BPOINT** for payments:

You need to enter the invoice number for the payment whether you are paying the total amount or a part payment.

When making further part or balance payments, continue to use the same invoice number.

Alternatively, payments can be made by Eftpos or Direct Debit.

To pay via phone using Credit Card please call Holly on 3893 5340.

If you would like to Direct Debit the School Bank Account details are as follows:

- Commonwealth Bank
- BSB: 064133
- Account: 00090204
- Reference: Your student’s name

And if you are paying a specific invoice please use your student’s name and the invoice number or subject for example: **H Brown Sport**

**Holly Brown**

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If you no longer have the invitation email sent earlier this year giving you access to register for QParents, please do not hesitate to contact the school so we can arrange to send it again.

**Now** you are registered you can access your student’s invoices and payment details through QParents

http://qparents.qld.edu.au/

You can pay school invoices online with a debit/credit card.

If you are currently registered to access QParents you can view your student’s report through this portal. You can then download the report which goes to your email allowing you to save or print the document.

Enrolments to date are 152 which are 19.97% of our college families. This has continued to increase throughout the year.

Invitational emails were sent to families early in Term 4. We anticipate the next invitation will be sent in Term 1, 2017.

**Holly Brown**

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**P & C Operations**

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**Canteen**

The Canteen is open every day from 8am and available for Breakfast, Recess and Lunch.

We welcome orders daily so please see our team for your order form. ALL orders by students and staff must be placed by 8.45am.

**Uniform Shop – Opening Hours**

The Uniform Shop is open from 8am to 11.45am on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday.

**UNIFORM SHOP EXTENDED TRADE – Every school day in Week 9 and 10 Term 4, 2016**

Monday 28/11/16 – Wednesday 7/12/16 – 8.00am to 11.45am

**Late night Trade**

Tuesday 29/11/2016 – 3pm to 6pm
Tuesday 6/12/16 – 3pm to 6pm
The Uniform shop is closed for stocktake on Thursday the 8th and Friday the 9th of December 2016.

**January 2017 Extended Trade**

Tuesday 17/1/17 – Wednesday 18/1/17 – 8.00 am to 4.00 pm
Thursday 19/1/17 – Friday 20/1/17 – 9.00 am to 5.00 pm
Monday 23/1/17 – Friday 27/1/17 – 7.30 am to 12.00 noon
Thursday 26/1/17 – Closed due to public holiday

**Monday 30/1/17 – Standard operating hours commence**

**NB:** the advertised operating hours are subject to change or cancellation if we do not have sufficient volunteers.
Uniform Shop End of Year Special
A free slouch hat worth $30.00 with every order over $150.00. While stock lasts.

Uniform Orders
If you are unable to make it into the shop during open hours, we will happily provide uniforms to your student with a completed order form. Forms can be delivered to the uniform shop or emailed to uniformshop@brisbanebaysidesc.eq.edu.au. Payment can be made via cash, cheque (made payable to BBSC P & C uniform shop) or credit card by filling in your card details on the order form. Alternatively, we can take credit card payments over the phone. We also provide assistance with sizing your student.

Second Hand Uniforms
Your donations are greatly appreciated. Second hand uniforms can be donated to the P & C Association – these uniforms will be sold in the uniform shop. All proceeds will be utilised in the provision of college facilities, services and resources. Donations can be left at either the uniform shop or the college office. Donations are very welcome and greatly appreciated. Thank you.

Private Sale of Second Hand Uniforms
SCHOOL SECONDS – your #1 Online School Classified Site specialising in recycled school essentials servicing all Australian families and Schools.
BUY or SELL your pre-owned school essentials 24/7- school uniforms, school textbooks, sports apparel & equipment, hobbies, computers/IT, musical instruments, formal wear, UNI/ TAFE, and more!
Your school is a member of School Seconds – earn Rewards for your School for every listing you place!
http://www.schoolseconds.com.au
http://www.facebook.com/schoolseconds

"We hope that you will use our online classified site to buy and sell your unwanted school essentials to help out not only yourself, but others in your school community, as well as earning rewards for your School. And let's not forget the positive affect on the environment in recycling".

Paula Hewitt
P & C Operations Manager

Who Should I Talk To If…

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