ATHLETICS

MSHS held its annual interhouse athletics carnival on the 7th of August. The weather was perfect not too hot not too cold and everyone who attended made the most of the cloudless sunny sky. In 2010 Glasgow-Horsburgh won the athletics carnival and in 2012 they have done it again with a total of 1364 points. The age champions were acknowledged on parade and the house captains presented with the athletics trophy. Congratulations to everyone for making the carnival a fantastic day!


BEST DRESSED WINNERS

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FRASER DISTRICT ATHLETICS

Students who achieved 1st, 2nd & 3rd places in events are invited to the Fraser District athletics, held at the Tinana Amateur Athletics Oval on the 22nd and 23rd of August. They should have collected a parent’s letter and permission form from the PE staffroom. The permission form should be handed back to Mr. Smith directly by Monday the 20th.

OPEN GIRLS AFL

The open girls AFL gala day will be held on the last day of term 3. Students interested should collect a permission form from the PE staffroom and talk to Miss McKaskill about training sessions.

SPORTS FOR SCHOOLS VOUCHERS

The 2012 sports for schools vouchers program has come to a close. Thank you to everyone who participated in the scheme. Vouchers collected will go directly towards the “TGF” program run by our school Chaplain Big M. We are yet to finish counting the vouchers returned thus far, however the sports desk is optimistic in breaking the 2011 record of 15000. Thank you again to everyone for helping MSHS boost the equipment available for student use.

NYSF DOUBLE

Earlier this year, two of our year 11 students, Haiden Roeger and Cassie Scott applied to attend the National Youth Science Forum (NYSF) which is held in Canberra and Perth every January. Only a limited number of places are offered each year with students from all over Australia competing for selection.

We were delighted to hear that both girls were selected to attend. Cassie is off to Perth and Haiden is going to Canberra. It is quite rare for two applicants from the one school to be successful. Congratulations girls, you obviously made quite an impression on the selection panel. It is fantastic to see talent, hard work and initiative being rewarded in this way.

Keith Prideaux (HOD Science)

SCIENCE SUCCESS

Each year our senior science students complete an extended experimental investigation (an EEI) as an assessment task. This year Josiah Hess, Sean Kaufman and Brad Nichols entered their EEI tasks for Physics and Biology into a competition run by the University of the Sunshine Coast.

The judges were very impressed by the quality of these entries and awarded Brad two prizes. One was for the best Year 12 EEI in which he explored the harmonics of a singing wine glass using a software program to analyse the sounds produced. The other was the Agricultural Science award for his investigation into water loss from plants.

Congratulations to Brad for his successes and to Josiah and Sean for preparing and presenting such high quality work. Thanks also to Ms Berwick for her assistance and support in finalising and presenting our entries.

Keith Prideaux (HOD Science)

CREATIVE GENERATION SUCCESS

Wow! What a term it has been in the music department, and we’re only in week six! In addition to the very successful Theatre Restaurant, “Rome, Sweet Rome” and the music tour, some of our talented students have been involved in Creative Generation: State Schools Onstage.

Creative Generation is a fantastic opportunity for students. Over 1500 students involved engage in many rehearsals and a performance that annually showcases the wealth of talent in state schools. Twice weekly rehearsals were the norm, with our massed choir students learning over 20 songs, and choreography for a massed choir feature. Year 11 student Brianna Ryan was selected as a featured performer, and won the audience with her rendition of “Holding Out For a Hero”.

I would like to congratulate the following students for their work at Creative Generation this year: Brianna Ryan, Kelsey Elliott, Alyssa Kidman, Jayde Williams, Asha Williams-Smith, Peta Greenfield, Jacqueline Jolly, James Tennant and Erin Rogers.

Creative Generation: State Schools Onstage airs December 8th on Channel 10.
Community Notices

ATHLETICS: Under 6 to Veterans - Maryborough Sign-Up
On - Sunday 2nd September from 1 to 4pm at the Jock Anderson Oval, Gympie Road, Tinana. Competition starts 6pm Friday 7th September. New athletes can attend two competition nights before signing up. Enquiries Jason: 0409 078 552 or email: maacinc@hotmail.com

Community Notices

2013 UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS

In 2013 Maryborough State High School will begin phasing in a new junior secondary school uniform shirt, and the transitioning of Year 10 students into the senior secondary school. In 2014, it is expected that students will have transitioned into the new uniform requirements, so that by 2015 when Year 7s become part of secondary school, the new uniform requirements for junior secondary and senior secondary will be clearly in place.

In 2013

Year 8: It is anticipated that where possible, students will wear the new junior shirt, but may wear the current shirt.

Year 9: Students will continue to wear their existing shirt, but may wear the new shirt.

Year 10: Students can transition to wearing the senior uniform, or they may continue to wear their existing uniform.

Year 11 and 12: No change to existing senior uniform.

Shoes

All students will be required to wear black fully closed lace up school shoes. They must comply with safety standards, which means impervious uppers. That is, any cloth, mesh or canvas upper is not suitable. A sport jogger style of shoe is acceptable and will allow students flexibility to participate in sport.

All students will be required to wear the school hat. It will be available at local suppliers, and is currently available at Sayers Uniform Supplies. Students will wear this hat for outdoor activities, both class and lunch time.

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GoMA and the museum. Thursday night culminated in an impromptu concert by the students and even included a year 12 skit giving advice to our younger students.

On our final day students performed in the Allan's Music "Urban Uproar" competition at the Ekka. Our ensembles did a great job, and their performances were live streamed on the net for the world to see.

A big thank you to Miss Franklin and Mrs Richardson for their fantastic conducting, and also to Ms Lane who stepped in to fill Miss McKaskell’s place on tour. Mr Johansen did a marvellous job as our roadie. Congratulations students on a fantastic tour and good luck in the Eisteddfod!

Michelle Gracie

It is with much sadness that we say goodbye to a former teacher of Maryborough High School, Michelle Gracie. Known fondly as ‘Gracie’ by staff and students alike, Michelle was a go getter in the department and the community. Michelle certainly made an impact on the music department at Maryborough State High School in many ways. If she wasn’t organising a MADO or GALA concert, she was playing in the school bands on her sax or chatting with the students. Gracie organised rock band visits, encouraged young performers to express themselves and ignites their own love of music.

The music department was only one demonstration of her dedication to the school and students. She was a teacher member of HPV team, and a Relay for Life Supporter. Her dedication to helping others went further than Maryborough; she was a member of the Hervey Bay SES and volunteered at Canteen Camps. Her love of music will be remembered by many.

MICHELLE GRACIE

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CYNAMAS AND CYBERBULLYING

Parents can use a number of simple strategies to enhance cybersafety. You could:

- locate your computers in spaces which are visible and open, like a family room
- monitor or supervise your child on the internet and conduct some "shoulder surfing" or "spontaneous" observing when your child is online. Be aware of what your child is doing on the internet and display an interest in their cyberspace knowledge and experience
- discuss a plan with your child to address cybersafety and cyberbullying. Ensure they know you will be supportive if they report something to you
- reassure your child they will not lose access to their technology if they report anything to you. Many children see this as punishment
- review the age suitability of any social networking sites your child joins
- review your child’s ‘friends list’ on social networking sites to help you manage their safety and reduce the risk of them associating with inappropriate contacts
- educate yourself on the latest threats facing children online
- try to keep communication with your child open and positive so they trust you viewing their profile
- become a member of the social networking site and become an online friend of your child
- reinforce the need to keep passwords private and updated regularly, but consider having access to your child’s password yourself
- ensure your child understands the implications of posting images and other content on the internet
- educate your child about appropriate online behaviours. Take time to sit with your child and participate together on the internet. Assist in developing the knowledge they need to communicate responsibly and respectfully with friends, family and other internet users
- set clear rules about your child’s mobile phone and online activities. Talk with your child about which websites and internet activities they are allowed to access
- consider installing appropriate software which has the ability to limit internet usage times and monitor/restrict website activity
- consider installing on your computer the ‘cybersafety help button’, available from the Commonwealth Department of Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy’s website: www.dbcde.gov/au/online_safety_and_security/cybersafetyhelpbutton_download
- ensure you are aware of the software and app features installed on your child’s mobile phone, music or tablet device. Many apps have age suitability recommendations and require age confirmation prior to downloading/use. Additionally, many devices support parental controls which prevent access to specific features or content. These controls can be enabled in the setting menu on your child’s device. Consult the device manual

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HIGH SCHOOL CHAPLAINCY

With a heart for student support and welfare, the RSL in Maryborough recently passed on a cheque for $2000 to the Maryborough High Schools Chaplaincy Committee, which supervises and funds the chaplaincy service in both Maryborough and Aldridge State High Schools. On hand to receive this donation from the RSL were Ross Higgins (Principal, Aldridge State High School), David Collins (Chair, Maryborough High Schools Chaplaincy Committee), Bob Evans (President, Returned and Services League, Maryborough Sub-Branch), Mark Bryant (Chaplain, Maryborough/Aldridge State High Schools) and Tom Bates (Deputy Principal, Maryborough State High School).

On Monday evening, the 27th of August, Mayor Gerard O’Connell will host the Maryborough Chaplaincy Dinner at City Hall. While showcasing local school talent, this fund-raiser provides an opportunity for the community to meet chaplains serving in various schools in and around Maryborough. Tickets are $15/adult and $10/student for a sit down meal and are available from Fraser Coast Regional Council (Maryborough Office), The Light Christian Bookstore and local churches.

LITERACY AND NUMERACY WEEK

In Week 8 MSHS will be celebrating National Literacy and Numeracy Week. We will be continuing our tradition of holding a short story competition, as well as introducing a non-fiction competition to celebrate our senior students’ excellent academic work. Seniors will have the opportunity to edit and improve a piece of written assessment to enter the competition.

Year 8s can participate in the Bingo-Pingo-Readingo competition, which is just for them. Throughout Literacy and Numeracy Week the different faculties will be running fun and exciting activities during class and break times, including a German scavenger hunt, an impromptu speaking competition, Maths challenges, board games and more.

Maryborough State High School

Bronwyn Hughes (Teacher-Librarian)