The school Cross Country was held last Wednesday, it was a glorious day and everyone enjoyed being out of the classrooms, especially the teachers. Individuals promoted house spirit by wearing their house colours and making it another fantastic carnival for 2013. Based on their age group, competitors ran either a 3, 4 or 6 km event, everyone returned to school for the presentations of age champions and placers.

Congratulations to the students below who achieved age champion. Students who placed in the top 10 for each age group male / female were asked to attend the Fraser District Cross Country held on the 8th of May. Your son/daughter will be given a FD CC letter if they were successful. Can the medical / permission form be signed and returned to Mr Smith directly. Thank you.

### Age Champions

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### RUGBY LEAGUE

On Wednesday the 24th of April, the U15 boy’s team played the semi-final against St. Mary’s College. Our team needed to win by at least 32 points to guarantee a spot in the final. At the final hooter the score was MSHS – 42 / SMC – 0, allowing our boys to move to the final against Xavier CC.

### FUTSAL

For the teams who have signed up. Training for the June competition will begin shortly. Make sure you listen to notices.

### BMX

Maryborough BMX Club would like to wish the following Maryborough State High School students, congratulations and good luck at the upcoming 2013 BMX National Championships, 1st – 5th May.

- Jessica Baker – 14Y Girls
- Taylah Browning – 14Y Girls
- Joshua Sengstock – 15Y Boys
- Jemima Pipers
- Cassie Cunningham
- Melissa Emery
- Haiden Rooger
- Brandon Berrington
- Zac Reid
- Lance McLeod
- Jayden Bulmer
- Kalan Harris

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**YEAR 12 ARCHERY – Robin Hood Competition**

Recently the annual year 12 Physical Education Robin Hood Competition was held in the school gym. The top six year 12 archers competed for the top prize watched by an enthusiastic crowd.

Each competitor had four arrows to use in each round, shot over increasing distances ranging from 15 to 25m. In the event of an arrow missing the target and hitting the back wall the archer shot with one less arrow at the next round. After four closely fought rounds Matt Macklin and Brad Kerke were the last two standing. Brad was the eventual winner with consistent shooting throughout the competition.

Brad also stepped up to the plate and shot for a lucky spectator (Chris Moloney) whose number was drawn from the crowd of spectators. From 25m he had to burst a balloon for Mark to take out the prize of $10.00 tuckshop voucher. Brad did not let anyone down and was able to burst the balloon with an arrow in the middle of the target.

Well done to all who competed including – Brianna Ryan, Louann Bartlett, Brodie Casperson, Matt Macklin, Jordan Allen and Brad Kerke.

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**EXPRESSION OF INTEREST TEACHER AIDES - SUNBURY SS**

We are sourcing Expressions of Interest for temporary, part time or casual teacher aide positions at this school. Areas of student support cover areas such as special education, Indigenous student support and specific student programs.

The hours vary according to sources of funding/relief needs. We are calling for suitable applicants to cover these hours. All applications will remain current for a period of 12 months.

If you would like to submit an Expression of Interest, packages will be available from the Office or by emailing admin@sunsburys.eq.edu.au from Wednesday 24th April. The closing date for these applications will be Tuesday 7th May at 3.00pm.
FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Thursday 18th April visiting universities and the Defence Force visited our school and held a career expo for years 11 and 12 students. This was a great opportunity for our students to talk about programs and courses available.

This week we have been finalising the refurbishment of our Junior Secondary Area. The block received a fresh new internal paint, new carpets, window tinting and new notice boards. Each room has also been fitted with brand new state of the art interactive projectors, which will allow greater access and more flexible use of technology.

Over the weekend, new shade sails have been installed over the concrete area in front of our tuckshop. The installation of this has been made possible by the funds raised by our parents and citizens association and I would like to extend my thanks on behalf of the staff and students at Maryborough State High. We value the support of our parents, and appreciate the work our P & C do to make this school a great school.

Last week we held our ANZAC ceremony. We were lucky to have some very special guests attend our ceremony and all students had the opportunity to listen to fellow student Liam Sullivan talk about what ANZAC day means to the youth of today.

During the ceremony we heard about ANZAC Day being the day we remember all Australians who served and died during wars, conflicts, and peacekeeping operations. All attendees at the ceremony are to be congratulated on their exemplary behaviour and performances.

The annual cross country was again held after our ANZAC ceremony at Ululah. Congratulations to all students who competed. A fun time was had by all!

Our talented arts students and teachers have been working hard on the annual MADD (Music, Arts, Drama, Dance) concert which will be held on the 22nd May. Each year I am amazed at the variety of talent.

One of our school captains, Cassandra Scott was selected to attend the National Youth Science Forum (NYSF) Staff Training Sessions in Kioloa, NSW from Sunday April 21st to Thursday April 25th.

Cassandra is one of forty two students who were selected to attend from the four hundred and thirty two students who attended the January Youth Science Forum.

It was wonderful that Cassie was able to take time away from her studies and duties as student and school captain, and represent Maryborough State High School in the National Youth Science Forum.

A reminder to all students and parents, that if you arrive or come to school late, you MUST sign in at the Student Services b

The Formal and Graduations committees are working very hard at organising for both the end of year events. They meet each week to discuss and arrange all aspects of the formal and the departures of our year 12 students.

Jerseys

Jerseys have arrived! Students are very happy with their Jerseys as the mornings are starting to get cool. A second order has been put in for those who did not order one last year. The Senior Shirts will arrive towards the end of the term.

Formal and Graduation

The Formal and Graduations committees are working very hard at著organising for both the end of year events. They meet each week to make tough decisions on how to make these two special days, both memorable and affordable for students (and parents). I hope to have a price for students on the cost for Formal in the next few weeks. A reminder that Formal is Saturday November 9th.

Fundraising

To raise funds, the Formal committee will be holding a few fundraisers over the next two terms. This term, in week 3, they will be holding a “Slave Auction”, where students or staff can “buy” a participating Year 12 student to be their slave over the course of the day. The auction will be held in the Multi-Purpose Gym on Wednesday May 1st during both lunches. If a student (s) buy a slave, they will have a week to pay the office for their slave by Wednesday May 8th. The student (s) will be a slave on Friday May 10th. All bids will be starting at $10.00. The Year 12 students hope this will be a fantastic way to raise some money for their formal.

Attendance

A reminder to all students and parents, that if you arrive or come to school late, you MUST sign in at the Student Services before you go to class. If your student is going to be away, the school MUST be contacted as well.

Purple Day

On Tuesday March 26th, the Prefects held a Gold Coin Donation for Epilepsy. Students tried their best to wear purple clothes or accessories to help raise money for this fundraiser. Epilepsy affects many people of all ages and much needed funds go to help research. The school raised $311.00 for this foundation. Thank you to all those involved!

Cassie Scott

A huge thank you to Cassie who attended the Tinana State School Leadership induction on Monday March 25th! She was a past student of the school who was asked to be the guest speaker for this special occasion. Her many accomplishments and fantastic attitude is a great reflection on her time at Tinana. Cassie was honoured to be asked to participate in this ceremony and be a role model for the future leaders of the school.

Fraser Coast Showcase

On Thursday April 18th; the Fraser Coast Showcase was held here at Maryborough State High School in the Multi-Purpose Gym. There were many Universities on display and the Army for students to find out or get information from these places. This was a great opportunity for our students to talk to students attending University at the present time and learn more about the life and culture they may look forward to.

The 2013 Queensland Core Skills (QCS) TEST

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

Closing date: Friday 10 May 2013 Application to be submitted to school office by 4pm.

The QCS Test is conducted on Tuesday 3rd & Wednesday 4th September. Representatives are paid for the two days - Chief Community Representative $437.92.

Application packages are available from the school office.

National Youth Science Forum

Year 11 students invited to apply for the National Youth Science Forum in January 2014

Applications open 1 April 2013 and close 31 May 2013.

Applications are now open for Year 11 students seeking selection for the 432 places on the 2014 National Youth Science Forum (NYSF), commencing with an extensive 12-day residential program in January 2014 in either Canberra or Perth.

The National Youth Science Forum is a unique program that enables students on the point of entering their final year of secondary school, the opportunity to get a hands-on feel for careers and learn about study options in the diverse fields of science, engineering and technology.

Two sessions run in Canberra and one in Perth each January. Students live on campus as University students, gain an insider’s perspective of campus life, and experience real science, working with scientists at a range of laboratories and workshops and in the field.

Students gain the knowledge, skills and perspectives that enable them to make informed choices about Year 12 studies, university course options beyond.

During year 12, NYSF students also have the opportunity to participate in further short programs at various locations around the country, which extends their experience and understanding of science, engineering and technology career opportunities and adds further perspectives that assist in their successful transition to University.

See Mr Prideo for information on how to apply. Talk to Haiden Roeger or Cassie Scott about their experiences earlier this year at NYSF.

Expression of Interest—Chief Community Representative

MOTHER’S DAY FETE - Granville School Mother’s Day FETE will be held on Saturday 11th May. This year our main raffle will be for a 5” Samsung Full HD Smart 3D Plasma TV with a Samsung Blu Ray Home Theatre System. You will need to buy a $1 ticket in with a chance to win this great Plasma TV. Tickets are available from our students, from the school office.

GOOSE CLUB TICKETS - Only 100 tickets at $15.00 each. There will be twenty prizes worth $100.00. These tickets go quick so get in early! These tickets are now available from the school office and usually sell out before fete day. Finally, we do rely tremendously on volunteers to help us out on fete day. If you are able to assist on one of the stalls, could you please contact the office as soon as possible. Your support will be appreciated, even if you are only able to help out for an hour or two.

There will be a selection of rides, various stalls and activities for the whole family to enjoy. We look forward to seeing you all there.

DUKE OF EDINBURGH AWARD -

Last Tuesday some of the Dukes students took some bikes to the old tennis courts and started our first bike training session. We practised a range of skills necessary for formation riding such as “calling” (leader calling out changes in conditions for example “stopping” and the rest of the cyclists pass these calls down the line) and use of hand signals.

There will be a break of two weeks due to camps then we will meet again May 13 in the Library Courtyard before heading across to the Senior campus to ride out into the suburbs for formation bike riding. We will walk the bikes across Sussex St, ride up Fort Lane, walk across Walter St and then do some bike training in quiet streets bounded by (but not including) Ferry, Walker, John and Woodstock Streets.

Date claimer for Dukes group - June 2 in your diary. We will be doing a suburban bike ride with some navigation and geocaching finishing with a sausage sizzle.

We will set a date shortly for an overnight camp in Wongi State Forest in the beginning of term 4. More details soon.

Mr McLeod