30 June 2014

Principal's Report

On Tuesday evening I had the utmost pleasure in attending Maryborough State High’s annual MADD concert. The talented students from our visual and performing arts put on a fantastic show. If you missed this event, there will be another showcase towards the end of the year with our GALA concert. Congratulations to all students and teachers.

Mr Holliday has done a fantastic job at our school. He was instrumental in beginning our Sports Academy class, reigniting our football teams and our district and regional sporting competitors. He has also been very active in developing the “Dean” role within the school. Thankyou Mr Holliday for your work with us.

Ms Clout, Maryborough State High Art students and a number of primary school students who attended the “Master Art” classes have made a range of clay tiles this term. These clay tiles are being used to create a mosaic. Join us on Facebook to see the mosaic. Fantastic effort art students.

Term three begins on the 14th July. I wish everyone a happy and safe holiday.

Junior Secondary Update

What an amazing Term 2 in the Junior Secondary Department at Maryborough State High School. Our students have applied themselves well to complete assessment this past fortnight and we look forward to setting our goals for Term 3.

The final week of term was a very busy week indeed. Many Junior Secondary students participated in the annual MADD concert on Tuesday 24 June. Amazing artwork, including art from our primary school students participating in transition activities, was on display. Students also provided a range of performances in dance, drama and music to entertain the audience. We are very fortunate to have an enthusiastic Arts Department, with teachers working tirelessly to organise the concert to make it a successful evening.

On Wednesday 25 June many students were able to participate in our Rewards Day. To be able to attend, students must have an attendance rate of 90% or above, and show a commitment to responsible behaviour for the term. It is wonderful that so
many Year 8 and 9 students qualified to attend the day, where they were able to walk to the cinema to see a movie. Many thanks must go to our amazing Year Level Coordinators for their organisation of the event, Mr Smith and Miss Plaatsman.

All semester students from our primary schools have been enjoying Thursday afternoon art sessions at Maryborough State High School. On Thursday of the last week of term the works of art produced during these sessions were on display for the public in A Block Hall. The students proudly showed their artwork to their parents and relatives. We look forward to further transition Art activities next semester with Ms Clout and Miss Ward.

The school athletics carnival was a great success on Thursday and Friday of the last week of Term 2, with many Junior Secondary students attending and enjoying the competition on the day. Many students dressed in their house colours and participated or cheered on their fellow students. Events like these are an important aspect of the high school experience, so it is wonderful that students attend to make memories that they will have forever. Many thanks must go to the Physical Education Department for a well-run event, and to staff for assisting with the program of events over the two days.

I hope that students enjoy a safe and relaxing holiday, returning next term being ready to enjoy learning for another semester.

Sharyn Morris
Dean – Junior Secondary.

Healthy Lunches for Year 8

Some inventive and very tasty meals were planned and prepared by this term’s cohort of Year 8 Home Economics students. One such example was that of Audrey Hannah (pictured at front) whose lunch featured Pork San Choy Bow in a lettuce cup, served with a Nashi Pear & Soy Sauce and accompanied by a cup of lovely hot Green Tea.

Other classmates made delicious Chicken Stirfry, Beef or Chicken Hamburgers, Beef Chow Mein, Meat and Salad Wraps, which were then served with Fruit Smoothies or freshly squeezed Orange Juice. Their efforts were outstanding and auger well for the future excellence of these students in Home Economics at Maryborough SHS.

Backpacks Ready for Sports Carnival

Our Year 8 Home Economics students have been busy this term making themselves a backpack in their own house colours.

By the end of the project, the students had learned loads about the sewing machine, how to thread it, what settings are needed for different stitches as well as developing their sewing skills while creating this useful textile article.

They are certainly proud of their achievement. Well done Year 8’s.

Jeremy, Audrey, Kaitlin and Dallas show off their completed backpacks

Early School Leavers Survey 2014

The Queensland Government is conducting its annual statewide survey of students who left school in Years 10, 11 or prior to completing Year 12 in 2013. The Early School Leavers survey is a brief, confidential survey that provides a picture of the employment, study and life choices made by Queensland school leavers in the year after they left school to understand why young people leave school early and to help early school leavers make positive career choices.

Between July and August, our students who left school in Years 10, 11 and prior to completing Year 12 last year can expect to receive instructions to complete a web-based survey or a telephone call from the Queensland Government Statistician’s Office to complete the survey. Please encourage them to take part. If their contact details have changed, please assist the interviewer with their updated details or forward the survey to their new address so they can participate. Thank you for your support of the Early School Leavers survey in 2014.

For more information visit www.education.qld.gov.au/nextstep/or telephone toll free on 1800 068 587.

Merit Points

Students are allocated merit points by their teachers throughout a fortnight period and students with the most points are placed into a draw on full school parade to receive a tuckshop voucher. Four students are drawn from each year level. Students successful in the draw on Thursday 5 June:

Year 8 – Emily Fry, Katie Donsky, Zac Leaman, Kurtis Darnell,

Emily Fry and Tegan Johansson
Year 9 – Kirra Grundy, Brittney Burgess, Anthony Clark, Tamika Ivey,
Year 10 – Jim Brownlee, Jessica Baker, Abbey-Leigh Kassulke, Lauren Brunke
Year 11 – Tyson Head, Locky McDonald, Jake Van Latham, Tamika Clayton
Year 12 – Rakel Stewart, Jacob Van Doorn, Ethlinn Torlop, Jacquelyn Jolly

Students successful in the draw on Wednesday 25 June:
Year 8 – Tyrone Morgan, Karl Bartlett, Harry Brownlee, Sarah Willmott
Year 9 – Angus Montague-Elliott, Cruize Bandholz, Kassy Roughsedge, Tara McDonnell
Year 10 – Chloe Birt, Stacey Benson, Tia Powell, Lisa Muston,
Year 11 – Kelsey Elliot, Connor Buckland, Jayden Oliver, Tahlia Riley
Year 12 – Ethlinn Torlop, Justin Linwood, Dale Brischke, Courtney Wallace

Hair Models Needed!
Certificate II Hairdressing students are looking for volunteer male and female models.
WHERE: Maryborough State High School’s Hair and Make-up room (D Block)
HOW: Phone 41209317 to discuss an appointment time
WHEN: Tuesdays 9am-12pm & 1pm-4pm OR Thursdays 9am-12pm & 1pm-4pm
WHAT: Semi and permanent colour (some foiling available).
COST: Students $15. All other clients $25.
Free shampoo and blow dry. Free hair and scalp treatments

Sports News

School Athletics Carnival
Our last sporting carnival was held on the last two days of this term. We had a number of students participate thought out the two days. The results for the carnival, along with the age champions will be announced in the first week of Term3. Javelin events were not held during the carnival and will be completed in the first week of Term 3. Students need to listen to notices to know when their age group will be completing their throws for this event.

School Hockey
Congratulations to both the girls and boys hockey teams who participated in the Fraser Coast Hockey Carnival on Friday 13 June. Both teams played a number of games throughout the day and showed great team work, sportsmanship and dedication for the sport and school.

Inter-School Tenpin Bowling
In August we will have three students participating in the Inter-school Tenpin Bowling Challenge in Brisbane. The students involved are; Daniel Davey, Liam Wilson and Jack Wootton. To assist these young boys, the Maryborough Bowling Club has donated a bowling ball to raffle to help with the costs of registration and travel. These boys will be selling tickets to the students and local the community over coming weeks. The raffle will be drawn in July with tickets costing $1 each. Please help these young bowlers out by buying a ticket.

Queensland Country Futsal Players
A number of students were selected at the Fraser Coast Futsal Titles earlier in the month to represent Queensland Country at the State Titles later in the year. Congratulations to those players who were selected and best of luck!

Good-Bye Mr J Holliday
On behalf of the HPE Department and students at Maryborough High we would like to wish Mr Holliday all the best on his return to Brisbane. We would like to thank you for everything you have done over the last 12 months for the HPE Department and Sport at Maryborough High.

Sports Co-ordinator – Mrs C Taylor

Year 12 News and Information

Roadcraft Driver Education
The Year 12 students that attended the Roadcraft Driver Education course were extremely happy with what they learned during the weekend. They all thought it was educational and learnt many important aspects of driving on the roads. A highly recommended course to attend for all those teenagers driving or about to get their licenses!
Late Arrivals/Early Departures/Attendance

A reminder that if your student arrives late to school or has to leave early, they must sign in/out at Student Services. It is very important that your student attends school on a regular basis and if they do miss class, it is their responsibility to catch up with the teacher to get the work they missed.

Formal and Graduation

Just to let all parents know so it can be marked on the calendar early, the Formal will be held on Saturday 15 November at the Brolga Theatre and Graduation Ceremony will be on Friday 21 November. Students will get more information on both of these major events as the school year progresses. Committees made of Year 12 students will be established so that those interested can help assist with the planning for these two major functions. The cost for Formal will be approximately $110, but costs will be confirmed closer to the date.

Students wishing to bring an outside partner to the formal will need to complete a form to allow them to attend. These forms were to be handed in by the end of this term.

To help with one of the activities for the Formal and the Power Point for the Graduation we ask all Year 12 students to bring in or e-mail at least one baby photo or two if possible. Please e-mail to ryan75@eq.edu.au. The photos that are brought into school will be scanned and then given back to the student as soon as possible. Students also need to give their quote for the yearbook to myself or Robyn in first aide for the Palma. It is very important that they do this as soon as this will go under their Year 12 photo. It can be a straight quote, a saying or how they want to be remembered. This needs to be appropriate and able to be read by others. This will be the last opportunity to complete these tasks.

The formal committee recently held a State of Origin fundraiser to help raise money for the formal. A huge thank you needs to go to Sportspower in Maryborough Station Square and Mr Holliday for very generously donating the QLD jerseys. The winners of the QLD jerseys were Shay-Lee Neilsen in Year 12 and Ms Ward who kindly donated the Jersey back to be drawn again with Sophie Noble in Year 12 the final winner of the second QLD jersey. The NSW jersey was won by Lachlan Hansen in Year 10. Congratulations to all of you! The committee raised $190 from this fundraiser. Thank you to all those students and staff who purchased spare tickets.

Important Dates to Remember

- USQ open day for general public – 3 August 2014
- TSXPO (Tertiary Studies Expo) at the Exhibition Building, Brisbane Showgrounds – 19 and 20 July from 10am to 4pm (Admission is FREE)
- NSW University information on scholarships is available from year coordinator or go to www.whatson.unsw.edu.au
- Seize the Day study awards are offering grants for young people affected by cancer, for more information visit www.cancerqld.org.au - closing date is the last Friday in July
- Long Tan Youth Leadership Teamwork Awards, nomination forms can be collected from Mrs Taylor – due Friday 19 July.
- Secondary Schools Citizenship Award – due Friday 19 July.
- ADF Gap Year. The Army has Gap Year job opportunities for Rifleman, Driver Transport, Administration Clerk, Supply Coordinator and Unit Quartermaster positions. The Air Force has Gap Year job opportunities in Airbase Security Roles. For more information please visit defencejobs.gov.au/ education/gapyear/ year - Commences in January/February 2015
- Jeans for Genes Day – Friday 1 August
- We will once again be selling merchandise to help raise money for Jeans for Genes Day. This will be available from the students during the lunch hours closer to the date and from student services.
- Pyjama Day Fundraiser
- Thank you to all those students and staff who wore their Pyjamas on 13 June to help the school raised $152 to help with kids in foster care. Thank you also to Loran Ware and Lucy Skeels-Piggins for organising this fundraiser.

Mrs Carrie Taylor
Year 12 Co-ordinator

Parent of Year 10 Students

Information regarding career choices was sent home with your child. The flyer provides strategies for parents to help their children explore career options and pathways. If you haven’t received your copy, please contact the school or access this resource at www.education.gov.au/career-development

Year 12 QTAC Applications for 2015

Applications for tertiary education in 2015 are due by the end of Term 3 this year. It is time for Year 12 students who are intending to apply for tertiary education next year to start thinking seriously about their application. Before the end of term, students will be given a general reminder about the application process and what needs to be done. Early next term each student will be assigned a teacher to assist with choices and to help make sure that the application process is followed through. Students will be required to list up to 6 course preferences when they make their QTAC application. Over the
holidays please take time to discuss with your child what their preferences might be for next year what courses they might be thinking of enrolling in for next year.

The QTAC team

USQ MB Hub Events in July

Some upcoming events at USQ in July, these are prior to the official opening day on 21st July.

Saturday 5th July: ‘Come and See Day’ 10am to 4pm
Kite making and flying, chalk pavement art, fairy floss & snow cones

Sunday 6th July: ‘Creative writing on Country Launch’ 10am to 12noon (coinciding with the Mary Poppins Festival events). 6 Authors will be present to speak to visitors. Dr Nike Sulway (USQ Lecturer in Creative Writing) will speak. Official launch, announcement of competition, authors speech and book signing.

Wednesday 9th, Thursday 10th and Friday 11th July – ‘Conquering Calculus Workshops 9am to 12pm. Free for Year 12 Maths B Students.

Just a reminder that the Conquering Calculus Workshops will be happening these school holidays!

They will be run in Hervey Bay on 7 and 8 July and at USQHub@Maryborough on 9, 11 and 11 July from 9am – 12pm daily. The workshops will be run by a USQ academic and USQ students will be available for support.

Student can still register until next Wednesday by phoning 4194 3142 or emailing events.frasercoast@usq.edu.au with the below details:

- Student name
- School name
- Year level
- Contact phone number (mobile preferred)

These workshops are for year 12 Maths B students, however strong year 11 Maths B students are also welcome.

Community Notices