Principal's Report

In anticipation of students attending Maryborough High in 2015 we have a range of Signature Programs which were developed in 2012 and 2013. These are programs of excellence and nurture the abilities of your child. Below are details of each of the programs available.

Excellence in Learning – “GEM”

The “GEM” academic programs in English, Mathematics and Science are three excellence in learning programs offered. These programs offer unique learning opportunities for likeminded students, extending beyond the mainstream curriculum in areas of interest. A strong focus is placed on higher order thinking, inquiry and the integration of information technology.

Pre Trade

Students in Year 11 and 12 complete Certificates in Furnishing, Engineering and Construction. Students also study English, Mathematics and Graphics. Students are expected to participate in work experience each term.

Hospitality

Maryborough State High School operates a training restaurant where students complete Certificate I and II in Hospitality. During their course, students cater for a variety of functions, attain a Responsible Service of Alcohol Certificate and a complete a barista course.

Creative Arts-

These include Visual Art, Dance and Music and Instrumental Music Extension programs

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Junior Secondary Update

Welcome back to Term 3! We hope that students had an enjoyable holiday and are excited to get back to school to learn once again. Term 3 promises to be a very exciting and event-filled ten weeks yet again.

Report cards from Semester 1 are currently in the process of being mailed home. Congratulations to those students who tried their very best in Term 2 and were able to achieve to a good standard. If your child struggled with their results, please take the time to arrange a parent teacher interview to discuss ways in which they can be supported this term (interviews on Wednesday 30 July).

As part of celebrating success in Junior Secondary, we will once again be holding our Academic Celebration Parade on Monday 28th July. Students who have achieved to a high standard, or have shown excellence in effort, will receive an invitation to parents to attend this ceremony and morning tea. We had over sixty students receive awards in last term’s ceremony and over forty parents in attendance, a great result!

On Monday (21st July) Maryborough State High School will hold our annual Big Day Out @ High School for Year 5 students from Albert, Tinana, Granville and Central schools. The event was a big success last year, with many students providing us with excellent feedback. Days like this are an important aspect of transitioning students to high school, as it allows them to become comfortable with the high school environment, staff and procedures. Many staff work tirelessly organise and run this day, and we are fortunate to have an excellent group of year 12 students who assist with supporting staff and students on the day.

Settling back into school routines after a holiday period can be difficult for students and families. Try to encourage your child to discuss their day with you over the evening meal, ask them about their homework or assist in setting up a quiet, distraction-free study area. If your student is finding it difficult adjusting back to routine, please don’t hesitate to contact the school and talk to either myself or Mr Bates so we can arrange support.

Sharyn Morris
Dean – Junior Secondary.

Fashions On The Field

Sarah and Jemimah from our Year 10 Home Economics class, proudly wore their sewing creations to the recent Maryborough State High School Athletics Carnival.

Sarah Brown created this outstanding coat from a Michael Jackson model for an ‘80’s party.

There was an immense amount of work involved which included; adjusting a pattern, inserting and applying loads of zips, making all the tabs and then applying no less than 15 buckled up tabs.

She has every right to feel very proud of her very unique and individual coat!

Jemimah Pipers wanted to create a new version of a little playsuit that she’d grown out of. So a pattern needed to be created and then with her jungle themed stretch fabric, she made this fun little outfit which looked so cool at the carnival!

Official Mural Opening

Students from Year 8 through to Year 12 have been working closely with Emma Anderson, a local Indigenous artist and former student of Maryborough High, to create paint and stencil artwork on the pillars outside the tuckshop. Three of the four pillars are based around our school expectations “Respect, Responsibility and Results”, and the fourth pillar was designed by year 10 art student Jeminah Pipers who incorporated “the arts” using a series of stencil artwork created by school Chaplain, Mark Bryant.

As part of Naidoc Week celebrations Aunty Hariett Vea Vea invited community members to officially open the mural. During this week we have also had students participating in the painting of boomerangs, a viewing of the video “Secret & Sacred: Badtjala” and information on the Indigenous and Torres Strait Islander flags.
Recycling Is The Name Of The Game
Senior Home Economics students were asked to create textile items from old jeans…and WOW!! They sure did that!!! Pictured below are some of the outstandingly creative results that came from this challenge. Maryborough State High School students really know how to deliver!

Partnership Between Maryborough High and RSL Care Chelsea
Maryborough High students have been providing services and doing performances for residents of RSL Care Chelsea. In return for these services provided, RSL Maryborough has donated a cheque for $2,500. $1,500 of this cheque will go towards camp for students with disabilities and the remainder will go to the School Breakfast Club. Thank you to the RSL for their wonderful support.

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. http://www.education.qld.gov.au/nextstep/ or telephone toll free on 1800 068 587.
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Certificate II Hairdressing students are looking for volunteer male and female models.

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HOW: Phone 41209317 to discuss an appointment time
WHEN: Tuesdays 9am-12pm & 1pm-4pm OR Thursdays 9am-12pm & 1pm-4pm
WHAT: Semi permanent colour (some foiling available),
COST: Students $15. All other clients $25.
Free shampoo and blow dry. Free hair and scalp treatments

Sports News
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Year 12 News and Information
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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 and Graduation Ceremony on Friday 21 November at the Brogla Theatre.

As 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. This is very important that they do this soon as this will go under their Year 12 photo in the magazine. 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.

Students have also now been given a sheet of paper where they need to complete their most memorable achievement and aspirations/goals/hopes/plans/career path as this is required for the Graduation Ceremony. This will need to be e-mailed to me or dropped off at Student Services by the end of Week 6 of this term.

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money for the formal. Students or staff who buy these slaves will have one week to pay the money to the office in order to have their slave for the day which will be the following Thursday (31 July). Students have been known to go in a group to buy their slave(s) for the day. These slaves go to regular classes as normal but will be the slave during both lunch hours on the day and are only required and allowed to do sensible things while still following school rules and policies. If there are any questions, students or staff can see Mrs Taylor.

**Important Dates to Remember**
- USQ Food as Medicine Workshop – 1 August
- USQ Fraser Coast Open Day – 3 August
- USQ Mouldy Murder 5-8 Aug
- USQ Scholarships available and close 29 August – more details visit their website
- NSW University information on scholarships is available from year coordinator or go to [www.whatson.unsw.edu.au](http://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](http://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 26 July.
- Secondary Schools Citizenship Award – due Monday 21st July.
- University of Queensland has scholarships for academic excellence and encourage students to apply. For more information go to the website [www.uq.edu.au/scholarships](http://www.uq.edu.au/scholarships)

**Jeans for Genes Day – Friday 1 August**
We will once again be selling merchandise to help raise money for Jeans for Genes Day for Children’s Medical Research. This will be available from the Year 12 students during the lunch hours. We will also be having a Free Dress Day on Friday 1st August for a gold coin donation. **Students are only allowed to wear Blue Jeans along with school shirt, shoes, socks and hat. No jean shorts will be allowed to be worn.**

*Mrs Carrie Taylor*
*Year 12 Co-ordinator*

**Parents 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](http://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*

**Community Notices**
Basketball Season Recommencing: JUNIORS – Sign-on Friday 18/07/2014. **Games** start Friday **25th July**
Junior Fees – U10- $20; U12- $40; U14- $50; U15- $60; 17&under- $60 all inclusive.

**Seniors** commences Week Beginning **21st July** - Team Nominations Closed Tues 14th **July 2014**.
Senior Fees - $45 Registration and $5.00 per game.
Please contact Maree Best, Secretary 0448322255 or email speechlanguagesolutions1@gmail.com if you have any queries.