10 November 2014

Principals Report

2014 Highlights

Our Sports Annual Awards evening was held on Friday 31 October. It was wonderful to see so many of our students being recognised for their sporting endeavours. Thanks to all parents and teachers who have supported the school and their students by coaching, helping with transport and by encouraging students to take an active role in sporting events. A special thank you to the Year 12 students who will be leaving us this year, thank you for your participation in our sporting program throughout your time at Maryborough State High School, you have been great role models for our school.

For Year 12 students, this week is the final exam week and the following week will be the alternate program. Students must complete all assessment for participation in the Maryborough State High School Formal.

This year we have continued our preparation for the arrival of both Year 7 and Year 8 students in 2015 with the refurbishment of E block about to begin, the installation of shade sails and the closure of the Ferry Street car park.

Mr Birrill and our manufacturing students have been busy making picnic tables for this area which will be dedicated to our Junior Secondary students.

With the increased facility budget this year the school has been externally repainted and flooring and carpets are being replaced. Thanks to our P & C, the resurfacing of our tennis courts and the construction of the shade sails outside the tuckshop have been completed providing students with a shady area to sit.

In the Arts faculty, the year began with the Annual Music, Arts, Dance and Drama Concert showcasing talent from a range of year levels, including our local primary schools.

Visual Art students have had the opportunity to exhibit in three exhibitions including Harmony Day, Ignition Combined Schools’ and Creative Generation Excellence in Visual Art. A mosaic and mural have also been produced outside the art rooms and under D block for future years to enjoy.

Dance students performed exceptionally at the Chaplaincy dinner, Gala Evening and also at the Maryborough Eisteddfod. The Dance and Theatre Showcase entertained the audience at the Maryborough Powerhouse with dramatic performances. Students, Staff and their Parents who regularly rehearse and work outside of school hours to produce these performances deserve recognition for their dedication.

In the vocational area of study, Hospitality students under the guidance of Mrs Cecilia Esterhuizen catered for seventy functions including: a number of past student’s reunions and other community functions. Two of our Trade Training Centre students competed in the World Skills Competition and ranked first in Queensland in Engineering and Construction.

As part of their courses, students who are completing their certificate II in Hairdressing and Make-Up are providing hair care and facials for the residents at Chelsea Retirement Village.

A number of our students are studying first year university courses at the University of Southern Queensland, Maryborough Hub, while at school. And this year 4 students received the Vice Chancellor’s Principal recommendation which entitles them guaranteed entry into the university in 2015. One of these recipients also received a scholarship of $12,000.

Our students have also excelled in national competitions. In the University of New South Wales maths competition with 11 students receiving a credit and one student was awarded with a distinction and in the annual Science competition 3 students received distinctions and 4 received credits.

Carla Wattle in Year 11 was selected to attend the Vice Chancellor’s STEM Camp for 5 days in September at Queensland University of Technology. This camp promotes Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics for high achieving year 11 students where students work on team based challenges to global issues.

Katrina Baker in Year 11 has been selected as one of thirty students across Australia to attend the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Summer School for Excellence in Technology and Science. She will travel to Adelaide in December this year to participate in this exciting program which is sponsored by CSIRO and BHP Billiton to increase participation and achievement in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics.
I would like to acknowledge the great work our teachers and school support staff do each and every year and this year we farewell three staff members; Keith Prideaux, Graham Tomlinson and Stephen Kruger. These staff members have made significant contributions to the education of many young people. I wish them well in their retirement.

Congratulations to the students who received awards last week. Thank you to all the performers and the staff who helped make our 133rd Awards night a wonderful showcase of the students at Maryborough State High.

The 2015 Prefects and School Vice Captains and Captains were announced at Awards Night. Congratulations to all students.

2015 Prefects
- Rhiley Ellis
- Greta Cherry
- Lance McLeod
- Kelsey Elliott
- Dani Macklin
- Georgia Emmett
- Keeley Nicholls
- Tyson Head
- Jake Ward

2015 School Vice Captains
- Liam Wendland
- Lauren Smith

2015 School Captains
- Jack Humphrey
- Samantha Pinchin

Junior Secondary Update

Term 4 is always a very busy time for schools, with many events to celebrate students’ achievements. Friday October 31 I had the pleasure of attending the Maryborough State High School’s Annual Sports Awards Evening. At this occasion, many Junior Secondary students had their sporting achievements recognised. It was wonderful to see both individual and teams be awarded in a very well-run event. Congratulations also to the Physical Education Department Teachers, for their dedication to their students and running of many sporting events throughout the year, as well as their continued assistance with Junior Secondary transition activities.

Thursday November 6 was the school’s Annual Awards Night. Once again, many Junior Secondary students attended and had their academic achievements for 2014 formally recognised. Many parents attended the evening, which also showcased some fantastic talent from our performing arts students. It’s important to celebrate and acknowledge student achievement and the important role that parents have in the process of supporting their child to achieve to their full potential.

As we head into the final weeks for our senior students, it’s important that Junior Secondary students don’t get caught up in the excitement and keep a focus on their studies. This week marks the mid-term mark for years 8 and 9, with mid-term assessment starting to flow in. Please discuss with your child where they are at with their assignments and study for exams. If you have misplaced your assessment calendar, then ask students to please go to Student Services to access another.

Bullying occurs at every school, but at Maryborough High we have a no-tolerance approach. We have an expectation that students, staff and the community are treated with dignity and respect. Everyone should feel safe and valued at Maryborough State High School, and it is everyone’s responsibility to ensure this happens. Bullying can be physical, verbal or textual, social or cyber. We actively promote regularly with students action that they can take to make bullying an unacceptable behaviour at Maryborough High. Students are asked not to be bystanders, and if they see bullying occurring to stand up and report it. In our Junior Secondary Department, students are asked to report bullying in Year 8 to the Year 8 Coordinator and in Year 9 to their individual HOD Case Managers (see Ms Morris if unsure).

Facebook is another place where bullying can take place. This, while occurring outside of school hours, often has flow on consequences that bring these issues into our school. Some recommendations are:

- Students should review their security settings and their appropriate use of Facebook including:
  - Never giving out their username and password (if you do this and someone uses your account to bully or intimidate, you can be held responsible);
  - Ensure that your password is secure by making it at least 6-8 characters, including numbers and alpha numerical (eg l, @, $) and changed regularly;
  - Ensure that your settings allow your posts and photos to only be shown to friends and not be set to be publically viewable;
  - NEVER friend someone you don’t know;
  - Do not allow people to tag you in photos – as they might tag you in a picture which makes fun of or bullies someone;
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• Parents can:
  - Ensure that they are friends with their student on Facebook to assist in monitoring;
  - Discuss appropriate and safe online behaviour with your children;
  - Ensure that your teen isn’t spending hours on end in the middle of the night on their devices. Not only does this make them too tired to effectively learn the following day, it also makes them accessible to others who may harass for longer periods than previously thought. It is a great idea to have a charging station in your home – a cupboard or bookcase in a general part of the house where devices are switched off for the night and plugged in to charge at a certain time each night. Sometimes a lockable cabinet can be used. For more details and ideas see - http://mjraatz.com/?s=online+at+night

Finally, a reminder about the upcoming opportunity for parents to join us in learning more about their teenager: Adolescence marks a significant change in the way a child will relate to themselves and others. It can be a trying and complicated time in the family home. Engaging Adolescents is a three week course designed to assist parents with their child’s transition from childhood to adolescence. Engaging Adolescents is a research-based course designed by a qualified psychologist and facilitated by trained professionals. It offers effective, simple solutions to manage difficult behaviour in children and resolve teenage behaviour issues with practical and easy-to-use strategies designed to make parenting easier. Maryborough State High is offering this program free of charge for families of year 8 and 9, as well as those who have students already enrolled for year 7 or 8 in 2015. The program will run over three weeks: Tuesday 18 Nov, Tuesday 25 Nov and Tuesday 2 Dec – 5:30 – 7:00pm in the school library. Places are limited and each family participating will receive a free parent work booklet. To reserve your place or for further details, please contact the school directly on 41209333 by Friday 7 November. Engaging Adolescents - start your journey towards enjoying healthy relationships with your child!

Sharyn Morris
Dean – Junior Secondary

USQ Partnership Providing Student Experience

Last Friday, October 31 saw a large group of students from both Years 10 and 11 travel to the Hervey Bay campus of the University of Southern Queensland to sample an experience of what the university has to offer in a range of courses.

Students were able to take part in psychology lessons which looked at the importance of expressions in reading and conveying our feelings and emotions through to biology lectures dissecting pigs hearts, lungs and eyeballs.

The students had the opportunity to meet with likeminded students from schools in the surrounding district and form friendships which may be important to them in the years to come as they enter into the phase of tertiary learning. Entertaining and informative lectures were delivered by university staff including the campus director who had an interesting opening address to students regarding the choices that they will make which will directly influence their futures.

A big thank you to all our students who displayed exemplary behaviours during the whole of the day and who drew comment from the university staff about how well they conducted themselves. I must pay particular attention to how our students involved themselves in the sessions I attended with insightful comment or with genuine desire to find out more through relevant questions.

Well done to Maryborough High students for an enjoyable, entertaining and informative day.

Peter Schloss
Year 11 Co-Ordinator

Mathematics Competition Results

Results have recently been received from the University of New South Wales Australian Maths Competition. Of the 29 students who represented Maryborough High, students received 1 distinction, 11 credits, 3 merits and 14 participation certificates. This is a fabulous effort and shows that our students are very competitive at a national level.

These great results confirm that 2014 has been a successful year for maths at Maryborough High with NAPLAN numeracy results improving by over 16% and an improvement in the number of students received a C or better on their report cards. This is a reflection of the commitment of our expert teaching staff, the improved work ethic of students and the support of our wonderful parents and caregivers who continue to value the benefits of a good education.

Results from the UNSW Australian Maths Competition are:

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Michelle Johnston | Lauren Trendelkamp
Jeremy Klein | Lachlan Ferguson
Lex Maddison | Ethan Donovan

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Corey Batchler | Loretta Shirley | Nic Schneider
Chantel Bates | Cassie McCabe
Corynne Berry | Brianna Madsen
Kye Bryce | Megan Kaufman
Dana Pavey | Jemma Tennant
Joshua Skyring

Special congratulations to Nic Schneider who achieved 90% on this challenging test. Well done Nic.

After a couple of lessons on construction, the class went out to the oval to see how their handy work flew. Sadly, most went about 3-4m but the best flight went almost half way across the oval. The students enjoyed the engineering challenge and watching them fly. It was great to use more hands-on teaching aids and the students were keen to show their mates and family their planes. This concept will also be used as an activity with senior Aerospace classes at Maryborough High later in the year to compare flight length results and to determine the best engineers and pilots.

Mark Heinrich
Aerospace Studies Teacher

Dukes Update

Congratulations to the 11 Dukes students who have completed their Dukes Awards. It was great to see them on stage at Award night.

A number of students only need to finish one or two small requirements to complete their Awards and I will be sending a letter home to each family stating what is needed for their student to complete their current Dukes Awards.

The students who have completed their Bridge 2 can enrol in Bronze Award at the beginning of next year and a letter will be sent home to their families also.

Next Tuesday there will be a Leo meeting in B block starting with morning tea at 10am and finishing with a sausage sizzle at 12:30. The meeting will include training on our new lensometer which will make it much easier for students to read the prescription of the spectacles being recycled for the Lions Recycle For Sight program. This program recycles spectacles for people overseas who cannot afford glasses.

Dave McLeod
Dukes Organiser

Health Checks Completed

Galangoor Duwalami Primary Health Care Service would like to commend the students who participated in the Yearly School Health Check Clinics in September. The purpose of the Yearly Health Checks is early detection, early diagnosis and early treatment of chronic diseases e.g. diabetes. On completion of the health checks, each student received a deadly choices shirt as an incentive. Galangoor would like to thank Aunty Harriet Vea Vea for her help and support as well as Taritha Johnson for her assistance during the clinics.

Deb Talbot
HOD Maths/Science

Year 8 Aero have fun with Delta Darts

As a final term activity, the Year 8 Aerospace students had fun making and flying their Delta Darts prop planes. Thanks to MAAA (Model Aeronautical Association of Australia), Maryborough State High School was able to obtain the Delta Dart kit for free to build the 20+ small planes.
Parents of Year 12 and Year 9

Parents of Year 12 and 9, if you do not have younger siblings, family members or friends to pass uniforms onto, would you please consider donating to Student Services.

Contact Details

Have you moved? Have you changed your phone number?

It has come to our attention that some contact details we have are incorrect. If you have changed any contact details please contact the office as soon as possible.

Signing In

If your child is late to school please remind them to call into student services to sign in before going to class.

Lost and Found

Student Services have a number of lost and found items (usb sticks, jumpers, watches, jewellery, keys). If you have misplaced or lost an item please see Student Services. If these items are not collected by the end of term they will be donated or thrown out.

Year 12 News and Information

Formal and Graduation

Formal is here! It will be held on Saturday 15 November and Graduation Ceremony on Friday 21 November at the Brolga Theatre.

The cost for the formal will be $95 per student or partner which needs to be paid to the office now. Students must have paid this money in order to attend the Formal evening, which starts at 7:00pm. Students will start arriving on the red carpet at 5:00pm. Red carpet passes now are available for the Year 12 students attending the formal. If your student has not received their pass, they can see Mrs Taylor at the HPE staffroom before Friday 14 November.

Graduation proceedings will begin at 9:30am on Friday 21 November and will finish around 11:30am, followed by Graduation Cake in the courtyard outside the Brolga Theatre. There will be a buffet lunch held at the Tavern for all those students and family members interested at $24.50 each, which will need to be paid to the school by Tuesday 18 November.

Students also need to pay their $16.00 to the office along with their medical form for Rainbow Beach, which is Wednesday 19 November.

Students have received a letter in Week 3, in regards to their last week of school of 2014.

Year 12 Students had their Chronicle photos taken on Thursday 30 October. They will be in the Chronicle in the next few weeks.

October Fundraisers

On Friday 31 October was Daniel Morcombe Day. Students were allowed to wear red to school for a free dress day to promote keeping kids safe. We held a Walk for Daniel event...
at Lunch 2 on Kings Oval those students who were interested. The students raised $112. Thank you to all of those staff and students who donated money to this wonderful foundation.

October is Pink Ribbon month for Breast Cancer. Year 12 students sold Pink merchandise to help raise money, in which they sold within 3 days. From all of the merchandise sold and donations given, as a school we raised $511.00. Thank you to all of those students and staff who contributed to this fantastic organisation.

**Diploma of Football**

FC11 is now pleased to announce their partnership with Football Federation Victoria. This partnership sees FC 11 – The Diploma of Football becomes an official education partner of FFV and also the official education partner of National Premier Leagues Victoria. This is a full-time applied based curriculum model currently conducted in Melbourne at the Melbourne University, where students train and study at the same time. This is aimed at individuals that have completed Year 12 and are looking at becoming a professional or semi-professional player, sports coach, sports trainer, sports administrator or looking to work in sports management, sports tourism, facility management and more. For more information please visit www.fc11.com.au, email info@fc11.com.au or call 1300 412 990.

**Important Dates to Remember**

- Head Start CIS1000 (Information Systems Concepts) Intensive Semester 3 – opportunity for high school students to undertake a University subject (2014/2015 summer holidays period) For more information visit – Close October www.usq.edu.au/headstart
- Head Start Information Meeting 12 November (Hervey Bay) and 13 November (Maryborough)
- NSW University information on scholarships is available from year coordinator or go to www.whatson.unsw.edu.au
- ADF Gap Year. The Army has Gap Year jobs opportunities for Rifleman, Driver Transport, Administration Clerk, Supply Coordinator and Unit Quartermaster. The Air Force has Gap Year job opportunities in Airbase Security Roles. For more information please visit defencejobs.gov.au/gap year - Commences in January/February 2015
- Defence Aviation Technical Careers day – work experience day for young women considering a career in this area - more information contact Defence Jobs Australia
- Sports Network – US College Sporting Scholarships – Study in and play in the USA - For more information visit – www.cbssports.com.au
- 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
- MONASH University – offers a number of scholarships to support access to university and reward academic achievement – For more information visit – www.monash.edu/study/apply/special-admissions
- Fraser Coast Australia Day Awards Nominations for 2015 are open. For more information visit www.frasercoast.qld.gov.au
- TJ Ryan Memorial Medal and Scholarships – awarded to Queensland secondary students who demonstrate outstanding leadership qualities within their school and community and academic excellence
  - Aspiring Teachers Grants – Year 12 Graduates who intend to commence an initial teacher education program higher education institution in 2105. Need to achieve an OP of 1-5 and have a high motivation and commitment to tertiary study and career in teaching.
  - Pearl Duncan Teaching Scholarships – available to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Queenslanders who aspire to become teachers in state schools.
  - Step into Teaching Scholarships – support eligible individuals to complete an undergraduate or commence a post graduate secondary teaching qualification in one or more of the following high priority curriculum areas; Maths B and C, Chemistry, Physics or Industrial Technology and Design.
  - Further information: http://education.qld.gov.au/hr/recruitment/teaching/scholarships.html

**Mrs Carrie Taylor**

**Year 12 Co-ordinator**

**Sport News**

**Sports Presentation Night**

On Friday 31 October Maryborough State High School Sports Night was held to acknowledge and celebrate the sporting achievements of 2014.

We would like to thank all the parents and students who were in attendance on the night and special thanks to our Guest speaker Belinda Kitchens (ex Australian Football Representative). We would also like to thank our guest presenters Mayor Gerard O’Connell and State Member of Parliament Mrs Anne Maddern.

Congratulations to the following students who were our major award recipients

- Senior Sportsman of the year- Kianal Harris
- Senior Sportswoman of the Year-Melissa Emery
- Junior Sportsman of the Year- Zachary Reid
- Junior Sportswoman of the Year-Rebekah Verlin
- Leoll Barron Shield-Junior All-rounder-Brandon Clayton
- Paul Phantom Walker Cup-Senior All Rounder-Ebony Keene
- A.C Rowland Cup-Athletics- Samantha Pinchman
- Graham ‘Techno’ Tomlinson Trophy-Senior Hockey
Player of the Year - Rodney Wall
House Captain of the Year - Tegan Hoyes

Congratulations to the following students who were the Most Valuable Player award winners;

Open Girls Hockey – Tayla Miller
Open Boys Hockey – Jayden Phillips
U13 Boys Futsal – Thomas Keene
U14 Boys Futsal – Isaac Sommerfeld
U16 Boys Futsal – Bray Bulmer
U19 Boys Futsal – Jayden Zampech
U16 Girls Futsal – Tamika Ivey
U19 Boys Futsal – Jessica-Lee Morrissey
Year 8 Boys Rugby League – Darcy Knight
U15 Boys Rugby League – Jack Gauld
Open Boys Rugby League – Cameron MacDonald
Equestrian – Johanna Hess
Human Powered Vehicles – Dragons – Harrison Bridge

We look forward to another wonderful sporting year in 2015.

Sports Captains for 2015

Students who would like to nominate for Sports Captain for 2015, can get a nomination form from outside the PE staffroom or see Mrs Taylor. Nominations are due Friday 14 November. A reminder that all students from Years 8-11 can nominate to become a house captain! In 2015, there will be a Junior Vice-Captain (Year 7 or 8), Junior Captain (Year 9), Senior Vice-Captain (Year 10 or 11) and Senior Captain (Year 12). Year 7s who come to Maryborough High will be able to nominate in the first week of school in 2015, therefore House Captains will not be announced until Week 2 of Term 1 in 2015. These students will be recognised at the Investiture in Term 1 of 2015.

Excellence Sporting Program 2015

Maryborough State High School will be extending the Sporting Excellence Program to include Hockey and Soccer in 2015. Students will be able to choose either a Soccer or Hockey HPE class Years 7, 8 and 9. This is an excellent opportunity for students to have a specialised teacher in these areas coach them in the sport, skill and game play.

Students will be given more information to them on school parade over the next few weeks. There will also be visits to the primary schools to promote this program. If you require any more information please feel free to contact Mrs Carrie Taylor at the school.

Wide Bay Region 2014 Triathlon Trials

Students wanting to nominate for the 2015 Secondary Schools Triathlon State Championships that will be held in Hervey Bay on 19-21 February 2015 must register for this event online at the following link: https://regonline.activeglobal.com/2014hundykids

The Hervey Bay Triathlon Club “Hundy Kids” Triathlon will be held at Scarness, Hervey Bay, on Saturday 22 November and this will be used as the Regional Trial. Nominations close on November 2. Nomination fee is $30.00 and payable online or at registration. All event information can be found on the event webpage at: http://hb100.herveybaytriclub.org.au/super-saturday-events-2/

Mrs C Taylor
Sports Co-ordinator

SWPBS Focus of the Week

The focus of the week for the remainder of this term will be based on ASOT classroom routines and procedures - before class, during class and end of class.

Focus of the Week - Week 6

Classroom expectations: raise hand to speak, listen to the class speaker, participate in all class tasks.

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 and receive a tuckshop voucher. Four students are drawn from each year level. Students successful in the draw on Thursday 6 November:

Year 8 – Trent Goldenstein, Sarah Willmott, Karl Bartlett, David Maslen, Jasper Hinds
Year 9 – Lashae Cronau, Marita Abell, Lauren Trendelkamp, Nicole Whitaker
Year 10 – Caity Kirton, Shanicce Ivey, Loretta Shirley, Michael Callinan
Year 11 – Mallory Carter, Emily Hambrecht, Sharna Goodman-Jones
Year 12 – Justin Linwood, Lucy Skeels-Piggins, Tegan Hoyes, Melissa Suthern, Becky-Leigh Bottcher, Brian Lappin

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 and 1pm-4pm OR Thursdays 9am-12pm and 1pm-4pm
WHAT: Semi and permanent colour (some foiling available).
COST: Students $15. All other clients $25.
Facial and Make Up Services Available

Year 12 Graduating Make up Students would like to offer staff and students the opportunity to have a Facial or Make up service on Mondays between 9am and 3pm. Make up services are $10 for a 30min service. Facial cleanse and Mask/exfolient $10. Look and feel wonderful.

Bookings can be made by phone ext. 317 or come in to Locks and Lashes Salon Mondays between 8.30am and 3.30pm.

2014 Christmas Hamper Challenge

Help provide a special Christmas for local needy families.

Take part in the 2014 Christmas Hamper Challenge.

Ask your family if they can purchase some extra non-perishable items to go in your Form Class’ hamper:

- Tins or cans of ham, salmon/fish/tuna, vegetables, fruit…
- Plum pudding, Christmas cake, jelly crystals, custard powder…
- Soft drink, biscuits, tea / coffee…
- Christmas goodies and decorations…
  - (nuts, lollies, pretzels, chocolates, bon-bons, etc.)…
- New toys, clothing, CD’s, books…
- Kitchen and toiletry items…
  - paper towel, serviettes, cling wrap, toothpaste, etc.)…

Each hamper will be judged according to weight, volume and variety. The top 3 Form Classes will receive a McDonalds certificate & voucher. The overall winning Form class will receive a SUBWAY rewards lunch.

Competition Begins: Monday 13 October – 8:45 AM
Competition Closes: Friday 14 November – 9:00 AM

RATEP

What is RATEP?

RATEP is a community based Indigenous teacher education program. It is a partnership between Education Queensland, TAFE Queensland North and James Cook University (Townsville).

What does RATEP provide?

RATEP provides access to tertiary education where people live and work. It has been successful in increasing the number of qualified Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander teachers eligible to teach in Queensland schools. RATEP has 15 centres throughout Queensland, with a Teacher Co-ordinator at each site to assist students throughout their course.

Who can access RATEP?

Courses are only available to people who identify as indigenous. The direct clients of RATEP are Aboriginal, Torres Strait Islander and South Sea Islander people living in regional, rural and remote communities who wish to obtain a recognised teaching qualification from a tertiary institution.

What courses are available for 2015?

Certificate III in Education (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) will be available to students studying Year 11 in 2015. Certificate III takes place on one of the subject lines for successful applicants. Successful completion of the qualification earns 8 points towards the QCE, and can directly lead on to further study to become either a Teacher Aide or Teacher.

Certificate IV in Education (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) and Diploma of Education (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) are available to students who have completed their QCE and adults who wish to gain these qualifications.

A Bachelor of Education is available to people who have gained an OP through their Year 12 study, direct access after the Diploma course successfully completed, or other direct entry pathways.

For more information:

Phone or visit Jan Sterling, RATEP Teacher Co-ordinator, on (07) 4120 9359 or visit Q103 at MSHS

Visit the MSHS website on https://maryboroshs.eq.edu.au Curriculum Tertiary Programs Related links

Visit the RATEP link under the Parents and Community menu option at http://indigenous.education.qld.gov.au

Visit TAFE Queensland North and enter Education ATSI in Search courses at http://tafenorth.edu.au for the top 3 links about the RATEP courses

Visit James Cook University on http://www-public.jcu.edu.au/education/ratep/ for information about their Bachelor of Education course