ATHLETICS

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2013 ATHLETICS AGE CHAMPIONS

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CONGRATULATIONS

Melville-Russell House Captains
Clancy Nunan & Haiden Roeger

BEST DRESSED WINNERS:

1st Place: Trash Can
2nd Place: Plastic Army Man
3rd Place: The Incredible Hulk & Wolverine

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 by Monday the 20th.

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JUNIOR GIRLS AFL

The junior girls AFL gala day will be held on the 30th of August. Students should return their permission slip as well as their medical form to Miss McKaskill in L Block. Training sessions are held on Wednesday morning tea & lunch times with Deano & Brenton from Wide Bay AFL. Bring shorts to train in.

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Subject Expo Information Evening for 2014

Tuesday 27 August 2013
Sausage sizzle at 4pm in Library Courtyard

Subject displays set up in the multipurpose shelter, with Heads of Department and teachers available to provide subject specific information. Displays open from 4pm-7.30pm.

Information sessions will be held in the Library:

4.30pm Year 7 into Year 8
Junior Secondary at M.S.H.S
Enrollment Process
Subjects/Curriculum

5.30pm Year 8 into Year 9
1:1 Laptop Program

6.00pm Year 9 into Year 10
QCE (Queensland Certificate of Education)
OP
Tertiary Pathways and Prerequisites

6.30pm Year 10 into Year 11
Vocational Pathways

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Sophie Noble has been selected to attend the National Youth Science Forum in January 2014. There are only a few students selected from each state and Sophie is to be congratulated. This is the third year in a row that students from Maryborough State High School have been selected.
Congratulations must also go to our Concert Band, winning silver at the Fraser Coast Eisteddfod, and to our Stage Band who received highly commended. Congratulations to both bands and their teacher, Suzanne Richardson.

The athletics carnival was a great success. The organisation of a day such as this takes many weeks and thanks must go to Mr Allan Smith for the organisation and to all the teachers and students who helped with organisation and the running of events both prior to the day and on the carnival day.

Please keep the 27th August free. This is our annual school fair. There have been many changes at Maryborough State High School over the last two years and the subject expo will highlight these changes. It is a great opportunity to come and see what is happening.

Next Thursday we are hosting the “Year 5 Big Day Out at High School”. This event is designed to familiarise students with the high school setting. During this day, students will experience a range of activities in Science, Home Economics, English, Maths, Marine Studies and Manual Arts. There will be a morning tea for parents and an informal talk about how Maryborough State High is preparing for our Year 7 students in 2015.

Mrs Alexia Taylor and many senior students have been organising events during lunch times for our Junior Secondary students. These events are great fun and enjoyed by an ever increasing amount of students. Well done to Mrs Taylor and her senior students.

Literacy and Numeracy week saw the school participating in many activities and competitions. Congratulations to the following winners:

Short story comp winners were:
Year 8: 1st Jake Braund; 2nd Lashae Connau; Year 9: 1st Laura Mathiese; 2nd Loretta Shirley. Year 10: 1st Chloe Butler. Year 12: 1st Elissa Gray; 2nd Hanna Knudsen.

Independent Public Schools
Queensland principals, teachers, parents and local community will have greater control and ownership of their schools as well as greater input into decisions that affect them.

They will have greater freedom to work with parents, businesses and industry to make decisions that best meet the needs of their local community to improve outcomes for students.

IPS schools are committed to lifting education standards for all students.

Maximising possibilities
The Independent Public Schools initiative recognises the best decision-making, for the most part, occurs at a local level through direct response to local community needs and aspirations.

It is designed to:
• reduce red tape, giving schools more opportunities to achieve the best possible outcomes for their students and local communities.
• increased innovation
• stronger partnerships with industry and the community
• further tailoring of local school programs.

School Council
All Independent Public Schools are required to establish a school council. School councils enable greater involvement of the school community and other stakeholders, such as industry, in setting the strategic direction for the school.

School councils approve and monitor the school’s strategic direction, further strengthening collaborative local decision-making.

A school council is made up of student, parent and staff representatives, community representatives and P & C representatives.

The school council would meet once per term.

If you would like to be part of the school council, please contact the school office.

DUKE OF EDINBURGH AWARD

DUKES - At the time of writing MHS Dukes students are busy preparing for their first camp at Wong Waterholes August 17 and 18 cycling from the Bruce Highway turn-off to the Waterholes and return 10 kms each way. Plenty of fun activities planned including geocaching at the Waterholes. Watch this space in the next issue for plenty of pics and stories.

LEOs - Second lunch Fridays Dukes student who need a volunteering activity are busy working in the LIONS eye glasses recycling program cleaning, sorting and grading glasses for distribution to folks overseas who experience difficulties with their eyesight because they can’t afford glasses. Saturday July 27 and Sunday August 4 Leo’s assisted Maryborough Lions at a Bunning’s sausage sizzle raising funds for the local Dukes committee to replace 6 ancient GPSs Dukes students use on Adventurous Journey.

Dave McLeod

CENTRAL STATE SCHOOL ANNUAL FAIR
Friday 23 August 2013
4.30 - 8.30pm

STUDENTS FROM 9 COUNTRIES HAVE ARRIVED

In recent weeks I had a lot of fun meeting new people from across the globe, making new friends, learning the local culture and traditions, sampling new and interesting foods and of course being an ambassador. During our stay we went to the Belgium parliament building and were treated to an inside look at the senate. Respect to the fallen was also given as we witnessed the Last Post and visited Tyne Cot cemetery at Flanders Field, both a tribute to Australians killed in the First World War.

There were also times were we could let our hair down and socialise with the Royal Belgium Air Cadets at their summer camp at Bertix. After 3 of the best weeks of my life I was sad to be leaving the country and return home, I have made lifelong friends, even if that was the last time I will get to see them all and I can’t wait to return to Europe.

Russell

Scholarships
There are many scholarships available for the Year 12’s to apply for. Charles Hawker Scholarships open December 9th. This demonstrates a commitment to the wider community and is based on personal qualities as well as academic ability. The Australian Veterans Children’s Assistance Trust is a not for profit organisation that helps children and grandchildren of the Australian ex-service community with the costs of full-time tertiary education. Applications open August 14th.

Jerseys
The final orders of jerseys have been distributed to the students who have paid for them. The Senior Shirts have also been given to those students who ordered them.

Attendance
A reminder to all students and parents, that if students arrive or come to school late, they MUST sign in at the Student Services before going to class. If students know they are going to be away, the school MUST be contacted by telephone, email, text or note.

Formal/Graduation
The Year 12 students will also be receiving a letter within the next few weeks on the cost of the formal for them to purchase their ticket which will be about $90. Those who are attending the formal with an outside partner will also be able to purchase a ticket for them at the same cost. We are hoping the cost will be at an affordable cost with all the fundraising the done.

The students have been asked to bring in some baby, toddler and recent photos of them for the formal and graduation PowerPoint. If they only have a few photos or even one, that will be sufficient for the intention of this event. They need to have these to myself (Mrs C Taylor) ASAP, as the Year 12’s designing this work needs to get started on the project. They also need to have in by this time, their quote, comment or inspiration they want with their photo in the Palma Magazine at the end of this year. If your student has not handed any of these items in, they can still do so.

Students also have to make sure they have booked their arrival time for the Formal and their table setting allocation as this are both being finalised. If you do have any concerns or queries, please feel free to contact me at school.

Jeans for Genes Day
On August 2, the students had a Free Dress Day along with raising money for this foundation through selling merchandise. The school raised over $550 for this foundation and thank you to all of those involved, especially the school Prefects.

Prefects - Year 9 Frisbee
On Thursday’s Lunch 2, the Prefects will be having a Year 9 Frisbee competition in the gym over the next term. This will be run by the Prefects and any Year 9’s who would like to play are welcome to attend.

Fundraisers
On August 23rd we will be having Daffodil day (wear Yellow for a Gold Coin donation) which raises money for Cancer Council Queensland. The students are allowed to wear something Yellow that is appropriate school attire. The Prefects will be going to each Connect class to collect the money.

We will also be having Blue Dress Day (wear Blue for a Gold Coin donation which raises money for Bryn Epha Memorial Fund (Asthma) and Footy Colours Day in September. More information will be given to the students closer to these dates.

Girls Leadership Day
In the last week of Term 3, we are looking at having a Girls Leadership Day full of fantastic activities for girls in Years 8-11 who show leadership qualities, who will be nominated by their teachers. The year 12 Prefects will also be assisting me on their day. More information will be given closer to the date.

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