**FD SUMMER TRIALS**

Congratulations to our Fraser District representatives Kailan Harris & Lockie Zeptner – Squash and Jackson Hoyes & Marita Abell – Softball. Successful Wide Bay representatives will be acknowledged in the following newsletter.

**FD WINTER TRIALS**

The sign on sheets for FD Winter Trials are up outside the PE staffroom. Students are to make sure they sign up in the correct age group and only sign up for themselves. Venue information forms will become available soon, seek this paperwork directly from the ‘teacher in charge’ of each sport.

**SCHOOL SPORTS WEBSITE & FD WEBSITE**

The following website has been developed to improve the communication link between the school and parents regards Fraser District and Wide Bay Sport. Type Fraser District secondary school sports into a search engine on the web or type the website exactly as shown below to receive updated information. This includes wet weather strategies for FD summer and winter trials.

**GOLDEN GLOVE SOFTBALL & HOCKEY CUP**

GG Softball and Schools Cup Hockey will be held in April, further information about these competitions is available from Mrs C. Taylor. There is already a sign on sheet for golden glove softball outside the PE staffroom.

**FUTSAL**

On the 13th of March 8 teams from Maryborough State High School will travel to Brisbane to compete in the South East Queensland School Futsal Titles. Mrs A. Taylor & Mrs C. Taylor are be holding morning tea, lunch time and after school training sessions. Each player is chomping at the bit to take on the southern competitors.

**2013 MSHS School Captains and Prefects**

On Friday February 15th, the Prefect Investiture was held in the school Multipurpose Gym. There were 23 students who were recognised for their leadership skills and who received their Prefect badge and certificate. The announcing of the school captains was a huge highlight for all those involved. The house captains were also recognised for their leadership in sport.

We were very fortunate to have many special guests at the Investiture. Fraser Coast Mayor Gerard O’Connell, Principals and delegates. A special message from Anne Maddern, Member for Maryborough was read out as Ms Maddern was unable to be at the ceremony. A huge thank you to all parents and relatives who attended the ceremony!

Thank you also to all those who assisted with the ceremony, Russell Phillips (School Janitor), Cecelia Esterhuizen and her Hospitality students who prepared a wonderful morning tea, Robyn Ryan, for her work behind the scenes with programs and certificates and Denise Pommeranz who also worked with the Hospitality students, sharing her expertise and all those who helped in one way or another! A special thank you to Maree McKaskill, Paul Marshall and the music department for another fantastic display of the talent we have at Maryborough State High School; James Tennant, Karlee Edie, Kellie Jensen, Brianna Ryan and Nicolette Harper once again all sang beautifully.

Our school captains for 2013; Captains – Samuel Schneider and Cassie Scott
Vice-Captains – Ming Zhang and Haiden Roeger

Congratulations to all prefects for becoming the student leaders of MSHS in 2013!

**Flood Appeal Donations – Free Dress Day**

On Wednesday February 13th, the Prefects held a Free Dress Day to help raise money for the Queensland Flood Appeal. In an amazing effort by the entire school, we raised $426.50 to donate to the Australian Red Cross!

**USQ Leadership Day**

The Year 12 Prefects and some Year 11 students will be attending the USQ Leadership Day on Friday, March 15 in Hervey Bay. This is a fantastic day for these students to work with other leaders from schools in the Fraser District region. All forms and money is due by Friday March 8th.

Mrs Carrie Taylor (Year 12 Co-ordinator)

**CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA DAY**

Clean Up Australia Day for Maryborough has been postponed. When a date has been set, Maryborough State High School will be ‘doing our bit’ for the environment. Our students will be cleaning up around the school and near the CBD Precinct. Clean Up Australia Day is officially on Sunday 3rd March and people can find out more through the website: www.cleanupaustraliaday.org.au/
Ululah Lagoon Field Trip

The effect of recent flooding on the health of Ululah Lagoon was under the spotlight last week when year 11 Biology students participated in a field trip as part of their first assessment task. Students carried out a variety of water tests as well as counting animal species at several sites around the Lagoon. The data collected will be analysed back at school and used to prepare a report on this local environmental issue.

PHOTO DAY
5 March 2013

- All orders/payments are to be handed to the photographer on photo day only.
- No late orders are to be taken at the school after photo day. Parents to contact the photographer directly on 5456 4288 to organise payment.
- All students are to receive a photo on the day, regardless of whether they are ordering a product.

CYBERSMART NEWS

Internet safety presentation helps children stay safe online

Young people today are immersed in digital technologies. They use the internet and mobile phones to socialise, study, exchange ideas and play. While online activity has many benefits, there are also risks.

To help your children stay safe online, Maryborough SHS is hosting a Cybersmart Outreach—Internet Safety Awareness presentation. Designed for parents, teachers and students, this presentation is provided by the Australian Communications and Media Authority (ACMA) as part of a national program of cybersmart initiatives.

The Cybersmart Outreach—Internet Safety Awareness presentation is thorough and non-technical. It covers a range of issues including:

- the children use the internet and emerging technologies
- potential risks for children online, such as cyberbullying, identity theft, inappropriate contact and exposure to inappropriate content

The presentation is conducted by an ACMA Cybersmart trainer and is free of charge.

Maryborough SHS is committed to helping students develop appropriate behaviours when using digital technologies, both at school and home.

The Cybersmart Outreach—Internet Safety Awareness presentation will be held on: MONDAY 4TH MARCH YEAR 9/10 STUDENTS PARENTS

To register your attendance, please contact the school as soon as possible. Enrolments will also be accepted on the night.

IMMUNISATION: Any year 8 or year 10 student that missed immunisation on the 29th February can attend catch up clinic on the 13/3/13, 3pm at the Bauer Wiles Child Health Clinic, Winston Noble Drive Maryborough. Ring Council on 1300794929 to book in.

Year 11 Important Dates 2013

- Tuesday 5 March – School Photos
- Friday 15 March – USQ Leadership Day
- Wednesday 17 April – Parent/Teacher Interviews
- Wednesday 15 May – Head Start Information Evening USQ
- Tuesday 11 – 17 June – Exam Week
- Thursday 25 July – Fraser Coast Job & Career Expo
- Thursday 15 & Friday 16 August – Biology Camp
- Thursday 28 & Saturday 29 August – Rock Climbing Excursion
- Monday 6 September – 2013 Prefect Applications open
- Friday 13, 14, 15 September – Maryborough Technology Challenge
- Tuesday 22 October – Ryda Program

All the best in 2013

Peter Schluss (Year 11 Co-ordinator)

Year 11 Cordinator News

Hello parents of Year 11 students. First have a big thank you to give to the staff at Maryborough High, who planned or attended the Year 11 Information evening, on Tuesday 12th of February. Their time made for a successful night where some very important information was provided to both care providers and students, regarding the events of 2013 and how the senior school operates. Topics such as, VET, QCS, and QCE were covered. Parents and care providers who attended found the information very helpful in coming to terms with how school has changed in the years since they attended. The evening also provided a wonderful opportunity for teachers and care providers to talk in a relaxed and informal way about their child and the subjects they have chosen. Please make yourself available for as many opportunities to be involved in your child’s learning as possible and share the journey.

Also this year, form meetings have been renamed as ‘connect’ classes. They will run for 15 minutes each month, except on mornings when parades are conducted. In Semester 1 we will be completing the RIPAATT attitude course which explores attitudes and how best to approach challenging issues in a positive fashion.

Please be aware that if you have any concerns regarding your child’s schooling then please don’t hesitate to contact the school to discuss issues in a positive fashion to gain the best outcomes for students.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Last week we had the pleasure of presenting our senior student leaders with their prefect badges at the prefect investiture ceremony. This year we have twenty-three prefects. I would like to congratulate all prefects on this achievement. Being part of the leadership team is a privilege and an honour.

As part of the tradition at Maryborough State High School, the two school Captains and Vice Captains and the Sports House and Vice Captains for each house were chosen and announced on the day. Captains: Cassie Scott, Sam Schneider, Haiden Roeger, Ming Zhang. House Captains: Corit Beliz, Kelsey Elliott, Melissa Emery, Jayden Bulmer, Hannah Carmichael, Brodie Casperson, Teary Grundy, Lance McLeod, Tegan Hoyes, Nic Gabriel, Eliss Gray, Gabe Kidd, Tayla-Anne Miller, Locky MacDonald, Steph Plummer, Jack Horder, Haiden Roeger, Clarence Nunan, Jake Ward, Jess Shaw, Tiereille Wilk, James Tennant, Rylie Williams and Sam Schneider.

Unfortunately, due to the inclement weather, Year 8 camp has been postponed. The camp will be rescheduled and the new dates will be out in the near future.

As part of our ongoing commitment to ensuring we provide quality teaching at Maryborough State High School, we have scheduled a range of professional development activities for our staff.

Community Notices

TENAA FOOTBALL CLUB are still taking registrations for the following age groups: U9s, U10s, U11s, U12s, Youth, Ladies 2nd Divs (Girls), Men 1st & 2nd Div. If you are interested or have any questions please contact Jason on 0422 487 260 or email tinanafc@hotmail.com. ALL PLAYERS THIS YEAR RECEIVE A FREE PAIR OF SHORTS AND SOCKS!