



# newsletter



## Principal's REPORT

21st July 2009

### WELCOME BACK

Welcome back to Term 3. I hope you all had an enjoyable, relaxing and pleasant vacation. I would like to take this opportunity to welcome new students and parents who have joined our school community. We also welcome back from leave the following staff:

- Mrs Jacqui Larke - Arts
- Ms Kylie Saliba - Dance
- Mr Chip Barnes - SOSE/English
- Mrs Leone McKeehan - HOD English

Congratulations to Ms Karen Horneman, a past teacher at the school, who was successful in being appointed Deputy Principal at Arukun.

### SEMESTER 1 REPORTS

Students were issued with their Semester 1 reports this week. Parent Teacher Interviews will be held for Year 11 and 12 students **only** on Monday 3 August from 3.15pm to 6.00pm in the Performing Arts block. Parents wishing to have an interview with their child's teacher(s) can make an appointment by calling either 4197 0126 or 4197 0120 between 9am and 3pm on Wednesday 22nd or Thursday 23rd July.

As the Year 8, 9 and 10 students commence new subjects this semester and have a change of teachers; there will be no formal interview sessions for these year levels. Parents with children in these year levels who wish to see their child's teacher from Semester 1 are requested to contact the school to arrange an appointment.

### SCHOOL REPORTING

The Queensland Government has made important changes to the way that schools report on student and school performance. These changes ensure Queensland parents receive the information they need to help their children throughout their schooling and make informed choices about schools.



Urangan High's report on our school's performance is now avail-

able on our school's website:  
<http://uranganshs.eq.edu.au/wcmss/>  
The information includes:

- ◆ total enrolment and year levels offered at the school
- ◆ distinctive curriculum offered at the school
- ◆ opportunities for the involvement of parents
- ◆ extra – curricular activities
- ◆ staff development priorities
- ◆ social climate of the school, including pastoral care programs
- ◆ Apparent retention rates

Our school also provides this information through a variety of publications such as our School Annual Report and Prospectus. If you would like to obtain a comprehensive hard copy of our School Annual Report, they are available from our school reception.

### SCHOOL OPINION SURVEY

Each year, the Department of Education, Training and the Arts undertakes a survey of parents and students to gauge their satisfaction with important aspects of schooling. This year the survey will occur in the week beginning 3 August 2009.

Later in the year, the school will receive a report outlining the results of the survey for our school. The results will help the school to evaluate and to reflect on how well the school is going, and to identify areas for future development. The survey results are also an important part of the school's annual report. For these reasons, if you are selected by Education Queensland, I hope you will complete the questionnaire and help make the school a better place for your child(ren).

Thank you in advance for your participation in the survey.

During this term we look forward to working with students, parents, staff and community members to achieve our school purpose of "Working together to Learn"

Ross Zelow - Principal



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### NEW SCHOOL CONTACT NUMBERS

A new telephone system has recently been installed at the school. Please take note of the following new contact information.

If you are calling to inform the school of your child's absence please call **4197 0166** and leave a message with your child's name, period of absence and reason for absence. The general school contact number is **4197 0111**. The school's fax number has remained the same at 4125 5436.

### CREATIVE FUTURES URANGAN STATE HIGH SCHOOL

Recently, nominations for the Creative Generation Excellence in Film, Television & New Media Awards were announced. Two of our talented Year 12 students, Skye Hughes and Miranda Barnes, were asked to submit a folio of work for this Award.

Congratulations to both of these students, and in particular to Miranda, who was successful in achieving selection for one of only twenty places from all over Queensland.

*Deb Smith - Film & TV Teacher*

### USQ FUNNY BUSINESS 2009

Congratulations to Urangan High's Business Technology 3 students on their success in the *USQ Funny Business* competition. Seven businesses from three different schools participated in the competition. **The Crust** business, (makers of yummy pizzas) came **first**, while **KC's** (producers of tasty milkshakes, chicken nuggets and wedges) tied for **second** with St Mary's.

During the semester each business was responsible for the formation and running of their business. Each group appointed

students to the positions of CEO, Marketing Manager, Operations Manager and Finance Manager.

Students decided on a product for their business after extensive research into consumer demand, Smart Choices – healthy foods, pricing and production issues. The focus for each business was their Business Plan which they had written to guide them with their operations.

Students developed valuable team and organisational skills.

Both businesses would like to thank all fellow students, their teachers and the school canteen for supporting them in their business venture.

*Stacey Beu - HOD Business*

### UNIVERSITY OR TAFE IN 2010

Applications for University or TAFE Diplomas must be lodged with **Queensland Tertiary Admissions Centre (QTAC)** by Wednesday, September 30 2009. Year 12 students are required to lodge their applications electronically. Each application incurs an application fee of \$27.50

To assist students and parents new to this process, an information evening will be held in the Performing Arts Block on Wednesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> July at 6:00 pm.

The evening will cover the role of QTAC, procedures and fees for lodging an application and the selection process. The distinction between an OP and a selection rank will be clarified as well as entry requirements for non-OP students.

Information concerning the HECs scheme and other University fees will be examined.

*Wayne Piggott - HOC Senior Schooling*

### P & C UNIFORM SHOP - CONSIGNMENT UNIFORMS & UNIFORM ADVISORY GROUP

The school's Uniform Shop has been undergoing a makeover this year as we seek to provide easily available and affordable uniforms for our students. Part of this service includes the sale of second hand uniforms on consignment.

Second-hand uniforms will only be kept for a maximum of 2 years and must be in a condition acceptable for resale.

In clearing out our overstocked shop, we now have available for pickup, senior shirts belonging to the following people. If they are not collected by the 21st August, they will be donated elsewhere.

S.Bell, S.McKay, P.Stephens, Ivervuurt family, B.Fordham, M.Olaivan, Jaworski family, G.Dietz, S.Deane, F.Wood, C.Blazec, A.Mackander, T.Paskim, D.Elliott, Esdale family, B.Lambert, K.Clancy, A. Ingram, M.Gray, J.Hulse, M.Cameron, D.Campbell, A.Yates, V.Skyring, K.Ward, L.Cross.

A Uniform Advisory Group is also being formed, which will meet on a monthly basis. Anyone interested in being involved may contact the P&C President, Linda Buxton, at the school on 4197 0111.

### UNIFORM JUMPER SPECIALS



Feeling the cold? Banana Bender Beach has a special offer to help you through the Winter months. School jumpers reduced from \$40 to \$35. Buy two for \$60. Offer expires 31st August 2009.

## U15 STATE RUGBY UNION



The Queensland U15 State Rugby Union Championships are in Hervey Bay this year from Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> August until Sunday the 16<sup>th</sup> August. The schools in Hervey Bay, especially Urangan SHS, are required to find homes for approximately 120 athletes.

Many of our students have benefited from other families hosting them while they have represented their schools and regions. We are asking families to return the favour so that these guests can fully enjoy the Hervey Bay area during their short stay.

This week, during year level assemblies, I will be asking the students to collect billet request forms if it is at all possible for you to accommodate a billet or billets.

It would be greatly appreciated if you can take any billets during this time period (Students need accommodation nights of the 12<sup>th</sup> - 15<sup>th</sup> August.) If you have any questions or queries don't hesitate to contact me at the school.

*Yours in rugby - Andrew Rye*

\$6.00 children and pensioners,  
\$26.00 Family (2 adults & 2 children)

Bookings may be made at the High School Administration Office or tickets can be bought at the door on the night.

### COMMUNITY NEWS

#### HERVEY BAY SHS MUSICAL 2009 CURSE OF THE MUMMY

Come and join us on an expedition into the mystic land of Egypt as we try to uncover the long-buried tomb of Karaan and the magical 'Eye of Horus'. For a fast-paced, energetic musical comedy experience, Curse of the Mummy should not be missed.

Dates: 23rd-25th July, 7:30pm

Cost: \$8:50 adults,

### RHEE TAEKWONDO

Are you wanting to build your child's confidence? Rhee Taekwondo is hosting two exciting free trial lessons for children 7 years to adult. The training cultivates improvements in self-confidence, concentration and learning skills, as well as developing fitness and co-ordination. Beginners are very welcome.

For more information please call 4124 7835 or 0404 747 413.

### STAFF MOVEMENTS

STAFF	POSITION	RETURNING	REPLACEMENT
Mr Czislawski	HOD IT&D	31/07/09	Mr Green
Mr Green	Acting HOD IT&D	31/07/09	Mr Adams
Mr Hoodcamp	IT&D Teacher	18/09/09	Mr Rodwell
Mrs Olds	Business Teacher	31/07/09	Mr Pedersen
Mrs S Baker	SOSE Teacher	2010	Ms A Baker
Ms Sellars	SOSE Teacher	18/09/09	Ms Adams
Mrs Anson	SEP Teacher	26/07/09	Mrs Lovell
Ms Ashlakoff	Arts Teacher	31/07/09	Ms Errichiello

### DATES TO REMEMBER

Mon 20 July	Semester 1 reports issued to Years 8, 9 & 10.
Tues 21 July	Semester 1 reports issued to Years 11 & 12.
Wed 22 July	Year 12 QTAC Information Evening Year 10 Careers Expo, Maryborough
Thurs 23 July	Indigenous Careers Day
Wed 29 July	Inter-house Athletics Day / Red Day
Thurs 30 July	Planned Wide Bay Schools' Strike Day (further details available closer to date)
Mon 3 Aug	Parent Teacher Interviews for Years 11 and 12 in Performing Arts block 3.15pm - 6.00pm
Thurs 6 Aug	Jeans for Genes Day
Wed. 12 Aug.	Year 10 into 11 2010 Subject Informa-

### CANTEEN DUTY ROSTER

It is not necessary to start before 8.30am. Finishing time is approx 2.00pm. If you cannot make your rostered day, a telephone call would be appreciated. Contact Barb on 41255440.

Wednesday 22/7	Thursday 23/7	Friday 24/7	Monday 27/7	Tuesday 28/7
Help needed	Help needed	Help needed	S Beu	Help needed
Wednesday 29/7	Thursday 30/7	Friday 31/7	Monday 3/8	Tuesday 4/8
S Turnbull, M Harding	Help needed	Help needed	T Woodgate	S Beu