



newsletter



Principal's REPORT

24th February 2009

YEAR 12 LEADERS' CEREMONY

On Wednesday 4th February we held our Year 12 Leaders' Ceremony. Ms Belinda McNevin, Deputy Mayor Fraser Coast Regional Council, Mr Lin Powell, former MLA and Minister for Education, and Ms Linda Buxton, P&C President presented our school leaders with their badges of office.

We look forward to working with our senior leaders throughout the year harnessing their imagination and creativity to introduce new ideas and activities, which will lead to improved practices and opportunities for students at our school.

STUDENT LEADERS

We wish our student leaders all the best for this year and look forward to their involvement throughout the year. Our Student leaders for 2009 are:

School Captains: Shelly Eggleton and Erek Duyst

Vice Captains: Arielle Olsen and Liam Buxton

House Captains:

Baler: Katherine Smith and Shaye Wolski

Cowrie: Chernaë Beattie and Ben Muir

Nautilus: Jane Armit and Kate Collis

Triton: Toni AhQuay and Bianca Hoult

Student Council:

President: Skye Hughes

Secretary: Amie Pennisi

Treasurer: Jessie Morey

Members: Anthony Bean, Peter Harding, Natalie Hartog, Kirsten Steley and Natalie Zelow

their assessment calendar for Semester 1. Students have also been given this information by their teachers and are able to access their individual assessment schedule through the school's network.

CONGRATULATIONS - FRASER DISTRICT SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Congratulations and many thanks to the parents, teachers, and students who gave up their time last night, Monday, 23 February to assist with or participate in the Fraser District Swimming Carnival.

P&C EXECUTIVE FOR 2009

The P&C Association recently held their Annual General Meeting with the following executive positions elected for 2009:

President: Ms Linda Buxton

Vice President: Mrs Judy Mewett

Secretary: vacant

Treasurer: Mrs Nicole Wilson

Thank you to all parents who have taken on these roles for 2009. We look forward to continuing the close working relationship with the P&C to benefit our students and community. If anyone is interested in the role of secretary for 2009 please contact the school for more information.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

School Photos have been scheduled for Wednesday 4th March and Thursday 5th March. Students should have brought home an information package from Master School Photographic explaining the procedures involved in ordering photos.

We request parent support in making sure the students are in full and correct school uniform to enable school photos to be taken.

ASSESSMENT

All students should have by now received a personalised copy of

access to quality education → access to a better life



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YEAR 12 AGREEMENT

The philosophy of Urangan State High School is one that has been developed from a foundation of high educational standards and expectations for all members of our school community. Urangan State High School utilises school-wide systems of support that include proactive strategies for defining, teaching and supporting appropriate student behaviours and development of appropriate work standards to create a positive school environment.

The **Year 12 agreement** states the respective expectations and responsibilities of Year 12 students enrolled at Urangan State High School and will be used in conjunction with the School Behaviour Management Policy, One School referrals and progress reports.

Given the importance of the final year of schooling, Urangan State High School is committed to ensuring students are focused and motivated to achieving high quality educational and social outcomes as a result of students taking appropriate responsibility while at school. To achieve a sufficient level of student focus and motivation, Year 12 students at Urangan State High School will be required to meet and uphold the following expectations and responsibilities.

- Have 100% attendance in all classes including form class, with the exception of valid explained absences.
- Not leave the school grounds without the Principal's or delegated officer's permission.
- Complete all assessment requirements.
- Pay all school levies.
- Ensure all borrowed resources are returned.
- Ensure school rules and regulations are obeyed.
- Adhere to the school dress code (this includes footwear, jewellery, make-up and hairstyles).
- Not bring the school's name into disrepute.

If students fail to sign this Year 12 Agreement or fail to meet and uphold these responsibilities as a valued member of Urangan State High School, they will relinquish the privilege of attending Year 12 functions/activities which could include but is not limited to: Year 12 Formal Dinner, Year 12 Leavers Ceremony, School Sport Representation, etc.

Issues related to unexplained absences, poor work ethic or failure to submit assessment may result in cancellation of enrolment as detailed in the School Behaviour Management Policy and in the requirements outlined by Education Queensland.

This agreement was issued to students on the 18th February 2009 and is required to be signed by the student and parent/guardian and returned to the Year 12 Coordinators by Friday 27th February.

We thank all students and parents/guardians for their continued support by signing this agreement which continues to maintain the high educational standards and expectations for all members of our school community.

NEW TELEPHONE SYSTEM

We are very excited to announce that Education Queensland have been in the process of upgrading our telephone system. This means that our listed directory number will change to 4197 0222. Our fax number will remain the same. We will advise our school community on the exact date this change is going to occur which we believe will be in the very near future. We will also change our website, letterhead, reports, and various other communication documents to reflect the new change in telephone number. We thank you for your patience while we are in this transition phase.

Ross Zelow - Principal

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 25/2 | Thursday 26/2 | Friday 27/2 | Monday 2/3 | Tuesday |
|----------------|---------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|
| M Harding | S Beu | K Douma | T Woodgate | S Turnbull |
| Wednesday 4/3 | Thursday 5/3 | Friday 6/3 | Monday 9/3 | Tuesday 10/3 |
| Help needed | S Beu | Help needed | Help needed | Help needed |

HPV IMMUNISATION

The national catch-up initiative for Gardasil will cease on 30th June 2009. At present, in Queensland, the HPV vaccine is given to:

- Girls in years 8, 9 and 10 via the School Based Vaccination Program (SBVP). This program has now been completed in this school for 2008.
- Females 13 to 26 year of age, including those of high school age who either did not attend school or missed doses during the SBVP.

After 30th June 2009, the only ongoing funded program for HPV vaccination will be the School Based Vaccination Program **for year 8 girls only**. After this date, all other females BEYOND year 8, who request the vaccine, will have to pay for it (approx. \$150 per dose x3, total \$450). This includes those women wishing to complete an already commenced course of HPV vaccination.

For further information, contact Janet at the school or Fraser Coast Regional Council staff on 4197 4244.

Janet Morrow - School Based Health Nurse

FRASER COAST YOUTH MENTORING PROGRAM TRIPLE S PRESENTS - YOUNG PEOPLE AND DRUGS

When: Thursday 26th March 2009

Where: Hervey Bay Neighbourhood Ctre, Taylor St Pialba, 6pm-7pm

Program

5.45- 6pm Welcome (Coffee/Tea available)

6pm-6.30pm Aunty Kathy Harrison

Leeanne's Story

6.30-6.45pm Steve Dobson from Headspace
(Information about drugs happening in school)

6.45-7pm Supper (snacks, tea/coffee)

All Welcome...

Young People, Teachers, Parents, Community Members

Places are limited. Please contact 4124 2466 to book your seat.

RSVP: Tuesday, 24th March 2009



An Australian Government Initiative

YEAR 8 CAMP

There are still some vacancies for the two year 8 camps being held from 9-11 March and 11-13 March at Mudjimba Apex Camp.

Activities during the camp will include: high ropes, beach activities, survivor challenge, team building activities and camp fire. The cost is \$170 per person.



If you haven't put your name down yet and would like to go please pay at the office or contact Mr Abra or Mrs Hall (Yr8 Coordinators) by Friday 27th February.

MATHS DEPARTMENT NEWS

Maths Tutorials

We will begin Maths tutorials in Week 4 (16th Feb). A tutorial timetable can be found at the bottom of the page. Please note changes from 2008 due to the rotating timetable. If you have any queries please contact me.

NAPLAN Tests

All year 9's will be completing the 2008 NAPLAN papers in week 5. This will prepare students for the NAPLAN test which will be held from May12-14.

Brian Harrington - HOD Maths

INTER-HOUSE SWIMMING CARNIVAL RESULTS



1st: Baler
2nd: Triton
3rd: Cowrie
4th: Nautilus

Age Champions

13yrs: Kye Wilson & Kate McMillan
14yrs: Te-Otimi Patara & Dana Schiefelbein
15yrs: Mark Richards & Sherilyn Hogan
16yrs: Joel Ryan & Cheyenne McKenzie/
Gabby Ullmann
Open: Michael Evans & Sarah Ryan

PARENTING CORNER

Who's chatting to your kids?

The internet today contains many sites that are designed to encourage children and teenagers to communicate by messaging each other in real time. Many of these sites contain areas where children can post personal information about themselves including their name, age, location, photographs, and contact details. Please take some time to discuss these on-line safety tips with your children.

- Never give out personal information on the net, like your full name, address, phone number or school
- Ensure your screen name does not reveal personal information about you
- Review your lo-line profile. Predators can sue this personal information to find you.
- Only allow your friends to view your personal blog and profile.
- Never send your picture to someone you don't know.
- Don't accept invitations to view webcams from unknown internet users.
- Never arrange for face-2-face meetings with people met online.
- Understand predators ask personal questions and attempt to become friends quickly.
- Time chatting online to a person does not equal trust or knowing the person.

Teach children the 5 R's:

Realise - people you chat with may not be who they say they are.

Refuse - requests for personal information and ensure your internet profile is private.

Review - your contacts. Its not "kwel" to have contacts you don't know.

Respond - quickly if you ever feel uncomfortable while online. Close the program, tell your parents or a trusted friend

Report - any suspicious or danger online contact to the police.

(Information provided by Qld Police Service)

Mannly Dubroy - Guidance Officer

SITE WORK EXPERIENCE

Hervey Bay SITE is still offering work experience to all senior students. If you would like to further your career options then make an appointment with your field officer Karen Flahavin to engage in work experience. You never know where this can take you.

Phone Karen 0437 384 253 or check out our website www.herveybaysite.com.au for up to date event information and current positions available.

Yr 11 & 12 STUDENTS - EXPERIENCE UNIVERSITY LIFE

Never really thought about attending university? Want to know more about your options? Experience university life and all that is on offer by attending CQUniversity Experience 2009!

CQU Rockhampton is inviting 40 students from 20 high schools throughout Central Queensland the opportunity to participate in CQU Experience 2009. CQU Experience is a free program held during the school holidays, 29th May to 3rd June. The year 11 and 12 students selected for the program will discover university programs and career options, while meeting staff and students from CQU's Rockhampton campus. Students will stay at CQU's residential college, Capricornia College.

The program aims to raise awareness of tertiary education opportunities for students who might not normally consider university education as an option. See your school guidance officer to obtain an application form. For more information please contact Catherine Spencer on 4923 2459 or email c.spencer@cqu.edu.au.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Wed 26 Feb - Wide Bay Summer Trials
Wed 4 Mar - School Photos
Thurs 5 Mar - School Photos
Mon 9 Mar to Fri 13 Mar - Year 8 Camps

2009 Maths Tutorial Timetable Morning and Afternoon Schedule

| | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|------------------------------|----------------|------------------------------|----------------|
| Mornings 8 - 8.40 am | ROFFWE DE06 | WRIGDA GB05 | JENSCA GB05 | RYEANO AND DIEGRO GB05 | ARTHLE GB05 |
| Afternoons 3.05-3.45pm | | ALLALI AND HEIJJO GB05 | VERMGA GB05 | CRILPA GB05 | |

Lunch Schedule

| | Day 1 | Day 2 | Day 3 | Day 4 | Day 5 | Day 6 |
|--------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-------|-------|----------------|
| Lunch 11.05 - 11.55 | LETHBE GB05 | HENRKA GB05 | HARRBR DE06 | | | ROFFWE DE05 |