SCHOOL ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Congratulations to Gregory for being the overall winner in the Athletics carnival narrowly defeating Leichhardt. The Girls Aggregate Trophy was won by Kennedy Girls and the Boys Aggregate Trophy by McKinlay Boys.

Congratulations to all the students who participated in our Athletics Carnival on the last two days of term 2.

All the best to the students who were selected to compete in the District Carnival, which will be held at Mareeba on Thursday 31st July and Friday 1st of August.

The results of the carnival are as follows:

AGE CHAMPIONS.
13 years
Girls – Tiola Mudd (K)
Boys – Tekyce Brimm (M)
14 years
Girls – Olivia Anderson (G)
Boys – Zane Singleton (M)
15 years
Girls – Briannah Cater (K)
Boys – Brett Girgenti (M)
16 years
Girls – Jasmin Anderson (G)
Boys – Quang Truong (M)
Opens
Girls – Jordon Todd (L)
Boys – Brandon Volp (K)

Records broken:
Joshua Pin – 400m Open
Lucky Bagayawa – Hurdles 14 years

INDIGENOUS ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Mareeba State High School acknowledges the Traditional Custodians, the Muluridji people of the country in which this school is located and pays respect to their Elders past and present.

DATE CLAIMERS

28th—30th Jul
Year 9/12 Maths Camp
29th Jul—1 Aug
MLC Challenge Games
31st Jul—1 Aug
QCS Prep—Year 12 Practice Test
7th Aug
Gifted & Talented Senior Work shop—Cairns High
8th Aug
Gifted & Talented Junior Work shop—Cairns High
18th—22nd Aug
Science Week
25th Aug
Dimbulah Year 10 Transition Day
27th Aug
Senior/Junior Pathways Evening

P & C ASSOCIATION

NEXT MEETING
Tuesday 12th August
5:30PM Venue: Library
Tea and Coffee available
Everyone Welcome
pandc@mareebashs.eq.edu.au

NEW EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
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**PRINCIPAL’S WORDS**

It is the start of Term 3 and it is the time for students to evaluate their schooling progress. The Year 11 progress interviews and parent-teacher interviews are opportunities for parents and school staff to work more closely to ensure that our young people have support and guidance surrounding their education. Term 3 is also busy with 2015 subject selection processes for Year 8 and 10 students as well as QTAC applications for our Year 12 students. Regardless of where your child is, now is the time to re-evaluate their progress and put in place strategies for this semester.

The building work in X block is nearly complete with the new bus shelter due for completion any day now. There is also tiered seating next to the hall that was constructed during the winter break. The additional shade and seating make for a safer playground for our children.

As always our students have been doing us proud in sporting, academic and cultural activities over the past few weeks and most of the newsletter is devoted to these activities.

Warm regards to all families.

Jo Soothill
Principal

**JCU SCIENCE EXPERIENCE**

Early in July, Jordyn and I along with two other Year 9 students, Justine Gatti and Havana Clough experienced university life at The James Cook University Science and Engineering Camp. This 3 day programme gave students an insight into the fascinating world of Science and Engineering. 40 or more students from the Cairns Region attended. We were split up into 2 groups “Frogs” and “Bugs” giving us the opportunity to make new friends. The camp included toad dissection, forensics, creek challenge, chemistry and a trip to the Cairns Turtle Rehabilitation Centre. We also attended 3, 20 minute guest lectures. The three days disappeared quickly as we had so much fun, we made so many new friends and we didn’t want to leave, it is definitely something we would all recommend to future Year 9 and 10 students, and we hope that you would enjoy it as much as we did!

Jordyn Stewart and Tara Kinley—Year 9 Students

**NEW STAFF MEMBER**

Mareeba State High School would like to welcome our newest staff member.

Nebo is a Beagle X who will be working primarily with the SWAD (School with a Difference) and MLC (Multi Learning Centre) students.

His training is supported by Tracey O’Connell local dog trainer and program coordinator for Youth Justice.

Mareeba Central Veterinary have offered to support him for his veterinary needs with discounted medical supplies.

We would like to thank Community Services Tablelands for the kind donation of $500 which enabled us to purchase Nebo from YAP and covered his initial setup costs.

This Animal-Assisted Therapy component will promote empathy, highlight body language and internal and external triggers.

In term 3 Youth Justice will be teaching an intensive training program with our SWAD students. This program will focus on Social Skills, Anger Management and Moral Reasoning.

These students will be engaged with Northern Outlook in three full day activities culminating the skills learnt at school.

Nebo is going to be an integral part of this program where he will be assisting to teach these skills to our students.

Michelle Sturgis—Head of Special Education and Learning Support.

**STRINGS PROGRAMME**

Last term saw the first lessons for the instrumental Music Strings programme. Strings lessons will happen after school on Thursday afternoons from 3:10-4:10pm at the Music room, P Block. Kirsten will be teaching the strings programme.

I am still in the process of phoning mums and dads about the programme and anticipate the programme will grow over time.

Kirsten will focus on the Violin to begin the programme. Other orchestral stringed instruments also include the Viola, Cello and Double Bass.

Please congratulate Orla Weaver and Mitchell Booth on their efforts this afternoon - they did an excellent job! Many thanks to Kirsten for inspiring our students.

Kylie Lambert—HOD Visual and Performing Arts and LOTE
Our students had four days of total writing immersion with high level experiences developed especially to foster their writing skills. Guidance in speculative fiction writing was delivered by much-published author Michael Pryor.

CHECK MATE

Supported by School Chess Captain, Bradley Newlands and Vice Captain, Jesse Tomasich students regularly attend competitions and daily practices sessions in the Library.
“Building a Better

JCU TITRATION WINNER
Helena Kath

LIBRARY STUDY GROUP

SCIENCE AMBASSADORS
Caitlin Goodhew and Sam Harris

BRAIN BEE TEAM AT QLD BRAIN INSTITUTE
Carla Newlands, Adina Heggie, Caitlin Goodhew and Sam Harris

ROSTRUM VOICE OF YOUTH ENTRANTS
Mateen Latif, Finnian Weaver, Daniel Strazzeri, Orla Weaver and Rachel Brcko AND REGIONAL FINALIST Mateen and Finnian

NON Nobis Solum
“NOT FOR OURSELVES ALONE”

READERS CUP WINNERS
FNQ Regional Final Winners—Jessica Heggie, Isobel Johnson, Bradley Newlands and Maddison Ryan with runners up, Tristan Burford-Baynes, Daniel Strazzeri, Joshua Theakston and Tegan Jennings.

PUBLISHED AUTHORS
JCU TOWNSVILLE EXCURSION
“Building a Better

ROBOTICS WORKSHOP

SCHOOL PRODUCTION
Hasta La Vista Dracula

NON NOBIS SOLUM
Future Together

YOUNG ENGINEER OF THE YEAR VISITS MAREEBA STATE HIGH SCHOOL

Engineering Technology, Graphics and Physics students were lucky enough to meet Garrett Bray, 2013 Young Engineer of the Year. Mr Bray gave presentations to three different groups throughout the day and also enjoyed a conversation filled lunch with some of our gifted and talented students. This event was made possible by the Business Liaisons Association and the Master Builders Association who made his visit to Far North Queensland a reality. The students who attended clearly enjoyed the opportunity to learn about the profession and they certainly had plenty of questions for Mr Bray.

I suspect that we now have a higher number of budding engineers then we did before his visit.

Jeff Johnson—Head of Department Technology

ACADEMIC EXTENSION AND ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES

Coming Up in Term 3:

July 22nd — Brain Bee State Final, Queensland Brain Institute, UQ, Brisbane

July 28, 29, 30th — Year 9 Maths Excellence Camp, Tinaroo EEC

Aug 5th — Writer in Residence - Phillip Gwynne — a day of workshops.

Aug 7th — Senior Gifted & Talented Workshop, Cairns (Years 10, 11, 12)

Aug 8th — Junior Gifted & Talented Workshop, Cairns (Years 8 & 9)

Aug 21st — Far North Schools Chess Tournament, TAS Whiterock.

Sep 2nd—5th — Year 8 Fantasy Writer’s Camp, Tinaroo EEC

Sep 3rd—5th — Reader’s Cup State Final, Queensland State Library, South Bank, Brisbane

If you would like further information about any of these activities, contact Christina Ellacott (cella4@eq.edu.au)


http://www.hoagiesgifted.org/ (This is also a good site to ‘like’ on Facebook)

SOUTH PASSAGE

The Year 10s of 2014 embarked on the incredible voyage that is South Passage. South Passage is a 40 metre tall ship that the students themselves have to sail. We set sail as wide eyed innocents on the Sunday of the last week of term 3 for an epic 4 day voyage in the waters off Cairns. The students sailed the ship out around Fitzroy Island on day one, and spent the first night there. Our second night was spent out at the outer reef where we enjoyed the reef and some quality time with a mermaid and then continued on the next day to spend the last night at Snapper Island before heading home on day 4. The last day saw the students elect their own Captain, Sailing master, navigator and watch leaders to bring the ship home themselves.

An amazing time was had by all and words simply cannot express the fun we had.

Brad Weaver — Senior Teacher

PARENTING STRATEGIES

How to reduce your child’s risk of depression and clinical anxiety

Strategies for parents of primary-school aged children

The University of Melbourne, with funding from beyondblue, has developed new guidelines for parents to reduce the risk of their children developing depression or anxiety.

How to reduce your child’s risk of depression and clinical anxiety: Strategies for parents of primary-school aged children is a general set of recommendations that may also be useful for parents whose child is already experiencing some symptoms of depression or anxiety. The University of Melbourne and beyondblue recognise that each family is unique, and so parents may need to adapt these strategies to their specific situation.

To view the guidelines, please visit www.parentingstrategies.net/depression

Please note that a similar guide for teenage children is also available at the above link.

CASUAL CLEANERS & TEACHER AIDS WANTED

Casual Cleaners and Teacher Aides wanted at Mareeba State High School. For more information please contact Pamela Evans, Business Services Manager on phone 07 40862777 or email: bsm@mareebahs.eq.edu.au

“NOT FOR OURSELVES ALONE”
“Success does not depend so much on your abilities as your choices. Any lack in skill can be more than made up for by how hard you work toward a goal you care about.” Author Unknown

**COMMUNITY NEWS**

**RAISING TEENS IN THE TECHNOLOGY GENERATION**

ARE YOU THE PARENT OF AN 11-18 YEAR OLD?
Help us understand the effect of technology on families!
Take our anonymous 30-minute survey.

You will answer questions about technology, your teenager’s behaviour, their relationship with you and your parenting. You can also ask your teenager to take part in a similar anonymous survey.

The research is completely voluntary and confidential.

To complete the survey, go to: [https://exp.psy.ug.edu.au/parentteensurvey/](https://exp.psy.ug.edu.au/parentteensurvey/).

For more information, contact the research team on parentinfo@ug.edu.au.

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**SOUTHERN CROSS CULTURAL EXCHANGE**

**Year 10 SCHOLARSHIP 2014**

S.C.C.E. is offering a 3-month Scholarship for November 2014—January 2015 to your choice of:

- France
- Germany
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Join thousands of S.C.C.E. returnees in their decision to make a difference to their future!

Scholarship valued at $3,810 towards the program fee. It includes:

- One-way flights to host country for home-stay period
- Seven nights’ accommodation in host country
- Seven nights’ accommodation in host country
- Admissions to one-day local event
- Study at university during school term
- English language training
- All study permits and visas

**How to apply:**

- Contact your local exchange office
- Include name, address, phone number and email address
- Include a brief statement of why you should be chosen

Applications close 30th June 2014. Photographs due 30th June 2014.

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**STUDENT EXCHANGE**

WEP Student Exchange – See The World NOW
Do you want to see the world? Are you keen to push your boundaries and grow as a person? Could you see yourself living overseas as an exchange student in 2015? With over 20 different English and non-English speaking countries to choose from, the hardest part is choosing where you want to go!

Olivia (16) in France – “France is amazing in summer time. Honestly, indescribable. I’m extremely close with my current host family and it will be sad to leave. My host sister is my best friend and sister, and I can’t imagine a life in France without her around.”

Take The First Step! Just in a few easy steps, you could be on your way to participating in an opportunity of a lifetime. Visit [www.wep.org.au](http://www.wep.org.au) and request a FREE information pack for you and your parents. Our brochure contains everything you need to know about WEP’s not-for-profit student exchange programs to help you and your parents make this important decision.

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**Mareeba Lioness Club invites you to our 2014 Pink Ribbon Garden Party**

Help us raise funds for Cancer Council Qld

When: 23rd August

Where: “Wongerah”
47 Ray Rd, Mareeba

Gates open at 12.30pm
Entertainment starts at 1.00pm
Cost: $20 per person

Fashion Parade, Guest Speaker, Entertainment, Food, Cocktails & Raffles

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Please bring your own cup for afternoon tea

**GREAT PYRAMID RACE**

9 AUGUST 2014

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Payment of $30 per copy may be made at Student Services until 19th of September 2014. Please note that this school magazine must be pre-purchased. We will not have surplus copies of the 2014 Schola available for sale at the school.

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