TERM 3 WEEK 5
August 15th, 2014

Our appreciation to the parents of Year 10 who attended with their son/daughter at last Monday’s subject selection evening. The first part of the evening focused on the regulations and requirements of senior study from both the State Government and school perceptive. The second part provided an opportunity for both the parent and the student to examine the different subjects on offer and to seek any information from our Academic Coordinators that may assist in making realistic and genuine choices.

Thanks go to Mr Shaw, Mr Murtagh, and Academic Coordinators, teachers, office staff and groundsmen who contributed to ensure quality information, advice and support to assist our Year 10 students.

YEAR 10 SET PLAN INTERVIEWS
Following our information evening, Year 10 parents and students are required to attend their SET Plan Interviews on Monday 18 August commencing at 1.00pm. Bookings are required for these interviews and a password for online bookings has been provided to parents. A reminder that Year 10 students will be dismissed at 12.35pm on this day.

YEAR 7 & 8 2015
SCIENCE NIGHT
The photos and the report further in the newsletter do not do justice to this event. The quality of the students’ science projects was outstanding and thoroughly justified the largest attendance yet for this event. This was a celebration of student learning, outstanding student work, a reminder of the wonder of science and an example of what is possible through collaboration and hard work between the teacher and student.

Our thanks to the entire Science staff and laboratory assistants led by Mr Murphy and Ms Baker.

ECOMAN
A very successful ECOMAN was held on Wednesday 13 August where Year 11 Business students were placed into teams to present a business strategy for a fictitious company. Each student took on a specific role in the company and as a team make numerous decisions regarding the running of the business; production goals, human resource, marketing, forecast and be able to negotiate with other key groups within the company. The students then had to present their report to the shareholders. Thank you to Ms Organ who coordinated this competition, the parents who attended and our invited judges.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE AND SMS FOR ABSENCE
Parents will continue to receive an SMS message when their son/daughter is recorded as absent for any period and the absence has not been explained. We will continue to do our very best to ensure the accuracy of the absentee record before sending messages. Parents should call the College and ask only that you assist the source of the error and endeavour to ensure it is not repeated. Students are one source of errors. They need to be on time for school, on time for class and take care to ensure they are not marked absent. When they are absent for any reason, they must ensure that the absence is explained and that SAO (Student Administration Office) know the reason and have recorded it.

All students are to have their Student ID with them at all times. This is essential when arriving late or leaving early.

Our goal is to have no errors each day. However, SAO are receiving attendance and absentee data from teachers and students, and errors come in the data. We ask parents who receive SMS messages to call and provide the reason for the absence. When there is an error we ask only that you assist SAO to correct the error. We understand that wrong messages may be upsetting and frustrating and ask that you communicate your feelings to the Principal and Senior Administration, and not our SAO staff.

Deus Meus Et Omnia - My God and My All

Kyle Connor – Principal (Acting)
Please read your child’s Record Book for the College procedures when your child is absent or requests for leave.

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

As a school community we need to keep striving to make improvements in student attendance. Academic progress and a settled environment can only occur when priority is given to continuity of attendance. With assessment tasks due and semester exams only a couple of weeks away it is essential for this to occur if your child is to achieve and prosper.

We seek parent support in minimising absence from school. Students should be at school unless they are too sick to do so. It is disappointing that some parents cover for absences by failing to make their child accountable for days off. This is giving your child mixed messages and ultimately will only harm their progress. We also ask that requests for any extended absence, is addressed to the Principal and includes full details of student name and Year Level as well as reason for the absence.

Please read your child’s Record Book for the College procedures when your child is absent or requests for leave.

TRANSPORT

It has been brought to our attention via the bus companies that some students are evading the bus fare by either not showing the bus pass or not paying the fare. Parents are asked to ensure that their child has sufficient funds to travel on the bus and therefore to avoid any penalties which could be applied by the bus company if fare evasion continues.

Also, parents are reminded not to use the bus lane to pick up or drop off their child. This causes major traffic congestion as buses are trying to enter and leave the bus area. The majority of students are to be commended for the excellent manner in which they present themselves in both uniform and behaviour when travelling on public transport or on foot. They demonstrate respect for themselves and for others as young adults. For further information regarding travelling to and from school please consult the Student Record Book.

Geoff Browne - Acting Deputy Principal

APA - PASTORAL

CYBERSAFETY: Are these apps on your son or daughter’s phone? The world of social media and online communication moves so quickly and changes so frequently that it can often seem overwhelming to parents. Leading experts advise that as teachers and parents, we are ‘digital immigrants’ into this world that our teens inhabit. It is, therefore, of utmost importance that we stay informed about and involved in their online lives.

Do you know what social media apps are on your teens’ phone? Do you know how they are used?

Facebook Age Requirement 13+

The most popular social network site with over 1 billion accounts. While the site has been used as a platform by some to cyberbully others and by those under the age of 13, it has some of the best privacy, security and reporting mechanisms of all social networking sites. This only becomes a problem when misused or when kids set up fake accounts to avoid accountability and age restrictions.

Instagram Age Restrictions 13+

Instagram is online photo/video sharing site that has a social networking feature. It allows users to take pictures and videos, apply filters to them and share them on a variety of social networking services. It is now owned by Facebook. Although users can choose to share privately, most teens do not. They seem to want lots of people “following” them and so allow unfettered access without thought to the sorts of people that may want to access a copy of the pictures posted. If location services are switched to “on” on the mobile device, then the GPS position of where the picture was taken can be obtained. Also used for cyberbullying. If used correctly, this is a fun site for sharing experiences. However, we would advise checking that you child’s account is set to private and locations sevices “off”. Along with the close monitoring and discussion around what constitutes “appropriate” images to be posted.

More ’App Info’ to following in coming newsletters.

Amy Anderson - APA Pastoral (Acting)
Today is The Feast of the Assumption of Mary, a special day which the Church sets to honour Mary, the mother of Jesus.

**MASS TIMES**

**Saturday**
- 8.00am Burleigh Heads
- 5.00pm Miami
- 6.00pm Palm Beach
- 6.15pm Burleigh Heads

**Sunday**
- 7.00am Palm Beach
- 7.00am Burleigh Heads
- 8.30am Miami
- 8.30am Mudgeeraba
- 10.00am Doyle Centre
- 5.30pm Doyle Centre

Next week the Year 9 students will be given the subject selection booklet. It will be issued in an envelope and it is expected it will not be opened until they arrive home. In last week’s newsletter I said that they would be posted, so I hope that this change of arrangements will not cause any inconvenience.

I will be speaking to the students on Monday 25th August to answer any of their questions that they may have.

Please contact me at the College if you have any queries or questions.

Marie Hansen - APA Junior

**APA - JUNIOR**

Year 11 Study of Religion students enjoyed a very full day of fieldwork on Thursday visiting the Chung Tian Buddhist Temple at Priestdale and Temple Shalom at Surfers Paradise as part of their coursework in this subject.

It is always interesting to be a part of seeing young eyes being opened for the first time and yesterday was no exception. The hospitality, sharing and welcome we experience as part of these excursions is significant and allows as much food for discussion and reflection as the usual forms of research.

Students are told that in studying religion they will learn to understand others and the reasons why they do the things they do, whilst beginning to understand their own ways. In these days of black and blacker news on the world peace front, this aspect of our students’ education aims to bring greater understanding and hope for more tolerance and appreciation of differences in the future.

Year 11 Religion and Ethics students enjoyed a presentation from a parishioner and advisor to St Vincent de Paul on matters relating to migrants and asylum seekers from the perspective of the Catholic Church. This presentation has helped the students to understand more factual information on these issues and debunk many of the myths.

Migrant and Refugee Week is celebrated 25-31st August with this year’s theme being “Towards A Better World”.

A multicultural Mass will be celebrated at St Stephens Cathedral on Sunday, 31st August at 2:30 pm.

Dolores Maitland - APRE

**Gentle woman, quiet light,**
**Morning star, so strong**
**and bright,**
**Gentle mother, peaceful dove,**
**Teach us wisdom, teach us love.**

**You were chosen by the Father,**
**You were chosen for the Son,**
**You were chosen from all women,**
**And for woman, shining one.**

**Blessed are you among women.**
**Blest in turn all women too.**

**Blessed they with peaceful spirits,**
**Blessed they with gentle hearts.**
## 2014 Science Night

Congratulations to all the participants at the 2014 Science Night.

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**CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL THE WINNERS**
For the first three days of this week, the year 11 BOM class were immersed in the financial management of their coffee machine companies (Ecoman is a simulated business program). Throughout the three days, the four teams competed against each other to achieve the best production stats and share price. The companies took over a failing company (the same one) and then proceeded to make the financial decisions to help their company to gain the competitive edge so that they were outselling the others and improving the share price for their investors.

The decisions they made were realistic, every-day business decisions such as how many staff do we need to meet the production target, retrenching staff after consultation with unions and agreeing on a redundancy payment, improving the quality of their product, what to spend on advertising, where would be cheaper to advertise... and so on. They also had to deal with each of the economic cycles and fines from Government authorities for doing the wrong thing.

These decisions were entered into the simulation and the companies waited with anticipation for how their decisions fared and compared to their competitors. After leading the competition for most of the years of trading, Premio Caffé was pipped at the post by Katharine Kell’s Make It Coffee in the last year. Katharine’s company won by $1 in their share price.

Overall, the students gained a lot. Not only about the management decisions they had to make but working in teams and being able to communicate their ideas to their teams. They also had to present their position’s responsibilities, decisions and results to the shareholders at the AGM and suffer shareholder questioning after their presentation... quite a daunting task for most people, let alone year 11s.

Congratulations to all the students who participated... you stepped up to the challenge and made it your own.

Colleen Organ - Head of Business

TOOHEY FOREST EXCURSION

The year 11 BCT and BSB class travelled up to Griffith University Campus, Nathan to the Toohey Forest Environmental Education Centre. Darren and Sean greeted us and we learnt about what sustainability is, energy consumption of appliances, sustainable building features and we designed our own sustainable house to a budget. From this experience I have learnt that the more heat an appliance intakes the more energy it consumes. Also we learnt about sustainable building features and if they’re passive or active. Passive uses natural heating and cooling methods to make a home more comfortable and reduce overall energy consumption. Active relates to features added to a house to help further reduce or conserve energy use and improve sustainability.

Whilst at Nathan Campus we visited Sir Samuel Griffith Centre, which is Australia’s first teaching and research building powered, by a combination of photovoltaics and hydrogen. Our two classes were the first group in Australia to visit and use the facilities in the visitors centre—the impressive touch screen six metres by two metres. In all, a great day learning how to live more sustainably.

Erin Roberts - Year 11 Participant
**INTERSCHOOL DRAMA FESTIVAL**

On 9th August Marymount entered a Yr 8 play into the junior section of the Gold Coast Interschool Drama Festival. The festival runs over three weeks and over 20 schools participate, including Somerset College, St Michael’s, TSS, PBC, Aquinas College, Emmanuel and All Saints.

Our students have been rehearsing two afternoons a week, including several Sundays for the last two terms. To our excitement, our play *The Demon Headmaster*, directed by me, was awarded the Runners-Up trophy.

Congratulations to Flynn Anderson, Declan Paterson, Heidi Haley, Chloe Behrens, Lachlan Minter, Gabriella Gorman, Feviana Pereira da Costa, Jacob Browne, Madison Donovan, Ally Brosnan, Cheyenne Greffe, Brianna Corbett, Dylan Stipancic, Georgia Kreuger, Gemma, Davies, Amy Thompson, Olivia Ford, Claudia Moss, Darcie Garland, Piper Ferguson, Maggie Reynolds, Taylah Ramsay and Tyrah O’Brien-Gill.

Special congratulations to Flynn, Declan, Heidi, Dylan and Chloe who were also awarded Highly Commended certificates for their performance.

All of our students, as well as performing extremely well, were impeccably behaved and it has been an extremely rewarding experience for all involved.

**PALE BLUE DOT EXCURSION**

On Friday 8th August, we went on the last Year 12 Drama excursion for 2014. As much as it was a poignant and sentimental occasion, it was also filled with much laughter and reminiscing.

Both Year 12 Drama classes, as well as Miss Anderson, Ms Seigle-Buyat and myself, went for dinner at Pepe’s in Winston and then saw “Pale Blue Dot” at the RoundHouse Theatre, Kelvin Grove.

The night was met with fireworks at the theatre (something that I claimed but to be truthful it was great luck because of The Ekka show day) but it certainly cemented a wonderful 5 years with these creative, clever and wonderful young people.
CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OUR ENTHUSIASTIC CHESS PLAYERS WHO HAD AN ENJOYABLE AND VERY SUCCESSFUL DAY.

AGCC CHESS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Congratulations to all our enthusiastic chess players who had an enjoyable and very successful day at the AGCC Chess Championships which were held at Aquinas College last Friday 8th August.

With nearly a hundred students competing, we were thrilled at being awarded 2nd place in both Senior and Junior divisions. Our Senior team consisting of James Brimmer, Juvantus Faamausili, Tyrique Faamausili and Leon Wu (who stepped up from the Junior ranks) proved very tough competitors with a score of 21.5 points. Ahead after five rounds, it was an intense final round, with our boys finally being beaten by a point. Congratulations to the Senior team and especially to the individual place getters: Tyrique Faamausili who was awarded 2nd place, and his equally talented twin brother, Juvantus who was awarded 3rd place, both won 6 out of their 8 games.

We discovered some hidden talent among our Junior players who were also awarded 2nd Place on the best four scores and a total of 23 points, also only 1 point off winning their division. Our top juniors included Aaron Kennedy who was awarded 3rd place for his individual score of 6 wins; Nathan Janes who came in equal 4th place with 6 wins also; Ershwin Rangesh and Enzo De Salvo were just half a point behind; and Matt Fineran, Kieran Bucknell won five games. James Moore, Jack Mallory, Sam Reiher, Lachlan Brough, Ryan Gilder, Tom Woodman and Nick Tonks made up the remaining team and won between 3 and 4.5 points. Individual scores for each of our 17 players can be seen on the Gardiners’ Chess Schools website at http://www.gardinerchess.com.au/interschool-chess-results.

I would like to congratulate all the boys on their success and their excellent sportsmanship and behaviour on the day. I was very proud of them and look forward to seeing more of their growing talent.

The next event is the Individual Age Chess Championships that will be held in October.

Diana King - Chess Coordinator

JUNIOR DRAMA

On the 9th of August the cast of the Year 8 play *The Demon Headmaster* participated in the 42nd Annual Gold Coast Drama festival. A total of eleven schools competed in their category over the Friday and Saturday nights. They ended up winning second place, just behind Somerset College.

It was a great night filled with laughter, fun and lots and lots of selfies. Congratulations to Heidi Haley, Dylan Stipancic, Flynn Anderson and Declan Paterson on their Highly Commended awards.

*The Demon Headmaster* as well as the Intermediate and Senior plays will be showcased on the 10th October.

Maggie Reynolds - Year 8 reporter
**BOOK WEEK 2014**

**CONNECT TO READING:** This year’s theme for Book Week is ‘Connect to Reading’. Over the next couple of weeks around 30 of our students will be visiting the 6 Prep School classes at Marymount Primary to act out a picture book story and sit and read with them. It’s always lots of fun!

**DIGITAL READING:** Do remind your children that the Library catalogue now has e-books and audiobooks for downloading on their laptops or other devices, though I know a lot of them still prefer a physical book!

**FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY:** You may have seen in the press the sad news about the withdrawal of funding for the volunteer-run Friends of the Library shop in Southport. They were about to celebrate their 20th Anniversary, but apparently are not financially viable enough for Gold Coast City Council to support any more.

I would like to thank them, on your behalf, for their great community work in both running the shop and in organizing and supplying free, secondhand teenage novels to us over the last couple of years.

Their hard work and passion will be missed. Reading books is not dying – ask the students who gobbled up the last delivery of 10 boxes of books.

*Janet Cartlidge - Teacher Librarian*
The Year 11 Marine Science classes travelled to South Currigee on South Stradbroke Island to use the boats to undertake an environmental assessment of the Wavebreak Island area. The data collected will be used to assess the impact the proposed cruise ship terminal may have on the area. Students also completed their powerboating assessment for their Recreational Marine Driver’s Licence.

The whole experience was not only limited to boating but also students managed to learn about the local wildlife that came out at night. While sitting around the fire bandicoots were walking under and around the chairs, and wallabies came to socialise with the students. “Hey Rhonda”.

It was a long week for Mr O’Shea and I, but when you have a great group of students who work together to help out around camp and are enthusiastic about the subject, it makes it a lot easier. I apologise to the parents for any students who came home and tried all the tricks and mind games on you that we play around the campfire at night!

I would like to express my thanks to the lab technicians, Tonia Garner and Sandra Leu, for their assistance with the organisation of this camp.

*Brendan Crowley - Marine Science*
Congratulations to the Marymount College staff Dragon Boating Crew who competed in the Currumbin Creek Corporate Regatta last weekend.

During the day the Marymount Makos were unbeaten in their three heat races. They took this fine form into the final which they won convincingly, by a boat length.

Thanks to Mrs Dempsey, Mrs Blackburn and Ms Young for once again getting the team entered, organised and for showing the rest of the staff the way on the day. Also a big thanks to our other two experienced Dragon Boaters Ms Hansen and Ms Aki for getting us across the line. Staff who were involved on the day include: Ms Andersen, Mrs Smith, Mrs Vine, Mrs Mathers, Mrs Parker, Miss Horn, Mr Connor, Mr Cummerford, Mr Smith, Mr P Carroll, Mr Turner, Mr Crowley, Mr Browne, Mrs Cook, Mr O'Shea and Mr Hamilton.

Thank you to George Parker from All Saints Anglican College for his continued involvement.

This is Marymount’s third attempt and third victory in this regatta. We look forward to next year and hope that Dragon Boating will find its way into the 2018 Gold Coast Commonwealth Games.

Jason Hamilton - Captain
COLLEGE TRACK & FIELD CARNIVAL
The College Track & Field carnival was held two weeks ago and as we ran out of time at the assembly on Wednesday to announce the results you will have to wait another week for the Age Champions and Champion House.

OCEANIC DISTRICT TRACK & FIELD TRIALS
On Monday and Tuesday we had the Oceanic District Track & Field trials held at the Gold Coast Athletic Centre at Griffith University. We had over 100 students compete over the two days for a chance to qualify for the South Coast Regional Track & Field trials and to try to win the school point score. At the end of two days of intense competition and a couple of injuries we had 34 students qualify for the South Coast trials in September. Marymount also finished 3rd in the overall point score behind PBC and Merrimac SHS, but they also have a percentage point score where they take into consideration the number of students in your school and we won that trophy for the second consecutive year.

Congratulations to all students who competed over the two days. Thank you to Mrs Kim Smith and Mr Matt Carroll for their work as team managers and thanks also to Ms Cherie Andersen, Mrs Kylie Mathers, Mrs Nicole Browne, Mrs Lorena Vine, Mr John Kelleher and the students who all volunteered their time to assist in running the long jump and triple jump over the two days.

All students who qualified for the South Coast trials should now have received an information and permission letter and schedule of events. The permission slips need to be returned to Mr Balym by Tuesday 19th of August.

2014 SURF LIFE SAVING QUEENSLAND SECONDARY SCHOOL SURF LEAGUE – SOUTH EAST REGION
SLSQ is bringing back the Secondary School Surf League on Friday 19th of September at North Kirra beach. It is open to all students who wish to enter – you don’t have to be part of a surf club to compete in surf races, flags or sprints.

Events include: Surf Races, Iron Mans (Swim/Board only), Board Races, Flags, Sprints, Surf Teams, Cameron Relays and Beach Relays. Age categories are U13, U15 & 16+. If you wish to compete, please see Mr Balym to register your interest.

TERM 4 SPORT
It is that time of year where I begin to organize what options students will have for recreational sports in term 4. If you are affiliated with any gyms or sporting groups and would like to be involved in hosting some students from our College on a Thursday afternoon for an hour from 1:30 to 2:30pm, then please email me at the College on info@marymount.qld.edu.au and I will get in touch with you.

THURSDAY SPORT
This week we had round 4 and we continue with round 5 next week. Make sure you know which sport and team you are in and come prepared for your games next week. It is unfair on other students and other schools if we have to forfeit games because you don’t show up to the sport you are expected to be at.

QUEENSLAND GOVERNMENT YOUNG ATHLETE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
If your child has competed at a State or State School Championships, National or National School Championship or International Championship you may be eligible to receive $200 financial assistance from the Queensland Government. Go to http://www.nprsr.qld.gov.au/funding/overview/young-athlete.html to find out more information and to see if you are eligible.

SPORTING RESULTS
Many of the sporting results that happen outside of school only make their way to our newsletter because the students or their family inform the school. If you would like to have your results or your child’s results published in the newsletter, please contact me via email: info@marymount.qld.edu.au and I will make sure we have the details in the next newsletter.

Trent Balym - Head of Sport
The Theme of your film should be super heroes

Your film can be fiction or non-fiction, live action or animated. It can be a single shot filmed on a camera phone, or put together with professional equipment and software. The Media Department will be viewing every entry, and the films they like best will receive feedback from our critics. The winners will be announced and receive a prize on Media Night, where the top entries can be viewed. See entry form for full conditions. For more info contact Mrs Vine on lvine@marymount.qld.edu.au. Closing date: 3pm Monday 3 November

Home Economics

Jacinta Kennedy (Year 10) with her carefully constructed zippered dress

Year 8 students making healthy banana pancakes

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BEST USE OF TIME ON THURSDAY AFTERNOONS

QCS tutorials in Mathematics and Science have been organised for students sitting the OP tests. Others staying have the opportunity to catch up on assignments and do some extra study.

YEAR 12S ARE AMBASSADORS FOR THE COLLEGE

As students who have attended the school for almost four years, there is no excuse for wearing the uniform incorrectly. The eyes of the rest of the school are upon Year 12s at this time, particularly as Year 11s begin preparing for their leadership process and the Year 10s take another step in their journey towards Senior school with subject selection and the growing awareness of the vast array of possibilities offered at Marymount College – academically, culturally and in the sporting arena.

With only weeks left before the seniors finally finish their secondary schooling, we ask parents to please ensure students come to school on time beginning with the Pastoral period; attend all classes, wear their uniform according to the College’s expectation and show courtesy in the classroom, on the field and the carpark. Students leaving the school precinct must sign out. Late arrivals must sign in. It is a matter of Safety and Security for all concerned.

False and colored fingernails (applied for the Formal) must be removed during this weekend. RTC slips will be issued to those girls who have not abided by the school’s Policy on uniform, makeup and accessories.

ROTARY INTERACT

Board members Millie Clout, Nikara Rangesh, Caitlin McNamara, Caitlin O’Connor, Amy Weatherall, Shari Johnson, Lucy Koschel and Taya Oxenham addressed members this week, informing them of their various roles, the responsibilities that come with them and where they see the future of the Club. A number of excited and interested parties nominated for positions for the 2014-2015 term. The announcement of the new Board will be made on Tuesday August 26 at the lunchtime meeting.

Meantime, we reminded all members of the PI and Pizza Event this evening 5.30pm-7.30pm in the Doyle Centre. It is an opportunity to have fun and spend time with like-minded students concerned with making a contribution to the community. Ms Barlow, Ms Aki and Mrs Scott will be in attendance.

Next Week on Tuesday August 19, the Interact Club will hold a Bake Sale raising funds for local projects in our community. Students are asked to bring something to sell. It must have the ingredients clearly marked on the packaging.

YEAR 12 GROUP PHOTOGRAPH SEPTEMBER 1

Advising that our 2014 group photograph session is schooled for 8.30am.

Please ensure you wear your full school uniform. Girls’ hair must be tired back. No stockings please just correct socks.

Should you have any concerns regarding Year 12 matters, please contact the Main Office on 55861000 and ask for us.

Mr Kevin Cornor and Mrs Irene Scott Year 12 Coordinators

CALL THE STUDIO ON 0410 489 616

YEAR 12 GRADUATION 2014 PHOTOGRAPHS

PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL THE PROFESSIONAL PHOTOGRAPHS CAN BE VIEWED AND ORDERED AT THE COLLEGE BOOK SHOP OR THE VICTORIA J STUDIO FROM FRIDAY 11 AUGUST.

CALL THE STUDIO ON 0410 489 616
COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALLING ALL JUNIOR CRICKETERS

If you would like to learn to play cricket or you are the next Michael Clarke, Palm Beach Currumbin Junior Cricket would like to welcome you into one of our teams. We are having our sign on day Sunday 17th August 2014 10am-2.00pm at Salk Oval, Thrower Drive Palm Beach. If can’t make it just call Greg Neuhaus 0419 781 111. Milo in2CRICKET 5-8 year olds, modified 8-10 year olds, under 11’s-17’s competition.

Registrations open until 30 August 2014.

We look forward to sharing all the fun with you!

SUMMER SOCCER

In October, Soccer X will be running an 8 week Summer Soccer league at Carrara Soccer Fields for U6’s – U11’s.

For more information and online registrations please visit WWW.SOCCELER-X.COM. If you have any questions please call Justyn on 0451 162346.”

G’DAY USA EXCHANGE PROGRAM 2016 - OPPORTUNITY FOR STUDENTS

An opportunity exists for students at school to take part in a Cultural Exchange trip to the United States of America for twenty days in the January 2016 school holidays.

Destinations include: Disneyland, Universal Studios, Knott’s Berry Farm, Los Angeles, San Diego and San Francisco. A feature of the tour is that the students spend ten days living with an American host family and visit an American school.

The cost is currently $5,495.00*. The trip departs from Melbourne, Sydney and Brisbane international airports, and includes the following: airfares, transfers, accommodation, travel insurance, breakfasts and admissions to attractions.

Please see Ms Tegan Crawford for more information or phone EWT. Toll Free - 1800 337 930 or (03) 9830 4545

* Tour Inclusions

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First Nipper Sunday - 21st September 2014 from 8.15am to 10.30am

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New Members Only - You will need to bring an Original Birth certificate to prove age (eg. Passport). A parent/guardian must be present to supervise children within these classes. Please bring spectator goggles, swimsuit and cap speed.

NEED MORE INFORMATION EMAIL: jdnominations@burleighlsc.com.au

MEMBERSHIP FEES

Family membership fee $190.00 per family covers up to 4 persons. Eg. 2 parents/guardians and 2 children, or one parent and 3 children. OR $65.00 per child plus $120.00 per parent + Nipper Levy $20.00 per child (capped at $50.00 per family)

At least one parent/guardian in each family must be a member ($70 for a parent if an active member “Active Member is a person that holds a current Bronze Medallion and is actively patrolling”) for all membership prices, please refer http://www.burleighlsc.com.au/membership

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Pool Entry Fee $2.00 per swimmer

The Get Started Grant provides members with vouchers to the value of $150 per child to use in their chosen sports for participation costs. Our Club is a registered organisation that can accept the $150 voucher per person towards Club membership fees for the upcoming season. The voucher can only be used for participation fees and not any other item. (If you claimed in Round 3 for a winter sport then you will not be eligible for Round 4). Simply visit http://www.nprsr.qld.gov.au/funding/getinthegame/voucher-application.html

FIRST NIPPER SUNDAY - 21st September 2014 from 8.15am to 10.30am

Need more information email: jdnominations@burleighlsc.com.au

Program 1: Monday 29th September 2014 to Friday 3rd October 2014 (Everyday 8:00am to 10:00am)

Program 2: Monday 12th January 2015 to Friday 16th January 2015 (Everyday 8:00am to 10:00am)

Program 3: Monday 13th April 2015 to Friday 17th April 2015 (Everyday 8:00am to 10:00am)

$95.00 per participant which includes a Long Sleeved Rash Shirt

Enquire at: littlelifesavers@lifesaving.com.au
GOLD COAST INSTITUTE OF TAFE – 2014 DIRECT ENTRY/SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Year 12 students planning on applying to this program need to register by visiting the Marymount College Careers Office urgently, where individualised support in terms of the application process is available. Scholarship opportunities also exist for those students who are able to demonstrate commitment within the area of study. Visit www.gcit.edu.au for further details. Note that applications close Friday, 12th September.

GOLD COAST HEALTH – NURSING WORKSHOP – ROBINA HOSPITAL

Year 11 & 12 students interested in health careers are invited to take part in a 1 day School Work Experience Workshop conducted by the Clinical Education and Research Centre (Robina). The workshop will be held in a lecture theatre with presentations and simulation activities. Two workshops are scheduled as follows:

- Tuesday, 18th November 2014
- Wednesday, 26th November 2014

Further details on the workshop is now available, and to register, visit the Marymount College Careers Office. Places are limited!!

BOND UNIVERSITY - EXPERIENCE PSYCHOLOGY DAY

Bond University is hosting a complimentary Psychology Day on Thursday, 21st August from 9am to 2pm for Year 11 & 12 students to spend a day on campus participating in workshops and interactive activities designed to give an insight into a career in psychology. For further details, and to register, see the Marymount College Careers Office today, or visit www.bond.edu.au/psychology.

SEA WORLD - SEPTEMBER SCHOOL HOLIDAY POSITIONS VACANT

Sea World are currently offering a number of positions within their retail outlets. To apply, visit www.onetest.com.au/wvtp/ap52323/. Note: Applications close on Sunday, 17th August.

AIR GOLD COAST OPEN DAY

Air Gold Coast is holding an Open Day on Saturday, 6th September from 10am to 2pm at their Bilinga facilities. The day is a great opportunity to gain information on available pathways to become a Commercial Pilot and to gain a sense of the exciting career options. Seminars are scheduled throughout the day, and Flight Instructors and Aviation Industry professionals will be available to advise on courses. Visit www.airgold.coast.com.au

AUSTRALIA CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY – EARLY ACHIEVERS’ PROGRAM

ACU recognise that you have more to offer than your academic results. The ACU Early Achievers’ Program is open to school leavers and considers the contribution you have made to your community organisations, cultural and/or religious groups.

One of the biggest benefits of the program is that successful applicants receive an offer well ahead of the usual tertiary admissions announcements. Refer to www.acu.edu/eap for more information on your eligibility and the application process.

Note: Applications close on Monday, 20th October.

ANZ ABORIGINAL EMPLOYMENT STRATEGY TRAINEESHIPS

The Aboriginal Employment Strategy are currently taking applications for school based and full-time traineeships with the ANZ Bank Helensvale.

To be eligible, students must by of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Island descent and for the School Based positions, currently enrolled in Year 10. To apply, complete an application form at www.anz.com/indigenousemployment.

Note: Application for School Based Traineeships close on 31st August. Full time traineeship applications are accepted throughout the year.

2015 UQ ENHANCED STUDIES PROGRAM

UQ’s Enhanced Studies Program (ESP) provides talented students with an opportunity to extend their studies by completing a university subject in the 1st semester of Year 12. Students can select from a wide range of courses including:

- Maths & Accounting
- Popular Culture & Journalism
- Economics & Marketing
- Philosophy & History
- Writing & Languages

Students who successfully complete an ESP course receive one bonus point towards their university entrance rank through UQ’s Bonus Rank Scheme.

Applications are now open, and can be made via the online application form available at www.uq.edu.au/esp. Note: Applications for ESP close on Friday, 31st October.

RSA WITH A DIFFERENCE

Do you require your Responsible Service of Alcohol certificate or want to develop additional skills within a food and beverage environment? Aurora Training Institute is conducting face to face group training on:

- Wednesday, 3rd September (6pm-9pm)
- Suite 25 “Acacia Centre Commercial”, 340 Scottsdale Drive, Robina

COST: $50

To register, email admin@aurora.edu.au or phone 1300 936 864.