College Principal’s Column

Dear Parents and Friends,

The next few weeks are an excellent time for our college. This is the time when we can all come together to celebrate achievements for 2016 for our students. This year is an extra special time as we come together for the first Awards Night since we became Nambour State College.

That in itself is a reason for celebration but it has been very good for me as I prepare a speech for Awards Night to reflect on how far we have progressed in the last twelve months. The progress has been nothing short of extraordinary. I doubt if any other amalgamated college has ever progressed as well as we have and that was confirmed in the school review last term.

In recent weeks we have had the results of the school opinion surveys from earlier this year published. I believe the results from the parent comments show fantastic support for all that we have been doing this year. Firstly, 181 families responded and that is a very high response rate when compared with other schools. Some of the results for the questions are very positive – “My child likes being at this school” (94.5% support), “This is a good school” (94.9% support), “I would recommend this school to others” (94.9% support), “My child is getting a good education at this school” (95.4% support), “Student behaviour is well managed at this school” (94.5% support). All these show very positive support for our college. The responses come from the whole college P-12 and thus this support is very widespread. Thank you to parents for the wide ranging support for what we have been doing this year. It provides me and the whole school with great confidence that we are moving in the right way as we progress towards 2020 and further for our students.

A very good support for this is the way that enrolments are growing all the time and that predictions for enrolment numbers for 2017 will be far higher than we were seeing 12 months ago. These are all very good signs for our college and for its future.

If you have any questions at any time, please feel free to call me on 5450 4122 or email me on wtroy1@eq.edu.au.

College Principal
Dr Wayne Troyahn

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IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ALL PARENTS, CARERS AND VISITORS TO THE SCHOOL

All parents, carers and visitors to the school must report firstly to the school Administration to sign in and to make an appointment to see the person they need to see.

Please do not go directly to staff rooms or class rooms under any circumstances.
These processes are in place to help protect students and ensure that the school remains a safe and secure environment.

Student Absentee Line: Report all absentees to:
Senior Campus 5450 4160
Junior Campus 5459 0366

Congratulations to the 2016 School Captains:
Kiera Bloomfield, Jacob Claffey, Emelie Orrell and Bonnie Searle

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HEAD OF SENIOR SCHOOL

Dear students, parents and friends

We are almost half way through the final term - the year has indeed gone like lightning!

The senior campus Term 3 results were very exciting indeed, being the HIGHEST TERM 3 RESULTS WE HAVE SEEN FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS. This is testament to the sensational work of our students and the dedication and effort of our staff who have guided them along the journey. Well done everyone!

Next week sees the conduct of our Annual Awards Night, our opportunity to acknowledge the success of our students in a wide range of areas. All students have been emailed details of the award winners and have also been advised to check the door of Hungerford Hall to see if they are eligible for an award. Students receiving an award were to have collected an invitation. Extras of these can be collected from the office if they have been misplaced.

The Awards Night will be held in Hungerford Hall on Thursday 3 November with doors opening at 6:00pm. Students are to be dressed in complete and correct Formal Uniform and are to be neatly presented. This is a significant event for the College and we are on show to our community - we want them to see us at our very best!!

This week also saw the official opening of our ‘Makerspace’, led by Mr Millman. The ‘Makerspace’ is an exciting initiative that provides the opportunity for students to engage in exciting and engaging activities that challenged them to use their creative and innovative talents.

Attendance

The Senior Campus attendance for this Semester currently stands at 87.8% as compared with 88.8% for Semester 1.

Year 7 89.6%
Year 8 85.6%
Year 9 88.3%
Year 10 87.4%
Year 11 86.4%
Year 12 89.3%

How can I help my child succeed at school?

Communication between student and teachers is vital if quality learning is to occur. Students need to talk with their teachers when they get stuck, rather than continue on in class with gaps in their learning. If they fail to do so, the problem can easily compound and students can get behind in their studies.

As parents, we can encourage our children to discuss issues with their learning with their teachers earlier rather than later and build a good working relationship with their teachers. Ultimately we are all here for the same reason - the best results possible for our children!

Thought of the week

“I was always looking outside myself for strength and confidence, but it comes from within. It is there all of the time.”

Anna Freud

Have a fantastic fortnight!

Sean Maher

From the Head of Junior Campus

After 6 months of rehearsal and preparation, the time has finally come for the Dance Spectacular Concert! This Friday 28 October, Shami and Imogen (Year 10 students) will be hosting the culminating event for our students who have been participating in the weekly Wednesday dance lessons. The concert will be held at Hungerford Hall commencing at 6pm
and concluding around 8pm. Doors open at 5:30pm. Tickets are $5.00 at the door and all funds raised are going towards the Breast Cancer Foundation. There will be a canteen operating on the evening.

It has been exciting to watch first-hand the amazing progress of each and every one of our students and to see the performances coming together. I commend Imogen and Sharni for their hard work, patience and dedication in preparing our children for the concert. These young ladies are a credit to our College and it is events like this, which reinforce the benefits of being a P-12 College!

Day for Daniel

On Friday 28 October our College will acknowledge Day for Daniel by wearing red to school. On Day for Daniel we don’t raise funds – we are raising awareness about child protection and safety for all children everywhere. Please take a moment to discuss these rules below with your child.

Recognise

We want you to RECOGNISE that there are dangers out there, but you can help to keep yourself safe. Be alert for the clues that warn us when something is unsafe. These clues can be as simple as smelling smoke which warns us there is a fire or a lockdown alarm at school, or your BODY CLUES.

React

REACT by getting away from the danger. Remember to run to a safe location if you feel unsafe. React is also about the choices you make to keep yourself safe. You can often plan ahead or think about how you might react in an unsafe situation. Planning ahead means for example: working out the best way to get home when it is dark. You should stay in well-lit areas where there are lots of people around and not cut through a park or back lanes.

Report

This is a really important safety message. This means telling an adult in your life who cares about your safety when there is a problem. It’s adults who can keep you safe from harm and who can make a situation safe again for you. “I CAN GET HELP”. Create a safety network of adults and organisations who you know will, LISTEN TO YOU, BELIEVE YOU AND HELP YOU.

Wear a red shirt, a red ribbon or red socks on Day for Daniel and show community support both for the Morcombie Foundation and promoting children’s personal safety. As part of this day at 2:00pm, students will meet in the hall and participate in a community walk around the school to raise community awareness. Parents and family members are very welcome to join us!

Staff Recognition Day

On Friday 28 October our College will recognise and celebrate the wonderful work that the entire school staff does in making Nambour State College a great place to come to learn, work and play. At Nambour State College we are very fortunate to have a dedicated team of professionals who strive each and every day to ensure that the children get the very best from every educational opportunity. I would like to sincerely thank everyone for their contribution in making our school such a successful one.

Supervision of children before school commences each day

I think it is a wonderful thing that so many parents are prepared to sit with their child/ren before school on a daily basis but I would ask for your full support on three things please:

1. Parents are asked to supervise their own children only and not the friends of your child. All children not directly supervised by their parent/carer before school MUST go to the oval or the library where teachers provide supervision.

2. Because before school is a non-play time I ask parents not to allow children to roam free, play ball games or access playground equipment. Before you accuse me of just being a grumpy spoilsport, the reason for my request is that we want to avoid potential injury to students and subsequent legal claims in areas of the school that are out of bounds without direct teacher supervision.

3. Parents in classrooms when the bell goes each morning is a wonderful thing – especially in the Prep, Year One and Year Two areas of the school. However, it is important that those parents not directly involved in volunteer duties move away from the classroom area so that daily instruction can commence. There are plenty of shaded areas away from the front door of classrooms where parents can chat and this is a wonderful thing.

Student Assessment

A reminder that for the next few weeks all classes will be involved in testing for Semester 2 reporting. Therefore, it is extremely important that children attend school and arrive on time for class. Assessment results are used to assist in the formation of classes for 2017, and as such it is imperative that all children be in attendance during this period.

2017 Class Formations

The school administration will shortly be sitting down with our teachers to organise classes for 2017. These meetings are designed to ensure that each child is placed in a class which has a balance of gender, academic ability, behavioural and friendship/interest groups. Special consideration is also given to those students requiring learning support and those students identified with a disability. To assist in this process parents may request a particular educational setting and any other relevant information for their child. Please note parents may not put in a preference for a particular teacher.

This year request forms are available from the office for completion only. Whilst your input is important to us it is essential to remember that decisions are made in the best interests of the child and that no guarantees can be made when allocating students to classes for next year. Forms must be returned to the school administration by Friday 18 November. Unfortunately, late returns will not be considered.
Parents of children who may be leaving the school community in 2016/2017 are also requested to inform the office so that we are not allocating students to classes who will not be with us next year. If you are in this situation.

**Count Us In**

All of our students participate in the annual Australia-wide sing-a-long called Count Us In. Classes will soon be singing and practising this year’s song called ‘Let it Play’. It is a very catchy song and it may get stuck in your head! If your child would like to practise singing the song at home, here is the Youtube link:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FMJgxt_kxbo

**Prep 2017**

To date we have over 40 students enrolled for Prep for next year and I know there are others who are yet to enrol. Parents/Carers are advised that **PREP IS COMPULSORY FROM 2017** for all Queensland children, prior to commencing Year 1. Since Prep started in 2007, there have been noticeable improvements to learning outcomes for children who participate in Prep. Making Prep compulsory ensures all children develop the knowledge and skills provided by the Prep Year that form the foundation for future learning. For more information, refer to the ‘Enrolling your child’ page on the Education Queensland website. Nambour State College is not an enrolment managed or catchment school and as such, enrolments are welcome from those residing outside Nambour.

**Enrolments 2017**

To help manage and plan for the future we are asking our families for their support by keeping us informed if you are planning on changing schools in 2017 or letting relatives, neighbours and friends know that we have available spaces across all year levels. Nambour State College is not an enrolment management or catchment school, and as such, we welcome enrolments from Nambour and our across our neighbouring suburbs to our great College. For enrolment enquiries, please contact our friendly administrative staff.

**Student Dress Code**

A reminder to all parents that children are not permitted to wear jewellery to school. Jewellery including anklets, necklaces and bracelets is not to be worn as part of the school uniform. Earrings may be worn but need to be sleepers or simple studs.

This policy is supported by the school’s Parents and Citizens Association and is part of the school’s Responsible Behaviour Plan for Students. It would be greatly appreciated if all parents can ensure that their child attends school keeping our dress code expectations in mind at all times.

**Canberra Camp 2017**

Parents/Carers of students in Year 5 are reminded that the initial non-refundable deposit of $150.00 is due no later than Friday 18 November 2016.

**Messages for children**

We ask parents to make all arrangements for how children are getting home from school before they leave home in the morning. However, in the event of patients needing to change an arrangement please ensure you contact the school office by telephone (and not your child’s teacher by email) as we cannot guarantee that teachers will read their email before the end of the school day. The office staff ensure that phoned in messages are distributed to teachers and children by 2:45pm. Please be aware that messages arrived after 2:15pm cannot be guaranteed to be delivered as it is sometimes difficult to locate a class in a short period of time.

**Student Celebrations**

We have amazing children in our school achieving in their chosen interests at high levels. If your child has achieved something wonderful outside school please let us know either through the office, your child’s teacher or email info@namboursc.eq.edu.au.

We love to hear about what our children are doing!

*Bec Hutton*

**Principal**

**Junior Campus**

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**A MESSAGE FROM OUR DEPUTY PRINCIPAL JUNIOR CAMPUS**

**Prep Open Day**

At Nambour State College, we believe a seamless transition from Kindy to Prep is vital in establishing a flying start to school life. This week, we welcomed many new students and families into the school at our Prep Open Day. This day provided children with a happy and active start to their school years.

Children had the opportunity to explore a Prep classroom and be involved in some activities with our amazing Prep teachers. They also had fun out in our Prep playground.

Children and parents are encouraged to participate in our transition programs in order to explore the exciting and stimulating Prep program we offer at Nambour State College. If you know of any parents and families who missed our Open Day, we would love to hear from them.

Dates and times for next Transition Events in TERM 4 are as followed:

**Wednesday 16th November 1:30pm to 2:30pm**

Classroom Experience

**Tuesday 22nd & Thursday 24th November**

Enrolment Interviews – Primary Administration Office
Friday 2nd December 1:30pm to 2.30pm
Classroom Experience

Kind regards,

Emma Marshall
Deputy Principal Junior Campus

EAL NEWS

One of our very talented EAL (English as an Additional Language) students, Dat Ly, has just returned from an international dance competition in the USA. Dat is a member of the Hip Hop dance crew, Hood Nation, and after coming second in the national Australian competition, they were invited to compete at Hip Hop International in Las Vegas. They competed against 78 other dance crews from 48 different countries, and the months of hard work and dedication certainly paid off as they placed 12th! We’re so proud of Dat and would like to congratulate him. We also wish him the best for his dancing future.

2016 GRADUATION AND FORMAL

Year 12 students are getting very excited as these two events are fast approaching. Dresses and suits are being bought, appointments made for hair and make-up and transport organised.

There has been lots of information given to students and emailed to parents regarding both events – so check those emails so you are up to date with all the latest.

Looking forward to a great end of the year for our 2016 Year 12 students.

Nambour State College has been developing a 2020 vision that includes the following expectations:

“Students have 24/7 digital access to learning materials so that they can learn where and when they want” (every subject has an online “virtual classroom”).

“Every student has access to an individual learning device that connects them to these learning materials” (School and student owned devices).

“College is a learning hub that provides students with open connections to other educational providers” (College is a learning hub).

In 2017 Nambour State College will offer 3 options for access to computers in the senior campus (7-12):

1. Option 1 – Bring Your Own Laptop (Windows or Apple Mac) - $60 per year (includes secure connection to college wireless network, limited ICT support, Adobe software e.g. Photoshop, Flash, Premiere Pro etc.).

2. Option 2 – Take Home Laptop (ACER tablet or laptop) – ONLY IF ALREADY IN THE PROGRAM – NO NEW SIGN UPS - $120 per year (includes secure connection to college wireless network, ICT support, Adobe software e.g. Photoshop, Flash, Premiere Pro etc.).

3. Option 3 – College based laptops or desktops – available in classrooms or library.

“Bring Your Own Laptop” is optional in 2017 but the college plans to phase in for all students in years 7-12 by 2020.

In 2018 all students in Years 7 & 10 will be required to bring their own laptop for use in class. The BYO program may also be available to students in P-6 using iPads or laptops in the future.

More Information can be found on the college website:
http://www.namboursc.eq.edu.au

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Community Pathways

Community Pathways students enjoyed a trip to Maleny Dairies as part of their Project Based Learning class Community Sprouts.

The students received a tour of Maleny Dairies where they learnt about the Dairy industry ‘from the cow to the bottle and everything in-between’.

They will use the information that they learnt to build on their skills in their ongoing PBL project.
ATTENTION: YEAR 11 STUDENTS
RE: 2017 SENIOR JERSEY

The Jersey Committee are working on your 2017 senior jersey. The design will be very similar to this year’s jersey with only a few minor changes.

To ensure that we have the jerseys week 1, term 1, the orders have to be in by Tuesday 1 November.

The jerseys cost $100.00, they are not compulsory, and it is your choice whether or not to buy one.

If you have any fees owing your order will NOT be taken until these fees are paid.

I will be putting the order in on November 8 and NO late orders can be accepted. This is to ensure delivery of the jerseys week 1, term 1. This is the manufacturer’s timeline and the committee decision to have the jerseys available as early as possible. There will be a second order done at the beginning of the year, but those jerseys will not arrive until sometime during term 2.

HOW TO ORDER

1. Pay at the payments counter.
2. Bring your receipt to B-Block staffroom.
3. Try on samples to get your size.
4. Complete the order form

Ms Phelan and the Jersey Committee.

A Big Congratulations to Cameron Labinsky

Last Thursday to Saturday one of our very talented athletes competed in the State QLD School Sports.

Congratulations goes to Cameron winning:

- 1st in 100m (almost broke the state record)
- 1st 200m
- 1st Javelin
- 2nd 400m
- 2nd shot put

Well done Cameron—that is fantastic.

Our Chaplain’s Report – Senior Campus – Chappy Ryan

This term has seen a busy start. We are on the home stretch for the end of year and events will start to ramp before we all go on our well-earned Christmas break. Some of the things that I have been/will be involved in coming up in this term will be as follows:

- Teens take Control with Mike Reimann
- Equine Therapy also with Mike Reimann
- Awards night
- School captain speeches
- Graduation night
- Making sure that our Yr 12s keep calm and together until the end of the year.
- Welcoming new students to the school

Our students are already excited about the end of the year, with preparations of graduations and formals already started.

Here is a photo of how busy it gets in our Wellbeing Kitchen that our P&C donated to the school.

Chaplain’s Report – Junior Campus – Chappy Kell

What Chappy Kel has been up to this term:

1. Social and Emotional Support (Pastoral Care)
   • One-on-one meetings with students
• Care Packages to families in need
• 2 Breaky Clubs a week

2. Spiritual Support in the school community
• Supa Club

3. Mentoring
• Girls Connect: with Yr 5 girl’s weekly
• Junior Rock Band weekly
• Starting a Senior Rock Band with Years 7 & 8

4. Community Development (including donor nurture, community and church connections etc)
• Youth Group Leader on Friday Nights
• Organizing Junior Choir to sing at Nambour Community Carols Friday 9th December.
• Meeting with Youth Leaders on the coast

5. Educational Support
• Helping in classes with computers

6. Extra-Curricular Activities
• Junior School Disco

7. SUQld team Contribution
• Any Bites Camp with Years 5 and 6 from 5 different schools including Nambour State College

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Yr 12 – Career Guidance

How to choose a course if you’re not sure what you want to do when you leave school

If you’re getting ready to leave school, it’s likely that everywhere you go you’ll be asked what you want to be ‘when you grow up’. If you’re still looking into possible courses, tossing up between two fields or have no idea what kind of career you want, consider these three options.

Choose a generalist tertiary degree

Generalist degrees are a good choice if you have a broad area of interest but aren’t sure which exact career is for you. They allow you to explore your options without committing to a single specialization — or at least not in your first year out of school. If your interests are in the humanities, for example, you may choose a broad arts degree that will allow you to study subjects as varied as anthropology, creative writing, languages and women’s studies. Once you decide on a specialization, you can choose a major (perhaps in your second year) or hone in on a specific area through a postgraduate degree. This is becoming more and more common, with two Australian universities (The University of Melbourne and The University of Western Australia) already having moved to a two-part degree structure, where students complete a generalist bachelor degree before progressing into a higher degree with a more specialized focus (usually at masters level). You might consider looking out for work experience options (such as internships or part-time cadetships) during your undergraduate degree to get a first-hand experience of a particular job and refine your potential career options.

‘Try out’ a field of study

If you’re still weighing up the pros and cons of a certain field, but aren’t sure if you want to commit to three or four years of study, why not try a lower-level qualification in the field? A certificate course, for example, can take around six months of full-time study and will give you a good idea of what further study will be like and whether it’s the right field for you. Depending on the qualification level you choose, you may even be granted credit if you then enter a bachelor degree in a related field. You may also choose to enrol into a single unit to gain some insight into a field of study you are considering. Single units may also be credited if you choose to complete a course in the field.

Take a gap year

Taking a gap year is another option, as it gives you time to think about your options. You can use a gap year to travel, gain some work experience or perhaps just to take a much needed break. You might even decide to take a shorter break and apply for courses at mid-year intake. This means that you will have a few months to weigh up your options away from the stress of Year 12 and gain some insight from friends who have already begun their studies. Not all courses are offered at mid-year, so it is best to check with individual institutions if you are considering this option.

Further information

• Choosing a course and campus — information about choosing a course and campus
• Study options — information for school leavers about tertiary education providers; qualification levels; differences between university, TAFE and VET and more
• Fields of study — information about the 30 different fields of study, including course specializations, career options and graduate ratings

Jana Morrisova
Guidance Counsellor
P & C, TUCKSHOP AND UNIFORM SHOP

P & C

NEXT MEETING:
The next P&C meeting will be held on Wednesday 16th November 2016. The meeting will be held in the senior campus library at 6.00pm for a 6.30pm start. Please pop in at 6.00pm to catch up, have a chat and a cuppa before proceedings.

We welcome all parents, carers and community members – old and new, and invite you to come along to one – or all – of our P & C meetings. Our meetings are relatively casual and give you the opportunity to speak with like-minded parents and to be involved with the direction that the P & C and the school takes into the coming year and beyond.

Thanks to those parents and interested community members who continue to take the time to attend our meetings. Without you, we would not be able to operate. Thanks to our committee who have worked so well together to accomplish what we have these last 12 months and we look forward to another interesting year.

Our meetings are held usually on the third Wednesday of each month in the school Library, commencing now at 6.30pm. We encourage getting together at 6.00pm for a cuppa and a chat before the start of our meetings.

If you would like any information regarding the school P & C, please call the P & C office on 5450 4121 or email on pandc@namboursc.eq.edu.au

Please get involved with your child’s schooling and come along to a P & C meeting.

WHATS HAPPENING WITH OUR P&C?
Our P&C is very busy preparing for the arrival of our new 2017 Nambour State College uniforms. We hope to have these in the last 2 weeks of term.

Watch this space.

UNIFORM FIRE SALE
All NSH legacy Uniforms will remain on sale until the end of term.

We are hoping to have the New Nambour State College uniform available the last two weeks of Term 4. Pre orders will be available. Keep watching our Nambour State College P&C Face Book Page for updates.

TUCKSHOP NEWS

DON’T FORGET OUR JUNIOR CAMPUS HALLOWEEN DISCO

Friday 4th November in Hungerford Hall on the senior campus

CHECK OUT OUR FACEBOOK PAGE:

NAMBOUR STATE COLLEGE P&C

FILM and TV STUDENTS IN THE SPOTLIGHT

Nambour State College Film, Television and New Media students are once again experiencing great success in local and national film festivals and competitions. Films across Years 10, 11 and 12 have recently featured in the Caloundra Fringe Student Showcase and the STUFFit National Film Competition.

The Caloundra Fringe Festival has, over recent years, become an advocate for the promotion of secondary school film productions on the Sunshine Coast. This has led to an annual screening at the Caloundra Events Centre where students from different schools get the opportunity to view each other’s work and make connections with Universities and real-life filmmakers. The event is growing in popularity at a rapid rate and our FTV Department continues to collaborate with Caloundra Fringe to encourage recognition of student’s work beyond the classroom. Our documentary and Art-house films proved particularly popular this year.

On Saturday 5th November the STUFFit National Film Festival will screen the finalists for this year’s competition at Event Cinemas, Sunshine Plaza. Nambour State College entered a record seventeen films and we are pleased to announce that seven have been shortlisted for the finals. These include animation, music video, film trailer, documentary and experimental work from Years 10-12. This is an outstanding result and we wish all students involved the very best of luck for November.

Stay tuned for more information!

Janine Zwar
FTVNM Coordinator
INTAD Embraces Emerging Technologies

Last week saw the further development of the use of Emerging Technologies in the INTAD department. Thursday was an exciting day with the arrival of our industrial quality Laser Cutter and Engraver. You can see the machine in the picture below.

Our staff had 4 hours of training on the machine in order to be able to use it with our classes. The aim is for all students in the INTAD department to use the Laser Cutter in their projects. From making a simple engraved keyring in Yr 7 to cutting out templates for use with the plasma cutter in Year 12 engineering we are aiming to use the Laser cutter with all subjects.

This further adds to our use of modern technologies – over the last 3 years we have been developing the use of 3D printers in graphics – mainly graphics. To take this one step further, this year our Year 10 Engineering students used the 3D printer to print the spindle for their Pizza Cutter. In the picture below you can see the old spindle – machined from aluminium next to the new spindles printed for plastics.

On top of our use of Autodesk products in the graphics program these technologies set students up for a productive career in manufacturing areas.

SAKG NEWS


These are the essential elements of the SAKG program and now we have a new sign installed at the entrance to our school garden to remind us of these values as we enter.

The students are always excited to engage in the harvesting side of gardening and nothing brings more squeals of delight then an ‘odd bod’ vegetable, like the crazy carrot the boys discovered in the garden last week.

The kitchen garden program provides students with wonderful opportunities to engage in STEAM projects. STEAM means Science Technology Engineering Arts and Mathematics. Modern educators believe that these types of activities help with developing the key future success skills of character, citizenship, collaboration, communication, creativity and critical thinking. These skills certainly were used last week in the garden when students were tasked with the job of constructing a garden edging around our passionfruit plant. The stem of the plant was getting lost in some weeds and often missed out on watering. Now with the new edging, which is not only engineered and built well, but also aesthetically pleasing and environmentally sound, the plant will receive the love and care it deserves. Students really enjoy and thrive on these types of projects. Many thanks to our parent helper Tony who assists our students in exploring these new skills. (Sometimes I think Tony has more fun than the students).

Maree Pepper
SAKG Program Coordinator

Project Based Learning in Year 7 – what’s been happening?

2016 has been a busy year for 7D and 7E! Not only have we created personalised picture books to welcome Year 1 buddies to Nambour State College, and worked with our partner students in Ghana to design some global water solutions, we have most recently become historians and museum curators as we investigated the legacies and innovations from Ancient Civilisations.

Our Term 3 project was our biggest one yet and combined our learning from History, Science and English. We worked in groups to investigate the ancient societies of Ancient Persia, Rome, India, China, Egypt, Mesopotamia and Greece. We researched significant figures from these civilisations and wrote informative biographies and compiled primary and secondary
sources to create an eBook for each civilisation that detailed the social hierarchy, contacts and conflicts and significant inventions of these societies. Last but not least, we used our knowledge of forces and simple machines to create a working model of a machine or invention from the civilisation. The result was a ballista from Ancient Rome (an arrow shooting war machine), a spinning wheel from Ancient India and chariots from China and Mesopotamia. We were amazed to learn that lots of these ancient inventions have evolved into the machines and technology we still use today. We presented our projects at the end of term at the Nambour Museum and showed our parents and guests a range of ancient and local history.

So what’s next? We’re working with Nambour Alliance to see what needs to be added to the Sunshine Coast Council Nambour Reactivation Plan as we investigated whether a truly liveable community can really be ‘planned’, and we’ll be tackling some important social, cultural and environmental issues using the power of words in a poetry slam. Stay tuned for an exciting Term 4.

Library News

Come and visit Alaska for free! Great Library display by Ms Daly. Read the book Granite, a true story about a dog who led a team in the Iditarod (dog-sled race) to victory despite being attacked earlier by a moose and travelling blindly through blizzard.

A reminder to our senior students to return books ASAP please.

Regards

Ruth Sweeney
Teacher Librarian – Senior Campus

NEWS FROM OUR TRAINEESHIP AND JOB PLACEMENT OFFICER

Apprenticeships and Traineeships

Congratulations to the following students for enrolling in a school based Apprenticeship / Traineeship

- Tyler Rycroft-Hart – Certificate II Retail – McDonalds
- Hemdah Moore - Certificate III Hospitality – Flaxton Gardens
- Emily Blanchard – Certificate III Childcare – Milford Lodge

AVAILABLE Apprenticeship and Traineeship Opportunities

- Certificate III Hospitality – Harvest Breads & Café – Cotton Tree
- Certificate III Hospitality – Wendy’s, Sunshine Plaza
- Certificate III Hospitality - Subway, Bli Bli, Maroochydore, Noosa, Buderim
- Certificate III Hospitality – Nook & Cranny, Nambour
- Apprenticeship Certificate III Solid Plasterer (Renderers) - Nambour
- Certificate II Outdoor Power Equipment - Nambour

Students if you are interested in undertaking a School Based Traineeship or Apprenticeship or additional courses to your current education – PLEASE CHECK YOUR SCHOOL EMAILS.

YEAR 11 STUDENTS – Time is running out to commence a Traineeship as the requirement is to complete 375 hours in a year – please make an appointment to see me at the latest Week 3 Term 4 if you are wanting to commence a SAT – Apprenticeship are OK to commence as they continue into full time at the end of school.

Congratulations to all Year 12 students completing Traineeships ready to graduate Year 12 and have a nationally recognised qualification – Well Done to ALL ?.

Year 12 Apprenticeship Opportunities – East Coast

Apprentices, Visit their website

SUNSHINE COAST VACANCIES

1st or 2nd Year Apprentice Commercial Cook Buderim
Apprentice Baker (Bread Baking & Pastry Cooking) Tewantin
Apprentice Bricklayer Nambour Apprentice Bricklayer Caloundra
Apprentice Cabinetmaker Noosaville Apprentice Carpenter Maroochydore
Apprentice Commercial Cook (Chef) Kings Beach
Apprentice Commercial Cook (Chef) Sunshine Beach
Apprentice Commercial Cook (Chef) Noosa Heads
Apprentice Fibrous Plasterer Bli Bli
Apprentice Painter Mooloolaba Apprentice Painter
Community Solutions (Acclaim Apprentices & Trainee’s) are currently recruiting for Apprentice carpenters – must have car & licence, construction white card and the ability to lift.

Certificate III Business – 3D Drafting Business, this is a fantastic opportunity for students who have studied graphics whilst at school.

Please read your school email or come and see me for further information to apply.

To make an appointment to see me please call on 5450 4116 or call Pat in reception on 5450 4120 to make an appointment or to discuss your students Traineeship / Apprenticeship etc.

Kind Regards

Andrea Peacock – Traineeship & Job Placement Officer

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

FESTURI MULTICULTURAL FESTIVAL:

12TH November at Nambour State College

International and local performers, great bands, great dancers, great international food stalls, children’s workshops.

Free Family event.