P&C Meetings held the 4th Monday of each month at 5.00pm in the main Administration office.

Principal: Judi Newman

PRINCIPAL’S NEWS

Congratulations to the Year 10 Media Studies students, Mrs Doherty and Mrs Addison who created "Hawk Talk", an 8 page supplement which featured in the Morning Bulletin on Tuesday 16th September. Students were involved in all aspects of production, from conducting interviews to writing stories to selling advertising. They then went to the print site to see their newspaper roll off the presses. Thank you to the Morning Bulletin for your valued support in helping our students with this wonderful learning opportunity.
**Year 12 References**

Year 12 students may request a school reference for their portfolio. Students simply need to log on to One School and select the ‘Assign’ icon in the Student Reference section. Students are to select one of their Year 12 teacher’s to complete their reference for them. In the notes section, students are to add any additional information they would like included in their reference eg musicals, music ensembles, intra-and inter-school sport, etc.

Students may enter their request for a reference between **25 August and 17 September**. Students will receive their reference with their graduation certificate at the end of the year. Please note that no late requests will be able to be accepted.

Cynthia O’Sullivan
Deputy Principal

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**DATE CLAIMERS**

**Term 3**

- Thurs 18 Sept: Yr 12 Big Day Out
- Fri 19 Sept: Last Day Term 3

**Term 4**

- Tues 7 Oct: Term 4 commences
- Mon 13 Oct: Yr 11 QCS lessons begin (before school Mon & Thurs 8:25am start)
- Mon 20 Oct: Pupil Free Day
- 22-24 Oct: Yr 11 Leadership Camp
- Mon 27 Oct: P&C Meeting 5-7pm/Volunteers Night
- 10-14 Nov: Yr 12 Exam Block
- 19-21 Nov: Yr 11 Exam Block
- Mon 17 Nov: Awards Night
- Thurs 20 Nov: Year 12 Graduation/Formal
- Mon 24 Nov: P&C Meeting 5-7pm Admin Bldg
- 26-27 Nov: Yr 11 QCS Practice Test
- Fri 28 Nov: Last Day Yr 10 & 11
- Tues 2 Dec: Year 8 Transition Day
- Thurs 4 Dec: Year 7 Transition Day
- Fri 12 Dec: Last Day of School for 2014

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**2015 Year 7 & 8 Enrolments**

**Have you enrolled your student?**

North Rockhampton High School will be conducting interviews for Years 7 & 8, 2015.

Please contact the school on 4924 7888 between 8am and 4pm Monday to Friday to arrange an appointment.

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**Congratulations**

Katrina Druery recently attended the North Qld Schools Rowing Regatta in Townsville. Katrina is the only representative from North Rockhampton High School.

Katrina came 2nd in both heats for the quad and single. Katrina came 4th in the final for the quad. She was placed 4th in the single semi’s and unfortunately did not make it through to the finals.

Well done Katrina North Rocky High is proud of you.

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**School to Jobs Alliance CQ**

Every school leaver will transition into training, further education or employment.

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Chappy  Aaron invited motivational youth speaker, Reggie Dabbs, to talk to our Year 8 and Year 9 students. The students and staff were mesmerized by his stories. There were laughter and tears as they learnt to talk like an African American.

When addressing the assembly, Reggie kept the students engaged by using humour. He chatted to students about his difficult life experiences and that they should be thankful that they have families and people who care about them in their lives. Reggie spoke to students about being proud of themselves. Most of all, Reggie drove home the fact that "you can never change your past, but you can change your future!"

We have four staff from North Rockhampton High School taking part in the Great Cycle Challenge this October to fight kids' cancer. On average, three Australian children die from cancer every week which is our largest killer of children from disease. Funds raised by our riders will support the work of the Children's Medical Research Institute in its efforts to develop treatments and find a cure for childhood cancer.

Our riders have begun raising funds already after setting personal goals of distance and funds.

- Steve Niebling  750km $500
- Melinda Graham  500km $500
- Cherri Gordon  150km $200
- Lesley Scott  100km $200

A total of 1 500km distance and funding of $1 200.

Our riders believe their efforts are worth the struggle so please sponsor them by making a donation through their fundraising pages at the following links.


CQU (formerly TAFE) School Programs Course Guide 2015

Courses being offered to school students through CQU (formerly TAFE) have released their course guide for 2015. If you have an interest in doing a CQU course, please collect a course guide from Mrs Gordon in the Library. Applications close 10 October and places are limited.

VETiS (Vocational Education and Training in Schools) Certificate II courses available as fee free programs are:

- Certificate II in Logistics
- Certificate II in Automotive Servicing Technology ($150 Materials)
- Certificate II in Electrotechnology (Career Start) ($90 Materials)
- Certificate II in Engineering Pathways
- Certificate II Health Support Services
- Certificate II in Hospitality
- Certificate II in Kitchen Operations
- Certificate II in Horticulture
- Certificate II in Agriculture
- Certificate II in Rural Operations
- Certificate I in Construction ($150 in materials)
- Certificate II in Tourism – On-line only
- Certificate II in Warehousing Operations – On-line only
- Certificate II in Retail Services $100 per year – on-line only
- 2015 YEAR 12’s - START YOUR 2016 DIPLOMA EARLY program allows year 12’s in 2015 to study 1 to 5 units of competency from a number of diploma courses. Costs are listed in the Course Guide.
On Thursday 21st August, 42 intrepid students and 3 keen, enthusiastic teachers jetted off (i.e. bused it) overnight to the Gold Coast for our annual Maths B, Physics and Biology excursion.

Under the guidance of Mrs Nadene Housman, Miss Ashling Canavan and Mr Clinton Dodd, the Year 11 Maths B, Physics and Biology students had the opportunity to experience and apply scientific and mathematical principles learnt in the classroom out in the real world through the fun of theme parks.

After the arduous journey, our group arrived at Dreamworld for a Biology education program which was an exclusive talk with tiger handlers from Tiger Island. We then started the Physics education program. Much to the students dismay they HAD to go on the rides to collect data!! Students were divided into groups to go on The Buzzsaw, The Cyclone, The Tower of Terror and Wipeout. The students used an app program called Sparkview that has an accelerometer, a special device that collected data of the students in 3 directions! Once they collected the data, it was graphed and analysed to help students understand the physics principles behind what they had experienced while on the rides. After lunch, students had free time to explore Dreamworld further.

On Saturday morning we went to White Water World where students completed the Mathematics Education Program. They had to collect data on wave motions and volumes of multiple apparatus – and yes they had to go on the water rides for their assessment 😊

After a busy two days at the theme parks, Saturday night was when our group went to Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary for the final educational experience for Biology. Here we went on a night tour of the sanctuary where students had a rare chance to see some nocturnal animals like the Tasmanian Devil. We also participated in a nature walk through the Kangaroo enclosure where we were surrounded by friendly kangaroos and emus during feeding time.

All students participated extremely well in all of the education programs at these venues and are a credit to themselves. Everyone had an enjoyable experience – can’t wait till next year!

Who says Maths can’t be fun?!

Nadene Housman
Head of Department – Senior Mathematics and Science