13 October 2016

From the Principal

In the last week of Term 3 we underwent our nine-month review, and subsequently received the report on our progress concerning our two priority actions for the year. Firstly, the feedback from reviewers on our performance and improvement agenda in the school is very positive. Their observation of our classrooms, teaching and learning reported significant progress, evidence of ongoing professional development and positive comment from both students and staff. Students stated they were receiving valid feedback from their teachers on their work and assessment, and were able to articulate the way they use TEEL, a writing strategy, in their work. While we continue to focus and improve the teaching in all our classrooms, reviewers stated this “consistency remains inconsistent” within the school. I will continue the quality assurance to support the planning and learning process to ensure that all students are engaged with consistent teaching practices.

The reviewers were equally positive about our improvement agenda with implementing Positive Behaviour for Learning and our proactive approach to behaviour throughout the school. They highlighted the many support programs we have for students to assist them with their behaviour and our early identification and intervention. They were extremely positive about our VIVO rewards system, with which students are fully engaged. Students spoke positively about the school and relationships with their teachers. The reviewers also stated that the new case management system was working for both students and the school and that the positions of Student Services Heads of Department were a positive and supportive addition. Supporting students and their behaviour will continue to be a priority focus to improve learning in our classrooms.

The reviewers will return to the school for our 12-month review and report in November when they will spend two days visiting classrooms and talking with students, staff and the community. Our focus will be to further consolidate and attend to consistency of practice across the school to support further traction in our teaching practice and positive behaviour for learning areas. The school review process is an excellent instrument for experienced past principals to come into the school and give us feedback on our practice. We are always looking to improve our services to students and our families so comments and criticism are always welcomed.

Finally, our Arts Department is immersed in practice, practice and more practice for the upcoming Arts Showcase next Wednesday. Last year it was a great evening so I invite all families to come along and see our many talented students perform. Tickets are selling fast and there will be no tickets for sale at the door on the evening as it is a fully catered event. I’m looking forward to another ‘stella’ evening!

Ms Julie Learoyd

From the Deputy Principal – Senior Secondary

Jemima ANZAC Day Winner

Congratulations to Year 12 student and current School Captain Jemima Andersen who was successful in winning the Hervey Bay RSL Sub Branch Youth Competition last week. Jemima wrote and presented an 8-minute speech to the committee about what ANZAC Day means to her. As part of her prize, Jemima will receive a scholarship to assist with first year university expenses and has also been invited to deliver her speech on ANZAC Day in 2017. This is a fantastic reward for the efforts that Jemima has put in to not only this project, but her schooling across all areas. Congratulations Jemima!

Great state. Great opportunity.
Junior Subject Selections for 2017

2017 subject selection forms for all students in Years 7, 8 and 9 have been sent home with students following assemblies last week. These forms need to be returned to the school as a matter of urgency so that class allocation can be made for next year. Students who were absent from school on the day of their respective assembly can collect a form from student services.

Awards Evening

Awards Evening for 2017 will take place on Wednesday, 2 November. This night will celebrate the academic, cultural and sporting achievements of our talented students. Please ensure that you add this date to your calendar so that you are available to celebrate these successes with us.

Mr Rob Burke

From the Deputy Principal – Junior Secondary

Welcome back to all students for the final term of the 2016 school year. After completion of assessment this term, all students will be issued with a semester report card. These will be mailed out to parents and carers as the different year levels finish for the year.

Subject Selections for 2017

With the start of the new term, all junior students have been issued with a subject selection form for next year. These forms list the various subjects available next year and students are encouraged to talk to teachers and parents in order to make informed decisions about their subject selections for 2017. Forms need to be signed by a parent/carer, and returned to Student Services in the Administration Office. Students are encouraged to return their form as soon as possible, as allocations to elective subjects will be made in order of return. As such, it is essential that subject selection forms are returned to increase your student’s chances of getting into their preferred classes.

Learning Goals

All students are required to write their learning goals in their student diaries – students are given a learning goal each lesson. We encourage parents and carers to review their student’s diary and discuss their learning goals and homework regularly. Students have also been reminded they need to have their diaries on assembly each morning. Students without a diary are permitted to use an exercise book to record their learning goals.

Ms Sarah Brierley

Arts Showcase

Hervey Bay State High School is proud to present their 2016 Arts Showcase.

Year 10 Marine Studies Boating

The end of Term 3 saw our Year 10 Marine Studies students learn some practical boating skills at Gataker’s Bay. After a very windy week earlier, we were lucky enough to have some great weather and perfect conditions for boating. Each group spent one day on the water putting into practice their knowledge of boating rules, with many learning to drive a boat for the first time.

After a few interesting moments at the beginning (lots of deep breaths!), all students managed to get the hang of driving a power boat safely. Some of the skills we practised were ‘departing and approaching a beach’, ‘man overboard’, ‘figure 8’ and ‘pulling alongside a vessel’.

Miss Maree McAskill
Head of Department - The Arts
All students behaved well and I commend them for the effort they put it to setting up and packing up. Also a big thanks goes to Mr Vallance and Mr Taylor for being the bus drivers and Mr Livingstone for the organisation of the two days.

Ms Bayfield
Teacher - Marine Studies

Senior Camp - Noosa North Shore

Term 4 started with a bang for nineteen Year 10 and 11 students who took up the challenge of attending the 2016 Senior Camp. Students embarked on a three day adventure camp to the north shores of Noosa where they took part in an Adventure Education Program. Over the three days students covered a fifty-kilometre circuit which consisted of a 15-km canoe leg, a 25-km mountain bike leg, a 5-km hike and two comfortable nights spent in tents.

After arriving at camp, students were keen to start the canoe leg as the weather was beautiful and the Noosa River looked inviting. Ensuring all our belongings and bedding were water safe, i.e. in garbage bags, students learnt how not to capsize the canoes and set out on the 15-km paddle. After two wonderful but strenuous hours of paddling, we were devastated to learn that we were almost half way! We pulled up to our first camp site, Boreen Point, just after 5:00 p.m. to set up our camp for the night. Putting up tents with jelly arms was no easy feat!

Day 2 saw us heading out on mountain bikes to Mount Tinbeerwah where we abseiled down a 50-metre cliff side. During this activity, students supported and encouraged each other to overcome some monumental fears. After conquering the mountain, we all cruised down the mountain path on our bikes to set up our second camp at Noosa Northshore.

Exhaustion had set in on Day 3 which slowed our packing up and hike however, when we finally made it to the beach we were greeted with a pod of whales playing just behind the breakers. Surprisingly, the bus ride back to school was a lot quieter than the drive to camp.

For all those who attended, you are all strong, you were all leaders at different times, you were all helpful, you all supported one another and should all be proud of your efforts.

Ms Natasha Steinhardt
Head of Department Student Support - Senior

Casual Position Vacant - Canteen Assistant

Urangan State High School is advertising for employment of a casual canteen assistant.

Position: Canteen Assistant (Generic)
Casual

Salary: $28.09 per hour (002.01)

Key Duties: See attached Role Description

Contact: Kacey Hannant

Submit application with current résumé to:
Private and Confidential
Kacey Hannant
Business Services Manager
Urangan State High School
PO Box 5100
TORQUAY QLD 4655

Or email: khann19@eq.edu.au

- The Commission for Children and Young People Act 2000 requires the preferred applicant to be subject to a Working with Children Check.
- The applicant will also be required to undergo a criminal history check.
- Education Queensland actively support and encourages workforce diversity and equity.

Student Resource Scheme

Hervey Bay State High School offers a Student Resource Scheme (LRS) for students in Years 7 to 12. The LRS requires an annual payment of $200.00. Pro rata fees apply for late enrolments.

For families who choose not to use this scheme a full list of resources can be requested from the office.

Office hours: Monday to Friday 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Collection of Textbooks

Would parents who have paid the LRS2016 fees in full, or are on a contract, CentrePay, Abstudy or instalment payment plan, please check that your child has received all appropriate textbooks. Junior students and Year 10 students have had an opportunity to collect textbooks during English classes.
student’s fees have since been paid or he/she was absent at
the time, please ask him/her to collect the textbooks from the
eHub before school or during a recess. Senior students are to
collect their textbooks before school or during a recess.
Parents, please note that it is the student’s responsibility to
ensure they have collected their textbooks.

School Fees Payment

Reminder to parents: when depositing payments into Hervey
Bay State High School’s bank account, please use a reference
such as student’s name, invoice number or reason for the
payment, e.g. SmithJ12345 or SmithJLRS. This will ensure
accounts are paid promptly. We appreciate your assistance
with this matter.

Uniform Shop

Monday to Friday 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. Enter and exit
through the Old Maryborough Road gate. Available for parents
and students.

Wednesday 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Enter and exit through the
Old Maryborough Road gate.

By appointment: Telephone 0407 746 073

Payment: EFTPOS and/or cash acceptable
Lay-by available

Students can access the uniform shop at during first or second
recess.

If it is more convenient, parents can place an order and pay
over the phone. Students can then collect the order later.

Please contact 07 4194 3790 for any uniform inquiries.

Canteen News

We are excited to bring you all a variety of healthy meals for
breakfast and lunch daily. Please remember that all students
need their manners and full school uniform to be served.
EFTPOS is available for senior students (Yrs. 10-12), however
all EFTPOS transactions incur a $0.15 surcharge.

Our menu can be found on the school website:
https://herveybayshs.eq.edu.au/Facilities/Tuckshop/Pages/
Tuckshop.aspx

Ordering

If you would like to order any items, please do so before 9:00
a.m. Pre-ordering, particularly our daily specials, avoids the
disappointment of missing out. Every day we have a selection
of fresh sandwiches, rolls, wraps and salads. We also have
a ‘special’ each day. Please read the notices for the week’s
specials.

Ice Cream Sundaes are back!!

2nd Recess every Friday from the cafeteria
near the canteen.
$3.00 each - two scoops of ice-cream with
your choice of chocolate, caramel or
strawberry flavouring. Also includes two
different candy toppings and a wafer.

Shoe Sale!! $10 off!

The uniform shop is having a sale on all shoes in stock!! Get
$10.00 off every pair of shoes. Hunter styles were $50 now
$40, and Chase styles were $40 now $30. Be quick to grab a
bargain.

Roster

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Help Needed

On occasions we have had some ladies
volunteering up to 4 days a week to help us
fill the vacancies in our roster. Having
volunteers means that we do not have to
increase our prices. Do you have a spare
couple of hours once a week, fortnight or
month? We are always in need of extra hands to help feed the
1000+ students and staff and reduce their waiting time. If you
could lend a hand, please contact Kylie Atkinson on 4194 3790.

Parents’ and Citizens' Association Meeting

Thursday 20 October, 6:00 p.m., main administration building.
SWAP MEET – Saturday 5 November 2016

Calling all Mum’s, Dad’s, Grandparent’s, Students, etc....

Each year the P&C holds its Annual Swap Meet fundraiser on the first Saturday in November. If you are able to assist us on the day, for even just an hour or so, it would help us run this event. Each year we have volunteers on the gates collecting entrance money, or helping us out on the BBQ. The more hands we have, the easier it is for everyone. This is our major fundraiser for the year, and is an enjoyable way in which you can contribute to your student’s school.

We are a VERY SMALL committee who desperately needs your help. Be quick to call Kylie or Renei on 4194 3790 to add your name to the roster.

Ms Renei Lewis
Canteen Assistant