19th October 2011

Principal’s Message

Welcome back to our final school term for 2011. This year seems to have been the fastest one yet replete with some amazing new opportunities for our students and state-wide recognition of our school for outstanding performance.

Recently, Caloundra State High School staff were recognised by Education Queensland as a School of Excellence. Our performance in the State-wide Teaching and Learning Audit, identified Caloundra State High School as “Outstanding” in the area of Explicit Improvement Agenda – a critical area of school performance as it is based on our schools ability to set improvement goals through the use and analysis of data, strong and clear planning practices and dedication of teachers to improve student outcomes.

Our staff were showcased in a twenty minute video production that is now being used across Queensland to assist other schools in building their capacity in this area.

Additionally, our long-term commitment to building a strong, positive learning environment was recognised recently with an award through the Schoolwide Positive Behaviour Support (SWPBS) process. We have been awarded the Excellence Award: Universal level – Green Standard for SWPBS. This is a testament to the work of the SWPBS team led by Mr Warren Spink and Mrs Maureen Brook and to the support of our P&C representatives including Mr Tony Bridges, President.

Well done to you all.

Year 12

This is the final few weeks for our current Year 12 students and it is really important that they “keep their eye on the ball” for the remainder of their time here.

All assessment counts, and attendance and behaviour need to be exemplary as is always the expectation of Year 12 students. Best of luck for the next few weeks.

Awards Night

Very shortly (Tuesday 25 October), we will hold our Annual Academic Awards Night at the Caloundra Events Centre.
The Middle School event will commence at 5.30pm and will close at 7.00pm
The Senior School event will commence at 7.30pm and close at 9.00pm
I wish all nominees the very best for this important evening and encourage all parents to attend and share this special moment with our best and brightest students.

Until next newsletter

Diary Date Claimers

Please consult this calendar of events and activities for future planning.

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Wide Bay Airshow and Career/Trade Expo

In August, seventeen Aerospace students attended the Career and Trade Expo at the Wide Bay Airshow which was held at the Bundaberg Regional Airport. It was a long day for the students with a 6:00am departure and a 6:00pm return.

There were numerous demonstrations, exhibits and educational stands that offered the students a good insight into the aviation industry and career opportunities that are available within the industry. The military, flying schools and aviation education (tertiary and commercial) were also well represented.

Also numerous static displays of a wide range of aircraft including fixed wing, rotary wing, military aircraft and ultra-lights were on display, along with limited aircraft action in the air which included Gypsy Moths, YAK 52s, Trojans and a replica Spitfire. There were also several drag cars (which were quite deafening) and a jet propelled car, truck and motorbike.

Red Bull aerobatics champion Matt Hall also provided inspirational seminars, in which he detailed how, from humble beginnings he joined the Air Force as an 18 year old trainee pilot and went on to become a RAAF Wing Commander who flew FA-18s for 15 years and was then seconded to fly F-15s for the US military and was an active pilot in the second gulf war. He then went on to represent Australia in the Red Bull flying challenge and now is a champion aerobatics pilot.

The Wide Bay Airshow and all its displays and demonstrations within the aviation industry only happen occasionally, so this excursion proved to be a worthwhile venture and will hopefully be of assistance to any student who is hoping to pursue either further education or a career within the aviation industry.

Resource Centre

In August each year libraries around the region celebrate Book Week. This year the theme was “One World Many Stories”. A number of activities in the Resource Centre were planned for this week including a student debate over Michael G. Bauer’s books “Don’t Call Me Ishmael” and “Running Man”, a display recording stories on staff and students including a book sale.

The final activity was the Reader’s Cup Competition. The Year 8 English classes nominated teams of four participants to compete in the Year 8 Reader’s Cup Competition which was held on Friday 26 August in the Resource Centre. This year we had eight student teams and two teacher teams. Each team read four novels before the event.

The novels this year were “The Hunt for Ned Kelly”, “When You Reach Me”, “Father’s Day” and “Trash”. During the competition the teams were quizzed on each book. Students were given two points for correct answers and one point for part answers. Our winning team for 2011 was the team from 8D (Georgia Stephens, Hayden Owen, Amanda Billy, Summer Heathcote and Zoe Lovatt). This team represents the school at the Regional Competition on Friday 21 October at Immanuel College, Buderim.

During the competition the student competitors, helpers, teachers and audience were treated to delicious pizzas prepared and served by Ms Manning’s Year 10 Hospitality class. A big “thank you” to the Hospitality students and Ms Manning.

The members of the winning team were awarded fifteen dollar vouchers from Angus and Robertson (Kawana). Thank you to Sam from Angus and Robertson (Kawana).

Our Writers Group has been writing a joint story with each student contributing to the story. We are now up to Chapter Four. The story ideas were discussed at the start of the year and students volunteered to write a chapter each. The students can view the story as it progresses through the Learning Place Course set up by Karen Turner. Constructive criticism is encouraged and we are endeavouring to publish the completed story in Term 4.

A number of students are attending the Brisbane Writers Festival to partake in writing workshops and author talks. These students will hopefully pick up some ideas for their own writing.

Stevi Eather, a Year 12 student, contributed to the Book Week display by recently interviewing a member of staff, Heather Baumgartner. Stevi recorded interesting snippets of Heather’s life to fit in with the Book Week theme of “One World Many Stories”. Below is Heather’s story “Six Degrees of Separation” written by Stevi Eather, so keep reading!

Word Wizards’ Day

Word Wizards’ Day held on Tuesday 4 October was a huge success. Thirty-six Year 8 students competed against Year 6 students from our local primary schools. Thank you to students and staff from Meridan Primary College, Currimundi State School, Golden Beach State School and Caloundra State School. Students enjoyed the literacy and language activities and of course, the thirty pizzas provided by the Resource Centre.
Students competed in short story writing activities, language problem solving and a group and individual spelling quiz. Prizes were awarded to winning groups of each activity and the secondary and primary student with the most tally points for the day. Our individual winners for the day were Tasmin Steele in Year 8 and Bianca Peters in Year 6. A number of our Caloundra High School staff also assisted in presentations and activities, a huge thank you to those people as well. A special mention goes to Mrs Ufer from the Lighthouse Centre for her Hogwart’s Castle.

Year 8 Reading classes continue with their reading this Term and many of our senior students are using the Resource Centre as a place to study for exams. As the year comes to a close, we request all students to have a good look for books that may be in shoe boxes, under beds or at the bottom of school bags.

Thirty-six years ago Mrs Baumgartner was backpacking across Egypt to Sudan on a train, with several other backpackers that she met on her travels. On the train they met some students that went to the University of Khartoum and became friends with them. Being on the typical shoe string budget of backpackers the group, (minus the University students) booked into the cheapest hotel that they could afford. Needless to say that there was no room for gender dignity.

Not long after, Mrs Baumgartner fell seriously ill and was incapable of going anywhere. One of the University students that they had met on the train several days ago turned up to the hotel one day while Mrs Baumgartner was still sick and offered for the backpackers to come and see where he lives. Unable to go anywhere Mrs Baumgartner stayed behind.

When the University student returned he had not only brought back her fellow travellers but also a plate of food that his Mother had insisted Mrs Baumgartner eat when her son had told her that one of the girls was sick. However, Mrs Baumgartner could not.

Upon taking home the empty plate that all bar Mrs Baumgartner ate, the University student told his mother that the food was not eaten by the sick girl. His Mother turned to him and promptly told him to bring the girl to her.

Incapable of protesting when the University student came to collect her, Mrs Baumgartner went with him to his house and his Mother looked after her and nursed her back to health and out of delirium for four days and four nights.

Healthy again, Mrs Baumgartner and the other backpackers continued on their way and for several years after she would still keep in contact with the family that saved her life.

Then, several weeks ago when heading off to do some grocery shopping Mrs Baumgartner tripped up a set of stairs and badly hurt her wrist. When she went to the Doctors’ to see whether or not it was broken she noticed that on the wall of the Doctor’s room were certificates and notice like forms that said she was a graduate of the University of Khartoum. Remembering the student that saved her life she told the story to the Doctor, who asked some questions of her own in regards to the story.

After coming back to the Doctor after an x-ray, the woman gave Mrs Baumgartner a phone number and told her that her cousin down in Sydney was, in fact, married to the man that had saved her life all those years ago.

At home that day with a brace on her wrist, Mrs Baumgartner rang the number and was able to talk to the man once again and find out everything that had happened and that he and his Mother still remembered her vividly.

Trade Training Centre

The Sunshine Coast Technical Trade Training Centre has 58 students enrolled in:

Building & Construction (Sunshine Coast Institute of TAFE)
Civil Infrastructure and Resources (Sunshine Coast Institute of TAFE)
Electro technology and Sustainability (Sunshine Coast Institute of TAFE)
Integrated Learning in Engineering (University of the Sunshine Coast)

For 2012, we will add Certificate II Conservation and Land Management/Horticulture, which will provide pathways for 14 students keen to pursue pathways in Forestry, Park Management, Parks and Gardens, Landscape Architecture, Horticulture etc.

The first round of Applications for 2012 has closed – Round 2 Applications are due Friday 25 October 2011.

Structured Workplace Learning at SCTTTC

In Semester 2 2011 each SCTTTC student is exploring their first two weeks of Structured Workplace Learning. This is an important part of the development of each student as it enables them to put into practice on the job their learning at the SCTTTC. Feedback from Employers and Students who have done placement in the September holidays has been very positive with students exposed to the real world of work.

Creating Constructive Young Women

The SCTTTC Girls Day Out program has continued in Semester 2 with 8 girls from our schools attending a range of site tours to give them exposure to a range of careers in industry. The girls were joined on the day by Minister Karen Struthers (MP) who is leading the ‘Girls in Hard Hats’ Program through the Office for Women. The Minister spoke highly of our girls and their enthusiasm for careers in non-traditional industries.

Thanks to the following people for making our day successful:
A second day was held by Sunshine Coast Institute of TAFE as part of National Skills Week. Girls participated in a practical skills day in Construction, Engineering and Interior Design.

Lean Manufacturing Workshop

The SCTTTC held a workshop for nine Industrial Design & Technology Teachers in September. Teachers of Engineering & Manufacturing were taken through a Lean Manufacturing process that taught them skills in streamlining work practices for industry.

For more information on the SCTTTC, please contact Tracie Warry on 07 5438 1037.

Career Activities

- Sunshine Coast Mining & Gas Careers Expo will be held at the Events Centre in Caloundra – 10am to 4pm on Friday 21 October. If you are interested in mining careers you will gain valuable information from this expo.
- Sunshine Coast TAFE is holding a Construction & Engineering Pre-Vocational Information Night on Monday 24 October. This will be held at the Nambour campus and will start at 6pm.
- East Coast Apprenticeships will hold a Careers Night on Monday 31 October in their Maroochydore office. You need to RSVP to this event, so see Raynor at school if you are interested.

Year 10 Work Education Program

Our Year 10 students attended their work placements last Term. Out of 256 students, 231 were placed in work experience. This is a phenomenal effort by all our students and I hope all the students found the experience rewarding.

It is also pleasing to note that several students have secured casual work and some have been offered the opportunity of a School-based Traineeship. This alone proves how valuable the work experience program is for our students.

School-based Apprenticeship/Traineeship Program

Currently, there are over 55 active school-based trainees and apprentices. All our school-based trainees and apprentices are enhancing their secondary education with a work qualification. These qualifications will ensure the students are competitive for employment opportunities once they complete Year 12.

Senior School Presentation Night

This year 35 Year 12 students will be recognised for their outstanding achievements with the school-based Apprenticeship/Traineeship program. There will be two Trainees/Apprentices of the Year awarded on the night, which is scheduled for Tuesday 25 October. Each award also has a monetary Bursary and special thanks go to McDonalds Restaurants (Caloundra & Currimundi) and MEGT for their donations towards the bursaries.

Sunshine Coast Technical Trade Training Centre – A student’s perspective!

Most of you may not know me. My name is Kelly Neuendorf and I am a Year 11 student at Caloundra SHS and thanks to Caloundra P & C I am a student at Sunshine Coast Technical Trade Training Centre.
Since Year 8 I have been doing Furnishing Studies and Graphics. I have then done Engineering Studies in Year 10. I enjoy creating and working with my hands in subjects that not many females get to do. Since doing these subjects, I have wanted to do a trade.

Luckily for me the Sunshine Coast Technical Trade Training Centre were enrolling students for their first year in 2011. I put in my application and I was accepted. Even better I was the proud recipient of the Caloundra P & C scholarship.

At the SCTTTC I have been doing theory and practical components of Certificate 1 in Construction. In this course we do bricklaying, carpentry, solid plastering and tiling. We also learn about health and safety.

In this course we get to build walls, slap mud onto bricks, and build small saw stools and picnic tables. By building these jobs we are developing skills, learning how to build, how to use certain tools, how to communicate in and around the work site, and team work.

The Trade Training Centre has helped us build our skills and to help us get ready for the real world on the work site and in the workshops.

Also lucky for me I get to participate in the Girl’s Day Out programs. This is where all the girls interested in construction, electrical and females who are in the construction industry.

I would recommend all girls to participate in these Girl’s Day Out programs to see what construction really is about. The girls get to go out in a girl only group and talk without the guys.

I have this opportunity thanks to Caloundra SHS, Caloundra P & C, TAFE, CSQ, Sunshine Coast Technical Trade Training Centre and the teachers that have taught me over the years.

I definitely recommend students who are interested in a construction pathway to look into the Trade Training Centre, not only just the boys but girls too!

Kelly Neuendorf
Year 11 Student

Textbook Resource Centre

Textbooks MUST be returned by the following dates:

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In order to simplify this procedure, students should return their books prior to the exam or immediately after to D13 return box (open all day).

Overdue notices are given to home groups and read to class on a regular basis.

Students are reminded to look after their textbooks. Remember you are responsible for the barcoded item in your name. If the textbook has been lost or damaged please speak with staff in D13. Lost books are to be paid for at the Finance Office before students are allowed to borrow for 2012. Borrowing rights are also removed for students with overdue items. Should a lost book be found, the replacement cost will be refunded.

Parents are reminded to put their child’s name on clothing and other items. A large amount of lost property is collected during the year and students may check with the Janitor (under A Block).

Donations of unwanted uniforms to the school would be greatly appreciated.

We thank you for your cooperation in working with us.

Kim Smith
Textbook Coordinator

Queensland Schools Volleyball Championships

This year Caloundra SHS is sent a total of six teams to the Queensland Schools Volleyball Championships which were held on the 14-16 October.

The teams included:

Year 8 Girls
Jacinta Barber, Shannon Davidson, Cloe Findlay, Shaina Symmans, Simone Ballard, Tasmin Steele, Chelsea Pollock, Charlee Watson, Emily Bryant, Maddi Rolende

Year 8 Boys
Ryan Geitz, Jackson Geitz, Keelan Harrington, Ben Murchie, Pat Doyle, Joel Small

Year 9 Girls
Gemma Carter, Teneal Munn, Darcy Hill, Maddie McDonald, Kenadee Deckert, Te’a Wallis, Caitlin Marsh, Tyler Baynton

Year 9 Boys
Caleb McCullough, Gareth Hunt, Dwayne Cavanaugh, Reid Brearley, Kyle Born, Corey Walsh

Year 10 Girls
Jess Campbell, Courtney Thorpe, Izzy McCormack, Jessica Pollock, Jessica Harm, Jade Tonkin, Olivia McGuire, Caylan Graham, Tash Bamberry, Joanna Tanner (Yr 9)

Year 10 Boys
Kayden Carmichael, Eli Retschlag, Tom Wheeler, Max Heremala, Jordan Connelly, Lachlan Frizzell, Dylan Knight-Barry

A big thanks to the staff and student coaches for their seven months of training and dedication throughout the year. Finally, could I pass on a big thank you to all the parents who volunteered to help us at the championships – without your assistance with transport/ cooking/ washing jerseys/ comforting distraught coaches, the event couldn’t take place.

Tracey Fox
Teacher

1 to 1 Laptop Program for 2012

The Federally funded “Digital Education Revolution” has made it possible for us to consider a 1 to 1 laptop program, so following consultation that involved Caloundra SHS staff, our P & C Association, the Education Queensland Technology Branch and schools with similar programs, it has been decided to implement a 1 to 1 Take Home Laptop program for Year 11 and 12 students in 2012.

This will see the school and families working together to provide each student in Year 11 and 12 with a powerful, modern (up-to-date) laptop computer to use both at school and at home. The school and the Federal Government “Digital Education Revolution” will provide as much funding as possible to support this program, but it will only be possible to offer an optimal service with assistance from parents through a contribution scheme. The proposed program, would involve a levy to allow students the use of the laptop after hours in their home environment.

To help facilitate this significant shift in the way education is to be delivered at Caloundra High, changes to teaching and learning, infrastructure and management have been occurring throughout 2011. This includes the projector project, planning and installation of a successful wireless network, and increasing the purchase of software licences. Further, skilling of staff through professional development and the hiring of technicians will further support this exciting change.

Our school has a proud history of providing quality opportunities for our students in all areas, including technology. With the 1 to 1 laptop program we are continuing to use innovative technology to enhance learning – always our core concern.

The advantages to our students include:

- The laptops will be supported at the school with the provision of technical support and service, and if it takes more than 24 hours to repair, a loan laptop will be available for use
- There is a possibility of 24/7 phone support from the laptop provider
- Students will have access to all the appropriate software that they are using in class at home, for assignment work, study, and their personal development
- The proposed laptop is light and will come with a protective case that the students will be able to put into their backpacks as they would with a text book
There will be a parent information evening on Monday 7 November, from 6.30pm to 7.30pm in the Resource Centre to provide more information about this program. If you would like to attend please RSVP to business_it@caloundrashs.eq.edu.au or phone 5436 8444 by Friday 4 November.

Virginia Schaschke
HOD Business/IT

Health Education

Last Term members of the Year 11 Health class were asked to respond to current road trauma statistics that show teenagers are over represented in road accidents. Students in groups developed several road trauma strategies and implemented them in our school.

One group organised a police talk for Year 12 students on 15 September which almost 100 students attended. Another group tried to improve upon the impact gained from the Rotary One Day Road Trauma Seminar. Another group organised a short school network video that focused on risk taking and inattention whilst driving.

Also a group organised a list of universally agreed tips for parents who are teaching their teenager to drive. Police and driving instructors have supported these ideas.

Stay alert
Communicate clearly - stop and discuss
Don’t carry other passengers
Don’t hit the beginner with everything at once - don’t overload
Don’t get exited during practice sessions
Don’t clash with what the professional driving instructor has taught

The tips noted here are just the headings a sheet with full explanations can be found in room D11 by students or they can ask at the Student Centre for Mr Behne.

Steve Behne
Teacher

Success Parade

On Thursday 6 October, 380 of our students attended our Success Parade in recognition of their outstanding achievements this year. All of those invited had achieved all A and B ratings for effort and behaviour, or all A and B ratings for achievement, on their last report. Our Principal, Peter Kelly congratulated the students on behalf of the whole school community and let them know how proud we are of their achievements and their commitment to their education.

Dr John Parker, who has worked in Africa as a volunteer for Medicines sans Frontieres, was our guest speaker for this parade. After sharing stories of his experiences he made a few key statements for the students to reflect upon including ‘Happiness is a state of mind’ and ‘We are lucky to be in Australia’. He left the students with this challenge ‘What are you going to do with your life since you are lucky to be in Australia? The choice is yours’.

Comments from students following the presentation included ‘It was great’, ‘It made me think - don’t take your life for granted’ and ‘It was inspirational’. Participating students then enjoyed an extended break in recognition of their efforts throughout the year.

Maureen Brook
Deputy Principal

Scholarship Winners

At the end of Term 3, twelve of our fourteen scholarship winners attended a ceremony and afternoon tea with their families to acknowledge their success in being selected as scholarship winners for 2012.

Scholarship winners for Year 8 in 2012 are: Alice Andersen, Alixandra Morrison, Aaron Maxwell, Isaac Rosenthal, Taylor Brookes, Nathan Poole, Conrad Ufer, Lara Wan, Emily Harman, Danielle Gowlett, Kate Morcom, Tom Fullarton, Holly Ogden and Ryley Delaney.

There was a very strong field of scholarship applicants and these students are congratulated for their success in this competitive process. I welcome them to our school community for 2012 and am sure they will relish the opportunities open to them as they move into high school.

Maureen Brook
Deputy Principal

Year 7 Orientation Day

On Wednesday 7 December all Year 7 students planning on attending our school for Year 8 in 2012 are invited to attend our Orientation Day to give them an introduction to high school. The day will start at 9.00am and finish at 2.00pm with parents invited to attend from 9.00am to 11.00am for the introductory parade, a tour of the school and a talk by the P&C executive and auxiliary. The enrolment form along with a copy of the child’s birth certificate and recent report card are now due if your child is joining us for Year 8 next year. Enrolment packs can be collected from our Middle School office.

Maureen Brook
Deputy Principal
NAPLAN Success

All Year 9 students who completed the NAPLAN tests in May would have recently received their reports. Our data shows that in all strands we are similar to the National data in our percentage of students at or above National Minimum Standard and we have improved our mean (average) in four of the five strands. Students are to be congratulated for their efforts in these tests and it is very pleasing to see that the processes that our teachers are using with our students is leading to improvements in their literacy and numeracy which will benefit them in the future.

Maureen Brook
Deputy Principal

Cambodia / Laos World Challenge Expedition (December 2012 – January 2013)

Caloundra State High School is in the process of launching this life changing expedition for students currently in Years 9, 10 and 11. Students have seen presentations on parades regarding the nature of the expedition and the Parent information Night will be held on the evening of the Student Free Day (Monday 17 October) from 6.00pm in A block. All interested parents and students are welcome to come along and find out more!

Any student or parent who would like further information regarding this expedition, please contact Sandy Connie or Mary Walsh in the Home Economics department. More information about the expedition program can be found on the World Challenge website: www.worldchallenge.com.au

The 3 week expedition will be preceded by approximately 14 months of fundraising, training and team building. This year’s World Challenge to Borneo was an outstanding success and we know that the Cambodia/Laos adventure will be just as amazing.

Sandy Connie & Mary Walsh
Borneo Expedition Leaders

Arts Alert

Welcome back to Term 4. The Arts Department had a busy start to Term 4 with concerts and performances.

Vocal Group

The vocal students have been busy preparing for the MUX/Spring Sing, which was held at the end of Term 3 and also for the Glee competition held at this year’s Caloundra Music Festival, unfortunately it rained on our parade, but the event will be rescheduled somewhere in the next couple of weeks. The Fusion vocal group students also had a wonderful opportunity as part of the build up to the festival to visit the ABC local radio station where they performed an arrangement by a previous student, Dominic Retschlag, of the song “Happy Ending”. This song was then played as part of the drive program on 90.3 Coast FM with Mary-Lou Stevens. Fusion also performed with some of the school’s talented dance students at the recent Dance Night.

With just a few performances left for the year the vocal groups will be very sad to say goodbye to our wonderful seniors, who have not only provided a lot of leadership to the younger members, but also lent their musical talents such as arranging and accompanying. “Thank you” to the senior students for all their help. And a big thanks also to the staff that have supported the vocal group through attending rehearsals. We hope you can join us at Presentation Night and Gala Evening to see more of what these talented young students have to offer.

Mrs Alicia Gray

Dance Concert

On Thursday 6 October the Caloundra State High School Dance extension ‘Dance Night’ took place at Lake Kawana Community Centre. The night showcased performances by The EDGE (Extension Dance Group), JET (Junior Extension Troupe) and the Year 10 Dance Extension Troupe. The audience was entertained over 90 students performing in a number of dance styles including Jazz, Hip hop, Contemporary and even the premiere of The EDGE dance Film “What the water gave me”. A big thank you to the Caloundra State High School staff and particularly the Performing Arts Teachers for all their hard work with these groups throughout the year and a big congratulations to all the talented dancers who performed on the night.

Mrs Amber Williams

TERM 4 IMPORTANT DATES

| Year 7 into 8:   | 3.30pm to 4.00pm |
| Year 8 into 9:   | 4.00pm to 4.30pm |
| Year 9 into 10:  | 4.00pm to 4.30pm |
| 2012 Dance Extension Parent Afternoon | Wednesday 26 October 2011 |
| Year 7 into 8:   | 3.30pm to 4.00pm |
| Year 8 into 9:   | 4.00pm to 4.30pm |
| Year 9 into 10:  | 4.00pm to 4.30pm |

2012 Drama Extension Parent Afternoon

TERM 4 IMPORTANT DATES

| Year 7 into 8:   | 3.30pm to 4.00pm |
| Year 8 into 9:   | 4.00pm to 4.30pm |
| Year 9 into 10:  | 4.00pm to 4.30pm |
| 2012 Dance Extension Parent Afternoon | Thursday 27 October 2011 |
| Year 7 into 8:   | 3.30pm to 4.00pm |
| Year 8 into 9:   | 4.00pm to 4.30pm |
| Year 9 into 10:  | 4.00pm to 4.30pm |
Chappy Chat

World Vision 40 Hour Famine

Congratulations to the students who participated and/or sponsored someone in the 40 Hour Famine this year. Approximately 115 students school-wide completed the Famine, raising important funds for the people of East Timor, Kenya and parts of Eastern Africa. Money is still being brought in (if you haven’t done so yet, get it to me ASAP!!) but the total raised for 2012 so far is approximately $8500. An awesome effort by all involved. A special thank you also goes to all the parents and teachers who give to this worthy cause each year.

SU Holiday Camps

18 Caloundra SHS students from all year levels attended Goin’ Off - the annual SU Spring holiday camp to Great Keppel Island. They were joined by high school students from all over the Sunshine Coast for a week of awesome activities in the tropical sun, watersports, and even a special Bear Grylls day featuring a unique food challenge!

SU camps run each school holiday season. Check out www.su-camps.org.au for summer camps coming soon. Also, check out www.su-schoolies.com for info on Drug & Alcohol free Schoolies trips to Whitsundays and Samoa.

Support Group for Parents and Carers of Eating Disorders

Does your child have an eating disorder?

The Eating Disorder Outreach Services in partnership with Child and Youth Mental Health Services are delivering a parent/carer skills based training for families affected by eating disorders in the Sunshine Coast region on Saturday 5 and 19 November.

If you are interested in attending please contact Lynda Fallon on 5409 9111.

S.O.D.A School of Dramatic Arts

Has your child aged between 7 and 18 years of age and has an interest in Performing Arts, please see the attached flyer or visit http://www.schoolofdramaticarts.com