21 November 2012

Principal’s Message

Dear Parents/Caregivers

How quickly the year has gone with only three weeks remaining of the school year (Year 8 and 9 students finish December 14). Already our Year 12 students have left us. Last week we celebrated with them at the Graduation Ceremony where the entire school took part, and then farewelled them at the Senior Formal. Our departing Year 12 students looked magnificent and the formal committee (under the supervision of the Year 12 co-ordinator, Ms Leanne Mackey) did an outstanding job and we thank them for all of their hard work.

The Graduation Ceremony also allowed us to acknowledge and farewell our departing P and C President Mr Tony Bridges, who finishes as P and C President after four years of working with the school. Mr Bridges strongly advocated and supported the school, and we will miss him.

A special acknowledgement also needs to be made about Abbey A, one of our departing Year 12 School Captains who secured the prestigious Order of Australia Award. Congratulations Abbey for this outstanding achievement. Also, congratulations to Caitlin S, who completed her Certificate IV in Justice Studies. This provides Caitlin with direct entry into Justice Studies and six months off her study. This was another outstanding achievement by one of our students.

We celebrated World Teachers Day on Friday, 26 October. This day was to thank our teachers for their dedication to education. With their skills we can maintain our school’s high standards and continue to make a positive influence on our students everyday. Teachers received a gift and an afternoon tea.

This is also the time of the year, that I remind Parents that school does not finish until November 30 for Years 10 and 11 students and December 14 for the Years 8 and 9 students. All students are expected to be in attendance until the last day (except for Year 11 students who only attend school for their exams, which commence on Thursday, 22 November). Leaving early for holidays is not an approved absence.

The focus for the school in 2013 will be on learning with the expectation that all students will learn, will attend and will succeed. Please take note of the starting dates for students in 2013 and a reminder that in 2013, students will be required to wear fully black shoes and have no facial piercings, as part of the new P and C endorsed uniform changes.

We wish you all the best for the upcoming holidays, a Merry Christmas and wonderful New Year. We look forward to welcoming you and your students back to school in 2013, and working together to achieve the best for your child.

Safe holidays

Julie Pozzoli
Principal

Diary Date Claimers

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

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PRESENTATION NIGHT Awardees

Congratulations to all of the students who were commended for their achievement on Presentation Night. Awardees were recognised for their Academic, Community, Sporting and/or Cultural achievements at the Senior and Middle School Presentation Night held at the Events Centre on October 30.

As always, the high calibre of the students on stage was matched by those students who entertained us on the evening with items performed by dancers, musicians and vocalists.

**DUX of the School – Olivia W.**

Further congratulations go to the following students who were recognised for significant achievements and contributions. These students are:

### Year 8 Awardees

- **Academic Achievement Award**
  - Kate M.
  - Aaron M.
  - Sponsored by QCWA
- **Sportsman Award**
  - Tom F.
  - Kate M.
  - Sponsored by McDonalds
- **Citizen of the Year Award**
  - Kate M.
  - Sponsored by Caloundra Lioness Club
- **All Rounder Award**
  - Kate M.
  - Sponsored by Caloundra High P&C Assoc.

### Year 9 Awardees

- **Academic Achievement Award**
  - Amanda B.
  - Georgia S.
  - Summer H.
  - Sponsored by QCWA
- **Sportsman Award**
  - Michael G.
  - Jacinta B.
  - Sponsored by McDonalds
- **Citizen of the Year Award**
  - Georgia S.
  - Sponsored by Caloundra Lioness Club
- **All Rounder Award**
  - Summer H.
  - Sponsored by Caloundra High P&C Assoc.

### Year 10 Special Awardees

- **Senior Phase of Learning Bursary**
  - Brooke D.
  - Sponsored by Caloundra Pacific Rotary Club
- **Citizenship Award**
  - Sarah M.
  - Sponsored by Toshiba
- **Entrepreneurial Award World Challenge Team comprising of:**
  - Sarah M., Ben W., Sam A., Gareth H., Brendan J., Connor S., Carly M., Yash A. (Year 11)
  - Sponsored by Mr Mark McArdle
- **Long Tan Award**
  - Jemma C.
  - Sponsored by the Australian Defence Force

### Year 11 Special Awardees

- **Citizenship Award**
  - Jessica H.
  - Sponsored by Caloundra High P&C Assoc.
- **Long Tan Award**
  - Caylan G.
  - Sponsored by the Australian Defence Force
- **Academic Excellence**
  - Eli R.
  - Joan Sheldon Perpetual Trophy
- **All Rounder Award**
  - Eli R.
  - Sponsored by Caloundra High P&C Assoc.

### Year 12 Special Awardees

- **Overall Trainee of the Year Award**
  - Olivia W.
  - Narelle R.
  - Sponsored by MEGT (Aust. Apprenticeship Centre) and McDonalds Restaurants (Caloundra/Currimundi)
- **Lighthouse Trainee of the Year**
  - Caitlin T.
  - Sponsored by EPIC Employment Service
- **Lighthouse Senior Development Certificate**
  - James Q.
  - Sponsored by EPIC Employment Service
- **Indigenous Community Award**
  - Bryce T.
  - Sponsored by Indigenous Community Group
- **Business Award**
  - Sarah E.
  - Jye W.
  - Sponsored by University of the Sunshine Coast
- **Long Tan Award**
  - Abbey A.
  - Sponsored by the Australian Defence Force
- **Citizenship Award**
  - James B.
  - Taylor H.
  - Sponsored by Caloundra RSL
- **Dux of the School Award**
  - Olivia W.
  - Sponsored by Dr Peter Miles in support of First Principal, Merv Miles
- **All Rounder Award**
  - Abbey A.
  - Sponsored by Caltex
Student Leadership Awards

Abbey A. Hannah A. James B.
Tory C. Taylor H. Alex H.
Michela P. Holly R. Britt S.
Micheala S. Megan W.

Congratulations to all the above Awardees.

INFORMATION FOR YEAR 12 STUDENTS

OP ELIGIBLE STUDENTS

Students can check their position on the subject area indicators (SAI's) at the A Block office from 9.00am on Friday, 23 November.

GET YOUR OP ONLINE

Your OP will be available from the QSA website from 9.00am on Saturday, December 15. Before that day, go to the QSA website and logon to the 'Student Connect' site. You will need your LUI number. OPs will arrive in the post from Monday, 17 December. You have until the January 10 to finalise your QTAC preferences for the January offer round.

UNIVERSITY OPTIONS EVENING

All the major universities have an Options Evening. This is a program to help you finalise your preferences after you get your OP. They are particularly useful if you think you could miss out on your dream course and want to find an alternate pathway to it. USC has its Options Evening on Monday 17 December. UQ and QUT have theirs on 19 December and GU has one on 18 December. Go to their website for more details.

All the best for your futures Year 12s!

Peter Musgrove and Peta Hamlyn
Guidance Officers

TIME TO RETURN TEXTBOOKS

Textbooks MUST be returned by November 29.

Please note that if your child/s textbooks/resources are not returned in 2012, your child will not be issued with textbooks/resources required to commence schooling in 2013, until the outstanding textbook/resource is returned to the school or replacement costs have been paid for.

STUDENT FEES

Payment Arrangement and Payment Methods

We would like to advise that Caloundra State High School has a number of options available to you.

In Person by Credit Card / Cash / EFTPOS
Phone by Credit Card
Internet Banking General Account
Bank Account Name: Caloundra State High School
BSB Number: 064-406
Account Number: 00090243
Reference: Student EQ Id number (can be found on Students ID card or by contacting the Finance Office on 5436 8454 or by emailing accounts@caloundrashs.eq.edu.au)
BPay Please contact Finance Office on 5436 8454 or by emailing accounts@caloundrashs.eq.edu.au
Payment Plan or Centrelink Deductions Appointments must be arranged through the Finance Office on 5436 8454 or by email to accounts@caloundrashs.eq.edu.au

Outstanding 2012 fees must now be paid in full, as students 2013 fees are due to be paid by 30 November 2012. If you are experiencing financial hardship or you require a Payment Plan or Centrelink deduction, please arrange an appointment immediately with the Business Services Manager by contacting 5436 8454 or emailing accounts@caloundrashs.eq.edu.au. Arrangements must be in place by 30 November 2012.

INDUSTRY PLACEMENT SCHOLARSHIP (IPS) PROGRAM

Congratulations to two Year 11 students, Emily G. and Jennie M., who have been selected from 40 finalists to participate in the 2012 Primary Industry Centre for Science Education (PISCE) Industry Placement Scholarship (IPS) program at the University of the Sunshine Coast.

Emily and Jennie will attend a week long camp followed by an industry placement, where students will shadow a scientist for five days. Upon successful completion of the program, each student will be presented with a $300.00 scholarship.

Well done, Emily and Jennie.

AEROSPACE AWARDS FINALISTS

Aerospace finalists attend awards ceremony at Parliament House. Mr Mark Heinrich, Aerospace Teacher and two Year 10 students, Darren N. and Tom R. were all finalists in this years Aerospace Education Awards. Mr Heinrich was a finalist in the 2012 BAC (Brisbane Airport Corporation) Teacher Innovator Award, whilst Darren and Tom were finalists in the GE Aviation Year 10 Aerospace Award section. Although they weren’t winners, it was a massive achievement to be short listed. Both Darren and Tom received a Certificate of Achievement, along with a $150.00 cheque.

Congratulations Mark, Darren and Tom.
JUNIOR SCHOOLS CUP VOLLEYBALL
This year Caloundra SHS sent a total of five teams to the Queensland Schools Volleyball championships. Our best result was a Gold in the Year 9 Boys Division 1 while other results included Year 8 Girls 8th, Year 9 Girls 5th, Year 10 Girls 8th, and Year 10 Boys 5th.

Students have shown commitment to training since February and displayed sportsmanship and energy when competing at the recent tournament.

Congratulations to all coaches and students.

2012 SCHOOL-BASED TRAINEES AND APPRENTICES
Overall Trainee of the Year Awards
At the recent Senior Presentation Night, the Overall Trainee of the Year Award was shared between Olivia W. and Narelle R. Both students excelled in their academic achievements as well as completing the required work load of their traineeship and at least one day per week in the workplace.

The students received a keeper trophy, acknowledgement on the perpetual trophy and a bursary. This year, two bursaries were received to acknowledge the achievements of our school-based trainees. One kindly donated by Tim and Jacki Banks, owners of the Caloundra and Currimundi McDonald’s restaurants and the other was kindly donated by MEGT, an Australian Apprenticeship Centre and strong supporter of the school-based traineeship program at Caloundra State High School.

Olivia completed a Certificate III in Business with the Tenkate and Narelle completed a Certificate III in Hospitality with Crowne Plaza Resort Pelican Waters. The Overall Trainee of the Year award is always very difficult to award, especially when there are over 30 excellent Year 12 trainees vying for the prize.

This year, there were 39 school-based apprentices and trainees from our Year 12 cohort. All of these students are leaving school with a nationally recognised work qualification. Special mention must also go to Franciska L. who completed a Certificate III in Allied Health Assistance through the Sunshine Coast TAFE.

Lighthouse Trainee of the Year
To celebrate a very successful year with the School-based Apprenticeship and Traineeship program, EPIC Employment Service donated a bursary and plaque to be awarded to a Lighthouse student successfully completing a School-based Apprenticeship or Traineeship. At the 2012 Presentation Night, Caitlin T. was presented the Lighthouse Trainee of the Year award.

2012 Australian Vocational Student Prize Nominations
This year, we had many outstanding Year 12 students and 14 students were selected for consideration towards the 2012 Australian Vocational Student Prize. Our school was only able to nominate four (4) students and have selected Jarrod R., Franciska L., Callum S. and Melissa S.

These students were selected for vocational education or school-based traineeship/apprenticeship nominations by overcoming personal barriers to receive excellent outcomes and outstanding achievements.

Raynor Grevell
Vocational Liaison Officer

CALOUNDRA SHS CELEBRATES OFFICIAL OPENING OF SELF SERVE CANTEN
Caloundra State High School recently completed a total renovation and extension of its canteen, which is now a self serve canteen. The work was completed by QBuild with funds from a successful Smart School Subsidy Grant and P&C funds. The value of the project was just under $200,000.
The school community, staff and volunteers were invited to celebrate the opening held on the grounds of Caloundra State High School. The opening was followed by an afternoon tea.

The school has also taken this opportunity to celebrate Tuckshop Day and presented awards of appreciation to the canteen volunteers.

The P&C Committee
Caloundra SHS P&C – Where Parent/Carer Partnerships Make a Difference

GREG SINGH BURSARY ASSOCIATION INC

Current or past Golden Beach State School students, who are disadvantaged by having a disability or a parent with a disability, are invited to apply for the next bursary from the Greg Singh Bursary Association Inc. The Greg Singh Bursary Association (GSBA) was established in 2011 and a bursary in the form of financial assistance is provided for students who must be under 18 years of age. Applications close on January 31, 2013 and be recommended by the Principal of Golden Beach State School or the student’s current school principal.

Full details of the application process are available online at http://gregsinghbursary.com.au or forms are available from the Golden Beach State School office.

BEYOND ADVENTURE TRAINING (BAT) PROGRAM

An enthusiastic group of Year 8 boys fronted up for the 6th edition of the ‘BAT’ Program. In early November students attended a 4 day camp. The program continues to teach the students through participation in adventurous activities including abseiling, rock climbing and mountain biking, asking them many difficult ‘questions’ about how they face life’s challenges in the process.

Each student’s journey is as unique as their own lives, focusing on what difficulties they face. These issues range widely but commonly include behavioural choices, social interaction/structures, communication with authority figures and, navigating through the difficulties of adolescence. Rather than highlighting the ‘issues’ alone, the program aims to educate the students with practical, positively focussed skills on what they CAN DO, rather that repeatedly telling them what they should not do.

A key element of the program is building each students self-esteem and sense of self-worth. When they can tangibly understand what they are capable of, and feel a sense of value, they can view the world in a positive light and make better choices that match this mindset. This goal is achieved through a series of carefully scaffolded and sequenced activities, combined with debriefing discussions where the experience is ‘unpacked’ and the learning potential of the activity is discovered and/or reinforced. Allofa (Teacher aide) and I are privileged to hear the often incredibly insightful comments the students share.

Each and every student who has participated in the program can be proud of their efforts and achievements. I have seen them push themselves to new physical and emotional limits, and to be more than capable of being quality members of our community.

Well done!
Andrew Mahony
Behaviour Support Consultant

PEER SKILLS TRAINING

On November 8 and 9, sixteen Year 8 students participated in the Uniting Care Community Peer Skills Training workshop. Students were nominated by their peers, then invited to apply to be Peer Helpers.

The 2-day workshop was run by School-based Youth Health Nurse Di Alexander and School Chaplain Stuart White.

The workshop aimed to provide our students with the confidence and skills they need to respond in the best possible way when a friend turns to them with a concern and/or problem. Research at Kids Help Line suggests that while many young people share their problems with their parents, often they turn first to their peers and friends.

The workshop trained students in support skills, communication and problem-solving skills and provided them with information about local agencies.

Some students’ comments on what they learned about themselves through the workshop include: “I can really make a difference in the lives of others”; “I can listen better”; “I am stronger than I thought”. When asked what they will do differently with friends from now on, responses included: “I will be more attentive”; “Respect them more and what they have to say”; “Listen and be more aware of how they are feeling”; “Try to help them solve their problems themselves”; “Listen and be myself”; “Make sure they are okay when they are acting differently”.

The students will be supported by Nurse Di and Chappy Stu and we look forward to their input in building on our positive and supportive school environment.

CHAPLAINCY GOLF DAY

The Annual Caloundra Chaplaincy Golf Day is being held this Sunday at the Caloundra Golf Club. The format is 4-ball Ambrose with tee-off at 12, midday. All are welcome to come and play, get a team of four together for a fun day out and a chance to win some great prizes. ‘Hackers’ are welcome too!
We are also looking for local businesses to sponsor holes and/or donate prizes for the day. Please call Steve on 0412 121 501 for further information, and to register your interest. All proceeds raised by our school community go towards the Chaplaincy program in our school.

**CALOUNDRA COALITION OF STATE SCHOOLS ICT CONFERENCE**

The Caloundra Coalition of State Schools (CCOSS) brought together the biggest gathering of Prep to Year 12 state school teachers on the Sunshine Coast for its annual conference on the Student Free Day in October. The conference aimed to support teachers from all phases of learning to incorporate information and communication technologies into the classroom to engage our techno-savvy learners. Presenters were teachers from across the coalition talking to other teachers, sharing their technology practices.

Over 300 teachers from six schools in the Caloundra area attended the conference, which was hosted across four sites; the ICT Innovation Centre at Sippy Downs, Caloundra State Primary School, Caloundra State High School and Meridan State College. The conference opened with a video presentation of students discussing how and when they use technology in their everyday lives, and what they would like to see in classrooms of the future.

With 40 sessions, presented by local teachers, showcasing the latest in educational technologies, the conference helped teachers to respond proactively to the development and implementation of digital curriculum. It’s about supporting our teachers to working digitally in ways that encompass every aspect of schooling, and about providing personalised pathways to learning success for our students.

The Coalition, established in 2002, is an education alliance spanning Prep to Year 12 formed between Caloundra State Primary School, Caloundra State High School and Meridan State College.

Many thanks to all of our presenters for sharing their expertise.

**HEALTH & PHYSICAL EDUCATION**

The Semester 2 Year 8 PE classes are currently participating in an AFL training clinic each Wednesday during PE classes. Every Wednesday, three AFL trainers come to the school and teach the skills of AFL through drills and games. At the end of the 6 weeks, students will have a good understanding of both game play and refereeing. The students are enjoying the activities and participation has been very high.

**POSITION VACANT**

**TEMPORARY PART-TIME INDIGENOUS TEACHER AIDE**

Caloundra State High School has a Temporary Part-Time Indigenous Teacher Aide position vacancy, working 10 hours per week for the period of 29 January 2013 to 28 March 2013, with the possibility of extension.

Packages can be collected from Caloundra State High School Administration Office on Queen Street and applications close November 30. Should you require further information please contact Robyn Hicks, Business Services Manager on 5436 8444 or by email to rhick32@eq.edu.au

**CONNECT 4 EXPO**

**AUSTRALIA**

Thursday 29 November
From 3.00pm to 8.00pm
Felicity Park
Omrah Street, Caloundra

Several of the Coast’s youth service providers have banded together to put on the inaugural Connect 4 Expo, an event to improve community collaboration and increase awareness of the services available to young people and families across the Sunshine Coast.

Whilst the event is free, registrations are encouraged on http://connect4expo.eventbrite.com/

Locals are encourage to visit the events dedicated Facebook page at www.facebook.com/connect4expo

**SUNSHINE COAST TECHNICAL TRADE TRAINING CENTRE**

On Friday, November 9 Construction Skills QLD held their annual awards night for excellence in construction. The SCTTTC and our partners were widely recognised on the night.

*Hayley F.* a Year 11 student studying Dual Certificate I Construction/Certificate II Infrastructure and Resources and the Integrated Learning in Engineering Program at the SCTTTC was a finalist in the MEGT Construction Student of the Year section.

Hayley is an OP focused student, also receiving academic honours at Speech Night. She plans on using the knowledge and skills she has developed at the SCTTTC to pursue further study in Construction Management once she completes school. She has impressed her teachers and the judges with her commitment to a future in the construction industry and shows leadership in her team at the SCTTTC.

Congratulations Hayley.

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*Hayley (Team Leader) and her team present their picnic table to SCTTTC manager, Tracie Warry*