22 November 2013

PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome to the second last newsletter for the year.

PARTNERSHIPS

Common sense tells us that high attendance rates equate to good results as students in school are learning and achieving. We are happy to report that our attendance rate is around 88%, but we would like it to be higher and we all have a part to play to ensure our children come to school and stay at school. Below is the school’s Attendance Policy which was endorsed at the last P and C meeting.

The Youth Support Coordinator (YSC) position for 2014 is currently being decided, we have received over 50 applications for this position. This position is for 2 days per week at Caloundra High and 1½ days each at Kawana Waters State College and Beerwah State High School. We are only entitled to 1½ days, but have decided to fund an additional ½ day per week (roughly $7,500) which will allow us to continue to provide 2 days support to our students. In 2014, the YSC will work with students from years 10 to 12.

In 2014, we will partner with Salvation Army, along with Kawana Waters State College and Meridan State College to provide the Success Program for students at risk. This program will provide a teacher and teacher aide to work with the students, a youth worker has also been secured using some funds from schools and funding from the Salvation Army. This is a great result and shows what a combined partnership can achieve. This program will run out of the Salvation Army Centre on Sugarbag Road.

IDENTITY

Our Year 12 students graduated last Friday and finished their secondary schooling. This is always a time of sadness and excitement for our departing young adults. Their graduation ceremony was a fitting tribute to their years of schooling and their formal was wonderful with our wonderful year 12 students transformed. Enormous thanks go to the staff who ensured that both ceremonies went very smoothly and a special thanks to Ms Ngaire Paszek for her work as Year 12 coordinator.

Congratulations to our 2014 School Captains – Darcy H. and Slade M. with Vice Captains Sarah M. and Sam A. This amazing group of young people will make outstanding student ambassadors for the school.

This year we have brought back the school magazine “Horizons”, which is an outstanding production. Congratulations and thanks to the staff who produced this magazine, and enormous thanks also to Mr Tim Bateup for all of his work. It is available through the Finance office at a cost of $10.00.

LEARNING

One of the strengths of Caloundra SHS is the breath of subjects being offered. Below is the 2014 Curriculum Plan for your information which shows our move into vocational education with Year 11 students now able to select a certificate level course or a course that prepares them for University. These two options ensure that we are providing real and meaningful pathways for students.

OUTCOMES

This year we held only one Presentation Night ceremony for both the senior and junior areas of the school, which enabled a whole school recognition of the outstanding achievements of so many of our students. Congratulations to all of the students on the night for their well-deserved awards and congratulations to Danika L. on achieving Dux of the School. Thank you to the many staff who assisted in so many ways to ensure the night was a success especially Mrs Penny Price, Ms Amelia Duelberg and Mrs Jan McLean for their enormous work for the night.
Our **Sports Award night** was held on the November 7 and again was an opportunity to showcase the amazing talent of so many of our children over a very wide variety of sports. Congratulations to **Kayden C.** who was named **Senior Sportsman of the Year** and **Jemma C.** for **Senior Sportswoman of the Year**, along with **Tom F.** for achieving **Junior Sportsman of the Year** and for **Kate M.** achieving **Junior Sportswoman of the Year**. Congratulations also to **Mr Matt Roberts** for being recognised as **Coach of the Year**.

Thank you to the staff who organised the night, especially **Mrs Sharon Fullarton** and **Mr Matt Roberts** for their work on the night and during this year as **Sports Coordinators**. Acknowledgement and thanks must also be made of the staff who gave up their time to coach our children in their sporting endeavours.

Schools are often accused of having little contact with the world of work, but the **Sunshine Coast Technical Trade Training Centre (SCTTTC)** located on our grounds, dispels that myth with the Trade Training Centre being nominated in the top three **Construction Skills Queensland Hutchinson Builders Construction Schools of the Year** for the second year running, after only three years in operation. Although the SCTTTC did not win, the recognition that this centre is one of the three best in the state is outstanding. Congratulations **Ms Tracie Warry** and her team on this achievement.

**TEACHING**

With our continuous improvement agenda which includes **facilities upgrades** and conversion of spaces to make better use of space, the school will undertake a number of refurbishments and minor building works over the next few weeks. Our Home Economics staffroom in D block will be refurbished with new staff desks, carpet and painting; H02 will receive new student furniture; plans will be drawn up for N block’s conversion into the main administration block (Regional Office funds) and a retaining wall that has deteriorated along Bower Street will be replaced. Over the Christmas break, the oval will be top-dressed, asbestos will be removed in C block and A block as part of Education Queensland’s asbestos removal program, and C block teacher staffroom will be converted into a classroom.

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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 **Presentation Night** held at The Events Centre on October 29.

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 – Danika L.**

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

USC BUSINESS BURSARY WINNERS

Congratulations to four of our top Business Students, who have won a Business Bursary from the University of the Sunshine Coast. Sarah R., Nicole A., Courtney T. and Jasmyn T. were presented with their $1,500 bursary by Pro Vice-Chancellor Mr Bernard Lillis at a ceremony at the University. The worthy recipients will use their bursaries towards their study of Business at USC next year. We are very proud of these young ladies.

Mrs Raynor Grevell
Vocational Liaison Officer

SPORTS AWARDS PRESENTATION NIGHT

The annual Sports Presentation Night took place on November 7 with over 200 students receiving awards. This is a fantastic way to recognise and congratulate the multitude of achievements that students have accomplished throughout the year. Awards were given to team’s most valuable players, our interhouse age champions and individuals, including teams who achieved regional, state and national success. It’s also a great opportunity to recognise the hard work many teachers and volunteers from the community put in to organising, coaching and managing our many sports teams. Congratulations to all awardees, and particularly those who took out the highest honours on the evening.

Mrs Lorraine Moore
Teacher

TRAINEE OF THE YEAR AWARDS

At the recent Presentation Night awards ceremony, the recipients of the Trainee of the Year bursaries were announced.

All school-based trainees and apprentices vie for these bursaries and must meet strict criteria based on academic and vocational education training.

This year, Caylan G. received the McDonalds Trainee of the Year bursary and Brylee E. received the MEGT Trainee of the Year bursary.

Thank you to all those who made for such a memorable night and a successful sporting year.
Mr Matt Roberts and Mrs Sharon Fullarton
Sports Coordinators

SEMESTER 2 REPORT CARDS

We would like to advise parents/carers that their child’s Semester 2 Report Card will be electronically emailed on Thursday December 12. If you are unsure whether we have your correct email address on record, please call us on 5436 8444 or email the.principal@caloundrashs.eq.edu.au to confirm and update your details.

If you think you have not received your child’s report card, please check your junk mail folder or you can add OneSchool.application@dete.qld.gov.au to your list of safe senders to prevent this from happening.

ADVANCED LEARNERS

THE BRAINWAYS QUEST

CONGRATULATIONS and WELL DONE to Amelia S., Alex H. and Kate M. for their exceptional performance during the “Quest Competition” which was held at Buddina State School in early November.

This particular challenge is designed to encourage students to reach their full potential through cooperation and competition and stimulates students to push themselves above and beyond. Students competed against many other regional schools from the state, independent and private sectors.

Challenges included Maths (linear and simultaneous equations), Science (periodic table and elements) and Humanities (Shakespeare and literary devices) at both Year 12 and University level.

Students represented our school at the highest possible level in this regional competition and will compete in the South East Queensland Finals to be held at Griffith University.

Thank you to all parents involved for your ongoing support and assistance in transporting students and helping students in their preparations for this very success event.

STARS PROGRAM 2013-2014

Did you know…

Caloundra State High School throws away enough waste to fill
ONE football field covered to a depth of 33cms each year?

An alarming fact discovered after the collection of data and analysis of current waste management practices.

This has prompted the Advanced Learners Team to begin planning future waste management projects with the assistance and support of the Sunshine Coast Regional Council. Students have elected to take part in the Strategies Towards Active Resource Sustainability (STARS) program in which Caloundra State High School’s current waste management processes and procedures will be reviewed. This includes recycling of paper, cardboard, printer cartridges etc. Students will also endeavour to educate current school community members to implement a successful waste minimisation program throughout the school.

It is anticipated that the STARS Program will continue in 2014 and be incorporated with the Sunshine Coast Councils Kids In Action Conference to show case the fabulous STARS activities and achievements of our school in 2014. It is hoped positive results will be observed and a more sustainable environment will be created at Caloundra High.

Thank you to the Sunshine Coast Regional Council coordinators who have willingly offered their time, resources and support for this very valuable project.

Mrs Kim George
STLaN Teacher

JUNIOR SCHOOLS VOLLEYBALL CUP

We had five teams travel to Brisbane for the State Junior Volleyball Cup in mid-October. Here are their stories:

YEAR 8 GIRLS TEAM

On Day One, the girls’ team won both of their games putting them in first place in their pool. On Day Two, they lost to Nambour making them fight for 5th and 6th. The team came home with 5th place. Throughout the weekend the team
bonded well and became closer with each other by showing good sportsmanship and staying positive.

On behalf of the team we would like to thank Mrs Schwieso and Mrs Fox for their time and effort to help make the team who they are today. Thank you also to Jemma C., our year 11 student coach who also helped with our technique and taught us to fight harder. Thank you to our parent helpers Donna Cameron, Leanne Jenner and Claudia Wallis, for helping with food and transport.

Written by Captain Erin M. and Vice-Captain Brittany J.

YEAR 8 BOYS TEAM

These boys had a fantastic weekend, with many of their games being fought out, only to lose sets by just a few points. Getting a win in the local derby against Mountain Creek SHS on Day Two, was a significant recharge to the team. This momentum prepared the boys for a three setter in the final, with Caloundra coming away with a win against Redeemer College to top off their tournament. The boys progressed throughout the weekend finishing in 11th place.

A big thank you to student coaches Dwayne C. and Reid B., and a special thank you to Cherie Cavanagh for being our super parent helper with feeding us, and to Steve Watson and Ms Bairstow for assisting with transport.

YEAR 9 GIRLS TEAM

Finally after two years of training and dedication the girls finally showed their stuff!! A bronze medal was very satisfying after some hard fought matches. The girls only lost one match the entire tournament and that was in the semi-final against the eventual gold medallists. In the bronze medal match the girls lost the first set, but showed their fighting spirit and came back to win the second set convincingly, then had a hard fought battle in the 3rd to win 15-13. Well done girls, we’ve finally broken the 4th place voodoo. Lots of fun was had by all. Most Valuable Player (MVP) was Kate M.

YEAR 10 GIRLS TEAM

Each of the pool games were close games with the point scores closer in each match, the final match loss by only 3 points saw the best possible placing being 13th, if they could win the rest of the remaining games. With great support and coaching from past student Sarah Barber and current Year 12 student Caylan G. the girls were undefeated for the rest of the weekend and finished 13th. The girls played consistently all weekend and the more games they played the better they got, even when defeated, the scores were always close. The squad of nine players contributed with each player producing some memorable moments on court. This showed in the player’s player vote where all players poled votes. This award eventually went to Simone B. while Chelsea P. was awarded MVP for the tournament. The girls were a credit to the school in the way they conducted themselves all weekend, both on and off the court and whilst doing umpiring duty. Sarah and Caylan have both spent a lot of time with the team this year and everyone had a lot of fun.

Thanks must also go to Sharlene Ballard and Janelle Watson for their assistance over the three days.

YEAR 10 BOYS TEAM

The culmination of a year’s worth of training saw a well drilled Year 10 Boys team for this tournament. With the help of Coach Tori Carmichael’s words of wisdom and motivation the boys dropped only one game of their round matches to finish second in their pool. Unfortunately, this is where their run ended, as in the medallion play-off match they were edged out by Mountain Creek. In a fierce battle the boys took their opposition to three sets, but could not hang on in the third. Their efforts, enthusiasm and behaviour were flawless and coach Tori should be proud of his team.
VOLLEYBALL TALENT IDENTIFICATION

Congratulations to the following students who were identified by talent scouts from the recent Junior Schools Cup with potential in the sport of volleyball. They have been invited by Volleyball Queensland to attend a Future Stars Camp later in November. Congratulations and well done!

Year 11  Gareth H., Reid B., Dwayne C
Year 10  Chelsea P., Keelan H., Luke G.
Year 8  Erin M., Kate G., Laynee S.

Dwayne C, one of our talented Year 11 players has also been invited to the National Junior Development Camp in December. This is an exceptional honour. Congratulations Dwayne.

SPORTS DEPARTMENT

OPEN BOYS BASKETBALL

The Caloundra Open Boys Basketball team competed in the Sunshine Coast Secondary Basketball competition which was held at various locations around the coast on a Friday night. The boys defeated Grammar convincingly in the semis by 30 points to set up a grand final berth against Siena. After a shaky start the team regrouped and, with the help of some sharp shooting from Captain Emmet W, and Most Valuable Player (MVP) Tom F, emerged as the Champions. Well done boys.

INTERSchool SPORT

The regular season of Year 8 and 9 Summer Interschool Sport has drawn to a close. As the results are finalised we are hoping to be fielding many of our teams in the final series which is to be held on the December 4. More information will become available as the final series is decided. Well done to all students who participated, thank you to the many coaches and good luck in the finals to all successful teams.

Mr Matt Roberts and Mrs Sharon Fullarton
Sports Coordinators

YEAR 11 HEALTH CLASS – DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

Currently the Year 11 Health Class are studying Domestic/Family Violence. Australian Bureau of Statistics data indicates that one in three Australian women over the age of 15 reports having experienced physical or sexual violence at some time in their lives (white ribbon, 2013). White Ribbon Australia is a non-profit organisation and Australia’s only national, male-led primary prevention campaign to end men’s violence against women – White Ribbon Day is on November 25. The day is aimed at encouraging the men to make a commitment to promote positive attitudes and behaviours towards women, as well as to intervene safely to prevent violence against women when needed. For more information visit: http://www.whiteribbon.org.au/ or SCOPE (Sunshine Coast Outreach Prevention and Education) which is another local Health Service available to the community http://www.scopedv.org.

The Year 11 Health class is currently looking at ways to introduce more education strategies into schools to help prevent domestic violence.
Mrs Tracey Fox
Teacher

YEAR 10 MARINE STUDIES EXCURSION

Year 10 Marine Studies students’ visited Golden Beach Mangroves for assignment research.

MOCK INTERVIEWS

Many of our Year 12 English Communication students had a taste of the real world by attending mock interviews with guests from our local community. Our school is very grateful to Cheryl O’Keefe (Sunshine Coast Regional Council), Danielle Cragg (MIGAS Group Training), Erin and Bruce (Gold Training), and Leah Flatley (MEGT) for putting our students through the mock interview exercise.

Students were required to use their employment skills training by attending the interview, greeting the interviewer and answering questions.

Overall, the interviewers advised us that the students have received wonderful training with only fine tuning required for students to be successful. Interviewers commented on:

- Students being very prepared and a credit to their teachers
- Keeping hands in your lap if you are nervous and start to fidget
- Good elaboration when answering questions
- Always maximise your presentation with an interview portfolio
- Students represented the school in a positive and courteous manner
- It was a pleasure to meet young people about to enter the world of work

YEAR 9 AEROSKILLS

Year 9 Aeroskills class covers both theory and practical aspects of aerospace and aviation. Part of the assessment requires the students to complete several research assignments on a variety of different aircrafts. The students then move into a computer room and undertake a simulator program, where the software allows them to learn practical “hands on” flying skills, whilst gaining an appreciation of the complexities of navigation.

The next part of the assessment is in the workshop where the students construct several model planes. As well as gaining skills in tool use and workshop safety, the model planes offer a practical realisation of just how an aeroplane manages to fly.

The first model constructed was the “Delta Dart” which is a kit plane that is propelled by a plastic propeller which in turn is driven by winding up a rubber band. TJ M.’s plane flew from one side of the oval to the other – a distance of around 80 metres.

The second assessment model was a balsa “chuck glider” which the students constructed and shaped from several different size pieces of balsa. They were required to follow a drawing and when it came to flying the planes, they gained an appreciation of how small variances in construction and centre of gravity calculations really make a considerable difference in the performance of the plane.

Both Hayden McD. and Laurie W.’s planes flew well and a gust of wind at the wrong time saw Laurie’s plane crash into the trees in Ben Bennett Park.

Mr Ken Skinner
Teacher

YEAR 10 WORK EDUCATION PROGRAM

The Year 10 Work Education program resulted in over 200 Year 10 students completing work experience with local businesses and also the wider community. Some students were placed with employers in Emerald, Brisbane, Beerwah, Landsborough, Maroochydore and Mooloolaba.

Byron A. was very lucky to experience employment at the Sunshine Coast Airport. His supervisor, Rod Miller, found a
variety of exciting activities for Byron to sample, including the cockpit of a Virgin plane!

Rod provided photos and commented, “We have just come back from visiting a Virgin Australia aircraft. Byron was able to spend several minutes talking to the flight crew about being a pilot and the aviation industry in general. So today Byron has been in an Aviation Fire Fighting Rescue tender and operated the roof mounted water cannon, worn all the ‘turn out’ kit including Breathing Apparatuses, sat in the pilot’s seat, conducted a walk around with the Captain, sat in with the Captain and First Officer whilst conducting their pre-flight checks on a Jetstar A320. Byron also sat in and talked to flight crew on a Virgin Australia 737, visited the cockpit of a SkyTrans Dash 8 turbo prop, and its only lunch time. He seriously does not want to leave”.

Patrick D. was placed with our own Science Department labbies. He assisted with the setup of experiments, dissected a toad and explored owl vomit! Just some of the unusual tasks in a science lab at school!

Students were able to practice employment skills such as safety, communication, and presentation while attending work experience.

On November 6, the first of many Certificate I in Work Education qualifications was presented to Aneka P. at the Year 10 Assembly. Congratulations to Aneka, who has now earned her first two credits towards her Year 12 Queensland Certificate of Education!

Mrs Raynor Grevell
Vocational Liaison Officer

AUSTRALIAN INDIGENOUS MENTORING EXPERIENCE (AIME) GUEST SPEAKER

Early November our Indigenous students were very fortunate to listen to Aunty Jackie (Dr Jackie Huggins) share her story and her inspirational messages. Aunty Jackie is a well-respected Indigenous leader who was previously a Deputy Director at the University of Queensland, is an author and historian. Aunty Jackie asked to speak to our students after receiving letters from Abbie T. and Paulani H. through the AIME program. She told students that she was inspired by her mother and great teachers, and encouraged students to ‘Be strong, be proud’ and to ‘surround yourself with good people who can support you and love you’. Aunty Jackie told the students that she ‘really wants to make a change and improve the lifestyle of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people’. Darren Brady from AIME reminded the students that ‘anything is possible if you put in the hard work’. Students also took this opportunity to farewell our Indigenous Year 12 students and to wish them all the best for the future.

TIPS FOR PARENTS

For this month’s tips I am sharing Michael Grose’s ‘Parenting Pearls’:

1. **Develop a large family mindset.** This will help you give each of your kids the space they need to become independent problem-solvers and develop the resourcefulness to be resilient.

2. **Aim for redundancy:** Independence and self-help skills form the basis of self-confidence, so start
handing over personal responsibilities to kids from a young age. Adapt this principle to suit individual needs to kids.

3. **Mix challenge with compassion.** The authoritative parenting styles where there’s a mixture of firmness and warmth produces the best outcomes for kids. Two parents tend to share the good cop/bad cop roles, while a sole parent needs to do both, which is hard work – but doable!

4. **Build rituals that bind.** Close families have a strong sense of ritual. Family mealtimes, celebrations and family traditions (including the weird and way out things families do) bring people together and offer children and teens a real sense of security. Adapt rituals to suit your lifestyle.

5. **Promote self-regulation in kids.** Natural and logical consequences are the tools parents use to develop self-discipline in kids, one of the key traits for long-term success. Avoid rescuing kids from self-made dilemmas and other real-life learning experiences.

To find out more visit Michael Grose’s website www.parentingideas.com.au/Parents/How-to-Parent which has videos and information for parents.

### WELLBEING PARENT INFORMATION SESSION

On November 4, a small group attended the ‘Wellbeing: what is it and how can you assist your child in achieving a balanced life?’ parent information session. Our School-based Youth Health Nurse, **Di Alexander** and **Mr Greg Setchell**, a CYMHS psychologist, presented useful information in their interactive session that gave parents and family members the opportunity to ask questions and to share ideas. Positive feedback was received from the participants and I encourage you to take the opportunity next year to attend the parent information sessions.

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Feedback from students was overwhelmingly positive. Students particularly enjoyed the Writing and Thinking Challenges (most popular), followed by the Language Convention Challenge, and of course the pizza lunch and other refreshments provided. Observations made by the students include:

‘I loved the short story (Writing Challenge); and food … but I enjoyed them all’ - Naomii, Caloundra SS

‘I enjoyed all activities, mostly the short story (Writing Challenge) and poetry (Challenge)’ - Ella, Caloundra SS

‘[My favourite part of Word Wizards day was] … working together as a team with my friends to figure out challenges’ - Emily, Golden Beach SS

‘I had the best day’ - Jayde, Caloundra SS

‘I love the Lego theme. Good job whoever organised this!’ - Tegan, Caloundra SHS

‘I’ve loved these activities and I am proud to join your school. Thank you for today’ - Jayden, Caloundra SS

Thank you to the staff who accompanied students from the state schools and for taking on various adhoc roles during the day, including mentoring, judging, score-keeping etc.

Several Caloundra High School staff and students assisted in presenting the day’s program, so a huge thank you to: Jenna N. and Ella J. from Year 8 for scorekeeping, timing, and judging; Mrs Kath Yorkston and Mrs Kim George (Writing Challenge Judging); Mr Tim Bateup (Photography); Ms Marlene Manning (Catering); Ms Julie Pozzoli, Ms Denise Miller, Mrs Maureen Brook, Ms Amelia Duelberg and Mrs Sue McIntosh for welcoming, mentoring, presenting and farewelling.

**RESOURCE RETURN & STOCKTAKE**

As the year comes to a close, we ask all students to have a good look for Textbook Room and Resource Centre books sitting on study desks, under beds or at the bottom of school bags. All resources need to be returned by Friday November 29, 2014 resources will not be issued to students until previous loans are returned or replacement costs paid. Replacement costs may be invoiced to parents, however, if the lost and paid-for resources are later found, a refund can be arranged at Finance in A Block.

Annual stocktake begins December 2. Both the Textbook Room and Resource Centre will close for the final two weeks of the year to complete the stocktake. Stocktaking provides an accurate record of missing resources, as well as a chance to weed out-of-date resources.

Mr Mark Wedemeyer
Teacher/Librarian

**CHAPPIES CORNER**

**RUSSIAN STRENGTH TRAINING**

This semester another group of boys in Years 8 to 10 are participating in the Russian Strength Training program. RST is designed to challenge the boys physically and also has emotional and social benefits. This term the group has focused on Underground Strength Training which has utilized workouts involving powersleds, tractor tyres, sledgehammers and kettlebells.

**CHAPLAINCY GOLF DAY**

On October 27 a full field of 132 players converged at the Caloundra Golf Club for the Regatta 1 Business Centre Caloundra Chaplaincy Golf Day. Many thanks to our naming sponsor, hole sponsors and prize donors. In all approximately $10,000 was raised for Chaplaincy in the Caloundra area.
P&C NEWS

P&C COMMITTEE MEETINGS

“It takes a village to raise a child”. Parents and caregivers are most welcome to attend our meetings and to become members. At the meetings, you will gain an understanding of how the P&C is helping to make the school a better environment for your student.

The last meeting for 2013 will be a dinner meeting to close the year on December 9. The meeting will be held at Domenico’s restaurant, Kings Beach, starting at 6:30pm.

Proposed meeting dates for 2014 are 10 February, 10 March, 12 May, 16 June, 11 August, 8 September, 13 October, 10 November and 8 December. Meetings commence at 7.00pm in the Conference Room of the Administration block (Queen Street).

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2014

Please be advised the next AGM for the Caloundra SHS P&C Association will be held March 10, 2014. The meeting venue will be the Conference Room, A Block office, Queen Street entrance.

P&C AWARDS

It is with great pleasure to announce the P&C Staff Award for November was presented to Mrs Tracey Fox. Tracey has recently been involved with the Year 11 Health class, promoting sun safety and many other issues, including an excursion to a medical facility to see the effects of the sun on skin. Well done, Tracey!

TUCKSHOP DAY 2013

To celebrate Tuckshop Day 2013, a small group of canteen volunteers met at Café by the Beach for breakfast and coffee.

Further to the breakfast celebration, students presented flowers and chocolates to our canteen workers. Our school is very fortunate to have such willing and happy volunteers to keep the canteen running efficiently and smoothly for our students and staff. Volunteers are always welcome, and the canteen is a happy and fun environment. For information on volunteering at the canteen, please call Liz Miller on (07) 5436 8484.

ONLINE SCHOOL STATIONERY ORDERS

The P&C committee would like to advise parents that there is the opportunity to order stationery online for 2014. This is a new opportunity for our parents. The instructions for this process can be found in the school’s newsletter.

P&C FUNDING DONATIONS

The P&C committee would like to advise parents that a donation to the school resulted in many resources for the school and the students. Ms Julie Pozzoli, Principal, has kindly provided the attached document outlining the funding and its disbursement.

CHAPLAINCY PROGRAM

The P&C committee would like to encourage parents to support the Chaplaincy Program. The programs provided by Chaplaincy are supportive to our students and strengthens a student’s resilience and self-esteem. Please take action right now to ‘Back Our Chappies’ by signing the Statement of Support. The signed Statements of Support are an important part of responding to this new challenge. You can find it at www.backourchappies.com.au - please get behind this with all your energy – these signatures will be key to our efforts in securing ongoing funding!

PRESENTATION NIGHT

The P&C committee would like to congratulate all of the students for their achievements throughout the year and for inviting the P&C President, Ms Lesley Porter, to present awards at the Presentation Night event. It is always a pleasure to provide Bursaries for outstanding achievements and acknowledging the special students we have at Caloundra SHS.
Ms Lesley Porter
President P&C Association

BACK TO SCHOOL STATIONERY PACKS FOR 2014

Don’t forget your students’ stationery packs for 2014. Parents and carers can order their child’s Back to School packs for the 2014 through Impact Office Supplies online now. This is a convenient and easy way to shop, with Impact delivering directly to your door either at home or work in time for the start of school.

Ordering is simple, fast and completed online by visiting www.impactofficesupplies.com.au and clicking the “Back to School Packs” button. Simply enter the password ‘ARDNUOLAC’ and choose the specific year level you need for 2014 on the drop down list. The full Back to School list for that year level will then appear, all you need to do then is enter your delivery address, the stationery amount you want for each item and you’re finished. Payment is due at the time of ordering via Credit Card.

It is encouraged that parents/carers place their orders online as soon as possible to ensure delivery prior to the new school year.

Click on the relevant year level stationery list below:
Or visit https://caloundrashs.eq.edu.au/Curriculum/Pages/Curriculum.aspx

2014 START DAYS FOR STUDENTS

To all parents and carers, please note below the 2014 start of school dates:

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2014 START OF YEAR OPEN TIMES

FINANCE OFFICE

Finance office will reopen in 2014 on Wednesday, January 22 from 8.00am to 11.30am.

Please note that the Finance office closes its doors for the year as of December 6. This means that all payments due need to be paid to the Finance office before this date or alternative arrangements arranged.

Other important information:
- **Monday 25 November** – first instalment payments for Student Resource Scheme (SRS) will start being processed
- **Payment for SRS fees** must be paid and/or arrangement made prior to laptop payments being accepted

Should you have any queries with your account, please contact the Finance office on 5436 8454 or email: accounts@caloundrashs.eq.edu.au

SCHOOL UNIFORM SHOP

Parents and carers will have the opportunity to purchase uniforms prior to the 2014 school year as outlined below. Please note as of the start of school, **Tuesday January 29** the uniform shops open hours will be every day from 8.00am to 10.00am, CLOSED Wednesday.

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TEXTBOOKS

Please return all borrowed textbooks.

Borrowing rights are removed from students with overdue items. It is a student’s responsibility to ensure that all items they have is the one on loan to them.

All textbooks issued to students will have the students name written in the back of the textbook.
If a textbook has been lost or damaged, please speak with staff in D13. Lost/damaged books are to be paid for at the Finance Office, before students are allowed to borrow further resources. Should a lost book be found, the replacement cost will be refunded.

**Textbook Coordinator**

**CASUAL CLEANERS WANTED**

The school is currently looking for casual cleaners, if you or anyone you know is interested, please forward a brief resume detailing experience to Ms Robyn Hicks at rhick32@eq.edu.au or phone 07-5436 8444 for further information.

**VACANCY - CANTEEN CONVENOR POSITION**

An exciting opportunity exists for a suitably qualified and highly motivated **Permanent Part time Canteen Convenor** to work a five-day fortnight, hours from 7.00 am to 3.00 pm, within the Caloundra State High School.

**KEY SELECTION CRITERIA**

- Proven ability to work and manage a team of volunteers;
- Demonstrated organisational ability;
- Proven working understanding of Quality Assurance, Workplace Health and Safety;
- Demonstrated history of purchasing;
- A proven understanding of food handling;
- Ability to be flexible and multi-skilled;
- Good experience in dealing with children of various ages.

**DUTIES & RESPONSIBILITIES**

- To actively plan for and maintain high standards of management and administration of the equipment and canteen at all times;
- To manage the staffing of the canteen;
- Ensuring accurate records of all income and expenditure, adherence to P&C policies, procedures and operations requirements;
- Ensure correct food hygiene practices are observed;
- To ensure compliance with all Government Regulations, legislation, standards and Education Queensland requirements at all times and assist the P&C Association in completing any necessary forms or returns.

**CONDITIONS**

All applicants are asked to address each of the Key Selection Criteria above in their response.

Wages and conditions will be subject to Award Conditions.

Applications are required by close of business, **Monday December 9, 2013** and should be addressed to:

admin@cshspandc.com.au

For further information please contact the canteen on 5436 8484

Caloundra State High School P&C Association is an Equal Opportunity Employer

**JOIN CALOUNDRA FOOTBALL CLUB**

Caloundra Football Club are commencing trials for players aged 12 to 17 years of age. If you are interested in joining or would like to know further details, please refer to the flyer.