FROM THE PRINCIPAL

FAREWELL YEAR 12

Our Year 12 students left school for the final time last Wednesday evening following our Graduation Ceremony. I would really like to thank the Elanora SHS community for their excellent attendance at the ceremony. The Year 12 Formal was held on Friday night and the students were outstanding in both their behaviour and presentation. Thank you to Ms Jo Vann for all her efforts in the last few weeks of the year with our graduating class. We look forward to them returning to school at the start of next year where we can congratulate them on a successful transition to further study or the world of work.

LAST DAY FOR YEARS 10 and 11

The school year finishes for Years 10 and 11 students on Friday November 29. Our Year 11 students have an exam block commencing Wednesday November 27 and concluding on Friday November 29. Normal classes will run for all Year 10 students until Friday November 29 at 3.05pm. We wish all Years 10 and 11 students all the best in their upcoming assessment and wish them a restful break.

END OF YEAR ARRANGEMENTS FOR YEARS 8 and 9

All students and teachers will participate in their regular timetabled classes until the final day of the school year (13 December 2013). On Monday 2nd December (Periods 1 and 2) and Thursday 5th December (Periods 1, 2 and 3) this will involve students being engaged in the 3D program, designed and delivered by Mighty Minds facilitators in conjunction with Elanora SHS teachers. This program will allow us to collect valuable educational data to support differentiated learning within the classroom. On Tuesday 3rd December, students have been invited to an off-campus activity at Wet’n’Wild. Those students not attending will be in regular classes at school. If you have any concerns about the Mighty Minds program, please contact Ms Booth. If you have any questions about Wet’n’Wild, please contact Mr McCulloch. Both of these people can be contacted on 55 684 333.

SCHOOL MAGAZINE – HAVE YOU ORDERED A COPY YET?

Our school magazine for 2013 can now be purchased through the cashier’s window for $10. This magazine will be an excellent summary of all that the school and our students have achieved in 2013 and will be available before the end of the school year. Please make sure you purchase your copy of this memorable publication.

YEAR 8 2014 ENROLMENTS – HAVE YOU BOOKED + ORIENTATION DAY

We are extremely busy this term with Year 8 enrolments for 2014. We will also be having an information night for Year 8 parents for 2014 on Monday November 25 at 6:00pm in the Performing Arts Block. All students already enrolled have received a personalised invitation to this. Our Year 8 Orientation day has been scheduled for Tuesday December 3 and all students who have already enrolled have been sent a personalised invitation to attend the day. Each incoming Year 8 student and their parents have a personalised interview with me and appointments are available through the school office. If you have younger brothers and sisters or family friends who have made the wise decision to enrol at Elanora SHS for their secondary education, please encourage them to book for their enrolment interviews so they can attend our upcoming Orientation Day.

Yours in Education
Cameron Hodges
SENIOR NEWS

FEE-FREE TRAINING FOR YEAR 12 GRADUATES

Year 12 graduates will be able to access fee-free training in high priority areas from January 2014 under the Queensland Government’s Great skills, Real opportunities action plan to improve further education and training.

To be eligible for fee-free training, Year 12 graduates need to commence training in a high priority qualification with a pre-approved training provider within the calendar year following the completion of Year 12.

The fee-free initiative will apply to high priority qualifications available under the Certificate 3 Guarantee program or the User Choice program, which funds workplace-based apprenticeship and traineeship training.

More information about apprenticeships is available on the Apprenticeships Info website. The student factsheet (PDF, 38KB) provides more information on fee-free training for Year 12 graduates. For further advice contact the Training Queensland Customer Centre on 1300 369 935, training@dete.qld.gov.au, or view the Frequently Asked Questions page.

ONE YEAR OF ADVENTURE – SCHOOL LEAVERS

The Army has 12 roles available with just a 12 month commitment-no strings attached. Just great pay, new mates and world-class training that will set you up for a rewarding career in the Army and beyond. There is a range of challenging roles available, such as Supply Coordinator to Dental Assistant and Military Police.

So if you are ready for one extraordinary year, attend the upcoming Information Session to find out more. Thursday 28th November at 6pm (AEST), Defence Force Recruiting, Coolangatta Corporate Centre, Corner Griffith & Warner St, Coolangatta. To attend this session, RSVP to nwenber@dfr.com.au or call 07 55693900.

NEW TRAINEESHIPS

NEWSFLASH FROM BUNNING WAREHOUSE

Kick start your career with Australia’s largest household hardware chain. On offer are school based traineeships in Business and Retail (you choose) with long term career options for the right candidate at their Burleigh Heads store.

Whilst no experience is necessary, Bunnings is looking for motivated students that are real team players, are customer service focused and outgoing.

Please note that Bunnings is looking for 20 trainees and are expecting high interest for these roles, so apply now. Interviewing starts immediately and successful first round candidates will partake in an information evening with their parents on the 28th November with final interviews to be between the 29th November and the 1st of December. Successful applicants will commence work in either December or February.

HIGHLIGHTS FOR 2013 IN BUSINESS/IT

- Elanora participated in the GRIFFBUS program through Griffith University this year. This exciting program allows students to experience university for 3 days and gain direct entry into various business related courses.
- Legal Studies students had a visit from Tracey Coulston, Police Officer. The visit was to discuss Police Powers (from a legal perspective) such as the power to search if you are suspected of carrying drugs or weapons, to the power to move on. The Officer also discussed legal issues relating to scholarships and employment opportunities in the Police force including studying for a law degree whilst being employed as a Police Officer.
- Mrs Eske organised an excursion to a “real” manufacturing business in operation, the Carlton Brewery and Ikea for Year 11 Business Organisation Management students. A guided tour enabled students to view and understand the many processes involved.
- Professor Elizabeth Roberts from Southern Cross University was invited to speak to Business Organisation Management students. Students were informed of the opportunities available to them in the field of Business Studies as well as delivering a talk on “Women in Management.”
- Department of Fair Trade, Warren Smith enlightened the students on their rights/responsibilities as consumers.
- Year 11 and 12 Legal Studies students attended an excursion to the “Queen Elizabeth II Courts of Law” in Brisbane. This involved independent study of Year 12’s in the Law Court’s library with extra guidance from two university law students. Both Year 11’s and 12’s had the opportunity to see real-life cases and witness the proceedings of law. One Year 11 student commented: “That was the best excursion I have ever been to.”

NCSS CHALLENGE 2013

Congratulations to Year 11 ITS Student Michael Leontieff and IT Technician Geoff Donahoo on their success in the National Computer Science School Challenge 2013. The Challenge is a programming competition for secondary school students. Each week for 5 weeks a set of Python teaching resources are distributed to participants together with a set of questions testing this material. Participants have a week to submit their solutions to the challenge website where they are automatically marked.

Michael Leontieff achieved a credit in the NCSS Challenge 2013.
MIDDLE PHASE STUDENT PROFILE – Angie Hoskins
Name: Angie Hoskins
Year: 10
Current Subjects: Maths, English, Physics, Sport Recreation, Japanese, Photography
Elanora SHS Honours: Junior Leader, Term Awards, International Buddy
Why I chose Elanora SHS? It seemed more suited to the subjects I want to do and having less students here means more assistance from the teachers
What is the best thing about Elanora SHS? The amount of help you get from the teachers
My future plans? To go to University and study for a Bachelor of Child Services

MIDDLE PHASE STUDENT PROFILE – Louis Richard Farrow
Name: Louis Richard Farrow
Year: 9
Elanora SHS Honours: Year Level Representative, School Councilor, Leadership Day Certificate, Taiwanese Buddy Award, Opti-Minds participation, Opti-Minds Spirit Award
Why I chose Elanora SHS? It is a friendly, smaller school that has a comfortable feel about it. Teachers are amazing and always put you first
What is the best thing about Elanora SHS? The friendly environment and peers
My future plans? Taking up Psychology and becoming an author

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT PROFILE – Isadora Leitao
Name: Isadora Leitao
Year Level: 11
Country of Origin: Brazil
Length of Stay: 6 months
Previous School: Christus
Current Subjects: English, Maths B, Biology, Hospitality, Marine and Aquatic Practices, Geography
What is the best thing about Elanora SHS? My friends
Future plans? To go to University

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT PROFILE – Joao Fairbanks De Sa Gait
Name: Joao Fairbanks De Sa Gait
Year Level: 11
Country of Origin: Brazil
Length of Stay: 3 months
Previous School: Viva
Current Subjects: Biology, English, Geography, Hospitality, Maths A, Visual Art Studies
What is the best thing about Elanora SHS? My friends
Future plans? To talk good English

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT PROFILE – Carlotta Bruggen
Name: Carlotta Bruggen
Year Level: 11
Country of Origin: Germany
Length of Stay: 6 months
Previous School: Johanneum Zu Lubeck
Current Subjects: English, Maths B, Hospitality, Tourism, Marine and Aquatic Practices, Visual Arts
What is the best thing about Elanora SHS? The subjects and the school grounds
Future plans? I want to travel and after that go to University

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT PROFILE – Vitoria Clemente Campos
Name: Vitoria Clemente Campos
Year Level: 11
Country of Origin: Brazil
Length of Stay: 6 months
Previous School: Pueri Domius
Current Subjects: Maths B, English, Chemistry, Hospitality, Geography, Dance
What is the best thing about Elanora SHS? Hospitality class
Future plans? To go to University

END OF YEAR SCIENCE GRAND QUIZ CHALLENGE
Eight students vied for the inaugural title of Quiz Champion for 2013 - the Science Department Golden Bunsen Award. The science competition compromised of forty-five general knowledge questions in eight different categories. Competition was fierce and it was a very tight tussle for the consolations prizes, but the winner on the day was Steven Chen from Year 9. In joint second place was Kayla Stockwell and Deanna Juttner from Year 12. Congratulations go out to the eight participants – all winners and worthy candidates for any Mastermind or science quiz show. The weekly science quiz will return again next year in February in the student notices, and the questions will also be posted around the science block. So contestants, start up your engines and let’s see who the 2014 Quiz Champion will be and who gets to hold the golden Bunsen ...

(L-R): Matt O’Grady (Year 11); Kayla Stockwell (Year 12); Isobelle Gapp (Year 8); Zane Taylor, Steven Chen, Jordan Maxfield, Jordan Bennet (Year 9). Front: Deanna Juttner (Year 12).

LAST CHANCE TO ORDER 2013 YEAR BOOK
Limited editions available
The Elanora State High School magazine is a great memento of the schooling year. This year’s magazine is available to all students at a cost of $10.
To ensure your personal copy please download a copy of the year book order form and make payment at the Cashier’s Office NOW.
Christmas Gift Wrapping Availability Form

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During the Christmas Wrap you will be standing and wrapping presents – sometimes it gets very busy. Please consider your health and safety.

If you can't help at this time but wish to donate to our Christmas Appeal we welcome all donations.

Please contact us or visit our website to donate (www.uccommunity.org.au)

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VALLEY XMAS FAIR
Sunday 1st December, 9.30am – 2.00pm
Live Music, Rock Climbing, Farmyard Feeding, Jumping Castle, Market Stalls, Food & More!

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1226 Currumbin Creek Road, Currumbin Valley
Phone: 5533 0312 Email: alock16@eq.edu.au

Dear Parent/Guardian,

The Child and Adolescent Oral Health Program provides services to students up to the completion of Year 10. As regular dental check-ups are important, it is recommended you arrange ongoing oral health care for your child following the completion of Year 10.

For students in Year 11 and 12 and adults to be eligible for government funded oral health care they must be Queensland residents, and where applicable, in receipt of benefits from either a:

- Pensioner Concession Card (PCC) issued by the Department of Veterans' Affairs (DVA)
- Pensioner Concession Card (PCC) issued by the Centrelink
- Health Care Card (HCC).

For residents issued with these cards and currently receiving benefits, eligibility is also extended to their dependants named on the card.

If your child is eligible for government funded treatment after the completion of Year 10, please register for ongoing care or emergency treatment by telephoning: 1300 300 850 Monday – Friday 8.00 am – 4.30 pm - Excluding Public Holidays. Please note waiting lists do apply.

Children of parents not eligible for government funded oral health care will need to seek ongoing care privately through their family dentist.

Further information on government funded oral health care can be accessed via http://www.health.qld.gov.au/oralhealth/default.asp or please contact your local Child and Adolescent Oral Health staff if you have any queries.

Yours sincerely,

Child and Adolescent Oral Health
Managing Asthma over the School Holidays
Although school holidays are a time to relax and unwind from the busy school term, it’s important to still remain vigilant to asthma management to ensure that your time off is enjoyable. Whether you’re planning a trip overseas, interstate or even just staying at home, here are a few tips to ensure your asthma, or your child’s asthma, is well managed during the school holidays:

1. Continue to take preventer medication as prescribed on your Asthma Action Plan.
2. Carry blue reliever medication (e.g. Ventolin) and spacer with you at all times.
3. Visit your doctor for an asthma review prior to travelling and request an updated Asthma Action Plan.
4. Remember to take your Asthma Action Plan away with you, or keep it in an easy to access location in your home.
5. Ensure you take enough medication to last your trip, and take repeat prescriptions with you in case you misplace or run out of medication whilst away.
6. Check that your travel insurance policy specifically includes asthma and that it offers the cover you need.

For more information about asthma, please contact 1800 ASTHMA (1800 278 462).

SCHOOL NURSE NEWS
HEAD LICE:
A NON - CHEMICAL TREATMENT
You Need:
- White tissue paper or kitchen paper
- Method: (Will only work if the hair is dry before starting)
  1. Apply sufficient white colour conditioner to completely cover the scalp and hair strands (the conditioner blocks the lice’s breathing pores and stuns the lice). Together with the slippery effect of the conditioner, this makes it easier to remove the live lice.
  2. Use an ordinary comb to disentangle the hair and to divide the hair into at least four (4) sections.
  3. Put a head lice comb flat against the scalp in each section and draw the comb from the root of the hair to the tip.
  4. Wipe each comb onto the white tissue or kitchen paper, checking for lice. You can wipe the hair to the tip.
  5. Continue to take preventer medication as prescribed on your Asthma Action Plan.

EQ NEWS
MEASLES HEALTH ALERT
Queensland Health is concerned about the number of measles outbreaks in Queensland this year. Measles is a highly infectious disease that begins with symptoms such as fever, tiredness, cough, runny nose and/or red inflamed eyes. Measles can lead to complications such as middle ear infections, pneumonia (lung infection) and encephalitis (inflammation of the brain).

Measles can spread very easily. Vaccination is the only way to prevent measles. Queensland Health encourages anyone who has not had two measles-containing vaccinations, or who is not sure about their vaccination status, to get vaccinated as soon as possible. The measles vaccine is free from your local doctor and can get vaccinated as soon as possible. The measles vaccine is free from your local doctor and can get vaccinated as soon as possible.

For more information about asthma, please contact 1800 ASTHMA (1800 278 462).

Free treatment for children and adolescents with Blood and Injection Phobia
Is your child afraid of seeing blood or having an injection or other medical procedure?

At Griffith University, we are conducting a study to evaluate the effectiveness of a one session intensive treatment for children and adolescents (7 to 18 years of age) who have Blood, Injury and Injection Phobias. We are providing this service at no cost to families. To find out more about this project, please contact Dr. Ella Milliner and Dr Lara Farrell on (07) 567 88317 or email e.milliner@griffith.edu.au.
We are a team of researchers from the University of Queensland, Griffith University and the University of Southern Queensland who are interested in investigating anxiety in children and adolescents. Between 5 and 10% of children are affected by severe anxiety, which has extremely debilitating effects on a child’s emotional, social and educational functioning. In particular, social anxiety is one of the most common childhood anxiety disorders and is described as a persistent fear of social situations in which the child is exposed to unfamiliar people or to possible scrutiny by others.

The ‘BRAVE Team’ are offering two internet-based programs (BRAVE-ONLINE Program) for children aged 8 - 12 years and teenagers aged between 13 and 17 years, who are experiencing social anxiety.

The aim of this research project is to investigate how treatments for social anxiety can be delivered via the internet for children and adolescents. Many families are unable to attend face-to-face clinics, and prefer to participate in programs from their own home. The project also aims to determine whether treatment programs that specifically target social anxiety are more effective than treatment programs that focus on treating anxiety disorders as a whole.

The BRAVE-ONLINE Program will be running throughout this year, and parents are welcome to call us any time during the year. This program will incur a registration fee of $120, with parents receiving a $25 gift voucher each time they complete a follow-up questionnaire package. There are no expected ill effects from participating in this study. This study has ethical clearance from the University of Queensland and Griffith University. Taking part in this study is voluntary, and families are free to withdraw at any time. In the event that we identify any children that are experiencing high emotional distress and/or are not responding positively to the treatment program, we will contact their families to assist them in finding an appropriate referral. They will also be provided with contact details for a list of useful support services.

We hope to reach a diverse range of families across Australia and have therefore included our program flyers and brochures for your convenience. For more information, please visit our website; www.exp.psy.uq.edu.au/socialanxiety. We thank you for your interest and if you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact us or access our website.

Yours sincerely,

The BRAVE Team
Professor Sue Spence, Dr Caroline Donovan, Dr Sonja March, Professor Justin Kenardy, Mrs Cate Hearn, Ms Laura Uhlmann, Ms Gemma Bettens.

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GOLD COAST FRENCH AND ITALIAN SUMMER SCHOOL

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CHOSEN LANGUAGE(s): FRENCH ( ) ITALIAN ( )
LEVEL: BEGINNER ( ) ADVANCED BEGINNER ( )

This information can be emailed to: language_summerschool@gmail.com or provided personally on the first day of attendance. Numbers are limited so early applications are recommended.

| Week 47 (19/23 November) | TUESDAY | 
| Week 48 (26/30 November) | |
| Week 49 (03/07 December) | |
| Week 50 (10/14 December) | |
| Week 3 (14/18 January) | |
| Week 4 (21/25 January) | |

TESTIMONIES FROM PARENTING SEMINAR
OCTOBER 15Th

“I thoroughly enjoyed listening to and learning about the five easy steps to parenting and Lillian’s own personal journey. I would recommend the workshop to every parent”. (Childcare Director)

“Congratulations on a very heartfelt connected “Egoless” presentation. Wonderfully warm and real. Could have sat for hours longer” (Psychotherapist)

“Congratulations on such a wonderful seminar. I would definitely be interested in attending another, as well as the workshop. Your story is inspiring & I’m very interested in continued learning of how I can be a better parent & how I can bring up confident, loving & happy children. Thank you for sharing your family’s story.” (Parent)

“Money well spent. Thanks. Very touching and relevant” (parent/grandparent)

To find out more about Lillian Reekie just double click on the Profile document below

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