FROM THE PRINCIPAL

We are well and truly into Term 2 now and as you are aware assessment will be due in the weeks to come. Our core business is ensuring that all students are prepared for these very important weeks ahead. I ask parents to support your students and help us ensure their success.

I would like to thank all the parents and students who took the time to see us for parent teacher interviews. I know we live in a busy world but the conversations and discussions about student performance were amazing and your support of your child’s personal improvement plan is critical in ensuring success.

Our Homework Centre has been very successful and I am pleased to report that over 200 students have had access to professional tutoring and support from teachers. The Homework Centre is open on Monday and Thursday afternoons each week until 4.30pm and provides support for students in all their academic subjects. All students are welcome and I hope that parents can encourage their students to attend.

Being an Independent Public School we are currently in the process of forming our School Council. Our first step is to design and then pass the School Council constitution. The draft constitution was presented at this month’s P&C meeting for review. An extraordinary P&C meeting will be held on Wednesday 22nd May at 4.30pm to address any concerns or issues and then to pass the constitution. All are welcome to attend. If you would like a copy of the draft constitution please contact the school.

Enrolment has already begun for our intake of Year 7 and 8 for 2013. I am very pleased to say that over 30 students have already successfully enrolled into our Flying Start Year 7 program. Auditions have been taking place for our Arts Excellence Programs with exams and trials for Academic and Sporting Excellence programs in the next few weeks. For more information on excellence programs please contact our office on 5509 1222. We would hate for any student to miss out.

This week sees our Year 7 and 9 students sitting the NAPLAN tests in literacy and numeracy. Our students and teachers have been very busy preparing for these very important tests and we wish them all the best.

As the weather starts to become colder I implore all parents to ensure that their students have the correct school winter uniform. The P&C has introduced a new school jumper but unfortunately there have been some issues with shipping and the new school jumper will be available by the end of the month. Students still have the opportunity to purchase the school jacket. If students would like to purchase a jumper, we have an interim model that students can wear and can swap over when the new jumper arrives. Under no circumstances can students wear any other jumper or jacket that is not endorsed by the school.

Our P&C have been working tirelessly to ensure that our school continues to have the latest equipment and support to ensure student success. I sincerely thank our executive and the parents who have provided valuable contributions over the last few months. At our next meeting we will be discussing the school’s Appearance Policy for 2014 and any recommended changes. Parent ideas and input are vital in school matters and I encourage all parents to consider attending P&C meetings to enrich that output.

The Creative Arts Academy will be presenting the 2013 School Musical Chicago in June. They have been working very hard over the coming months to ensure they execute the most outstanding school musical thus far. Tickets are available at the finance window.

In closing I would like to thank you all for your continued support of our great school and the hard work that our professional and dedicated staff do each and every day to ensure that this is the best high school on the Gold Coast. I look forward to seeing you at our upcoming events in the near future.

Mr Steve McLuckie
Principal
FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

Following on from the success of our past two parent sessions with Psychologists last term, we were fortunate to have a great turn out yet again with Psychologist Pam Day who hosted our third transition and adolescence parent session last Wednesday.

This was an incredibly informative session and we will follow this session with another in a few weeks time, where again all Junior Secondary parents are invited.

Pam Day provided a list of iPhone and iPad apps that you may like to download around emotional health and wellbeing. We hope you find these useful.

1. Mood kit
2. Take a chill-stressed teens
3. The Now-mindful living
4. Take a Stand
5. Smiling Mind
6. Body beautiful
7. iCope
8. Chillax

Mrs Rachel Cutajar
Deputy Principal

FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

The Positive Behaviours for Learning (PBL) lesson rollout for the year began this week with students being advised about the need to Keep Left. Now that our numbers have increased, walking around the school can at times be treacherous with staff & students carrying bags, computers and other equipment. Students were addressed by the Deputy Principals at their year level assemblies beginning with an article from 2012 called “Keep left: Escalator and pedestrian convention.” The Lord Mayor of Melbourne was in the media expressing his traffic annoyance. “He says he’s sick of pedestrians failing to keep to the left of the footpath. This resulted in various comments with one person pointing out that as we drive on the left people should stand to the left to allow people to pass on the right hand side.

Whilst our school is not as busy as Melbourne for commuting, all students have been asked to be aware of their personal space when moving around the school and keep to the left on stairs and verandas. Hopefully some reinforcement from all staff will lead to a safer environment. This of course relates to our core values of Responsible Relationships and Our Community.

School Leaders Visit Parliament

Last Wednesday, whilst Acting Principal, I had the privilege of taking four of our school leaders to meet with Rob Molhoek MP, State Member for Southport, at Parliament House. Mr Molhoek was hosting a visit from our school leaders and also Year 9 student leaders from Keebra Park. We had a tour of Mr Molhoek’s work and living spaces in parliament and enjoyed lunch in one of the dining rooms at Parliament House.

A tour of Parliament House was a great eye opener for the students and being able to view our State’s Parliamentary history first hand was something each of the students will remember for a long while. We even bumped into the Minister for Education who stopped for a picture with our students. Many thanks to Kathy Quinn, Mr Molhoek’s assistant, and to Patricia, our guide, for making the day unforgettable.

Southport State High School honours our ANZACs.

On Tuesday 30 April, our very first whole school assembly took place in the Sport Centre to show our respect for our fallen who have participated in war, particularly our ANZACs. With strategic placement we managed to include our whole student and staff body. Thanks must go to Mrs Cutajar and senior leaders, along with help from our janitor, Gary Hydes, who set up the centre with furniture. Ms O’Neill arranged the program to include guests from the RSL and ex-Servicemen’s Association, and our local Federal MP, Steve Ciobo. An honour guard of School Cadets from the AAFC, Hayley Freeman and Amber and Daniel Hata began the service. Mrs Marconi spoke to the students about our own memorial garden containing a Lone Pine a descendent from seeds taken from Gallipoli by Lance Corporal Ben Smith, 3rd battalion, and our plaque of remembrance. Mr Mervyn Lennon, Welfare Officer for RSL Southport sub-branch, spoke to students of his war experiences and also explained to students where the Reveille originated. Jordan Luetkke played the Last Post with his bugle and Jordan Stocker-Hoida played Reveille on his trumpet. Students and staff joined Mr Lennon in laying wreaths which were later moved to our new memorial in the Admin quadrangle. Other special visitors were ex national serviceman, and they were very pleased viewing the new memorial stone with our wreaths following the service, as they erected the new plinth. Mr Ciobo shared with students the four tenets of our armed forces – Endurance, Courage, Mateship and Sacrifice and how they can be aspirations for our students today. Our Chaplain also contributed by reminding students of the sacrifices in war.

Mrs Robyn Marconi
Deputy Principal
Calendar of Events
The following are proposed dates on our school calendar

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Reminders

Aerosols
Aerosols are prohibited items and should not be brought to school under any circumstances. There will be serious consequences enforced for any student not adhering to this policy. Any queries please contact either of the school Deans.

School Photos
School Photos have been distributed to students. If your student was absent on this day or is yet to receive their school photos they are available at the school office for collection.

Oral Health Service
Did you know that Gold Coast Hospital and Health Services – Oral Health Services in both the community and school dental clinics accept Teen Dental Vouchers?

Good oral health care is important for young people. The government has provided Teen Dental Vouchers to help enable and maintain good oral health and preventative care. These vouchers can be presented to private dentists or Gold Coast Hospital and Health Services – Oral Health Services, including a community or school dental clinic.

Children attending schools up to the end of Year 10 who present a Teen Dental Voucher with Gold Coast Oral Health Services will receive a comprehensive examination, x-rays, scale, clean and a full course of care. Children in Years 11 and 12 in receipt of a voucher can only be seen by Gold Coast Oral Health Services if the eligibility criteria is met. They will then be placed on a waiting list to receive a comprehensive examination, x-rays, scale, clean and a full course of care.

If the Teen Dental Voucher has been used at a private dental practice, completion of the private dentist’s treatment plan will need to be undertaken privately at own cost. Gold Coast Hospital and Health Services will only be able to provide Emergency Care for these children, not a full course of care as prescribed by the private dentist.

Gold Coast Hospital and Health Services – Oral Health Services have qualified and experienced dentists, oral health therapists, dental therapists and dental assistants who work together to provide a range of oral healthcare services to meet your child’s specific oral health needs in a caring environment.

As the Teen Dental Voucher expires by 31.12.13, it is important that you arrange your appointment as soon as possible by telephoning the Gold Coast Oral Health Services Call Centre on 1300 300 850. Oral health services are also provided during all school holiday periods.

For more information on the nearest community or school dental clinic, the Oral Health Call Centre will be able to assist you with your enquiry.

From The Sports Department

Southport High Cross Country Trial Results
Congratulations to all students who competed in the annual Southport High Cross Country trial. The first runner home was Adrian Pietropaolo who completed the 3km course in 13.06. Hannah Rodwell was the first girl home in 10.03. The top 5 finishers in each age group are eligible to compete for the school team at the Broadwater Cross Country Trials on Thursday 23rd May. Good luck to our Broadwater runners.

Top 5 in Each Age Group

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| 1. Braedon Steel | 1. Hannah Walden |
| 2. Levi Ruck | 2. Zada Wright |
| 4. Tyler Brown | 4. Tayla Maui |
| 5. Daniel Freeman | 5. Ashlie Taylor |
| 14         | 15          |
| 1. Chris Barker | 1. Marina Slomovic |
| 2. Matthew Baulch | 2. Bianca Goody |
| 4. Harrison Pinn | 4. Taylor Malawer |
| 5. Zane Kimura | 5. Ashlie Taylor |
| 15         | 16          |
| 1. Muriwai King | 1. Hannah Rodwell |
| 2. Kai Edwards | 2. Courtney Smith |
| 3. Josh Freeman | 3. Olivia Weckerle |
| 16         | OPEN        |
| 1. Ned Swan | 1. Shana Steel |
| 2. Jai-Don Vanassen | 2. Alica Nunn |
| 4. Bayley McKavanagh | 4. Rebecca Gillingham |
| 5. Ben Schmidt | 5. Hayley Freeman |

From the Sports Department
House Points:

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Mr Dave Mason
HOD Sport

2013 Sharks Cup

Massive congratulations must go to all involved in providing such an invaluable learning experience that enhances the teaching and learning focus of our sports excellence programs. Similarly, a big thank you to Miss Mia Murphy, Mr Lee Rossow and Mr Tom Vieyra for all their efforts in preparing the wonderfully talented students selected to participate in this tournament.

Friday 3rd May saw 34 students travel to Browns Plains to compete in the 2013 Sharks Cup Tournament, across three divisions. We had a Year 8 mixed team, coached by Mr Tom Vieyra, who played extremely well, remaining undefeated throughout the round phase of the tournament. Their for and against speaks for itself, achieving a 20-6 result in their three games. Unfortunately, they were knocked out in the semi-finals against Assisi Catholic College. Our 15 Boys team, coached by Miss Mia Murphy, also played extremely well during the round phase, remaining undefeated, also being knocked out in the semi-finals. They too should be very proud of their efforts, achieving a 29-8 for and against in their four games. Our 15 Mixed team (Year 9 team), coached by Mr Lee Rossow, progressed through the round phase, to win the semi-final 3-2 against Assisi Catholic College. Then, progressed to the Grand Final against Browns Plains, the top Year 10 team, who proved to be the better team on the day and were defeated 4-1 finishing runners-up, but showing true sportsmanship and doing our school proud.

Huge congratulations to the players’ players, who were Keirra Lesa and Wilson Groth for the Year 8 mixed team, Nick Greenwood for the 15 boys team, and John Eadie for the 15 mixed team.

Further congratulations must go to Luke Kelsey-Scott, Zane Kimura and Victoria Schofield who played extremely well and put in an enormous effort in their very first touch football competition. Similarly, a big thank you to Jackson Legge for stepping up to the 15 boys team and who held his own in defence. We expect to see great things to come from all three players in the future. Well done!

All players should be very proud of their efforts, and we would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your efforts, and for upholding the highest standards throughout the competition.

Miss Mia Murphy, Mr Lee Rossow
& Mr Tom Vieyra
Sports Teacher

News from the Resource Centre

A small group of dedicated manga readers went to the see the Evangelion Art Exhibition at the Gold Coast Arts Centre last week. The exhibition included original concept and character drawings from the Evangelion series and anime movies. Students viewed the art then tried their hand at sketching their own manga-style pictures.

Mrs Avril Priem
Teacher/Librarian

Strings Day of Excellence

The Instrumental Music department’s ‘Strings Day of Excellence’ is considered the most heart warming event of the school year. Held on Wednesday 1st May, it is on these days that primary music students and music teachers from across the district come together in a day of music making and joy. It is the role of SSHS students on this day to mentor those younger than themselves and encourage the up and coming talent. Relationships between both students and teachers are embraced on these days and the gap between high school and primary school is further closed for the Instrumental Music Programme.

Ms Kate Shepherd
HOD Music
Animal Welfare League

One of Southport State High School’s great sport and recreation activity includes an educational program with the Animal Welfare League at Coombabah. It is called the Companion Animal Certificate Course.

Students get to assist with looking after the dogs and cats that are brought to the shelter. Students do tasks such as feeding the animals, taking dogs for walks, training them and bathing them in the hydro-baths. They also clean out the guinea pig and rat cages, play with the cats and learn about companion animals.

Year 7 student, Ivy MacKinlay, says: “My experience at AWL was really good because it’s got me thinking about a job working with animals.”

Another Year 7 student, Kiara White, loved coming to the shelter. “There was something new to do every time. My favourite activity was washing the dogs and playing with the kittens.”

The Animal Welfare League relies on volunteers to care for and assist with the animals’ health and well-being as well as the adoption program. It is a very busy place.

Not all the animals at AWL are adopted out straightaway. Some animals go to foster homes for a while. Fostering animals allows more animals to live a normal life without the confines of a cage.

Year 9 student Mikayla Henry says: “My family has fostered two dogs from AWL, Pebbles and Lily. We don’t really feel sad when they return to AWL because we know that after fostering they will be ready to go to a good home.” Miklaya really enjoyed the course, learning about the characteristics of different breeds of dogs and how to train them.

For more information on the Animal Welfare League go to www.awl.org.au

From The Industry Liaison Officer

TRAINEESHIP/APPRENTICESHIP LIST
The Traineeship and Apprentices listed below are available for application. Please see Mrs Hall, Industry Liaison Officer in F8 to apply. If parents or guardians would like further information about School-based Traineeships or Apprenticeships please contact Mrs Hall directly on 5509 1285.

TRAINEESHIPS/APPRENTICESHIPS AVAILABLE

CERT 111 HORTICULTURE
Emerald Lakes Golf Club (Year 10 or 11 students to apply)

CERT 111 AUTOMOTIVE
Repco – Olympic Circuit – (This is urgent – anyone looking at a career as a mechanic)
Year 10/11 students to apply

CERT 111 CHILDCARE
Good Start Early Learning Centre (Helensvale x 8 positions)
ASA

CERT 111 BUSINESS/BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION
Wealthfarm (Financial Advisors) – Southport
Australian Academy of Sport (Runaway Bay) ASA
Autobarn (Biggera Waters) Barr
Bakers Delight (Broadbeach) Barr
Brazilian Express (Pacific Fair) Barr
Supercheap Auto (Locations across Gold Coast) Barr
Goldmark Jewellery (Locations across Gold Coast) Barr
Noys Nik Naks – Helensvale

CERT 111 HOSPITALITY
Galaxy Seafood Restaurant (4 positions - Southport) ASA
Gloria Jeans (3 positions - Surfers Paradise)
Royal Peacock Restaurant (3 positions – Main Beach) ASA
Crema Expresso (Biggera Waters / Helensvale)
Diva Tea and Coffee House (Marina Mirage)
Parkwood International Golf Club (Arundel)
The Coffee and Crepe Café – Helensvale
The Surfers Paradise Beach Café – Surfers Paradise
Gloria Jeans (Helensvale) Barr – Must be able to work Thursdays
Spendelove – Brickworks (Icon) 3 positions

CERT 111 RETAIL OPERATIONS
Target (3 positions Runaway Bay) ASA
Sanity Music Store (2 positions - Runaway Bay) ASA
Brontesaurus Pet Shop (3 positions - Runaway Bay) ASA
Parkwood International Golf Club (Arundel) Aurora
NewsExpress (Biggera Waters) Aurora
Baskin Robbins (Helensvale/Pacific Pines/Paradise Point)
Donut King (Runaway Bay)

SPORT & RECREATION OFFICER
Queensland Institute of Sport (Various Gold Coast Locations)
Fitness Attendant – Snap Fitness (Main Beach)
Technical Support (IT/Digital Media) Runaway Bay (5 positions

Miss Chloe Baldock
Year 7 Student

Mrs Karen Hall
Industry Liaison Officer

13th May 2013
Asthma?

Join us for a FREE workshop and learn about:
- Asthma symptoms, triggers and medications
- The importance of an asthma action plan
- What to do in an asthma emergency

If you have asthma, or care for someone with asthma — this workshop could change your life.

Helensvale Community Centre
31 Discovery Dr, Helensvale

Tuesday, 21 May 2013
10:30am — 11:30am

Bookings essential
Call 1800 ASTHMA (1800 278 462)
or book online

Supper at Chicago

Enjoy some quality catering by the senior Hospitality students whilst being entertained at the CHICAGO musical on 5th—6th June, 2013.

Purchase one of our delicious menu items available on the night.

MENU
Creamy pumpkin soup and roll $3.50
A duo of dips served with crisp bread $5.50
An assortment of sweet tartlets (4) $5.50

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CHICAGO

Wed 5th, Thurs 6th, Fri 7th and Sat 8th June 2013
Show starts 6pm, doors open 5.45pm
$20 adults $15 students $10 child Under 10

new joint, same jazz