Dear Parents,

It is with much school pride that as Principal, I acknowledge Mrs Lisa Manderson, one of Wavell High’s longest serving teachers. Mrs Manderson has decided to retire and move on to the next phase of her life following the July holidays. Mrs Manderson commenced teaching at Wavell High in 1978 and apart from a few short breaks, including a period of time working for Queensland Health, has served the students at this school as a Health and Physical Education teacher with a great deal of commitment and dedication. Lisa has been the strength behind our school’s successful Hockey teams. She has coached a large number of teams over a long period of time and even had the pleasure of teaching and coaching the current Australian Hockey Team Captain Madonna Blyth. On behalf of Wavell school community I thank Mrs Manderson for her valuable contribution to our school and wish her well in life beyond Wavell. Mrs Manderson’s long term and dedicated service to the Wavell High School community is a shining example of how our school has maintained excellent tradition and school spirit.

I congratulate another of our teachers, Mrs Gerry Madden, as this year’s winner of the “My Favourite Teacher” competition for all schools on the northside of Brisbane. Mrs Madden is a driving force of our middle school pedagogy as our Middle School Head of Department and teaches mathematics and our Advanced Academic Program. Mrs Madden is a very worthy winner of this award. Both of these two teachers are testament to the quality of teachers at our fine school, Wavell High. All students and teachers are now in exam mode. I am confident that students were well prepared to do their best. The Year 12 results achieved will contribute towards their senior exit results and form a large part of the assessment used to rank them within their subject later in the year. It is important all students continue to aspire and achieve the best possible academic outcome. The effort that each student is prepared to take is what makes the difference. Year 12 students continue after exams on vital work in order to ensure they are best placed on exit from secondary school. It is essential that all are in attendance. Our Year 12’s will complete their second QCS Test Practice following the exams on Thursday, 14 and Friday, 15 June. This is fundamental preparation for students who wish to sit the QCS Test in Term 3. There is also a compulsory Certificate in Work Education workshop for Year 12 Non-OP students which students must attend in order to complete their certificate.

Our continued focus on student effort combined with the articulation of high academic expectations are major factors that ensure great outcomes for our Wavell students.

From the Principal

The Year 12, 2011 results published on the Queensland Studies Authority website last Friday are testament to this work. The 72% of OP 1-15, nine University subject successes, five Associate Diplomas, twelve Certificate IV, 31 Certificates III and 35 School-based Apprenticeships are a reflection of the work of our students, teachers, and parents and have enabled Wavell to demonstrate some outstanding graduate results.

Report cards for all students will be posted home at the beginning of next Semester and will be accompanied by booking information for the Parent Teacher Night Tuesday, 17 July 3.30 – 7.30pm. Please note that in order to facilitate the interview evening on Tuesday, 17 July the school day will commence at 8.45am and will conclude at 3.00pm.

I would also like to remind families to finalise any outstanding school resource and text charges and subject levies before the end of term. Many families would have received the $820 education payment from the Federal Government. This payment has been specifically intended to enable parents to meet their obligation to schooling costs. I expect any outstanding school contributions would be the first priority for these funds.

We have many exciting school activities for the final week of term including; Year 8 Camp, Year 10 Work Experience, Band Tour and work experience for some senior certificate courses. Parents of Year 9 students should have received a letter detailing the Human Relationships Education program for form classes. Year 9 students will also be involved in assessable tasks on the second Science Day, on Wednesday, 20 June. This is a compulsory event for Year 9 students. School continues for all other students up to and including Friday, 22 June. Please ensure your child understands that every day at school counts. I expect all students to be in full time attendance and engaged in learning until the very last day of term. Parents are expected to support this requirement and any legitimate absence explained by a note or phone call to the school.

JJ Major, Principal

Examinations

Senior students commenced their examination block on Friday, 3 June. Students are reminded that the school expects diligence and application to these important pieces of assessment. The examination timetable is available in full on the school website. Any absence from scheduled exams must be communicated with Mrs Bullen, Deputy Principal in order to ensure examinations are rescheduled as soon as possible.

Inter-form Debating

The Year 8 Inter-form Debating Competition commenced on Friday, 1 June with teams debating that “School uniforms should not be compulsory”. Strong arguments were heard from both Affirmative and Negative teams but, of course, there must be a winner! Year 9 and 10 adjudicators offered feedback and suggestions for improvement. No teams were knocked out in Round One and all forms will continue next term.

YEAR 9 SCIENCE DAY REMINDER

Wednesday, 20 June

Lessons 1 and 2

Compulsory assessment for Year 9.

Semester One Reports

Posted home
Monday, 9 July 2012

Your postal address must be correct to ensure reports are delivered!

Parent - Teacher Evening
Tuesday, 17 July 2012, 3:30pm - 7:30pm
Booking details will be mailed with reports. Parents log on to “Parent Teacher Online” via the school website.

Bookings open: 9:00am Tuesday, 10 July

close: 9:00am Monday, 16 July.

Families without internet access may like to utilise the free service provided by BCC libraries.

For further assistance: Mrs Sandra Lock 3350 0301.
We look forward to meeting with you!

Favourite Teacher Award

Wavell students have successfully nominated Mrs Madden for the 2012, Northside Chronicle “My Favourite Teacher” award. Mrs Madden has received a certificate and a family pass to SeaWorld. The promotion was run in partnership between Northside Chronicle and the Department of Education and Training and formed part of State Education Week. The promote recognised teachers whose efforts have made a positive difference.

Pictured: Mrs Gerry Madden and Mr Jeff Major with $8K.

TERM 3 COMMENCES
MONDAY
9 JULY 2012

“The mind is everything.
What you think you become.”

Buddha

P & C Meeting - Tuesday 19 June 2012, at 7:30pm in the Admin Building All Welcome
Girls in Mining

Pictured: Year 11 students Yulisa Shkarvko and Katelyn Darlington. These girls were in the winning team at a Girls in Mining 2 Conference on Wednesday, 9 May at the Powerhouse supported by the Qld Minerals and Energy Academy. Other Year 11 students who attended were: Krishna Manosce, Ayla Ortega, Angelica Roseos, Sheila Pintal, Eliza Gillikson and Julia Mosqueda. All the girls who attended got to listen to some very inspirational women who have amazing careers in mining. This was a great way to enlighten girls about rewarding careers in the mining sector. They were also treated to a lovely lunch with the Brisbane River as their backdrop and a bag full of goodies including a T-shirt and a mining produced lip balm.

Artist Visit

On Thursday, 24 May our Year 11 Visual Art students listened to guest speaker, Henri van Noordenburg, a well-known Dutch born, Brisbane-based photographer, academic and exhibition curator. Henri lectures and tutors in Photographic Media at the Queensland College of Arts and Queensland University of Technology. His informative, well-illustrated and often amusing lecture addressed aspects of photographic composition and inspired students about to embark on their own photographic folio. Henri’s visit was sponsored by the Brisbane Festival’s goa billboards project. Pictured: Selena Thomson, Henri van Noordenburg, Roxanne Lorez (Associate Producer/Administrator, Brisbane Festival), Rebecca Schneider

Farewell Coach

The Open Girls Basketball team pictured have demonstrated outstanding team work and exemplary conduct as young sportswomen. These qualities have stood them in good stead as they continue training for the Metropolitan Finals to be held at the end of the winter season. Mrs Manderson, their coach, is proud of this fine team of young women. They have been a fantastic team to coach and will be the last team that she will coach in her professional teaching career. Mrs Manderson will retire at the end of the semester after a long and successful time at Wavell High. Wavell has appreciated Mrs Manderson’s years of service and we wish her a happy retirement.

District Cross Country

Congratulations to the Wavell Cross Country team, who battled adverse weather conditions and tough competition to place second in the District Cross Country Championships on Monday, 21 May. Wavell gained overall winners in the 16 Years Boys and 13 Boys and Girls categories. Students, Jack Young (Year 11) and Joe Dale and Jamie Harten (Year 8) won their age groups. Selected students then raced at the Regional Cross Country Championships at St. Pauls School on Tuesday, 7 June. Thanks to all the competitors and teachers.

13 Years: 1st - Joseph Dale 2nd - Emily Honor
14 Years: 3rd - Jacob Chambers 17 Years: 2nd - Tanya Chamberlain 2nd - Nicholas Hunt

18 Years: 2nd - Emma Dale

Rugby League

Last week was very hectic on the Rugby League front at Wavell High. All teams who participated in the Aspley competition made the Grand Finals in their respective year group. These games were played on Tuesday, 29 May at Aspley JRLFC at Kirby Road Aspley. Year 8 Blue 36 v Sandgate 0, best player-Tyrence Boycroft, Year 9 Blue 26 v Sandgate 14, best player-Brandon Ewing, Year 10 Blue 18 v Sandgate 20, best player Rowan Greene, Wavell Open 32 8 v Aspley 22, best player-Jaylan Mawer.

On Wednesday, 30 May Wavell hosted Marsden in the South-East Queensland Brisbane Broncos Elite competitions. All grades played at Wavell’s home ground, Shawsport. It was the first time that Wavell had experienced a clean sweep in the home-coming format. Wavell had wins over Marsden’s teams, some of whom won these very same competitions last year. This outcome was a credit to the commitment of students and coaches to their sport.

Year 8 Renouf Shield: Wavell 20 v Marsden 16, best player-Jake Waldmsley, Year 9 Hancock Cup: Wavell 20 v Marsden 18, best player-Paddy Everson, Open 2 Gee Shield: Wavell 28 v Marsden 4, best player Riley Levon, Open 1 Langer Cup: Wavell 26 v Marsden 16, best players -Vincent Rennie and Delayne Ashby.

IMPORTANT:
Attention parents and caregivers
Please remember to notify school of any changes to address, contact numbers or email addresses.

New Bus Zone
Wavell will begin to phase in the use of the new bus zone on Edinburgh Castle Road. As of Monday 9 July, some afternoon services will shift down to this zone.
This includes routes: 970, 971, 972, 974, 975 and 941.
All morning services and other afternoon services will remain per current schedule.
Further changes are likely to be phased in at the start of Term 4. These changes will be communicated to students at school and to parents via the newsletter.

AMENDED PHOTOGRAPHY SCHEDULE

• Tuesday 19 June - Year 8 Form Class, Individual and Year Level photographs
• Tuesday 19 June - Year 8 Form Class, Individual and Year Level photographs
• Monday 23 July - Year 9 Form class, Individual and Year Level photos. Missed Individual photographs
• Tuesday 11 September - Winter Sport Groups, Schools of Excellence, Cultural photographs

Deputy Dates

Monday 11 June - Queen’s Diamond Jubilee Holiday
Wednesday 13 June - Years 8, 9, 10 & 11 Semester I Examinations conclude
Thursday 14 June - Dance Committee Meeting 7:00pm
Friday 15 June - Music Committee Meeting 7:30pm
• Year 8 Debating Round 4
• Year 12 QCS Practice Test and Cert I Work Ed Workshop in Hall
• Year 9 Nethbull & Rugby League Superclinic Lessons 2.3, 4
• Year 9 Human Relationship Education Form classes A,B,C
• Year 11 visit to SIMTARS Chemistry
• Year 12 QCS Practice Test and Cert I Work Ed Workshop in Hall
• Year 12 Semester I Examinations conclude
• Year 9 Human Relationship Education Form Classes D,E,F,G
• Year 10 Certificate I Work Education Workshop
• ICAS Writing Competition in G1 Lesson 1
Monday 18 June - SRC Meeting in G2 1:10pm
Wednesday 20 June - Year 8 Camp departs for Noosa
• Year 9 Science Day Lessons 1&2
• Year 10 Work Experience
• Year 12 Normal classes resume
• Years 8 Camp returns

Friday 22 June


Stationery & Clothiing Shop Hours - Each Monday and Thursday 8:15am - 9:15am

Absentee Phone Line 3350 0303