Dear Parents,

The year starts to come to a drawn out conclusion with the departure of ourYear 12s last Friday and the finish for Year 10 and 11 next Friday following their exams. It is important that our Year 12s take this time to reflect on what they have learned and continue to focus on their studies to ensure they are ready for their final assessments.

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In August, more than 300 Wavell students participated in the Australian Maths Competition. Our results in this prestigious international event were again outstanding, with almost fifty percent of Wavell entrants scoring a Credit or better. Our top students in each year level were:

Yr 8 Harry Kettleswell (High Distinction)
Yr 9 Saul Bos (High Distinction)
Yr 10 Criz Botor (Distinction)
Yr 11 Zac Hallam (Distinction)
Yr 12 Tanya Chamberlain (High Distinction)

Saul and Tanya actually placed in the top one percent of students in our district – an especially outstanding achievement.

Congratulations to all students who participated.

This year’s Annual Graduating Students’ Art Exhibition showcases works from each of our talented and creative senior Visual Art students. The display, which opened on October 24, continues across two venues – the Hall Foyer Gallery and the Resource Centre – until Term 1, 2013. Pictured: Eleanor Mason with a surrealistic art piece.

This year, our focus for students in the third year Bachelor of Human Movement Studies and our School of Excellence and in particular with international event were again outstanding, and we wish him all the best for winning on and off the field”.

Congratulations to Liam on his representative achievements and we wish him all the best for the 2013 tour of Britain.

Letters detailing activities were distributed today to students. There will be at school activities also run.

Tuesday 11 December: Blue fit leisure excursion
Wednesday 12 December: Movie Day
Thursday 13 December: At school games and activities and report card distributed
Friday 14 December: Clean up Day

Year 8&9 Alternative Program

In order to help parents and students decide on an appropriate bag for 2013 the P&C has requested some guidelines be developed. These will be distributed to students and available at the school shops and on the school webpage. Information will be included in the Welcome to Wavell book, the Prospectus and 2013 Student Planner. Please ensure your student is equipped with an appropriate school bag for 2013.

SRC NON UNIFORM DAY
Thursday 6 December - $2.00 NORMAL DRESS STANDARDS APPLY
Students who wish to participate must:

1. Have their uniforms with them for subjects with specific requirements, e.g. HPE/HEC
2. Year 9 especially note that clothing must not hinder your involvement in sport.
3. Wear or bring closed-in, leather-upper footwear for HEC/Manual Arts/Science. NO THONGS.
4. Not wear clothing with inappropriate logos, wording or illustrations.
5. Girls – Must not wear midriff tops, shorts, shorts or ripped clothing which expose their flesh.
6. Students must not wear singlet tops.
7. DO NOT bring/wear expensive items of footwear/clothing or bring valuables.

Year 8-11 I.D. cards are available for collection from G1 upon the payment of $7.00. This card is valid from October 2012 to January 2014.

Tuesday 4 November
WSC Year 7 into 8 Orientation Transition Day 1
Monday 26 November
Tuesday 27 November
School Council Meeting 6:30pm
Thursday 29 November
Year 8&9 Semester II Examinations Commence (26-29 November)
Year 10 Semester II Examinations commence (26-29 November)

Abeesne Phone Line
3350 0303

 используемый для наших столов, магазинов и хозяйственных магазинов. Контакт: Noela Tweedale на 3350 0307 для дальнейших деталей.

Absentee Phone Line
3350 0303

School Bags 2013

It is with great pleasure that we announce the captains elect for sport in 2013. These students will hit the ground running next year with the Interhouse Swimming Carnival on 11 February. Congratulations to the following:

Sport Captains:
Jessica Bates, Kelly Baildon
House Captains
Alamein - Gem Bryce, Declan Askew
Burma - Tarosila Foster, Jacob Kelly
Keren - Tarvia Lucas, Liam Moffatt
Tobruk - Aleisha Tainui, Liam Thureson

Sport Committee – Promotions and spirit
Larissa Rogers, Leith Midwood, Elyce Silcox

UQ Achievement

Third year Bachelor of Health, Sport and Physical Education student and past Wavell student Liam Tyson was selected in the Australian Universities Rugby League team. This reflects the continuing partnership between The University of Queensland’s School of Human Movement Studies and our school. Liam graduated from Wavell in 2009 and was a member of the school’s Rugby League Excellence program. The years spent being part of the excellence program were crucial in the development on the field and selection in the Universities Rugby League. Wavells had huge success with the Rugby School of Excellence and in particular with our focus for students “winning on and off the field”.

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Stationery & Clothing Shops Hours

Monday, 10 December (Last trading day for 2012)
(Sales for Year 8 Kits and Workbooks only)
Stationery Shop: 8:30 - 7:00pm
New & Used Clothing Shops: 5:00 - 7:00pm
January 2013
Wednesday, 23 January: 12noon - 5:30pm
Thursday, 24 January: 9:00am – 12noon
Friday, 25 January: 9:00am – 12noon
First week of school from 29 January
8:15am – 11:30pm daily
Second week of school from 4 February
8:15am – 10:30am daily

Volunteers Required for Shops
Volunteer for 4 hours and get 10% off your bill.
Contact Cheryl Saul for details. Phone: 3350 3390.

2013 Resource Scheme Reminder
The following forms have been mailed home:
- Fact Sheet
- Participation Form
- Payment Form
Please return either Participation or Non Participation form before the end of Term 4.
Payment forms due with payment by Friday, 1 February, 2013.
Return texts, library books and repay any outstanding monies for 2012 by the end of the school year.
Contact the school on 3350 0307 for further details.

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Used - Clothing Shop
School uniforms of a suitable standard (washed and ironed with no faded stains or mending please) are now being accepted in sale.

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Friday 30 November
Tuesday 4 November
Wednesday 5 November
Thursday 6 November
P&C and Combined Shops Committee Annual Dinner at Geebung
RSLS: 6:30pm
Year 8&9 Examinations conclude
WeP Excursion to Police Museum & Qld Museum
SRC Non-Uniform Day
SRC Executive 2013 Planning Day
WSC Year 7 into 8 Orientation Transition Day 2 Lesson 4
Year 8 Nethall & Rugby League Activity Afternoon Lessons 3 & 4

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