Dear Parents,

Today’s newsletter follows Speech Night – our most prestigious event of the year where students were honoured as the top academic achievers. School Captains for next year were announced and our cultural and sporting champions were recognised. These high achievers have this newsletter issue dedicated to their achievement. Competition for these awards at Wavell is fierce with many students achieving exceptional outcomes – this makes winning an award even more special. I urge students who were in contention but just missed out on being recognised on Speech Night to continue to strive for personal excellence. I extend our thanks to Mr Wayne Swan (Federal Member for Lilley), Mr John Woodforth (State Member for Nudgee), Mr John Cattoni (Principal, Wavell Heights Primary) and Mr Greg Rodgers, our P & C President and School Council Chair, for the presentation of our awards. Mrs Christina Smeed, Deputy Principal, and Ms Sandy Lock, Administration Assistant, were the key people responsible for another quality Wavell event and our 2013 School Captains and Student Representative Council President delivered the school report very professionally. Our talented music students and vocalists, under the direction of Mr Malcolm Bell, Mrs Alisa Jones and Ms Leanne Piggott, added excellent musical entertainment to the evening which followed a wonderful showcase last week. They also provided a stirring performance on Monday morning last week at the Kedron Wavell RSL for the Veterans Day memorial. I extend my thanks to our hospitality students and their teachers, Mrs Kerry Deery and Mrs Jo Darlington, for hosting a very polished function for our special guests prior to Speech Night.

The announcement of next year’s School Captains was a special way to complete the evening. I am confident that the four elected captains, Elaine Elevera, Rose Foster, Ryan Honor and Jobird Ualesi will lead our student body exceptionally well next year. I outlined at Speech Night Wavell’s successful application as an Independent Public School (IPS). This is an acknowledgement of our longstanding success as a school, in achieving great outcomes and introducing innovative programs. Wavell has operated relatively independently for some time with a School Council in operation in one form or another since 1987. This official status will enable the Council to have a greater role in deciding which policy from Education Queensland should or should not be adopted and what curriculum best suits the needs of our students. The ability for me to directly select staff as vacancies arise is the most beneficial aspect of this initiative. Wavell has many great teachers and the ability to ensure new teachers to the school are selected and not just appointed will ensure we continue to have the best possible teachers in classrooms and in leadership roles within the school. This is the secret to continued great outcomes for Wavell students.

Our annual RSL Community Concert will be held this Sunday at 2:00pm while Monday and Tuesday evenings will see the final performance and graduation of our Dance and Drama students and the Film and New Media students respectively. The final time our Year 12 students will assemble is for Graduation on Friday, 15 November, just three week-ways. I hope that many parents are able to join us for the Graduation Breakfast at the Kedron Wavell RSL. The guest speaker is Mr David Wright, past Wavell student, Rugby League identity, ABC commentator and former Chief Engineer of Queensland Motorways. The breakfast will be followed at school by our formal Graduation Ceremony to commence at 9:00am. I wish our seniors well in finalising their assessment and in their preparations for the next phase of their life. Have confidence; you have been provided with a great education at Wavell.

J J Major, Principal

**“The best way to predict the future is to create it.”**  
Abraham Lincoln

### School Captains for 2014

Congratulations to our new School Captains for 2014, pictured below: Mr Major with Elaine Elevera, Rose Foster, Ryan Honor and Jobird Ualesi.

![School Captains](image)

### Our Top Scholars for 2013

The Dux of the Senior School, Sunny Van Den Berg (pictured centre) has achieved outstanding results, receiving Very High Achievements for all of her senior subjects and has won subject prizes for Ancient History, English, English Extension and Modern History. Sunny’s persistence, determination and personal success is admired.

The Dux of Year 11, Cara Puglia (pictured left) has gained outstanding academic results, receiving As in five of her subjects in Semester One, including Drama, Business Organisation and Management, Geography, English and Legal Studies.

Dux of the Junior School, Giselle Pickering (pictured right) gained Very High Achievements in all six subjects. She has won the Advanced Academic Program, Drama, English and History (Geography Major) subject prizes and has performed well in her Instrumental Music studies.

### UQ School Service Award

Lauren Dawson has made an outstanding contribution to the life of the school. She has shown long term commitment to her academic studies. Lauren has been a member of the Instrumental Music Program and a member of the Rapport Vocal Quintet. She has been a 2013 Prefect.

### Quota Club Achiever of the Year

Katelyn Darlington has shown dedication and commitment to her studies. Katelyn has been a 2013 school Prefect. She is a competitive swimmer and has made a strong contribution to all school events.

### Rotary All-Rounder Medal

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55th Annual Speech Night

Our high achievers for 2013 were honoured at Speech Night on Wednesday, 23 October. Principal, Mr Jeff Major, reported on the year, outlining future directions for the school. Reports were presented by P & C President and School Council Chair, Mr Greg Rodgers, School Captain, Darrell Hedley, Christeen Johnson, Cameron Jones and Ruby Russell, and Student Council President, Sarah Sheppard. Wavell Concert and Stage Bands and the Rapport Vocal Quintet, conducted by Mr Malcolm Bell, Mrs Alisa Jones and Ms Leanne Piggott, entertained the audience.

Academic Award Winners
Year 12 Dux: Sunny Van Den Berg
Year 11 Dux: Cara Puglia
Year 10 Dux: Giselle Pickering


Year 10 Subject Award Winners: Nicole Calendrino, Rhett Chasing, Milly Chen, Alana Clarin, Brockton Cowen, Holly Dawson, Michael Johnson, Reanna Lotts, Kurt Mahaffey, Sharni Morcom, Adam Morrow, Timmy Nicas, Joshua O’Brien, Giselle Pickering, Savannah Vasilakos, Ellione Young.


Year 8 Merit Award: Kiara Arnott, Matthew Aust, Prateek Chand, Octavia Channer, Brittany Craig, Andrew Doran, Lachlan Doyle, Christopher Edwards, Macklin Emmett, Brigitte Freemen, Bianca Gering, Remarni Hoek, Natalie Imeson, Emily Jarz, Ryan Johnston, Maryann Kang, Connor Lawrence, Mark Loy, Josephine O’Donovan, Harold Quilantang, Charlotte Radel, Josephine Rogers, Nicholas Rogers, Malaece Saula, Nandini Shethe, Emma Tebby, Kira Thompson, Emily Todd, Peyton Turner, Sarah Parker, Jade Veneers, Cefetra Villeti, Abbey Wighton, Alanna Wilson, Caitlyn Ymbong.