

From the Principal



Dear Parents,
All students and teachers are now finalising exams and reports for Semester 1. Students will also be receiving feedback on results and beginning work for Semester 2. Reports will be written next week – the last week of term. I am confident that students have been 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 subjects 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 12s completed their second QCS Test Practice following the exams yesterday and today. This is fundamental preparation for students who wish to sit the QCS Test in Term 3. There was also compulsory Certificate course work for non-QCS Year 12 students these last two days. 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.

The Year 12 2013 results, published on the Queensland Studies Authority website last month, are testament to this work. The 83% of OP 1-15, nine university subject successes, two Associate Diplomas, six Certificate IV, 29 Certificates III and 24 School-based Apprenticeships, are a reflection of the work of our students, teachers, and parents. This has enabled Wavell to demonstrate some outstanding graduate results. The Queensland Studies Authority link to our full results and those of all other schools is below. You will note we compare very favourably. http://www.qsa.qld.edu.au/downloads/publications/qa_stats_yr12_outcomes_13_all_schools.pdf 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 on Tuesday, 22 July 3.30 – 7.30pm. Please note that in order to facilitate the interview evening on Tuesday, 22 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.

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 Thursday, 26 June. This is a compulsory event for Year 9 students. School continues for all other students up to and including Friday, 26 June. Please ensure your child understands that every day at school counts. I expect all students to be in full 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.

Please ensure any outstanding enrolment forms for Years 7 and 8 are submitted by the end of term. Encourage any friends thinking of attending Wavell in 2015 to lodge their enrolment application as soon as possible. I wish all our students, staff and families a safe and enjoyable winter break from the end of next Friday. School resumes Monday, 14 July.

JJ Major,
Principal

"All our dreams can come true, if we have the courage to pursue them."
Walt Disney

Earth Science Presentation



Year 12 Earth Science students rounded out their unit of work on the exploration of geology with a visit from Mr Duncan Scott, the

Principal Geologist/Site Senior Executive with Vale Exploration. Mr. Scott discussed real life exploration geological problems with the students, and talked about geological career paths. Thank you to the QMEA for arranging the visit. Pictured: Ryan Honor thanking Mr Scott for his presentation.

REMINDER TO YEAR 9 STUDENTS

Year 9 Science Day
Thursday, 26 June
Lessons 1 - 3
Compulsory assessment for Year 9

Term 3 Commences
Monday,
14 July 2014

Year 8 QDU Debating



Congratulations to Phoenicia Lagoudakis, Kirra Jones, Ofa Vaomotou and Audrey Pacris (pictured) who won the Year 8 QDU Debating Competition on Tuesday, 10 June against Caboolture. The topic for the final debate was a surprise and the team was locked away for sixty minutes to prepare. Each student spoke confidently for over three minutes which was difficult to achieve without research material available. Well done!

Semester Examinations

Senior students commenced their examination block on Friday, 6 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 Ms Wallace, Acting Deputy Principal, in order to ensure examinations are rescheduled as soon as possible.



Semester One Reports
Posted home
Friday, 27 June 2014
Your postal address must be correct to ensure reports are delivered!

Parent - Teacher Interviews
Tuesday, 22 July 2014, 3:30pm - 7:00pm
Booking details will be mailed with reports. Parents log on to "Parent Teacher Online" via the school website.
Bookings open: 9:00am Monday, 14 July
close: 9:00am Monday, 21 July.
Families without internet access may like to utilise the free service provided by BCC libraries. For further assistance contact: Principal's secretary 3350 0301. PTO We look forward to meeting with you!

Inter-Form Debating

The Year 8 Inter-Form Debating Competition is under way for another year! The students gathered on Friday, 23 May to debate the controversial topic 'School should be voluntary'. It produced some thought-provoking arguments! Following the humiliation of losing the Tug-Of-War to 8C at 'Welcome to Wavell', many form classes are putting in extra efforts to ensure that honour be restored. There was an impressive turn out, with most of the grade present to support their form class friends. Five of the successful teams will now advance to round two, so stay tuned for the next debate on Friday, 25 July, with the topic 'Books are better than television'.

Year 8 Business/IT Day

On Wednesday, 18 June Year 8 students participated in the Business and IT Taster Day. Due to Year 8s not having any contact with the Business and IT faculty this year, it is a great opportunity to see what the subjects offer them in Years 9 and 10. It's a day filled with fun activities where students engage with both content of past students as well as Business and IT teaching staff. The students looked at games in Gamemaker, taste testing of soft drinks and chips in a branding activity, and finally how to create their own interactive board game using PowerPoint. It was an action packed day that was enjoyed by all students.

2015 Music Scholarships

- * School of Excellence in Music
- * Variety of Ensembles
- * Extensive Performance Opportunities within and Beyond the School Community

Applications close: **Friday, 8 August**
For more information and application forms:

Website: wavellshs.eq.edu.au
Contact: Ms Battams - 3350 0369



IT Services



At the beginning of Term 2, Wavell High implemented the first student printer management system of its kind in Queensland in partnership with the company CSG. During the Easter break, all the previous laser jet printers used by students to print their hard copy requirements were replaced with eighteen Samsung multi-function devices throughout the learning areas of the school. These devices can produce both black and white and colour copy and can print, copy and scan to email. As a result of these new devices, the printing costs for students have reduced by fifty percent. Previously, students were charged ten cents for a black and white A4 page, but now are only charged five cents. Likewise, the costs for colour printing have also reduced by fifty percent. Pictured: Paris Hughes using the new printer in G Block.

Year 12 normal classes resume on Monday, 23 June 2014

Enrolment Reminder

Students with brothers/sisters wishing to attend Wavell in 2015
Please return the enrolment application form to G1 or call Sandra Lock on 3350 0328 with any questions.

Instrumental Music Tour



The 2014 Band Tour will take place from Saturday, 21 to Friday, 27 June and will

see a group of 57 students, 4 teachers and board members of Kedron-Wavell travel to Sydney via Tamworth and Coff's Harbour. The Show Band will entertain audiences at various performance venues where students will also have tutorials with the Australian Army Band and Major Peter O'Connor. What a fantastic opportunity for our Instrumental Music students!

School Holiday Activities

'Chill Out' is a popular youth program with a great variety of free and low-cost recreation activities for teenagers between 10 and 17 years old. 'Chill Out' activities include:
Activity: Circus Skills Workshop
Where: 7th Brigade Park
When: Saturday 12 July 10.00am to 11.00am
Cost: FREE
Activity: Streetwise Skate Workshop
Where: Wavell Skate Park
When: Sunday, 13 July 9.00am to 11.00am
Cost: FREE

Type 1 Diabetes Study

Positive Parenting for Healthy Living is a program offering practical ideas and support for parents of children with type 1 diabetes. Over the next few months and for a limited time only, parents of 2-10 year old children with type 1 diabetes are able to access Positive Parenting for Healthy Living Triple P as part of a University of Queensland research project. Parents will be able to attend the program free of charge, and will be asked to complete two sets of assessment measures (questionnaire and family observation) over a six month period, as part of the study. Contact Aditi Lohan on 3346 7689 or email diabetes.healthyliving@uq.edu.au.

Absentee Phone Line
3350 0303

Regional Cross Country

On Tuesday, 27 May fourteen runners from Wavell High attended the Metropolitan North Cross Country Championship at St Pauls School. All Wavell runners ran great races and each runner is to be congratulated on their efforts. Our best performances were from Nandia Els who finished fourteenth in the 14 years girls race, and Nicholas Menezi who also finished fourteenth in the 16 years boys event. Special thanks to Mr Osborn for his contributions this year in his role of Athletics Manager.

Rugby League in Darwin



Following the Queensland State Championships, four Wavell students were selected in the 18 years Queensland Schoolboys team. Joshua Faud, Michael Molo, Logan Spaander and Keenan Yorston (pictured) will

represent Wavell and the state at the National Championships held in Darwin during the July holidays. From this championship, the Australian Schoolboys team, which tours England and France, is selected. We wish the boys good luck!

Squash Championships

Congratulations to Zoe Lockton (pictured), Year 9, who competed at the Queensland Schools Squash State Championships in Bundaberg from Thursday, 22 to Sunday, 25 May. Zoe competed in the 15 years age group and was undefeated in

her pool games and made the pool final.

IMPORTANT
Please remember to notify the school of any change of address or contact phone numbers or parent email addresses for your student.

Diary Dates

- Saturday 21 June •Instrumental Music Tour departs
- Monday 23 June •Year 12 normal classes resume
- Year 10 Work Experience Preparation - Lessons 1 and 2A
- Year 9 Human Relationships Education - Form Classes D, E, F and G
- Year 10 Work Experience commence today and concludes Friday 27, June
- Year 12 Earth Science Excursion to study mining
- Year 9 Human Relationships Education - Form Classes H, I, J and K
- Year 8 Camp departs for Noosa
- Year 9 Science Day 2: Lessons 1 - 3
- Year 8 Camp returns from Noosa
- Instrumental Music Tour returns
- Semester Reports finalised for posting home
- Year 8 Brainstorm Production in Hall: Lesson 4
- Combined Shops Committee Meeting in A Block: 2.30pm
- P&C Meeting 7.30pm
- Dance Committee Meeting 7.00pm
- Music Committee Meeting 7.30pm
- Year 12 Legal and Justice Studies students excursion to the Supreme Court
- QDU Debating Preliminary Finals
- Academic Monitoring in WDP - Review of Semester 1 Results
- Year 12 QCS Feedback in Library: Lesson 2
- Years 11 and 12 Economics Excursion to QUT
- Years 11 and 12 Cert III Early Childhood On the Job Placement - Day 6