From the Principal

Dear Parents,

On the morning morning Wavell hosted a thank you breakfast to honour our foundation parents who have successfully hosted our Year 10 experience week and enjoyed our School Tours. It is a vital educational opportunity for our students to have. This helps ensure students understand the work force and get some ideas of what to expect when they start their university.

I was thrilled that Wavell was able to have Ms Rosemary Vilgan, CEO of QSuper and 2013 Telstra Business Woman of the Year, to present a brief address in support of work experience. We thank Ms Vilgan for her support and important words of advice. Next Monday afternoon, 4 August, I look forward to sharing afternoon tea with our students and family of the students who we recognise as our top five percent of academic achievers for Semester 1. To be in this elite group of academic achievers at Wavell is extremely challenging. This year our Year 10s had the opportunity to achieve this goal. Our teachers and support staff are to be congratulated for these results.

Our nation’s achievements internationally in the arts and through sport are remarkable, but it is our academic achievements that are needed to build a nation as a leader in innovation and technological development. These bright young minds are the key to our future success and we must not let this be a just a quaternity for the rest of the world. To all those students who are to be recognised – well done!

I have reminded all of our students at assembly about how important it is to do their best in the new semester, to refocus their goals and academic strategies. As I mentioned in an earlier newsletter, I have been inspired by the hard work and dedication shown by all our students at assembly hall.

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Wavell has found well qualified staff and has worked with families and school students to ensure that this year’s high school students are to be recognised – well done!

The fabric of a school and ensure students have opportunities to make memories that will last a life time. The social interaction between students, their fellow parents and their teachers is all vital glue that ensures students remain well connected to their school and fully engaged. This aspect of our sporting carnivals is as vital for students, as for the results as the day. On assembly today we congratulated our winners and award holders for their achievements and to all students who are not in this list we are regular and checked up with the school so that we maintain a strong connection and information flow to parents.

I wish my students to be recognised – well done!

Work Experience Breakast

Work Experience is an important event on the school calendar and the beginning of Senior School Year 11. It is an opportunity for our students to have to make important choices about their subjects and learning paths. Through strong partnerships with our work providers participating so readily in our senior work experience programs, our school is able to help students make more informed choices about career options and to help us understand what our world will require of them. To thank work providers, teachers and students who made this great Work Related Learning opportunity possible. Payment of $100 was made to the Wavell High School. The work involved. During the morning we had the honour and pleasure of hearing from Rosemary Vilgan, CEO of QSuper and 2013 Tehtra Business Woman of the Year. She has shared her experiences of working in the business sector.

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On Wednesday, 23 July, Senior Drama students visited QAC to view live theatre to extend their artistic studies. ‘1984’ is the latest show by ‘Shake & Stir’ Theatre Company and is a thought provoking play based on George Orwell’s classic novel. Wavell is engaged in the powerful performance are now more aware of the live action in class.

SUBJECT SELECTION EVENING Wednesday 6 August Assembly Hall Year 8 - 6.30pm start Year 9 - 7.00pm start

These are important opportunities for parents to discuss choices with their children and to obtain information and advice on subject selections for 2015.

Subject Selection is to be completed on-line by Friday, 22 August 2014.

Parent Teacher Night

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Ancient History Excursion

The Ancient History trip to Melbourne took place from Saturday, 19 till Monday, 21 July. Ten enthusiastic Year 12 students, accompanied by Mrs Perrett, had the opportunity to enjoy the historical and cultural aspects of Melbourne. Special excursions included visiting the AZTEC: Conquest and Glory exhibition at the Melbourne Museum. The exhibition, highlighted artefacts from the ancient city of Tenochtitlan, and included outstanding examples of sculpture, pictograms, glyphs and relief carvings.

The annual Track and Field Carnival was held on Thursday, 24 July under perfect weather for a day of athletic events. Wavell students should be congratulated on their behaviour, enthusiasm and house spirit that they displayed. Thanks are extended to the school’s organisation and the teaching and support staff for their above and beyond efforts. Special congratulations to the following students as there were records broken on the day:

100m 14yrs
Tarj Reed (11.94)
11yrs
Sloane (13.03)

Discus
16yrs
Helen (34.10)

Triple Jump
16yrs
Helen (10.45m)

Javelin
16yrs
Ollie (29.90m)

Athletics Carnival

Congratulations

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Combined Shop Hours - Every Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 8:15am - 11:15am

P & C Meeting - Tuesday 19 August 2014, at 7:00pm in the Admin Building. All Welcome