

From the Principal



Dear Parents,
 The vast array of co-curricular activities enjoyed by students at Wavell complements the high quality educational experiences provided. So far we have seen auditions for

this year's school talent quest; the Year 7 and 8 rugby league trials involving over 150 students last Friday; the "Kick Start" music Day Camp last Saturday involving 200 music students and our dedicated Instrumental Music teachers; an impressive level of participation in the Inter-House Swimming Carnival which included the pre-carnival races; badges presented to our Junior Leaders, Arts and Sports Captains and today on assembly, the School Captain and Prefect Induction and QATSIF scholarship presentation. Today, our Prefects have also been busy with their Valentine's Day activities. This morning at our annual School Captain and Prefect Induction, we were delighted to have past student *Mr Anthony Chisolm* speak and inspire them to achieve their potential. I have been extremely impressed by the active engagement in learning witnessed during my daily classroom visits over the first three weeks. Learning is the **number one** task at Wavell – all the other artistic, cultural and sporting activities that add to the richness and depth of student development, must always come second to the subjects students study each day. I have urged students to start well and sustain the effort right through the year – parents can assist by monitoring homework, helping with time management and asking students to review what they learnt that day – that is an important part of their homework. Not understanding the previous lesson is a receipt for falling behind. Students should seek assistance from their teacher out of class time if they need extra support. Monday homework club in the library will commence soon and extra maths tutorials are provided at lunch time.

Our day eight enrolment was 1,534 students and included 282 Year 7 students. I have been delighted to see so many Year 7 parents take the opportunity to meet with class teachers each Thursday morning. These meetings and further upcoming parent meetings are a great opportunity to meet the school's Administration Team, teachers and other parents. They present some excellent ways to get involved in your child's high school education. We look forward to meeting many of our new parents at the Year 7 *Welcome to Wavell* afternoon on Friday, 19 February.

Our P&C provides vital, much needed support in order to ensure our school continues to develop and prosper. Please consider joining me at the first P&C meeting and AGM to be held next Tuesday, 16 February at 7:00pm in A Block. All key executive positions have already received a nomination. This year you are urged to give generously to our tax deductible Building Fund which will be used to replace the rather aged chairs in the hall at a cost of \$38,500. If all of our families contributed the minimum recommended \$60 per family, this would be achieved with ease.

J.J. Major,
 Principal

"Let your hopes, dreams, and beliefs, not your hurts, pain or sorrow shape your future."
 Anurag Prakash Ray

Arts Captains 2016



Arts Promotions: Anikka Abelita, Heather Martin
Dance: Reegan Baildon
Dance: Lucy Dale;
Drama: Gillian Thompson, Brittany Iseppi
Film, Television & New Media: Lien Naces
Media: Therese Gimenez
Music: Sarah Longford, Joseph Dale
Technical: Kyle White;
Visual Art: Charlotte Taylor, Dana Williscroft

Sports Captains 2016

Sports Captains: Olivia Vasilakis, Thomas Meincke, Georgia Cloudsley, Nicholas Holleran.

House Captains:

Alamein: Ceres Burke, Brayden Crowe (absent);
Burma: Emily Honor, Matthew Gill;
Keren: Mikaela Ridge, Nicholas Menesi;
Tobruk: Remy Separovich, Aiden Schuhmacher.



Welcome to Wavell
FOR YEAR 7 STUDENTS

Friday 19 February at 2:00pm - 4:00pm
On the Oval, Sports Hall, & Assembly Hall
 Activities, Games and Barbecue
(Sports Uniform)

CONDUCTED BY FORM TEACHERS AND SENIORS
A great chance to get to know other students!

FOR PARENTS OF YEAR 7


Friday 19 February at 3:20pm - 3:50pm
in N BLOCK

- Hear about opportunities and expectations
- Help your student adjust to life at high school

Building Fund Contributions

This year our P&C aims to raise enough funds through parent contributions to the tax deductible Building Fund to pay the \$38,500 needed for new seating in the assembly hall. Please help to reach our targeted amount and support this school improvement. Make sure to donate at least \$60 per family to the Parent Building Contributions Fund. Payments can be made through our Payment Office or via QParent.

Goal \$38,500



\$4,860 Raised

Junior Leaders 2016



On Friday, 5 February our Junior Leaders were presented with their badges. An induction and planning session took place on Wednesday, 3 February where students signed their Leader Contracts. These leaders serve as role models for Years 7, 8 and 9. They speak on assembly, participate in school events, represent our school and set a high standard in behaviour, uniform and attendance. *Pictured: Junior Leaders with Mr Major: Tylah Baldwin, Alex Babu, Kate Basingthwaight, Luka Dzakula, Ayden Evangelista, Leon Guettler, Declan Heffernan, Sanna Hickman, Lucien Hilleard, Maggie-May Hornigold, Imogen Laud, Carly Logan, Trent MacLennan, Emily Morley, Giselle Oliver, Ethan Olsen, Mitchell Ryan, Phoebe Shaw, Faith Simpson, Shaleah Smith, Shantara Smith, Vienna Todd, Cooper Webster, Tarnee Wessling and Sophie Williscroft.*

"MEET AND GREET" MORNINGS
for Year 7 Students and Parents
THURSDAYS AT 8.15 - 8.45AM
IN N BLOCK

- 25 February - English and Social Science Teachers
- 3 March - Elective Teachers

SENIOR PATHWAY EVENING
 for Year 10 students and Parents
Thursday, 18 February 2016
in the Hall - 6:00 pm start

P & C Meetings
Tuesday 16 February 2016
AGM and General Meeting at 7:30pm
Administration Block - All Welcome

QMEA Ambassadorship for 2016



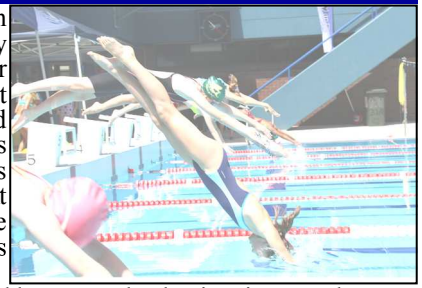
Annaliese Trappett received her 2016 QMEA Ambassadorship at an awards ceremony.

Annaliese was presented with her certificate from the Hon. Leeanne Enoch (Minister

for Housing and Public Works and Minister for Science and Innovation) and Professor Gordon Wyeth (Executive Dean Science and Engineering Faculty, QUT). Annaliese has participated in QMEA events throughout her schooling and most recently was involved in QMEA and QUT Engineering Camps.

Keren Wins the Swimming

Our Inter-House Championships were held on Tuesday, 9 February at the Fortitude Valley Swimming Complex. Many thanks to Wavell SS for allowing us to use their swimming pool to conduct our 100m events. Thank you to both swimmers and spectators for your enthusiastic participation. Thanks also to our parents who came as spectators. It was great to see an invigorating whole-school event which maximised student participation, attendance and house spirit. Thanks to the 2016 House captains and teachers for your enthusiastic leadership.



Special congratulations to Jack Meincke who now holds twenty school swimming records.

HOUSE POINTS

Keren 1520 Burma 1257 Alamein 1136 Tobruk 1028

AGE PLACINGS

GIRLS	First	Second	Third
12	Bridget Morrissey	Emma-Jane Prosper	Cassandra Menelaws
13	Carly Wilson	Isobella Howman	Ashleigh Mattea
14	Kasey Holleran	Jasmine Prosper	Alexandra Mattea
15	Brianna Thompson	Abby Hooper	Imogen Foster Bauer
16	Tess Hering	Tamara Wood	Zoe Lockton
Open	Georgia Cloudsley	Mikaela Ridge	Brooke Hafner
BOYS	First	Second	Third
12	Noah Montgomery	Zion Laulu	Scott Bruce
13	Kyle Montgomery	Luke Fazio	Brock Bartlett
14	Angus Davis-McGlone	Nicholas Sawyer	Samuel Hudson
15	Tyler McInerney	Elijah Meincke	Joshua Low
16	Jordan Abbott	Caleb Oliver	Ricky Wootton
Open	Jack Meincke	Thomas Meincke	Nicholas Menesi

German Summer School



Our senior German students know that language studies should not stop just because it is the holidays! Congratulations to Ehlana

Andrews, Hannah Tyson and Kima Manogar, who were awarded scholarships to attend the Institute of Modern Languages Summer School, held at the University of Queensland. The girls spent a week in January this year participating in intensive language classes, which improved their German knowledge and skills. They also had the opportunity to meet other high-achieving language students from across Brisbane.

Wavell Enrichment Program

Interested in volunteering in a team of kind, caring and genuinely concerned staff and tutors for an hour a week?

- WEP helps Year 7 students with their Literacy and Numeracy skills.
- The program gives them an opportunity to 'catch up' with their peers.
- Tutor orientation is on Thursday 18 February at 10:30am in Room N21.

Please contact Wendy Ritchie on writc2@eq.edu.au or 3350 0334.

SEMESTER 1 SUBJECT OVERVIEWS

Available now on the Wavell SHS website. Access is by the following pathway: [Home/Curriculum/Teaching and learning/Semester Overviews](http://Home/Curriculum/Teaching%20and%20learning/Semester%20Overviews) then select your year level.

STUDENTS ACCIDENT INSURANCE COVER

Some school activities and physical education, particularly contact sports, carry inherent risks of injury. Parents are advised that the Department of Education and Training does not have Student Accident Insurance cover for students. Therefore, if your child is injured at school as a result of an accident or incident, all costs associated with the injury, including medical costs, are the responsibility of the child, parent or caregiver. Some incidental medical costs may be covered by Medicare. If parents have private health insurance, some costs may also be covered through the private health insurance. Any other costs would be borne by the parents. Student Accident Insurance is an insurance policy that pays certain benefits in certain circumstances should your child have an accident. It is a personal decision for parents as to the types and levels of private insurance they arrange to cover their child for any accidental injury that may occur. Parents should contact their insurer or an approved Australian insurance broker if they choose to take out student personal accident insurance cover for their child.

IMMUNISATION REMINDER
ALL YEAR 7 AND 8 STUDENTS
Completed consent forms should have been returned to your form teacher.

IMPORTANT

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

QParents: To register email the Business Services Manager - bsm@wavellshs.eq.edu.au or for further information call 137468 or visit: <https://qparents.qld.edu.au/#/about>

Student Absence Notifications

- Email via **QParents**
- Absentee phone line 3350030
- Email via absent@wavellshs.eq.edu.au

CHANGES TO TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY TIMES

Commences **Tuesday 16** and **Wednesday 17 February 2016** to facilitate interschool sports.
Starting time: **8.45am** Finishing time: **3:00pm**

Diary Dates

Monday 15 February	•Senior Netball Excellence Camp departs to Harry's Hut •SRC Meeting Spirit Place: 1:10pm
Tuesday 16 February	•Senior Rugby League Excellence Camp departs to Harry's Hut •Year 11 Cert IV Justice Studies excursion to Parliament House: L. 1-3 •Years 11 and 12 Dance Excellence and FTM excursion to 'Movieworld' •District Swimming Carnival: Valley Pool •Senior Netball Excellence Camp returns •Year 9 Literacy and Numeracy Test Trial Day 1 •P&C AGM 7:00pm and General Meeting 7:30pm
Wednesday 17 February	•Year 9 Literacy and Numeracy Test Trial Day 2
Thursday 18 February	•Senior Rugby League Excellence Camp returns •Years 11 and 12 Ancient History excursion to Queensland Museum and State Library •Senior Pathways Evening for Year 10 Students and Parents in Hall: 6:00pm
Friday 19 February	•Year 12 QCS and Cert 1 Workshop: L. 1 and 2 •Year 7 Welcome to Wavell 2:00pm - 4:00pm
Monday 22 February	•Year 11 Study Skills Workshop: L. 1 •Year 9 Netball Excellence Pomona Mountain Run •Talent Quest Heats in Hall: Lunch
Tuesday 23 February	•Talent Quest Heats in Hall: Lunch •School Council Meeting: 6:30pm
Wednesday 24 February	•Kedron/ Wavell Cluster Leaders Day: Year 6 and Year 12 •Talent Quest Heats in Hall: Lunch
Thursday 25 February	•Year 7 "Meet our English and Social Science Teachers" Junior Sec: 8:15am-8:45am •Years 11 and 12 Geography Field Trip to North Lakes and South Brisbane •Talent Quest Heats in Hall: Lunch
Friday 26 February	•Year 9 Rugby League Excellence Pomona Mountain Run •Talent Quest Heats in Hall: Lunch

REMINDER TO PARENTS
Please observe parking regulations when dropping off or picking up from school.
Safety is key!