

## From the Principal



Dear Parents,  
I spoke to students on last Friday's assembly about how very important it is to take up opportunities and fully commit to your school. There is so much available at Wavell to be able to achieve this at the highest level. It enables students to build lasting memories of a great high school experience and ensures connection. The last couple of weeks are great examples of the remarkable achievements and successes of Wavell students and has included many events:

- Celebration of academic achievement at our annual Semester 1 "top five percent" at the annual "Academic Afternoon Tea". It was a pleasure to have *Mr Ray Johnston*, Assistant Regional Director, as our guest speaker.
- Year 12 student *Nadia Morrison's* success in the Metropolitan training awards.
- NAPLAN results and reports posted home. Wavell Years 7 and 9 students are at or above the national means in nearly all areas and above or equal to the national minimum standard in all areas of the test. Our results show we also exceed State and Like school means by a considerable margin. Our numeracy results were particularly noteworthy. These results for all schools will be published by QCAA once validated.
- Nearly 400 Wavell students competed in the Australian Mathematics Competition under the leadership of *Ms Neilsen*, our Head of Mathematics.
- Our wonderful Drama Excellence production, "Alice". This was an outstanding production undertaken with the support of "Shake & Stir" Theatre Company and our drama teachers: *Ms Battams, Ms Adams* and *Mr Crestani*.
- Year 10 Geography Stradbroke excursion.
- Wavell again won the District Athletics Carnival this year by over 1200 points, with almost 100 students named for the forthcoming Metropolitan Regional Athletics trials.
- Our Vicki Wilson Netball team defeated St Paul's College 50 points to 20.
- Our Year 9 Rugby League team progressing to the Grand Final after a stunning win over arch rivals Keebra Park SHS.
- The Open Rugby League team defeated Mountain Creek on Tuesday, 9 August by 60 points to 6 and now progress to the next round of the schoolboys championships.
- Our annual Year 12 Formal on Tuesday evening was another outstanding school event. Many proud parents and staff joined them to celebrate this significant milestone. Our Pre-Formal and Formal events were excellent and a credit to the work of our student-run Senior Formal Committee, facilitated by our coordinator *Mrs Crawford*, and supported by *Mrs Bowker*.
- Our annual Ski Trip departed on Monday afternoon for the ski fields of Perisher.
- Year 8 and Year 10 Subject Selection Night on Wednesday, 3 August supported by our Heads of Faculty and a full house of parents and students.

We are now only half way through Term 3 and there is still much more to come, including: Year 10 Student Education and Training Plan interviews; Year 12 QCS Tests; Regional Athletics; 2017 Prefect nominations; 2017

Junior Leader nominations; Rugby League and Netball finals; the Prefect run Classics Day and of course, our very important end of term assessment and interim reports.

There are now only two and a half weeks until our Year 12 students sit the Queensland Core Skills (QCS) Test on Tuesday, 30 and Wednesday, 31 August. The main challenge for our senior students is to maintain a serious focus and to continue with a trend of improvement. Through this expected peak in performance, our Year 12s and our community should see the very good OP results our school has come to expect.

Our annual SET Plan day will be on Tuesday, 16 August. This important day engages parents, Year 10 students and teachers to make individual education plans that support senior studies and maximize future opportunities.

Students are encouraged to make aspirational yet achievable choices for their final two years of schooling. The success of this day is made possible through the partnerships of students, parents and teachers. Thanks must go to our Head of Department, *Ms Byram* for the organisation of our SET Plan process.

On Thursday, 8 September our Junior School Literacy Olympics will be conducted. This event has been run for ten years and over that time has provided a range of opportunities for local primary and high school students (Years 5 to 8). In the spirit of friendly competition, the event gives students the chance to test their skills in a number of creative and challenging literacy activities. It is important that our school provides these opportunities for our best and brightest junior schoolers; to encourage and inspire achievement at the highest level. *Mrs Madden* along with a large group of student and staff helpers, work together to produce this high quality event. The leadership of our older students as judges and adjudicators is another highlight and further enhances their ability to work in an effective team environment.

JJ Major  
Principal

*"The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams."*

Eleanor Roosevelt

**Wavell State High School In Concert**  
Sunday, 14 August at 4:00pm - 6:00pm  
Kedron-Wavell Services Club  
Tickets available at the door. All welcome to attend.



## Metropolitan Training Award

On Friday evening, 5 August, Wavell student *Nadia Morrison* and her family were joined by our Principal, *Mr Major* and staff, *Ms McDade* and *Ms Griffith* at the Metropolitan Region Queensland Training Awards. *Nadia* was awarded as the Metropolitan Region Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Student of the Year and is now a finalist in the State Awards. *Nadia* is a worthy winner of this prestigious accolade. She has worked with QANTAS Airways Ltd since February, 2015 and has also completed a Certificate III in Business. Her childhood dream of becoming a flight attendant initially attracted *Nadia* to work with QANTAS, however her traineeship has now given new aspirations. Experience has led her to consider a career path in human resources. *Nadia* is an example of a student who has attained great heights through a vocational pathway. *Good luck in the State Finals Nadia!* Pictured below is *Nadia* receiving her award.



## REMINDER

### 2017 SUBJECT SELECTION

#### YEARS 8, 9 AND 10



Subject Selection

completed online by

**Friday, 19 August 2016**

**YEAR 10 STUDENTS AND PARENTS**  
**SET Plan Interview Day in the Hall**  
**Tuesday 16 August, 7:00am - 7:30pm**

## Senior Formal



On Tuesday, 9 August the Year 12s made their way to the Victoria Park Golf Club for the Formal extravaganza. It was a fabulous array of fashion and all students looked very mature in their evening attire. The experience for our young men and women was an important one; no longer can they be seen as children, they have moved forward and grown into adults of the future. *Thank you* to the organising committee and all staff who assisted in making this a great event! Pictured: *Olivia Vasilakis, Olivia Goldsack* and *Brooke Hafner*

### Academic Excellence 2016

Congratulations to those students who received awards at our ceremony on Monday, 1 August.

**Year 12:** *Lucy Dale, Samantha Ellis, Lucy Florence, Emily Guest, Emily Honor, Brittany Iseppi, Harrison Kettewell, Karla Leveque, Sarah Longford, Heather Martin, Jack Meincke, Daniel Michalowski, Olivia Vasilakis, Joshua White, Jasmine Wood*

**Year 11:** *Natasha Bordin, Jesse Cossgrove, Bianca Goding, Emily Jansz, Ryan Johnston, Connor Lawrence, Mark Loy, Josephine O'Donovan, Jack Paterson, Michael Plackowski, Harold Quilantang, Nicholas Rogers, Siavash Saeedifar, Emily Todd, Alanna Wilson*

**Year 10:** *Alexandra Crabb, Alainya Doyle, Imogen Foster Bauer, Madisun Graham, Phoenicia Lagoudakis, Jason Morcom, Lucy O'Donovan, Olivia Pickering, Clare Priday, Sarah-Jane Smith, Najla Syifa, Mereisi Tabualevu, Toby Winters*

**Year 9:** *Alex Babu, Lachlan Craig, Maxene Crisostomo, Kasey Holleran, Maggie-May Hornigold, Lauren Hunt, Carly Logan, Georgia Lynch, Tina Ngo, Tanisha Rasmussen, Alana Segi, Faith Simpson, Shaleah Smith, Shantara Smith, Owen Taylor, Jessica Thomson, Sophie Williscroft, Cara Wood, Isabelle Wood*

**Year 8:** *Paula-Jane Anderson, Damon Bean, Clarice Bolton, Tim Brunckhorst, Lily Cappiello, Keegan Cross, Connor Davis, Emily Dukes, Grace Eaves, Sarah Edwards, Aiyana Faumui, Emma Goffin, Ella Graham, Lauren Hafner, Samuel Hudson, Jade Jose, Hannah Lane, Jerome Manuel, Aaliyah Mapusua, Ebony Marsh, Ashleigh Mattea, Charlotte Metcalf, Niloofar Molavi, Kyle Montgomery, Noel Naces, Liam Schultz, Eva Wood, Liva Wood, Waldwynn Wuthrich*

**Year 7:** *Molly Bell, Nimue Bradley, Alexandra Bycroft, Cassie Carlson, Vanessa Cooper, Alyssa Corbett, Emily Crabb, Ailis Crowl, Ella De Silva, Cadence Drew, Matthew Droga, Danielle Heffernan, Izabella Heffernan, Emily Higgs, Alexis Hudson, Matthew Janssen, Dusty Kendall, Attalia Lagoudakis, Tracy Lau, Eric Lockton, Matthew McBeath, Caitlin Nicolson, Simone Nicolson, Charlotte Olsen, Isabella Pearce, Emily Phillips, Francesca Platt, Lani Raghavan, Charlotte Reid, Grace Smith, Emily Sullivan, Ashleigh Tremble, Hannah Viney, Georgia Wright, Juliana Zumbo*

### WEP High Tea

In a ceremony held to recognise the genuine dedication of our tutors to the Wavell Enrichment Program, *Mr Norm Clough* pictured with *Mr Jeff Major*, was presented with a special plaque to commemorate his 10 years as a volunteer tutor. The High Tea event was catered by the Year 11 Hospitality class to show the school's appreciation of the volunteers' efforts. If you would be interested in joining this wonderful team of volunteers, please contact *Wendy Ritchie* on [writc2@eq.edu.au](mailto:writc2@eq.edu.au)



### 2016 University Open Days - 21 August

QUT - Caboolture Campus: 9am-2pm  
UQ - Gatton Campus: 9:30am-3pm

#### IMPORTANT

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

### Japanese Students Visit

On Monday 1 August, twenty-two Japanese students visited Wavell from Hoshino High School. They enjoyed attending Wavell classes with their buddy students, as well as an indigenous art lesson. Wavell students had the opportunity to speak Japanese with their buddy.



### Senior Drama Production 'Alice'



This term, senior Drama students participated in a directing residency with Shake & Stir Theatre Company. The show 'Alice'

was rehearsed over a four week period and performed on 4 August. Directed by *Gemma Willing* and *Johnny Balbuziente*, Alice is the fifth in-residency with Shake & Stir. This partnership gives students the opportunity to work with industry professionals, develop their skills and experience the demands of staging a professional standard show. Congratulations to all students involved for their creativity, energy and enthusiasm. Pictured: *Brittany Iseppi* and *Caitlin Townsend* with director *Gemma Willing*

### AFL Final Win to Wavell

Congratulations to our AFL boys team who defeated Padua 22-21 in their Qualifying Final of the 2016 AFL school cup competition. It was a close game with level scores until a late behind sealed victory for Wavell. Our next game, the Semi Final will be against Mountain Creek. *A great team effort, well done!*

### 2016 YEAR BOOK

Secure your copy!

Full payment required by Friday, 19 September 2016

### Rugby League



On Wednesday 3 August, our Years 8, 9 and 10 Red teams played in the semi finals. Unfortunately Years 8 and 10 were unsuccessful however the Year 9 team has qualified for the Grand Final after defeating Keebra Park 26-22. *Best of luck boys!*

Our four U/12 Queensland representatives have returned from the National Titles in Canberra last week. Unfortunately Queensland Maroon were unsuccessful. Queensland Invitational defeated New South Wales Invitational in the play-offs.

Pictured above: *Tyrell Waaka Rhind, Edward Finau, Christopher Faagutu* and *Tahrell Feaveai*

### District Athletics Carnival

Congratulations to all of our athletes who participated in the District Carnival last week. Team Wavell had an outstanding win ahead of our closest high school rival by over 1000 points. Many of our students have qualified to compete at the Metropolitan Regional Carnival. *We wish all athletes well in their events.*

Congratulations also to *Bridget Morrissey* for her performance at the Queensland Athletics Cross Country Championships. *Bridget* has been selected for the Queensland team and will compete at the National Titles in Canberra.

### Netball Update

Our Vicki Wilson Cup Netball team defeated St Pauls with a strong 50-20 win. This was the second strong win of preliminary rounds. The next match is against St Rita's on Monday, 15 August and then on Tuesday, 16 August against Mt Alvernia. Spectators are welcome to support. Our Junior Netball squad are congratulated for their win at the Super Sevens last week.

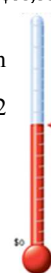
### Student Absence Notifications

- Email via [QParents](mailto:QParents)
- Absentee phone line 3350 0303
- Email via [absent@wavellshs.eq.edu.au](mailto:absent@wavellshs.eq.edu.au)

### Diary Dates

Saturday 13 August	• Wavell Ski Trip returns
Sunday 14 August	• RSL Instrumental Music Performance: 4:00pm-6:00pm
Tuesday 16 August	• Year 10 Students SET Plan Meeting Day/Evening in Hall
	• Years 11 and 12 Early Childhood Job Placement - Day 10
	• Combined Shops Committee 7:00pm; P&C Meeting 7:30pm
Wednesday 17 August	• Years 10, 11 and 12 Dance Night Rehearsal: Lunch and L. 4
Thursday 18 August	• Years 11 and 12 Early Childhood Job Studies Placement - Day 2
Friday 19 August	• Online Subject Selections for 2017 close
	• Religious Assembly
Monday 22 August	• Junior Leader 2017 nominations open
	• Prefect 2017 Nominations Due
	• SRC Meeting in Spirit Place - 1:10pm
	• Wavell Speaks Out! Finals in Spirit Place: 6:30pm
Tuesday 23 August	• Years 7, 8 and 9 Dance Night Rehearsal: L.3, Lunch and L. 4
Wednesday 24 August	• Extended Form Meeting 8:45am - 9:05am for Attendance checks
	• Years 10, 11 and 12 Dance Night Rehearsal: Lunch and L.4
Thursday 25 August	• Year 12 Mathematics A & B Exams in Hall - Form, L. 1 and 3
	• Year 11 Biology (Ecology) Fieldwork on Stradbroke Island
	• Years 11 and 12 Early Childhood Job Studies Placement - Day 3
	• Year 7 QDU Debating Reserve Day
Friday 26 August	• Year 11 Biology (Ecology) Fieldwork on Stradbroke Island
	• Year 8 Inter-Form Debating Semi-Finals (Lunch)

Goal \$38,500



\$20,737 Raised

P&C Building Fund