Dear Parents,

The last week of term saw some great activities conducted for Wavell students. Year 12s undertook the important task of NAPLAN testing practice. Year 9s engaged in a successful STEM Science Day. Year 7s enjoyed a great three day camp at Noosa Northshore and Year 10 Work Experience was another great success. Academic Year 10 work experience was conducted with students, their parents and teachers and were valued by all. Interviews concentrated on each individual student’s transition into Senior School studies and their progress towards achievement of their Queensland Certificate of Education. It was also an opportunity to reassess career and destination goals.

Our Year 7 Camp was a fantastic success and enabled our youngest cohort of students to truly feel part of their new school. Thanks to our Junior School Coordinator, Mrs Hickman, Camp Co-coordinator Mr Crawford and our wonderful teachers for running a tremendous camp. I am proud of the excellent feedback with regard to the students’ diligence, initiative and willingness to learn. Mrs Hickman will this semester assume a new position at Metropolitan Behaviour Support Services. We congratulate and thank her for the energy and many years of commitment dedicated to our Junior School. She will continue to lead the New Zealand Trip in September with school-based assistance from Mr Campbell. Our new Junior School Coordinator is Mr D’Arcy, who together with Mrs Gould will work with our Junior Secondary students. Thanks also to our Work Experience Co-ordinator, Mrs Peinke for her many hours of organisation and leadership of this very valuable Year 10 program. I would like to thank the many staff who led and were involved in these very productive activities with our students prior to and during the holidays. My thanks to our supporting students and parents for your commitment and strong supportive partnership which enabled these very special experiences to take place. We think of and what many other schools can offer. These extra opportunities are what stamps Wavell as a great secondary school.

The semester results were again very pleasing – I am particularly impressed with how well our Year 7s have settled and performed in their first semester at school. Our Academic Excellence Ceremony on Monday, 31 July at 2:00pm will honour our top five per cent of academic students with their families invited to attend.

Semester One Reports were posted over the winter break and should now have been received by all parents. If not, please contact the school for assistance. Parents are reminded that they are now able to access a full range of their child’s information once registered on QParents. This enables parents to view report cards, attendance and financials, please visit https://qparents.qld.edu.au Assistance with registration is provided by Mrs Besh in the mail out. For help with PTO, contact Mrs Minter on 3350 0301.

Over the coming weeks, students will engage in academic monitoring to review their individual performance and plan strategies to build on their success. Individual students are to document their personal review on their own OneSchool profile. Parents are encouraged to ask their student to log on to OneSchool via the school’s web page link and show their completed OneSchool review.

Next week we will acknowledge NAIDOC week with school celebrations to highlight the struggles and achievements of our first Australians. Thanks to our Community Education Counsellor, Auntie Moira for her hard work to organise these celebrations.

The term ahead is a very busy one with a range of special events scheduled; release of NAPLAN reports for Years 7 and 9; the School, District and Regional Athletics Carnivals; our annual ski trip; the much anticipated Year 12 Formal; election of 2018 Prefects and 2018 Junior Leaders; the 2017 Queensland Core Skills Test; our Year 10 Careers Day and Year 10 SET Plan Interviews; Subject Selection Evening for Years 8 and 10; our pre-commencement Parent Evening for our Year 7, 2018 cohort; our very special Junior School Literacy Olympics; a range of engaging drama, dance and music performances; the much loved annual Wavell Classics Day and our New Zealand trip. These events are in addition to the main focus for all Wavell students: the unrelenting quest for continuous academic improvement. It is vital for student engagement and connection to school that Wavell continues to be a vibrant and exciting place to learn and a welcoming place for parents.

J J Major
Principal

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**Our languages matter**

2017 NAIDOC

- Do you know anyone wishing to attend in 2018?
- Have you a brother or sister planning to attend?

Please submit 2018 Enrolment Applications as soon as possible to secure a place.

Application Forms may be submitted to the school office or posted directly to the school.
For further details please contact our
Enrolment Officer Ms Sandra Lock
on 3350 0328

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**Parent Teacher Evening**

Tuesday, 18 July 2017, 3:30pm – 7:00pm
Bookings details were distributed with reports.
Parents log on to “Parent Teacher Online” on website.
Bookings close: 9:00am Monday, 17 July
For further assistance please contact
The Principal’s secretary on 3350 0301.
We look forward to meeting with you!

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**Work Experience**

Work Experience is a special event that takes place at the end of Semester One each year where the entire Year 10 cohort are given the opportunity to attend a work place for four consecutive days. This year again, students excelled in the way they tackled the task with more than 90 percent of students finding their own work. 155 out of 166 students participated in the program and the feedback received via the staff who volunteered to contact work providers indicated that Wavell students are sought after in the work place with a number of students being offered casual positions based on their performance during the program. Mrs Nepomuceno has this activity helped students become work ready, but it will also help students when they need to make Senior School subject choices in August. We wish to thank the 142 work providers sincerely for providing this unique learning experience to our students which takes place on a goodwill basis.

**Pictured:** Mya Brown and Shantara Smith at The Coffee Club, Aspley.
On Thursday, 22 June Year 9 students took part in their second Science Day for the year (pictured above). This time students investigated the impact of different types of earthquakes. They participated in an experiment and analysed some second hand data to produce a conclusion. Science Day activities are used to calculate students’ grade for their Investigating Criteria. Science Day 3 is scheduled towards end of Term 3.

**Year 7 Camp**

In the last week of Term 2, over 250 of our Year 7 students, along with prefects and teachers enjoyed three days at Noosa. Students faced a variety of challenges which included mountain biking, canoeing, team building, night hiking, beach games and high ropes. The camp went very well. The weather was perfect despite some chilly starts. Students who attended are commended on their mature and co-operative attitude and behaviour. Thanks to our prefects and teachers for their support and concern for all.

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**2017 UNIVERSITY - OPEN DAYS**

TSXPO-Tertiary Studies Expo
- Saturday 15 and Sunday 16 July, 10am-4pm
- RNA Showgrounds - free admission

ALCASTER CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY
- Saturday 22 July, 9am-2pm - Banyo Campus

QUEENSLAND UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY
- Sunday 30 July, 9am-3pm - Gardens Point Campus
- Sunday 30 July, 9am-3pm - Kelvin Grove Campus
- Sunday 20 August, 9am-12pm - Caboolture Campus

UNIVERSITY OF QUEENSLAND
- Sunday 6 August, 9am-3pm - St Lucia Campus
- Sunday 20 August, 9:30am-5pm - Gatton Campus

GRIFFITH UNIVERSITY
- Sunday 23 July, 9am-2pm, Gold Coast, Nathan and South Bank Campuses

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**School Photograph Reminder**

- Formal Uniform Required
- Friday, 28 July at 9:00am - Years 10, 11 & 12 Individual and Year Level photos.
- Friday, 28 July at 9:00am - Rescheduled Years 7, 8 & 9 Individual and Year Level photos.

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**Diary Dates**

- **Tuesday, 25 July at 9:00am** - Years 10, 11 & 12 Individual and Year Level photos.
- **Friday, 28 July at 9:00am** - Rescheduled Years 7, 8 & 9 Individual and Year Level photos.
- **Thursday 20 July**
  - Inter-House Athletics Carnival - Full day; Red Food Day
  - Year 10 Collage Drama Dress Rehearsal: 3:30pm
  - Semester 2 Reviews published on website
  - Year 10 Collage Drama Technical Rehearsal: 3:15pm - 6:00pm

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**THE Qantas Youth Leavers Survey**

The Queensland Government is conducting its annual statewide survey of students who left school in Years 10, 11 and prior to completing Year 12 during 2016. The Early School Leavers survey is a short, confidential survey that collects information about what young people are doing after leaving school.

Year 10, 11 and prior to completing Year 12 last year can expect to receive an invitation to complete a web-based survey or a telephone call from the Queensland Government Statistician’s Office to complete the survey. Please encourage them to part take. Visit www.education.qld.gov.au/newstep or telephone toll free 1800 118 387 for more information.

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**Athletics Carnival**

Our Annual Track and Field Carnival is next week; Wednesday, 19 July for pre-carnival competitors only with Thursday, 20 July for whole school participation.

Pre-carnival events on Wednesday, 19 July will be conducted during Form Class, Lessons 1, 2 and 3: 12 years 800m (L. 2A); 13-18 years 400m, 1500m, Javelin and Triple Jump; 13 and 14 years High Jump (M/Ex, L. 3B).

Students participating in pre-carnival events must nominate by lunchtime Tuesday, 18 July. Competitors attend normal classes for lesson 4. On Wednesday, 19 July normal classes run for all other students.

On Thursday, 20 July the Annual Athletics Carnival for 2017 will be held. All students are expected to attend this compulsory whole school event. Students are permitted to wear sports uniform and may add their house colours at school (hair spray is not acceptable).

Last year’s event was very successful with the majority of students participating, while others enjoyed supporting their house. This year’s carnival looks to be bigger and brighter. Will Tobin hold off the challengers again this year? Who will be 2017 Age Champions? Events commence at 9:30am sharp with a variety of activities scheduled.

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**NETBALL EXCELLENCE TRIVIA NIGHT**

- **Friday, 28 July** in Assembly Hall
- **6:00pm - 9:00pm**
- **Cost**: $5.00 per person, Teams of 6-8 people.
- Alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages will be on sale.
- Raffle to include a range of sporting memorabilia and a variety of prizes donated by local businesses.
- Contact: Mrs Ashlee Parker on anzart206@eq.edu.au
- Please assist us support our girls. All welcome.

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**Student Absence Notifications**

- Email via QParents Absent phone line 3350303
- Email via absent@waveslshs.eq.edu.au

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**Combined Shop Hours**

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