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Term 1:
- Tuesday 29 January to Thursday 28 March

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Term 3:
- Tuesday 16 July to Thursday 19 September

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Dates To Remember

Dr Seuss Bookfair Ends Friday morning

School Disco
Friday 15th March
5.30pm - 7.30pm

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Deadline – Tuesday – 3.00pm

From the Principal

Leadership

It seems an annual occurrence that school Principals post an article on ‘Leadership’ in their Newsletters; and also business management publications examine this important topic regularly. It’s a fascinating topic. Our Junior School Captains, Jordan Muir and Giselle Birtwistle have joined Senior School Captains, Bronte Latham and Andrew Liley in being formally recognised by their School in these leadership positions. However, that is not to say that these four fine young people are the only leaders in our close School student community. Leadership practices must change according to the context and with the people in the situation. It is not possible to say that a leader only has certain traits – it depends. Leadership follows those with the skills required for the task.

Renowned achievers have made the following observations of leadership:

Dr Albert Schweitzer, amongst many other people, said, “Example is leadership.” Schweitzer was a German doctor who established hospitals and health care systems in western Africa in French controlled Gabon. In my own experience, despite any leader’s supposed shortcomings, if they perform strongly and lead by example, they are influential, respected and ‘followed’.

President John F Kennedy said, “Leadership and learning are indispensible to each other.” There are many monuments to Kennedy’s support of The Arts and learning in the USA. Leaders must be learners to achieve and to react in new and changing circumstances.

President Obama created the ‘Yes we can’ mindset and slogan, and said, “Be inclusive; be clear about the vision.” We need to be able to establish a clear path or better outcome for people.

Mahatma Gandhi was the ultimate leader of the movement for India’s Independence from colonial Great Britain, resulting in the creation of modern India. Gandhi said, “Satisfaction lies in the effort, not in the attainment. Full effort is full victory.”

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Year 10 and 11 Camp
25-27th March
Emu Gully

Junior Parent Teacher Interviews
25th and 26th March

Lost Property

The Administration Office has the following items:

- Reading glasses - 5 pairs
- Sunglasses - 2 pairs
- Goggles - 3 pairs
- Watches - 3
- Umbrellas - 3

Dr Seuss Bookfair

Mother Theresa was loved for her unrelenting care for the poor and disadvantaged in their millions in India. Her view of leadership was entirely practical: "Do not wait for leaders: do it alone, person to person." True leaders may not be the loudest, most extroverted, but they work to achieve progress for all.

Marie Curie the discoverer of Radium and other isotopes as a dual Nobel Prizewinner in Physics and also in Chemistry, related to x-rays, etc., held a scientist’s pragmatic view of learning and leadership. She thought, "Nothing in life is to be feared, it is only to be understood. Now is the time to understand more, so that we may fear less." Interestingly, the first reported commercial use of x-rays was a Chicago shoe store that promoted an x-ray machine to precisely measure women’s feet and thereby most accurately fit shoes to feet. With the popularity of this new fitting system, women had multiple x-rays, and the shoe store made a killing...for a short time.

Sun Tzu who penned The Art of War, classical Chinese philosophy, wrote, "Opportunities multiply as they are seized." A modern equivalent might be that you make your own luck.

Ian Frazer after whom our Science Centre is named, said of teamwork and achievement, "In science you’ve got to be part of a team and most good science comes from teamwork. But you also have to be prepared to lead a team, at least at some point in the process, and I think being independent helps that."

For our younger students, I quote Sam the Yellow Wiggle commenting on Anthony the Blue Wiggle’s leadership: "Anthony is very energetic. He’s constantly thinking of new ways to improve things."

Some of our other student leaders this week in their respective fields are:

Mikayla Coleman (Year 9) who achieved a silver medal at the Qld Taekwondo Championships and she will compete at National Titles in Melbourne.

Year 7’s Perry Bright, Jarod Sargeant, and Safron McGibbon, were victorious in their debate with Suncoast Christian College taking the negative position on the topic of the perils of television. It is clear that those who can communicate effectively, such as Debaters, can create an attractive vision for others to follow their lead, which will create improvement for people.

Dirk Wellham - Principal

CCPS Debating Team (Pictured)

Senior School News

by Amanda Stuart, Head of Senior School.

It is hard to believe that we are already through Week 7 with only two weeks of Term One left. The start the School year was focussed on setting goals, making friends and full of excitement. Unfortunately, as everyone shifts into full-gear mode and assessments are due, it would seem that some of this positive energy might be wearing off. This has led to shorter fuses, friendships have frayed and students can become
over emotional or overwhelmed.

However, with so much of the year left, this is definitely a key time to focus on keeping healthy and avoiding the early burn-out. Like marathon runners, Senior students have to be wise about how they spend their energy. Students may need to be reminded of the pitfalls of multi-tasking when completing assignments or studying. Talking to friends on social networks can put hours onto ‘study time’ necessitating that a student has to stay up later to complete assignments. Students are encouraged to limit distractions. Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, iPods and other devices can be extremely detrimental to productivity. These are best put aside for use only during breaks. There are even apps available to block specific websites when you wish to dedicate time to just study. Lastly, I encourage all students to train themselves to keep everything in perspective; the holidays will be here soon enough.

This year in a partnership with Unity College, Caloundra City Private School has successfully implemented a Certificate IV in Justice. This has additionally enabled us to secure a partnership arrangement with Sunshine Coast TAFE. CCPS students, who have completed their Certificate IV in Justice Studies, can enter the Diploma of Justice at the Sunshine Coast TAFE in a special class specifically designed for students who have completed their Cert IV through this initiative.

This is a great partnership that has created yet another unique industry pathway for our students. Congratulations to Justin Faa, Ashley Rhem, T J Bindon, Abbey Reniers, and Lauren Mulhearn who are well on their way to completing their Certificate IV in Justice Studies, and Barry Pederson for their work in this area.

Congratulations to Adam Peters (Year 7) who has recently secured a lead role in a Sunshine Coast production. Adam says “I attend BYTE for the Middle School Master class for drama. In the next BYTE Production, Darwin, I secured a lead role of Kevin. He is a typical Aussie kid who tries to fit in with the older kids. It is set during Cyclone Tracy, and Kevin gets stuck in an old bomb shelter from the WWII bombing, with 2 strangers, his sister, 2 best friends and his arch-enemy. I was excited to get this role because I felt like Kevin’s personality was very similar to mine. It is a lot of fun to work with other kids in this production because we get to think of actions whilst we rehearse and use different types of props for making the situation more alive and real.”

It will be brought to the stage shortly and we look forward to seeing Adam perform.

Junior School News

by Mrs Gabrielle Frisby, Head of Junior School

Musical Performance at Pelican’s Nest Early Learning Centre

On Tuesday the 12th of March a number of very talented students from our school performed for the children, staff and parents of Pelican’s Nest Early Learning Centre. The Cherub Choir sang ‘The Warm Up Song’ and ‘A Whole New World’. Emily Lawler played the clarinet, Angel Branch, the flute and Alec Latham, the drums as part of the concert. I have had many of the people, who attended the event, comment on what a wonderful and enjoyable time they had. I would like to thank the students who performed and Mrs Kassandra Reynolds for organising the concert.
Junior School Assembly
This week’s assembly was the last Junior School assembly for this term. Thank you to the Cherub Choir and Jackson Mobbs for their wonderful performances and the students from Year 4 for sharing their class work about Australia’s History with us. I would also like to congratulate all the students who received Merit Certificates. The next Junior School Assembly will take place on Wednesday the 1st April at 2.30pm. The Year 3 students will be performing a song titled ‘Travelling Through the Solar System’ and Merit Certificates will be awarded to selected students from each class. All parents, grandparents and friends are encouraged to join the students from the Junior School at this assembly.

International Women’s Day Breakfast
Last Friday the 8th of March, I was fortunate to accompany Giselle Birtwistle (Junior School Captain), Bronte Latham (Senior School Captain), Brittany Holmes (Senior Vice-School Captain), Mrs Stuart and Mrs Short to the Zonta International Women’s Day Breakfast. The breakfast was attended by approximately 300 people and included student representatives from 13 local schools. The theme of the breakfast was ‘Building Connections’ and the two guest speakers were Tessa Wallace who is an Olympic Swimmer and Associate Professor Dimity Doran who is a Speech Pathologist and the Founder and Executive Director of Hear and Say. Both ladies inspired the guests with their speeches and ensured that all who attended enjoyed the morning.

School Disco
The P&F’s Welcome Disco is being held tomorrow evening, Friday the 15th March between 5.30pm and 7.30pm. If you would like to attend and have not yet returned your form, please collect an invitation form from the Office. These events are always a lot of fun and a great opportunity to catch up with everyone and also meet and welcome all our new families. Please note that this is a School social and not a drop off event. Parents are encouraged to bring a chair and picnic and enjoy some fellowship whilst the children are at the disco.

Explorama 2013
Explorama is a program designed by Kids College Queensland for Gifted and Talented students, students with strong learning abilities and special interests in Years 1 to 7. The programs provide students with the opportunity to work with like-minded peers and spend a quality day delving and immersing themselves into their chosen areas of interest. There are two exciting Explorama events planned for 2013 and will be held at the University of the Sunshine Coast. If you are interested in your child attending these events please visit www.kidscolleg.eqld.com.au for further course information and registration.

Term One Culminating Events
Students from Prep to Year 6 are greatly looking forward to presenting a snapshot of their work for this term to parents and friends over the coming weeks. These events are a lovely celebration of learning and I would like to encourage parents, grandparents and friends to attend these events.

The dates and times for each class are as follows:
Prep – Tuesday 19th March at 2:15pm
Year 1 – Tuesday 26th March at 2.00pm
Year 2 - Tuesday 26th March at 8.45am
Year 3 - Wednesday 27th March at 2pm
Year 4 – Wednesday 20th March at 8.35am
Year 5 – Monday 25th March at 2pm
Year 6 – Friday 22nd March at 2pm

Parent Teacher Interviews
Last week parents would have received a hard copy of a letter and the information for the on-line booking for interviews. Parent Teacher interviews for Term One will be held on Monday the 25th and Tuesday 26th of March in the library. Please ensure that you have booked in for your Term One interview by 4pm on Friday the 22nd March as online bookings close at this time.

Class News
from 4KR
In Year 4, we are currently learning about Australian History. The students have learnt about colonisation, they drew Aboriginal paintings based on native animals and they found out that Australia had many different names like ‘The Great South Land’, ‘Terra Australis’ and ‘New Holland’. Long before the Europeans came to Australia, many stories were spread about the land. The ancient Greeks thought that the continent was actually balancing the rest of the Earth. People thought that there were big-footed men who used their feet as umbrellas to shade themselves from the blazing Sun. Did you know that James Cook was not actually the first person to come to Australia? The first non-Aboriginal people to visit Australia were the sea slug fishermen from Macassar in the Celebes (now known as Sulawesi).

The students are studying many Australian Explorers. These include Burke and Wills, Matthew Flinders, Abel Tasman and more! In week three, Mrs. Reynolds asked us who Burke and Wills were? No one put their hand up! Then we learnt all about them! Burke and Wills were sent on a mission to cross the continent from south to north. They reached the Gulf of Carpentaria and visited Mount Hopeless, Menindee, Cooper Creek, Lake Eyre and Diamantina River. George Bass was a Naval Surgeon, and Matthew Flinders was a Master’s Mate on ship. They were good friends. Their interest was in exploration and adventure. They arrived in Australia in 1795 and were interested in finding out as much as they could about the new strange land. George Bass found and named the Shoalhaven River.

Continuing on their journey they discovered Twofold Bay. Abel Tasman was from Holland and was in charge on finding out more about The Great South Land. Did it have precious metals? Was it covered in ice? Did it have spices, jewels and mines filled with wonderful things? Tasman sailed from Batavia (now called Jakarta) on the 14th of August 1642. He was the one who sighted and landed on the south coast of what we now call Tasmania. Did you know that back then, when they saw large marks on the trees, they thought that giants lived in Australia? These marks were actually toeholds that the Aboriginal people used to climb trees in search of birds nests, possums and beehives. The whole class are excited to learn more!

By Jack Graham, Emry Butler, Sophie Barlow, Ryan Donnelly and Jack Murphy.

Library and ICT News

The Dr Seuss Bookfair ends tomorrow (Friday at 9am). Thank you to all who have supported our Bookfair. Our Library benefits from every sale.

A HUGE thank you to Kerrie Noyes, parent volunteer extraordinaire, who gave her time every morning to help at the Bookfair. Your kindness and generosity is very much appreciated.

Dr Seuss Quote of the Week:
Come on! Open your mouth and sound off at the sky! Shout loud at the top of your voice, "I AM IT!"
ME! I am I!
And I may not know why
But I know that I like it.
Three cheers! I AM IT! ~ Happy Birthday to You!
Sport News

By Michelle Murphy
Health and Physical Education Teacher

General Sport News

Congratulations Mikayla Coleman
Mikayla Coleman competed in the Queensland State Taekwondo selection titles over the weekend. She performed very well and came away with a Silver medal and a place on the Queensland team to compete at Nationals in Melbourne later this year. Well done and we wish Mikayla all the best at the National titles.

Cross Country Training
We are into our second week of cross-country training with over 35 students attending. If you would like to join the team and train for our Carnival in Term 2 or just keep fit please see Ms Sneesby or Mrs Murphy for a permission form. Training starts at 7am sharp on Tuesdays, meeting at the tuck-shop, and will conclude at 7:45am. Students must bring back their permission forms as we leave the school grounds at times for our sessions. Ms Sneesby is running these sessions.

Touch Football Competition
U8’s, U12’s and U15’s kicked off their first games this week, despite the grounds being very wet. Unfortunately, the U8’s and U12’s on Monday lost both games however the junior students enjoyed themselves, played very well and managed to score a few tries. Wednesday night the U15 girl’s team played against an experienced and well-established Unity team. The girls competed extremely well, holding out the Unity girls on numerous occasions. The girls ended up doing down five tries to one. Well done to all three Touch teams, the School is very proud of your commitment and efforts.

Junior Sport Information
SCISSA Primary Trials February & March
Primary District trials are listed below, any student interested in trialing for the following sports are encouraged to see Mrs Murphy for a Principal permission slip and venue information.

- Hockey Boys & Girls – 20th March
- Netball 11yrs – 13th & 20th March
- Netball 12yrs – 12th & 19th March

Venues and information will be given upon Principal permission.

Senior Sport

Independent District Trial Information
Secondary District/Regional trials are listed below, any student interested in trialing for the following sports are encouraged to see Mrs Murphy for a Principal permission slip and venue information.

Independent District/Regional Trials
19th March 2013
- Rugby League Boys 15 Years & Open
- Hockey Open Girls & Boys
- Australian Rules Boys 15 years

22nd March 2013
- Golf Open Boys & Girls

30th April 4:30-5:30pm
- Basketball 15 years Girls & Boys
- Rugby Union 15 Years Boys
- Football (Soccer) 15 Years Boys & Girls
- Surfing Open

Venues and information will be given upon Principal permission.

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**Parents & Friends Association Meetings**

The next P and F meeting will be held at 9am Wednesday 27th March in the library. All welcome.

Email: pandf@ccs.qld.edu.au

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**Parents and Friend's Association News**

**Welcome to 2013 Disco 15th March**
Weather permitting, our Disco will be this Friday from 5.30pm to 7.30pm. We look forward to seeing many families on the night. Don’t forget to pack some insect repellent.

**Easter Hamper Raffle**
The P & F and Year 6 families have organised a Hamper full of Easter treats (valued at $300) to raffle with the proceeds going towards the School’s Permaculture & Chicken Project. Mr Maguire and the students involved in the building and maintenance of this area, have many plans for 2013 and your support of this fundraiser will greatly assist them in achieving those plans. The raffle prize is on display in the library. If you would like extra raffle ticket books, these are available from School Admin. Ticket stubs, money and unsold tickets are due back by Friday 22nd March and the raffle will be drawn on Easter Assembly on 28th March. A giant egg will be won by the student/family who sells the most tickets. Good luck and thank you for your support.

**CCPS Permaculture Garden Project 2013 Wish List**
The big ticket item this year is the construction of a Greenhouse. Mr Maguire has estimated that this will cost between $800-$1200, with himself and parent volunteers providing the labour. The funds raised from this year’s Easter Hamper Raffle will go towards covering the cost of this project.

There are many other items required throughout the year to keep the gardens productive. Ultimately the Year 6 class will operate a stall selling garden fresh produce to our School community.

Our resident chickens reached the end of their egg producing lives and they have now gone off to a Retirement Farm. New point of lay chickens will be purchased from a P & F donation in 2012 and eggs will be available to purchase when the new “girls” move in and start laying.

If you and your family have a love of gardening you might like to assist us with the on-going upkeep of our School Community Garden. Here are some other items that you may consider donating to our Permaculture Garden Project:

- Lucerne
- Coffee Grinds
- Straw
- Seaweed
- Sawdust
- Hessian Bags
- Liquid Fertilizer (Fish Emulsion)
- Brick Pallets
- Blood & Bone
- Animal (Cow, Horse, Chicken) Manures
or any cash donations to pay for the above, as well as building materials, mushroom compost, a bird bath, tools etc.

If you are able to assist, please email us at pandf@ccs.qld.edu.au  Thank you for your support.

**P & F Meeting Minutes**

Click on this link to read the Minutes of the P & F meeting held 20/2/2013.

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