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- Tuesday 17th July to Thursday 20th September

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Dates To Remember

Year 1 Camp
Ewen Maddock Dam
Friday 27 April

Cross Country

From the Principal

Anzac Day

It’s strange how the time and place of your birth can influence your destiny. Ponder for a moment what it would have been like to be born at a time that saw a fledging federation of Australia emerge in the early 20th century.

Imagine living in a time where communication was mainly face to face or by letters written in ink – no mobile phones, no internet, no television. Life was harder, without all the modern conveniences of now, and some would argue that life was much simpler. Nationalism and patriotism were in their infancy. At this time Australia was still tied to the umbilical cord of England and lacking a truly independent identity.

It was not surprising then, that so many young men and women signed up to join the armed forces when Britain declared war in 1914. It was a time when one did not question one’s duty; one simply did what was expected. As in Alfred Lord Tennyson’s famous poem, “The Charge of the Light Brigade”, it was a different era:

"Forward, the Light Brigade!
Was there a man dismay’d?
Not tho’ the soldier knew
Someone had blunder’d:

Their’s not to make reply,
Their’s not to reason why,
Their’s but to do and die:
Into the valley of Death
Rode the six hundred.

In 1917, Australia had a population of a mere five million people, scattered over a vast landscape between rural and urban areas. The only means of international transport was a sea journey, which to Britain took two months and even transport within the country was painfully slow.

Over 60,000 Australian men and women died in World War 1. What hopes and dreams did these 60,000 people have? What aspirations lived in their hearts for a better life for them and their families? Ross McMullin (The Weekend Australian, Review 21-22 April, 2012) wrote recently about a few of these men killed at Gallipoli.
Bob Bage, an engineer from Victoria who was an invaluable member of Douglas Mawson’s expedition to Antarctica was killed at Gallipoli, after surviving in the most terrible of circumstances in Antarctica. What might have become of this amazing man had he survived WW1?

Gordon Mathison, an internationally renowned medical scientist was fatally wounded, at 31 years of age at Gallipoli. Would he have been another great medical scientist like Professor Ian Frazer?

Alexander Turnbull, a West Australian Rhodes scholar, was another outstanding young Australian who was destined for great heights in law or politics and at 27 years of age was cut down in his prime at Gallipoli. Ted Larkin, a rugby international who was an up and rising star in politics was killed in Gallipoli aged 35. Would Turnbull and Larkin have become great politicians or Prime Ministers even? We will never know.

There are 60,000 stories of lives cut short in defence of our precious country – some of these 60,000 were great people with unfulfilled destinies. Many of the 60,000 though, were just ordinary people like you and me and were thrust into extraordinary circumstances by history. The time and place of their birth determined their destiny in life – to become heroes, forever immortalised by Anzac Day.

None of these people set out to be heroes. They were not particularly well trained nor particularly well resourced. They were however extraordinary men and women because they served and fought for the freedom of all Australian and New Zealanders.

60,000 Australians died in World War 1 and many more have died since protecting our freedom and way of life. Anzac Day is one special day when we honour their memory. In a way they do live on in our collective memories each year when we pause to remember them.

‘Lest We Forget’

All that remains, now that the last of the ANZACs has died, are the medals that honour their memory. This poem written by Clyde Hamilton: is a moving salute to our heroes, called:

Not a Hero

The ANZAC Day march was over - the old Digger had done his best. His body ached from marching - it was time to sit and rest. He made his way to a park bench and sat with lowered head. A young boy passing saw him - approached and politely said, "Please sir do you mind if I ask you what the medals you wear are for? Did you get them for being a hero, when fighting in a war?"

Startled, the old Digger moved over and beckoned the boy to sit. Eagerly the lad accepted - he had not expected this! "First of all I was not a hero," said the old Digger in solemn tone, "But I served with many heroes, the ones that never came home. So when you talk of heroes, it’s important to understand, The greatest of all heroes gave their lives defending this land."

"The medals are worn in their honour, as a symbol of respect. All diggers wear them on ANZAC Day - it shows they don’t forget." The old digger then climbed to his feet and asked the boy to stand. Carefully he removed the medals and placed them in his hand. He told him he could keep them - to treasure throughout his life, A legacy of a kind - left behind - paid for in sacrifice.

Overwhelmed the young boy was speechless - he couldn’t find words to say. It was there the old Digger left him - going quietly on his way. In the distance the young boy glimpsed him - saw him turn and wave goodbye. Saddened he sat alone on the bench - tears welled in his eyes. He never again saw him ever - but still remembers with pride,
When the old Digger told him of Heroes and a young boy sat and cried.

‘Lest We Forget’

Karon Graham
Principal

Principals Acknowledgments:

Thank you to all the students, families and staff who marched at the ANZAC parade on Wednesday. Your presence showed beautifully the pride we all have in our School, and our respect and honour of all men and women, past and present who defend our great country. Thank you to the School Captains, Sofia Drew-Pepe and Natasha Irvine for a moving ANZAC Day Ceremony on Tuesday. Special thanks to Sam Walker for his presence in the Australian Navy Cadets uniform.

Best wishes to all students who have been training so hard for Friday’s Years 4 to 12 Cross Country Carnival.

Board Shorts

News from the CCPS Board.

The upcoming Annual General Meeting of Caloundra City Private School will be held on Thursday, 10 May at 5pm in the Dame Elisabeth Murdoch Library. Those parents who have become members of the company will be eligible to vote during the meeting. At the AGM, the Board Chair and Principal/CEO present a report to the members of the Company and an Annual Report will also be available to members. Look forward to seeing all members of the Company at this important meeting.

Until next time,

Roy Henzell
Board Chair

Senior School News

by Amanda Stuart, Head of Senior School.

Last Friday Visual Art students Emily Cosgrove, Rhyana Kello, Samantha Hood, Alexandra Stuart, Sofia Drew Pepe, Olivia Johnson, Noah Dessauer, Trang Payne, Cayla Warwood, Carson Mills and Emily Rava had their final session time with our Artist in Residence, Judy Barrass.

An artist residency program provides an in-depth, substantial experience of a particular media, in this instance virtual media. Over the residency students have experienced many new skills with Judy as their
mentor, facilitator, and technical advisor. This experience has exposed the students to the work and processes of artists at the top of her field. Students have developed an understanding of important artistic concepts and skills associated with virtual media.

From a school perspective the Tree Line residency project facilitated by Caloundra Regional Art gallery has injected fresh energy and new ideas into established programs. Such initiatives are beneficial to teachers and students and we are very fortunate to have worked with someone of Judy Barrass' caliber.

In the words of Ken Robinson:

"The fact is that given the challenges we face, education doesn't need to be reformed -- it needs to be transformed. The key to this transformation is not to standardize education, but to personalize it, to build achievement on discovering the individual talents of each child, to put students in an environment where they want to learn and where they can naturally discover their true passions."

("The Element: How Finding Your Passion Changes Everything")

At Caloundra City Private School we constantly strive to find new opportunities for our students to ignite their passion. I would like to sincerely thank Judy Barrass, Cathy Money, Julie Hauritz and Steven Rattey for their commitment to this project.

You are invited to view the students work at the Tree Line Exhibition Opening on June 2nd at Caloundra Regional Art Gallery at 2PM.

Rostrum Voice of Youth Competition
Queensland Rostrum is a personal development organisation. Many students realise that they would be much more effective in their endeavours if they showed greater confidence. Public speaking can be scary and buying books can give us a great deal of the theory but confidence doesn't come in a packet, it has to be developed through social interaction.

Rostrum is about bringing people together in small groups to learn the skill of speaking, giving presentations and facilitating meetings all within a socially friendly environment.

On Wednesday the 2nd May, two students from CCPS will travel to Immanuel Lutheran College to participate in the 2012 Rostrum Voice of Youth Competition. Deanna Bayliss, Year 12, and Lauren Mulhearn, Year 10, will present a prepared speech on a chosen topic to a panel of adjudicators. The winner and runner up in both the Junior and Senior age divisions of the State final receive cash prizes, as well as personal trophies awarded to all finalists.

We wish the students well for the competition.

Global Leaders Convention
The Global Leaders Convention (GLC) is a one-day leadership event, facilitated by World Vision, designed to inform and empower Senior students who are passionate about being a voice for justice in the world. The events embrace innovative ways of learning about poverty and global hunger, including:

- engaging multimedia presentations
- interactive simulation games
- dynamic keynote speakers
- peer to peer education
- creative thinking and problem solving exercises

This year Caloundra City Private School has been asked to nominate four students from Years 11 and 12 who have demonstrated a genuine interest in fundraising and helping others. It is envisaged that students will return to school with a greater knowledge of Poverty and Global Hunger and will be able to facilitate activities to better educate their peers about such topics.

By Mrs Lauren Tralau

Year 8 Queensland Art Gallery Excursion
On Wednesday May 2nd, Year 8 Visual Art students will travel to the...
Queensland Art Gallery and GOMA to see 'Contemporary Australia Women'. This exhibition celebrates the way women artists have reshaped the landscape of art in Australia.

Additionally, we will also view The Creative Generation Excellence Awards in Visual Art and Design, now in its 22nd year, which recognises, and honours student artists at Queensland schools. Students will also have the opportunity to view the general gallery collection. The aim of the excursion is to give students an opportunity to enjoy and expand their appreciation of Visual Art.

**Reminder:** Years 4 to 12 Cross Country is this Friday from 10am to 12noon. Good luck to all students.

### Junior School News

by Gabrielle Frisby, Head of Junior School

**ANZAC March**
Thank you to all the students and parents who attended the ANZAC Day March yesterday. The students marched and represented our School with great pride. It was great to see so many families make the effort to share in this special event and your attendance was greatly appreciated.

**Buranga Camp**
This week a eleven students from Years 6 attended the SCIPHA Buranga Excellence Camp. For this Excellence Camp, two students are selected by staff for each area of the curriculum and engage in two days of extension activities with like-minded students from other schools. Whilst it would be wonderful to be able to send several students in some areas, the guidelines for selection are the same for each school as the total number of students is limited. Congratulations to the following students who represented CCPS at the camp this year:

- **Perri Bright** and **Isabella Mullins** for English
- **Ashley Loughnan** and **Kayla Murphy** for Mathematics
- **Keaton Dines** and **Patrick Brennand** for Science
- **Dante Dreyer** and **Daryl Pontin** for Art
- **Chloe Southern**, **Claire Southern** and **Hannah Stuart** for Music

The children were outstanding representatives of the school on the enrichment camp and benefited from meeting students from other independent schools in the region as well as the intense learning activities.

**National Walk to School Day**
National Walk Safely to School Day is Friday 18th May. Now in its 13th year, the event is where primary school students learn about pedestrian safety and the importance of regular exercise by participating and walking to school. Find the best walking route to school online at: [www.walk.com.au](http://www.walk.com.au).

**Host Families for Japanese students**
During the Easter holidays, Shigeru Kawabe and Yuka Olsen from the Brisbane International Academy (BIA) attended the School to meet with Mrs Graham regarding the Exchange Program with the students from Seigakuin. The students arrive at CCPS at 11.30am on Sunday 22nd
July and depart CCPS at 6.00am on Saturday 28th July. The students coming to stay are of Year 5 and Year 6 age; however, host families may have children from Years 3 to 8. Opening your home to a visiting student can be a very rewarding experience and many families have maintained contact with the students that have visited CCPS in recent years. I would encourage all families to consider whether they would like to host one of the fourteen visiting students for the week. Students in Years 3 to 8 will be bringing home a note with further information regarding this exchange today. If you are able to assist, please complete the form and return to school by Friday 4th May.

Sam Walker (pictured)

Library and I.C.T. News

Scholastic Bookclub: Issue 3 brochures were sent home with students earlier this week. If you’d like to place an order, please return completed form with student’s name, class and correct money or credit card receipt number to your class teacher by Friday 4 May. Thank you to all who support our library by purchasing books for their children through the Bookclub. The library receives many new books from the proceeds of the sales.

Joke of the week: Things you’d never hear Mum say: ‘Go ahead, run through the house with your muddy feet, I’ve just washed the floors’.

Sport News

Ospreys Soccer Results

Under 6
The sun beamed down upon our enthusiastic soccer stars as they prepared for Round 5 of the season. The Under 6 team competed against the Pacific Seals at Pacific Lutheran College Saturday morning. All players practised excellent defence to earn a 10-nil victory. Well done to goal scorers Hunter Doughty, Jaxon Neale, Austen Thomas, Liam Donohue and Joshua Inigo. This week’s Best and Fairest Award went to Austen Thomas for his strategic defence on the field and Jaxon Neale was awarded the Encouragement trophy for his determination and ball control. Next week, the U6 team will play their first home game of the season against the Bli Bli Jesters.

Under 7
The Under 7 Ospreys played a terrific game of soccer at Palmwoods on a very hot and sticky day last week. They defeated the Palmwood Highlanders 4-0, goal scorers were Fletcher Winnett 2 and Bailey Brandtman 2. It was a great display of team spirit with lots of passing and all the boys getting involved and enjoying themselves. It was also
nice to welcome back Harry Norton into the team after breaking his arm. Player of the match was Sam Tanner. Goodluck for your next game boys it will be the first game this year on the new home ground. 

**Under 8**

U8 Ospreys 3 defeated Pacific Eels 1. Saturday saw 11 eager Ospreys take the field against Pacific Lutheran College in a tightly contested match. Excellent defence by both teams saw a half time score of Nil all. Each player showed great commitment in their attack and defence. U8's have worked hard at training this season to improve their passing skills and it really showed on Saturday. Great team spirit was shown following the Eels posting first points in the opening minute of the second half. Ospreys encouraged each other to never give up and finished the second half having scored three goals from the boot of Lachlan Noyes. Congratulations to Charlie Tramacchi who not only received this week’s Encouragement Award, but was voted Best on Ground by the Pacific Eels. Three cheers for our remaining team mates - Charlie W, Max, Ryan, Hamish, Bailey, Poppy, Jordan, Tyler and Joshua.

Good luck to the U8's this week in our first home game of the season against Mooloolaba SCR Meteors.

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**Parents & Friends Association Meetings**

Next meeting will be held on Friday 18 May at 8.30am in the library. All welcome. Come along and have a cuppa and a chat with friends.

Email: pandf@ccs.qld.edu.au

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**Parents and Friend's Association News**

**Upcoming events:**

**Mother's Day Stall:** Our annual Mother's Day stall will be held on Friday 11 May in the library. There will be many beautiful gifts children can purchase for their Mum’s. (see the picture below) We have items ranging from $1 - $10. Classes will visit the library during the day to give students the opportunity to purchase their Mum’s gifts.

**Disco:** At this stage we are looking at holding our next School Disco on Friday 11th May from 5.30pm till 7.30pm. Please be aware that this is not a drop students off event. It is also an important social occasion for parents to get to know each other while the children are dancing the night away. Stay tuned for more information.

**MOTHER'S DAY STALL GIFTS**
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