



Dear Parents and Carers,

The end of term has arrived and with it the chance to relax a little; Term 2 often seems to be a busy and pressured one so a sense of relief is palpable.

Country Week

Although an enjoyable experience I know, too, that there is a fair bit of pressure, physically and mentally for those taking part in Country Week. Our dancers have the hardest time of it – one is exhausted even observing their various exercises and routines – but it has been good to hear of great participation from all which led to a third place overall, a quite significant achievement. The team also lifted the encouragement award. This has contributed to a successful week, not just in terms of results (which have been encouraging) but also in terms of camaraderie and collaboration. Our most successful Country Week has seen the netball team finishing second in their group, boys' volleyball were third, basketball winning their grand final and girls' volleyball reaching the grand final.

Canberra Camp

We wish those travelling to Canberra a safe journey and good trip. For Year 9 students not attending the camp there will be a full programme of normal lessons so attendance is expected.

Reports

It is intended that the Semester One reports will be available on SEQTA from Monday of next week, the 3rd July. As always if you would prefer to receive a printed copy please just contact Reception and this can be arranged. I read and review all reports and will, as usual, speak individually to those students who have performed either exceptionally well, or who need a bit of guidance on how to improve.

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Dates to Remember

Reception open
9am - 3pm during the holidays
Wednesday 5th July
School Reception Closed

13th July - 21st July
Year 9 Canberra Camp

Tuesday 18th July
Term 3 commences @ 8.40am

28th July - 7th August
Japanese Exchange

Cooking and Compassion

Food is often good for the soul, as well as the body, and we have discovered this in abundance this term. Our work with the Nulsen Breakfast Club culminated for the term with a special barbeque breakfast and games morning, with a bus-load of EACS students from Years 8 and 9 helping. The total attending this morning was well over 50 and we also had some parents and teachers come along and enjoy the goods! We were lucky to have access to the barbecue trailer of the Rotary Club of Esperance Bay, which sped up the cooking. An Awesome end to the semester of our work with Nulsen Primary School. Generous donations of fresh food from parents and friends have allowed our Year 11 and 12 students to prepare something approaching 200 meals this week for Restore Hope in another demonstration of our commitment to others. Thanks are due to Mrs Natalie Shipp for her fine inspiration and leadership on both projects.

Variety Wigs

Compassion for those suffering from the effects of cancer and its treatment has inspired one of our Year 8 students to cut most of her flowing locks of hair in order to help provide wigs for the charity Variety. She will do this in School on Friday 21st: we will have a free-dress day for a gold-coin donation towards Maddilyn's fundraising which is fast approaching \$5,000.

Operation Christmas Child

A reminder that, this year, to support Operation Christmas Child we are asking all students to collect sports equipment to be passed on to community organisers. Students are kindly requested to either collect equipment loosely and then hand in for packing, or put their contributions into some kind of small sports 'goodie bags'. Students may still collect their own individual boxes but will have to follow instructions as per the Samaritan Purse website but will have to include the \$10 donation fee. They can hand in boxes to Reception when completed.

Sports 'goodie bags' could include (please don't make gender specific):

Whistle
Skipping rope
Bouncy balls
Hand Ball, tennis balls (bouncy)
Ribbon wands
Elastics
Toy cars
marbles
yo-yo
slinky
fidget spinners

There will be an Advisory Group shoe box packing day later this year and a gold coin donation free dress day to raise money for the \$10 donation fee that each completed shoe box will require to pay for shipping and handling.

Immunisation forms - for Year 10-12 students.

Forms were handed out in advisory groups for the upcoming meningococcal immunisation. Please complete and return to Reception ASAP.

Practicum Students

Next term we welcome two student teachers as follows:

English – Ms Sandi Sultanowski, supervised by Mrs Sharelle Walter

PE/Outdoor Education – Mr Rhys Holdman , supervised by Ms Laura Salomone

They will be involved in a combination of observation of lessons and teaching. It is good that we can play our part in giving aspiring teachers the opportunity to practise their craft, and we can also learn from them as they keep us informed of the latest developments in teacher training.

Events in prospect

School Vacation Saturday 1st July to Monday 17th July

Monday 17th July – Staff professional development day - no students in School

Tuesday 18th July – 0840 School starts for all students, including Year 9s not on camp

Wednesday 19th July – Scholarship exams and interviews for prospective students

Friday 21st July – Free dress day for Variety Charity; Maddilyn McGrinder hair cut

Thursday 27th July – Meningococcal needles for Years 10-12

Friday 28th July – Japanese Exchange students arrive

The School Office will be open from 0900-1500 daily during the vacation (apart from Wednesday 5th July)

With warm wishes for a safe and enjoyable time over the next couple of weeks.

Yours sincerely,

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P. Kerr Fulton-Peebles

Principal

RESTORE HOPE COOK-UP

WOW! What a fabulous effort by all involved. Thank you so much to all of the families who donated food for our cook up this week. Without your support there is no way we could have produced so many meals. Awesome effort from students in Year 7,8,9 and 11 who were all involved in cooking, packing and cleaning up the mess. In total we put together over 200 containers of meals and also bagged up a few dozen muffins as well. Massive thanks to Mrs Linda Bosworth- her assistance during the cooking and behind the scenes made all of this possible



NULSEN PRIMARY SCHOOL BREAKFAST CLUB (SPECIAL BBQ EDITION)

Well, after a fantastic semester of starting our Friday mornings at Nulsen Primary School, this week we've done something a little bit different. Students from Year 9 Food, assisted by volunteers from Year 8 & 11, cooked a BBQ breakfast instead of our regular pancakes. Huge appreciations to Brumbys, Woolworths Esperance and South Coast Food Service for their contributions of food for the event.

Well done to all of the students who have been involved in Breakfast Club so far this year. Year 9 & 10 have done their rostered contributions, Year 8 are part way through with Year 7 still to come. We also have a large group of students who regularly volunteer from across every year level of the school. It has been really great to see so many smiles on the faces of the primary school students each week. We are probably averaging close to 40 students a week now (last week was 51!) and we are told that our pancakes on Friday are continuing to assist with school attendance.



BIG PICTURE

Thanks to everyone who attended the school's first 'Big Picture' exhibition. We were so impressed by the way in which our Year 10 students shared their semester's learning journey with parents, teachers and friends. We were also joined by John Hogan and Anthony Britza from Big Picture Education Australia, who spent the day in discussion with staff.



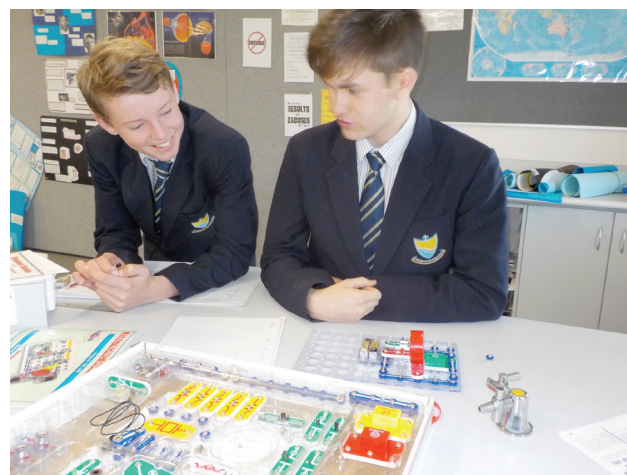
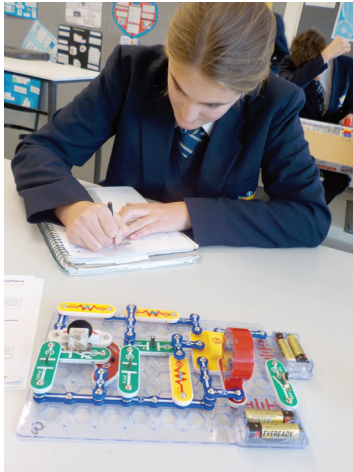


YEAR 7 Maths Class

In the Year 7 Maths class we have been studying fractions. My group looked at basic fractions and had a go at equivalent fractions (with varied success!!) As a finale we had a fraction food festivity where the students could choose from a variety of foods they liked, then they decided what fraction they would like of each one (they divided their plate into eighths). Then they had to actually chop up the foods into the corresponding fraction on their plate before they could partake! It was a fun time and the students were well and truly engaged with their learning!



Year 9 Class having fun with electronic sets





JAPAN TOUR

JAN 13TH - 24TH 2018



EXPERIENCE THE CULTURE AND CUSTOMS OF JAPAN ON OUR 11 DAY TOUR

STUDENTS ARE IMMERSSED IN EVERYDAY JAPANESE LIFE THROUGH A HOMESTAY WITH FAMILIES FROM GUNMA KOKUSAI ACADEMY (GKA) PRIVATE SCHOOL, AS WELL AS HANDS ON INTERACTIVE ACTIVITIES WITH STUDENTS AT GKA.

WHO CAN APPLY?

STUDENTS IN YEARS 7 TO 12 (2018)

TOUR INCLUDES

- FULLY ESCORTED BY A GIL BILINGUAL STAFF MEMBER AND A JAPANESE PRIMARY SCHOOL TEACHER
- 7 NIGHT HOMESTAY WITH A STUDENT FROM GUNMA KOKUSAI ACADEMY (GKA)
- 2 NIGHT STAY IN TOKYO
- TOKYO DISNEY SEA
- TOKYO FULL DAY SIGHTSEEING AND CULTURAL TOUR
- AUTHENTIC JAPANESE MEALS
- AIRPORT TRANSFERS ON PRIVATE COACHES
- SINGAPORE AIRLINES RETURN FLIGHTS AND TAXES

TOUR COST \$3250

WHAT THE STUDENTS SAY

My exchange to Japan was an amazing experience for me. I gained so much knowledge about Japan and their way of living. Before going to Japan I had many worries, but once I was there all my worries disappeared. My host family was so nice and fun, every day they had something exciting for me to do. My classmates were really friendly. Everyone was my friend. My Japanese isn't very good but everyone at the school could speak English so it made it easier to communicate and become friends. Japan was very beautiful. I was amazed at how pretty everything looked when covered in snow. Also playing in the snow is really fun. I really appreciate the opportunity to go to Japan. It has made me a more confident, independent and outgoing person. It also gave me the chance to make connections with people from different countries. - **Jasmine Austin, 2017 Japan Tour**

WHAT THE STUDENT'S PARENTS SAY

We would like to give GIL, GKA and Amy's host family our personal thanks for the way Amy was received and cared for during her time in Japan. She did not want to leave her host family as she felt like a member of the family already. She had a fantastic experience and will remember their kindness for many years to come. - **Crocker Family, 2017 Japan Tour**

FROM THE JAPANESE HOSTS

We are thankful that we were Krishan's host family. We had wonderful experience with him. He tried many things he had never done before. Thank you, Krishan. Please come back again. - **Matsunuma Family, 2017 Japan Tour**

CONTACT info@goldil.com.au TO REGISTER FOR OUR INFORMATION SESSION WHICH WILL BE HELD AT RIVERTON PRIMARY SCHOOL AT 6PM ON JUNE 28
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