From The Leadership Team

School News

Principal’s Message

School Chaplains

This week I provide information regarding a High Court challenge to the future of school chaplains in Australian schools. School chaplains since their introduction have made a significant impact on the capacity of schools to assist our students / young people’s social, emotional wellbeing to live in a complex world. Our students face increasingly challenging times, which without the assistance of the Chaplain Service many students would be lost as they engage with the dysfunctional side of our society. We need chaplains in our schools and the current High Court challenge is an opportunity for our community to acknowledge the great work chaplains do by keeping informed of the challenge and reviewing the advice of Scripture Union Queensland (SU QLD) who employ our chaplains.

In a democracy, we all have the right to challenge Government decisions through the Court process and while defending the right of the respondent to challenge the Government’s funding arrangement, I draw on my experience as a Principal, who has worked with chaplains over many years. I believe school’s would be lesser places without the chaplain service. I encourage all parents to keep informed on this issue and take the appropriate actions to ensure chaplains have an ongoing place in our schools.

The following extract from the SU QLD website, provides additional information regarding the current High Court challenge.

This is the second attempt by a Toowoomba resident to prevent federal government funding for the National School Chaplaincy and Student Welfare Program (NSCSWP).
Without funding, more than 3,500 school communities will lose the choice to employ a chaplain or welfare worker as part of their student support department.

Chaplains provide social, emotional, practical and spiritual support in Australian schools. They work in prevention and support; helping students find a positive way to deal with issues ranging from relationship and social problems, family breakdown and loneliness to support through grief, natural disaster and personal tragedy.

Hundreds of thousands of school children each year turn to their school chaplains for practical help, but also for the non-coercive spiritual element chaplains’ offer.

Chaplains provide a listening ear and a caring presence for kids in crisis, and for those who just need someone to believe in them. They are also on-hand to provide support for staff and parents in school communities.

The June 2012 High Court decision found that something more than a cabinet decision was needed to approve a federal spending program. With bi-partisan support, Parliament responded to pass legislation and regulations to create a new funding model to support school chaplaincy and more than 450 other federal spending programs.

In August 2013, the same plaintiff commenced new High Court proceedings to overturn that new funding model. Currently, with federal funding support, schools can decide for themselves to have a chaplain as a member of their student support department. Without funding, that choice disappears for most schools.

Not just that, if the plaintiff succeeds in having the High Court declare the funding model invalid, this would jeopardise more than 450 federal spending programs funded under that model, not just the NSCSWP.

Among these programs are 82 educational programs such as child care services; autism assistance; student wellbeing services; and indigenous education programs.

In the 2011/12 High Court Challenge 85,000 Australian’s showed their support for national school chaplaincy by signing a statement of support. In 2013, Australian’s can once again show their support by visiting backourchappies.com.au to sign their name in favour of federal funding for school chaplaincy.

For more information on SU QLD and the High Court Challenge visit backourchappies.com.au

**Day for Daniel**
Red Day For Daniel

On Friday we will be supporting the Daniel Morcombe Foundation. Students will be allowed to wear one item of red clothing following our schools Sun Safe Rules. A gold coin donation will be collected.

Whole School Assembly

At assembly this week the School Class Speech Finalist Awards were presented to the students. Congratulations to the following students:

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Farwell Mrs Clarke

This week we say goodbye to Mrs Clarke who has been at Helensvale for 20 years. During this time she has taught across many year levels and will be sadly missed by staff and students. We wish her well at Gaven State School for 2014.

School Swimming Program

A reminder to parents that our years 1 to 7 swimming program is part of the school’s HPE curriculum. It is expected that all students will attend the swimming program with the exceptions of students with a documented medical condition.

Lost Property

Currently we have two large containers of clothing and one container with lunch boxes, drink bottles. At the end of next week all items will be disposed of if they have not been claimed.

Please ensure that all items of clothing and belongings are very clearly labelled, which will allow lost items to be returned to their owner should they be found. If labelled, items will usually be returned very quickly! Items left at school are placed in the lost property containers located outside the staffroom.

Uniform and Behaviour Expectations

Congratulations to the students on the way they are presenting themselves at school. It’s fantastic to see that students are continuing to wear the correct uniform.

We are very proud of our students and the high standard of behaviour they display. We would like to remind parents that students are expected to travel directly to and from home before and after school, unless they are with a parent/caregiver. There are high expectations regarding behaviour both at school, when travelling on the school bus and when students are in the community.

We appreciate your support in helping us to maintain consistently high uniform and behaviour standards.

Students arriving at school before 8.15am must go to the tuckshop undercover area. After the 8.15am bell students are required to be outside their classrooms as playground areas are out of bounds.

Communication with Staff

A reminder if you need to speak to the class teacher an appointment should be made. Unfortunately because time is restricted in the mornings the teacher is unable to speak to you at this time. If your message is urgent please call the school office and they will pass it on to the class teacher.

Thought of the Week:
Think deeply; speak gently; love much; laugh often; work hard; give freely; pay promptly; be kind.

Anonymous

Kim Ona

Acting Principal

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School News

Dear Parents/Carers,

Due to the increase in our community accessing online banking to pay school activities our Finance Window will open on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 8am to 9.30am. If Parents/Carers would like any information on how to access online banking please email Tracey Smith on tsmit517@eq.edu.au or phone on 55561333.

Student Absence Line

55561370

Don’t forget we have a convenient absence line for parents/carers to access 24/7. Parents can leave a message in relation to student absence for the class teacher on this line. Please phone and leave the following information:
Attention Parents

We have received an unidentified deposit on 22nd October for $55 from the Bank of QLD, but unfortunately no student ID was provided. Please notify Tracey at the office on 55561333 if you believe this payment may be yours.

School News Calendar

Mon 14th Oct-25th Oct Tennis Helensvale Tennis Program Courts Permission notes to be returned ASAP-
no cost involved

Mon 4th Nov-Fri 22nd Nov Yrs 1-7 Swimming Lessons Helensvale City Pool Last Payment Date- 24th Oct

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Be Safe – Cross at the pedestrian crossings

GRADUATION 2013

DATE CLAIMER

Monday December 9th 6pm

HSS Performing Arts Centre (PAC)

P & C News

WOOLWORTHS EARN AND LEARN PROGRAM

We received 37000 vouchers from the program and have ordered items. Some great outdoor games have been selected for students and these include 2 more large Connect Four games, Jumbo Dominoes, Garden Noughts and Crosses, and Garden Jamanga Towers. Being able to have a supply of games that the students can utilise not only during break times but also as a class game and have them outside participating is a benefit to their health and well being.

2014 30TH ANNIVERSARY FETE

This event was discussed at recent meetings. It will be a combined P & C / School event with our 2014 classes and teachers assigned stalls. This will be a chance for all our parents to participate in some way. At present, we are looking at Saturday, 13th September with a 10am to 4pm time slot. We would like to contact any students and teachers from 1984 with the hope that they may attend the event so if any present parents know how to contact them, please let us know – pandc@helensvaless.eq.edu.au
Letters are going out to businesses apprising them of the event so that it can be marked on everyone’s calendars. Open invitations to clubs and associations who may like to perform or showcase their talents are extended so if you know any that would like to be part of the celebration, again, we ask that you pass on to them our email address.

As our plans evolve more, we will keep you posted. More meetings are planned. If you have any areas of expertise that you feel may help us to run the event, we would be only too happy to hear from you.

P & C MEETING

Just a reminder that our last meeting for the year will be on Wednesday, 20th November at 7pm. If you have not attended one, maybe this is a chance to come along and join in the discussions. Activities for 2014 will be discussed so share your views and make a decision to get involved.

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

Tickets have been issued to students. This raffle is one that is run by the P & C and only sold through our school students. Tickets come in books of 10 and are $1 each. 1st Prize is a $1000 Visa Debit card, this can be used at any establishment that accepts Visa so has a great availability. 2nd Prize is a $500 Coles/Myer card, 3rd Prize is a $300 Woolworths card, 4th Prize is a $200 The Athlete’s foot voucher (a great opportunity to purchase school shoes for next year) and 5th Prize is a $100 Bunnings card.

We also have prizes for the students who sell the highest number of tickets. Highest seller will win a 61cm LED LCD TV, 2nd highest will win a Panasonic 14MP Digital Camera, 3rd highest will win a All Terrain Sports Water Resistant Digital video camera and 4th highest will win a Talking Electron Microscope.

We ask you please that if you do not wish to purchase the tickets or sell the tickets to friends and family that you return the tickets immediately. All tickets must be accounted for with our Auditors and also we have many other students requesting additional tickets and we can then re-allocate the tickets elsewhere.

As usual, if you require more tickets, a note from the parent with students name, class and how many additional books you require is to be handed in to the Tuckshop. It is preferable that money for tickets issued is returned before more tickets are issued.

HELPERS NEEDED

Each morning, we need helpers to assist with the Christmas Raffle. Tickets returned need to be marked off, money counted and new tickets issued to those requesting them. If you are able to help, come to the Teachers Window of the Tuckshop. Times will be from 8.15 to around 9.30am so if you find yourself with some free time any morning, just drop in and help.

Looking forward to your active participation in our P&C Association.
Leanne Watt
P & C President

YMCA

Important Notices for the Coordinator: YMCA Helensvale OSHC

22 October 2013

Term 4 is well under way, we have extended our deck and just waiting for the finishing touches to our ramp and Wow how impressive does our new paint work look.

AASC this term is Tuesday Golf, Wednesday Baseball and Thursday Dance.

November our 2014 Enrolments will be out, call in, phone or email and I will send through the form to you. All existing families must complete 2014 Enrolment form for your care to continue. Thankyou

Below are some before and after photos:

Phone 07 56659216

Mobile: 0438166533

ahv@ymca.org.au
**FREE RUGBY LEAGUE CLINIC**

The National Rugby League would like to invite your son/daughter to our “Coles Backyard League Centre” in conjunction with Helensvale State School and your local Junior Rugby League Club, the Helensvale Hornets.

The Coles Backyard League Centre provides a great introduction to Junior Rugby League. The session will consist of fun games and challenging activities that will provide an opportunity for your child to improve their coordination, spatial awareness, social skills and fitness. It is also a great way to make new friends!

The session will be taught by professional NRL Game Development officers.

The best thing about the Coles Backyard League Centre is that it is completely FREE, and your son/daughter will receive a show bag, and experience what Junior Rugby League is all about.

**Venue:** Helensvale State School

**Date:** Tuesday 19th November

**Time:** 3.15pm – 4.15pm

Students will be given a registration form in the upcoming week- please return it to the HPE teacher, Mr Michael Cacciola. If you have any questions please contact Kathryn Jones on 0447 440 068 or email at kjones@nrl.com.au

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Community News

Helensvale State High School

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Do you want to:
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Work in a Team
Breathe life into your ideas

THEN SHAPE YOUR DESTINY:
APPLY NOW TO BE A PART OF YOUR FUTURE
E4e

All students are eligible to apply for the e4e program. Please contact the office for an application form. Applications close Friday 1 November.

Website www.helensvaleshs.eq.edu.au    Email admin@helensvaleshs.eq.edu.au

Phone (07) 5573 8555 Fax (07) 55738 500 243 Discovery Drive, Helensvale, Queensland 4212
GOLD COAST HOSPITAL AND HEALTH SERVICES – ORAL HEALTH SERVICES

ORAL HEALTH CARE MATTERS

Did you know that Gold Coast Hospital and Health Services – Oral Health Services in both the community and school dental clinics accept Medicare Teen Dental Scheme Vouchers?

Good oral health care is important for young people. The government has provided Medicare Teen Dental Scheme Vouchers to help enable and maintain good oral health and preventative care. These vouchers can be presented to private dentists or Gold Coast Hospital and Health Services – Oral Health Services, including a community or school dental clinic.

Children attending schools up to the end of Year 10 who present a Teen Dental Voucher with Gold Coast Oral Health Services will receive a comprehensive examination, x-rays, scale, clean and a full course of care.

Children in Years 11 and 12 in receipt of a voucher can only be seen by Gold Coast Oral Health Services if the eligibility criteria is met. They will then be placed on a waiting list to receive a comprehensive examination, x-rays, scale, clean and a full course of care.

If the Teen Dental Voucher has been used at a private dental practice, completion of the private dentist’s treatment plan will need to be undertaken privately at own cost. Gold Coast Hospital and Health Services will only be able to provide Emergency Care for these children, not a full course of care as prescribed by the private dentist.

Gold Coast Hospital and Health Services – Oral Health Services have qualified and experienced dentists, oral health therapists, dental therapists and dental assistants who work together to provide a range of oral healthcare services to meet your child’s specific oral health needs in a caring environment.

As the Teen Dental Voucher expires by 31.12.13, it is important that you arrange your appointment as soon as possible by telephoning the Gold Coast Oral Health Services Call Centre on 1300 300 850. Oral health services are also provided during all school holiday periods.

For more information on the nearest community or school dental clinic, the Oral Health Call Centre will be able to assist you with your enquiry.
Gold Coast Water Polo

Friday Night Junior Competition
Boys & Girls
6pm - 7:30pm @ Miami Pool, Pizzey Park
Organised by Gold Coast Water Polo Association

Juniors: 12 to 15yrs - $106/season + pool entry
Flippa Ball: 7 to 11yrs - $30/season + pool entry

Season 2013/2014
11th October to 15th November 2013
31st January to 21st March 2014

If you have ever thought of playing water polo but didn’t know where to start, come along to our Friday night competition for a fun filled introduction to the game. Coaches are there to teach you the game and be a part of this great summer sport. All are welcome.

Contact: Steve Korn 0412 172 998

See our website for more information
www.goldcoastwaterpolo.com.au

Soccer X Pty Ltd

“Girls Soccer” - 8 weeks beginning Friday 25th Oct – 8 sessions@ $8 = $64

Friday’s 7.45 - 8.45am
The girl's programmes are designed to improve the technical ability, knowledge of the game and physical fitness.

By putting the girls into a comfortable learning environment it creates a positive platform to learn and therefore give them a great chance to fulfil their potential as Soccer players.

If you have any questions please call Justyn on 0451162346 or email: soccer.au@gmail.com
Dear Parents / Caregivers,

The Special Education Program is running a transition program during Term 4 to assist students with diverse learning needs in year 7 to become familiar with their new high school. Your child is invited to attend this program and experience a small sample of what high school will be like well before the actual transition occurs. It is the aim of the program is to support students who need extra time to orientate themselves with their new school and establish a firm foundation of support for their beginning year. There will be weekly lessons to be held at our school on Thursday mornings from 9:00am – 10:15am. During this time it is hoped that we can also become more familiar with you and your child so that we can best plan for their programs in 2014.

Program Overview

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Students will meet at the SEP building each morning at 9am. You are invited to park outside of gate 4 on Santa Isabel Boulevard and walk down the driveway – the SEP is the first building on the left.

We look forward to a successful transition program and getting to know all of our new students and families for 2014. Please contact me at your earliest convenience to confirm your child’s position in the transition program.

Kind regards,

Danielle Graham  
Special Education Teacher  
Phone: 55025141

Serena Kozbeka  
APrincipal
Have you missed sign on at other clubs and are you looking for a more relaxed, family orientated club that encourages surf safety?

Well Surfers Paradise is still taking members

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CHILDREN'S BIRTHDAY PACKAGE

$24pp for 4 to 12 pax
One room rental 11.30am – 2.00pm Sat/Sun.
Birthday cake, snack menus & drinks.
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