



NAVIGATOR - 2008



TERM 1, March 07th 2008

PRINCIPAL'S COMMENT

The school year is now well under way and the majority of students have settled into their classes and patterns of study. There were some minor class changes due to staff reorganisation but these are now complete and all students can focus on doing their best at school.

On Sunday, March 2, the school hosted the Community Cabinet for Prime Minister Kevin Rudd's Government, the first held in Queensland. With over 800 attendees, including the Prime Minister and 18 of his Ministers, the day provided a great showcase for our school, its students and the many workers who contributed to the smooth running of the day. Congratulations to our Symphonic Wind Ensemble and our Strings Ensemble who provided entertainment on the day and a special mention to Vivien Emsworth-Copland for her outstanding rendition of Advance Australia Fair.

In another 'Success in Action' story, Creative Generations – State Schools on Stage Spectacular have requested that Dissonance, a school band, audition live for a place in their gala production to be held at QPAC in June. Good luck for your audition on Friday.

Over the last two weeks the school has hosted breakfasts for the parents/caregivers of students in years 9, 10, 11 and 12 and these have provided a rare opportunity for parents and teachers to meet informally and discuss the progress of the students. Thank you to all parents and staff who have contributed to the success of the breakfasts, your attendance has been appreciated. If you missed these events we will be holding further breakfasts for the parents/caregivers of all year levels in term three later this year.

A reminder to parents/caregivers to attend a special meeting to be held this Wednesday, March 12, from 2.30 pm to 5pm in the PALACE. The purpose of the meeting is to assist the school community to assess the school's progress and identify future needs for school development. Your input will greatly assist us in improving the services we provide as a school. The meeting will be facilitated by Dr. Liz Melish and food will be provided at the conclusion of the discussion.

Finally, a reminder to students who must ride scooters to school that upon arriving at school

scooters must be securely locked in the bike enclosure. Over recent weeks there have been increasing numbers of students riding scooters around the school creating a safety issue for other students and teachers.

Regards
Jim Box
A/Principal

DEPUTY NEWS

The last two weeks has seen a series of parent – teacher interactions. Firstly, the instrumental music trivia night organised by the Performing Arts Department and a parent support team, was a thoroughly enjoyable night. Well done! Secondly, I would like to thank all the parents who attended the parent-teacher breakfasts that have been held over the past two weeks. I look forward to seeing you all throughout the year and meeting even more of you at future events.

Students, Parents and families are to be aware that the Personal Attributes Reports (PAR's) will be given to students on 27th March, Thursday Week 9.

The Parent Teacher evening will be held on Tuesday 1st April, all parents are of course invited, as Parent-Teacher nights are a great opportunity for staff and parents to meet and for us all to assist our students in achieving the best results they are capable of achieving.

The Parent teacher interviews will start in the afternoon and run until early evening. Booking sheets will be issued to all students prior to the reports, being handed out. Parent teacher interviews will all be held in the PALACE.

Adam, Cathy, Jennifer and Scott

PARENTS NOTICE

Reminder:

Our P & C Annual General Meeting takes place on Monday 17th March at 7pm.

CANTEEN ROSTER

Monday -	10/03	<i>Judy & Meryl</i>
Tuesday -	11/03	<i>Julie & Chris</i>
Wednesday -	12/03	<i>Sue & Betty</i>
Thursday -	13/03	<i>Carol, Helena & Karla</i>
Friday -	14/03	<i>Liz & Need Helpers</i>
Monday -	17/03	<i>Gayle & Cathy</i>
Tuesday -	18/03	<i>Julie & Chris</i>
Wednesday -	19/03	<i>Sue & Diane</i>
Thursday -	20/03	<i>Carol, Heather & Karla</i>
Friday -	21/03	<i>Holiday – Good Friday</i>

EVENTS

SCHOOL EVENTS CALENDAR - 2008

10 th March	School Photo's Catch up
12 th March	Drama Excursion to LaBoite
12 th March	TSR Workshop 1
14 th March	Yr 11 & 12 BOM Excursion
18 th March	Yr 12 Drama Night
18 th March	Regional trial day 2 for Sunshine Coast Sport
19 th March	Yr 8 & 9 Vaccinations
19 th March	Music Excursion

LOTE NOTE

Narangba Valley SHS is currently seeking homestay families for Japanese students (aged 14years, girls and boys) from the 13th of July until the 3rd of August. A daily allowance assists families with basic food and transport costs. You don't need to be a Japanese student to host but people over 18 do need a blue card. The blue card can be acquired at no cost. Please look at the application process and forms on the web-site www.cycpcq.qld.gov.au, or see Mrs Wilson in Rafter Staffroom for further details. Hosting a Japanese student is a truly rewarding experience that your whole family will enjoy.

Mrs Tania Wilson
LOTE Coordinator

UNIFORMS

THESE ARE THE CHOICES FOR
PURCHASING UNIFORMS AND BOOKS FROM
THE UNIFORM SHOP

1. **PARENTS** can access in the following hours:

Tuesday	8.00 – 10.00
Wednesday	1.00 – 3.00
Thursday	1.00 – 3.00
2. **STUDENTS** can access –
FIRST BREAK EVERY DAY OF THE WEEK
3. **PARENTS** can pay by credit card over the phone (3385 4502) and then **STUDENT** can collect as in 2 above

REMINDER

All girls MUST wear a tie with their formal uniform. All boys in Years 10, 11 & 12 MUST wear a tie with their formal uniform at all times.

Canvas shoes are not acceptable. Girls cannot wear slip on shoes with their sports uniform.

All English and Biology books are now available from the Uniforms Shop. Maths Mates 7, 8, 9 & 10 are now available.

Thank you
Robyn

ENGLISH NEWS

English assignments in all year levels are now due and students and parents are reminded that all work MUST be handed in the students' english lessons on the due date. Failure to do this incurs penalties - especially in the senior grades where it is a QSA English Syllabus requirement to complete assessment by a particular date. If there is spoken assessment due, ALL students must be ready to perform on the first day.
Elizabeth Kingston
Head of Department, English

HOME ECONOMICS

A thank you to the person who sent along some magazines for home economics. They are appreciated and will be well used .

Thank you
Robyn Tebble

FROM THE SCIENCE FACULTY

Students in accelerated classes and senior sciences have been distributed permission forms for entry into the ICAS Science competition and RACI Chemistry Quiz. **These forms and payment is due to the cashier by the end of term 1.**

These competitions provide students and teachers with an opportunity to receive valuable feedback regarding individual progress and comparisons with students across the state. Novel questions are completed under exam conditions which improve exam strategies and techniques, and contributes to their QCS preparation.

Tutorials are also being offered across science subjects according to the following schedule. All students are encouraged to seek support in order to maximise their potential. Year 8 – 10 students are also welcome.

Chemistry - THURS Lunch 2 with Mr Bauer and Mrs Volling

Biology – WED after school until 3.30pm with Ms Brown

Physics – WED after school until 3.30pm with Mr Agnew and Mr Doyle

Chemistry & Physics – WED or THURS after school until 3.30pm with Mrs Gilmour

Please report to Freeman staffroom for tutorials, and confirm your attendance with the relevant teacher beforehand.

QSA SEMINAR

QSA Evening Information Seminars for parents and community members: Introducing the Queensland Certificate of Education.

This information evening will provide an overview of the implementation of the Queensland Certificate of Education. The presentation will help parents and community members to understand the principles underlying the QCE and the credit rules that govern eligibility for the QCE. A variety of scenarios will be discussed to demonstrate the relevance of the QCE and the broad range of possibilities for learning towards the QCE.

Who should attend?

- Parents of students in Years 10, 11 and 12
- Employers of young people
- Teachers unable to attend daytime workshops
- Interested members of school or community groups

Outline

- General information on the QCE for students, parents, schools and other learning providers

- Options and pathway offered to students by the QCE

Brisbane North

12th March 7.00pm – 8.00pm

Venue: Aspley SHS – 651 Zillmere Road, Aspley

Peer Helper Program

Narangba Valley SHS is extremely excited to offer in



Peer Skills

partnership with Life Line Community Care – a great opportunity for students to receive training in a Peer Mentoring program called Peer

Skills. This opportunity is open to students in grades 10 – 12 however numbers are strictly limited. Peer mentoring is not just for Student Leaders, but also for any student who wants to contribute to the school in this way.

Aim of Peer Skills:

- When Kids Help Line first started, they received many calls from young people who were ringing on behalf of their friends who had concerns. Young people are often the first port of call by their friends in times of trouble. The workshop was developed as a direct response to this fact. Lifeline Community Care believes firmly in the ability of young people to help their peers with problem solving. The workshop also provides information about what to do when the problem is too complicated and needs some expert help from a trusted adult.

Outcomes so far this year:

- Our first Peer Mentors were trained in late 2007 and this year have assisted the Yr 8's negotiate life in the "Big School". The Year 8's have been assisted to make friends and discuss with older students how they can "fit in". Peer Mentors or Peer Helpers as we call them, sit with the year 8's during recess times on a rostered basis. Our Prefects also visit the Year 8 form classes, so that both initiatives can complement each other to achieve a great start to school for our newest students. Interested students need to contact the writer to express an interest. The training will occur over 2 full school days on March 19th and 20th.



Paul Reid
HOD behaviour Support.

PERFORMING ARTS UPDATE

The Performing Arts department is as busy as always with the amazing work being created by students in both Academy and mainstream classes. Preparations are well underway for this year's musical and StarQuest is just around the corner. Some recent department highlights...

PM Visit

Congratulations to members of the Symphonic Wind Ensemble and Strings Ensemble who played last weekend for the Prime Minister, Federal Government Ministers and local community. The students played a selection of beautiful pieces which helped make the say something special. A special mention also goes to Vivian Emsworth-Copland who delivered a breath-taking performance of Advance Australia Fair.

We received wonderful feedback on the day from Cabinet Ministers and members of the community who congratulated the students on the quality of their work...WELL DONE!

Music Trivia Night

The meet and greet music trivia night for Instrumental Music Students and their families was a fantastic night. This evening was a wonderful opportunity for everyone to get to know each other a little bit better and have some fun. A big thank you to the local business (*Action Trophies, Burpengary; Red Rooster Narangba Valley; McDonalds Morayfield; Coffee Club Morayfield; Terry White Pharmacy, Narangba Valley; Australia Post, Narangba; Vera's Imports, Burpengary; Birch Carol and Coyle, Morayfield; Intensity, Morayfield; Caboolture Shire Council; Bunnings, Morayfield and Rothwell; Bowling Alley, Caboolture; The Good Guys, Morayfield; Radio 4BC, Brisbane; Radio 4KQ, Brisbane; B105, Brisbane; Nova FM, Brisbane; MMM, Brisbane; Channel 7, Brisbane; Book Finders, Burpengary; Australia Zoo, Beerwah; Alma Park Zoo, Dakabin; Kodak Express, Morayfield.*) donated gifts for the evening.

If you have any questions regarding Performing Arts please don't hesitate to contact me.

*John Coulson
A/Head of Department
Performing Arts*

STARQUEST

NVSHS' Annual Talent Night

A fun filled evening of dance music and drama for NVSHS students, family and friends.

When: 14 March 2008

Where: The P.A.L.A.C.E.

Time: 7pm (Doors Open @ 6.40pm)

Cost: \$5

Tickets can be purchased from the Dance Block from 10th -14th March at Lunchtimes

All tickets must be pre-purchased no tickets will be sold on the Night

Please come and support our amazing Performing Arts students

THE WIZ

The Wiz is Coming to NVSHS

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31 July – 2 August

What will you wish for?

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Caboolture Rugby Union Club has some spaces available in Junior Teams for ages Under 6 to Under 15. Our playing season starts in late March and runs until August. Training is held on Friday nights at 187 Petersen Road Morayfield from 5.30pm to 6.30pm for Under 6's to Under 8's and from 6.00pm to 7.30pm for Under 9's to Under 15's. Games are played on Saturdays for Under 6 to Under 9's and on Sundays for Under 10's to Under 15's. All-inclusive cost for the whole season is \$165.00 per player, which includes BJRU fee and insurance, Club polo shirt, playing shorts and socks, Club handbook, end-of season trophy and a team photo. There are no weekly game fees! Please come along to training on Friday night or call Georgie at the Club on 5498 6400 to register. Or see our Club website www.cabrugby.org.au

PULSE DANCE PARTY

The next Deception Bay PCYC Dance Party will be held on Friday 14 March 2008. Please note changes to age and time information. Age range 5 years to 14 years. Time 6.30pm to 8.30pm. Cost PCYC Members \$4.00, non-members \$5.00. For Further information telephone 3293 0166.

