



## PRINCIPAL'S COMMENT

Another fantastic fortnight has just passed with students achieving in all areas of endeavour. Our girls AFL Academy team once again took centre stage at the Gabba for a game with an indigenous girls AFL team. It was outstanding to see AFL showcased with all students demonstrating great skills and sportsmanship. All this topped off by a march around the stadium in front of many thousands of Brisbane Lions fans. Congrats to all students and staff involved!

Similarly our students have been demonstrating really outstanding learning outcomes across the curriculum. If you come to the main office you will see brilliant examples of the work of our Senior Graphics students. Truly amazing quality and testimony to great students and a great teacher (Mr McIntyre). From there to the English Faculty and Ms Kingston's Year 8 class have produced the most exceptional brochures as a project in English. These highly creative and professional documents highlight to prospective Year 8 students the wonderful opportunities for all students at Narangba Valley State High. These are just two examples of many that I could mention! I am just so proud of the great standards of work and learning being achieved by our students and our teachers and support staff!!!

Creative Generations, the state wide gala evening to showcase the creative talent of state schools was held last weekend. Our school was well represented with outstanding performances by Trent Lewis, Alex Tomlins, Nick Tomlins, Jake Tomlins and Vivienne Emsworth-Copland. Congrats to all involved and particularly Ms Schammels for her support.

Have a great fortnight!  
Ross MacKay  
Principal

## DEPUTY NEWS

**Study Programs:** As our Yr 11 and 12 students head into Block Exams, it is timely to remind all parents to ensure that your children have an appropriate study regime at home. It is critical to success for you to engage in discussions with your child regarding both homework and study requirements. It is also essential for all parents to ensure a routine is established whereby an effective amount of time is dedicated nightly for study and assignment requirements. This applies to all students from Year 8 to 12. Our staff would be more than happy to assist parents regarding developing a study program to suit the subjects being studied by your child.

With regards to the Yr 11 and 12 Block Exams, please note the following:

All students should by now have their exam schedule. Please get your son or daughter to come to the office if they have not yet received their exam schedule. Also, be aware that students only need to attend for the sessions in which they have exams, there will be access to the library and study rooms for students who need them.

Lastly, if your son/daughter is absent for an exam, they will need to provide a medical certificate to the school, as well as a covering letter, explaining which exams have been missed.

**Students late to school:** We are having a significant number of students deliberately turning up late for school. Please remind your sons/daughters that in order to maximize their learning, they need to be in-class and on-time to every lesson. Students who are deliberately late and do not have a valid reason, will be given detentions to make up for missed time.

**Winter Uniforms:** Parents are reminded that all students must have the correct Winter Uniform ready to start Term 3. Please refer to your child's 2008 diary for details or contact the school for information to be sent out to you. Our Uniform Shop sells all main components of the uniform. Note that for students in Yr 10,11 and 12, boys long tailored navy blue pants are to be worn with a school tie in Terms 2&3. For Yr 10,11,12 girls' long tailored navy blue slacks may be worn.

**\*Please note the following are UNACCEPTABLE: Beanies; denim jeans; cargo pants; track pants with the formal shirt/blouse; long sleeved undershirts; black coloured slacks or track pants.**

Adam, Cathy, Jennifer and Sean

## CASHIER WINDOW HOURS

Students/Parents: 8.00 – 8.25  
11.00 – 11.45  
(Thursday 11.00 – 11.30)  
12.55 – 1.30

**No money will be accepted outside these hours.  
Money will only be accepted by the cashier.**

### Parents

For your financial security please do not provide credit card details on permission forms for student activities. You may make credit card payments over the phone at any time. Please contact the school.



## CANTEEN ROSTER



Monday -	09/06	Public Holiday
Tuesday -	10/06	Julie & Chris
Wednesday -	11/06	Sue & Diane
Thursday -	12/06	Heather & Kharla
Friday -	13/06	Liz & Meryl
Monday -	16/06	Cathy & Judy
Tuesday -	17/06	Julie & Chris
Wednesday -	18/06	Sue & Betty
Thursday -	19/06	Carol & Kharla
Friday -	20/06	Liz & Meryl

## EVENTS

### SCHOOL EVENTS CALENDAR - 2008

11 <sup>th</sup> June	Yr 9 Japanese Dreamworld Tourism Excursion
11 <sup>th</sup> -13 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 11 and 12 Exam Block
12 <sup>th</sup> -16 <sup>th</sup> June	Vipers Boys Tour
16 <sup>th</sup> -18 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 11 and 12 Exam Block
18 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 12 Drama Assessment Night
19 <sup>th</sup> -20 <sup>th</sup> June	QCS Practice Yr12

## LITERACY/NUMERACY TUITION ("HEADSTART PROGRAM")

Parents please note the closing date for registration for those students eligible was Monday 2nd June. Consideration may be given to late submissions if they are received before COB Monday 9th June.

Ross MacKay

## ENGLISH NEWS

Year 12 students studying English have been involved in creating and presenting dramatic monologues; which, could have been included in one of Shakespeare's most renowned plays; Macbeth. New standards were set when students such as: Ashlea Lawler, Ella Imms, Katherine Lamb, Claire Latham, Paris Benoit and Katie Hayes, gave award winning performances. Students' understandings of the events and characters in Macbeth have been breath-taking.

## Accelerated English

Accelerated English students in years 8 and 9 were treated last week to a visit from local author, Richard Blackburn. Richard has recently had his novel, The Gatekeeper published and it is a historical drama suitable for teenage audiences. He regaled the students with tales of medieval life and customs as well as instructing them about the finer points of writing. His visit was highly entertaining and students enjoyed it immensely.



Mr Blackburn speaking with year 9 students



Ricki 'getting into character'

## SCIENCE NEWS

### SCIENCE OPPORTUNITY FOR YEAR 9 STUDENTS

The Siemens Science Experience, a three-day hands-on science, engineering and technology program, will be conducted again in Australian universities in 2008/2009 for students who will be entering Year 10 in 2008. Each program includes a wide variety of practical activities, together with interesting presentations by leading scientists and engineers.

It is a Rotary Youth Services Project and fully supported by the Australian Science Teachers Association. The cost of the three day program is \$105 (includes GST). Local Rotary clubs are often willing to pay this fee.

Further information and application forms are available from the school's Science Department, Rotary clubs and from [www.scienceexperience.com.au](http://www.scienceexperience.com.au). Early application is advised.

**Any Year 9 student is welcome to attend.**

An electronic copy of the above may be obtained by email from [kim.aitken.ext@siemens.com](mailto:kim.aitken.ext@siemens.com)

## MATHS NEWS

### District Mathematics Tournament

On Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> May, 85 of our best and brightest Maths students competed in the Murrumba District Maths Tournament. Most teams did very well, with our school placing very highly overall. Our Senior team finished third overall (out of 30 teams), being beaten only by half a question. The day reinforced the Academic talent that students at Narangba Valley have.

### ASX Sharemarket Game

Around 40 of our students have recently been participating in the ASX Online Sharemarket Game. Students have had 2 months and a 'theoretical' \$50 000 to invest in the sharemarket, with the winner awarded as the student with the greatest profit. The school winner was Nic Dart (Yr 8), who made a profit of \$ 8 200, placing him in the top 2% of students in QLD!

### Maths Tutorials

A reminder that Maths tutorials take place every Wednesday afternoon in H11 from 2:40 – 3:30pm. Students of all year levels and ability levels who would like assistance with homework, assignments, classwork, etc are welcome to attend. They are supervised by a number of Senior Maths teachers and there are usually between 20 – 40 students in attendance.



### ICAS Maths Competition

The ICAS Maths competition is coming up shortly and all students will receive a letter with more information inviting them to participate. I strongly encourage all students to return their letter promptly and take part in this National competition.

Kevin Fullbrook  
Acting Mathematics HOD

## SENIOR SCHOOLING

**YEAR 10:** Brisbane North Institute of TAFE will commence a Certificate III in Visual Arts and Contemporary Craft (CUV30103) course from their Caboolture Campus on a Tuesday 9am-3pm in Semester 2, 2008. This course is ideally suited to committed students in Year 10 as the Certificate III program is over 2 1/2 years. Students should register their interest with Mrs Lever in Senior Schooling 3385 4571 (O'Neill Staffroom) by Wednesday 11 June 2008.

**YEAR 12:** Queensland Rail is now recruiting men and women for apprenticeships in 2009. QR have over 100 Apprenticeships in Electrical & Electronics, Power Traction Linesperson, Boilermaking, Mechanical Fitting, Mechanical Fitting & Turning, Diesel Fitting, Vehicle Building, Vehicle Finishing, Painter, Carpentry, Blacksmith, Plumbing, Sheet Metal all over

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Queensland. To apply visit [www.qr.com.au/careers](http://www.qr.com.au/careers) - applications close 5.00pm on Monday 16 June 2008.

## Performing Arts News

### **Music Night**

Congratulations to all our band and music students who played at Music Night on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May. The bands played in preparation for Fanfare and year 11 and 12 Music and Music Extension students completed assessment. The students performed superbly and showed their outstanding talents once again. Thank you to all the parents that attended and the staff that gave up their time to make Music Night a success. I would also like to thank the Music Support Group for running the canteen and baking such fantastic treats!

### **Musical**

I have had concerns with absenteeism in relation to musical rehearsals. Some students have not been honouring their commitments (and the contract they signed) and have missed important rehearsals! If your child is in the musical please ensure that they check the Laver noticeboard regularly for updates and dates and times of rehearsals. If you have not received a letter outlining rehearsal requirements please ask your child to collect one from the Laver notice board.

The next whole cast rehearsal is **Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> June**. This rehearsal is from 12 noon to 5pm.

### **Musical Camp**

The final cost for the musical camp has been determined. It will cost **\$120** per student. This cost includes a discount of approximately \$15 per person thanks to the fundraising efforts of students and the P&C Performing Arts Parent Support Group. If you have already paid your deposit of \$25 then you have \$95 to pay.

The payment of the musical camp has been extended to June 20<sup>th</sup>. This is as a result of the late return of musical raffle tickets. The proceeds from any raffle tickets that are still to be returned will be donated to the musical.

If students would like to attend the gold level excursion as well as camp, then they need to see Mr Coulson ASAP.

I would to thank the school community for their continued support of Narangba Valley State High Schools Performing Arts Department. If you have any questions on queries please do not hesitate to contact me at the school.

Regards  
John Coulson  
Head of Department  
Performing Arts

## THE MUSICAL

Narangba Valley State High School  
Presents

*The Wiz*

*31<sup>st</sup> July – 2<sup>nd</sup> August*

*Tickets on sale now!*

## MESSAGE FROM YOUR SCHOOL NURSE

Narangba Valley State High School takes the health and wellbeing of its students extremely seriously. Whilst we respect each individual's right to privacy and confidentiality in relation to their health status, often, it is in the individual's best interest to make the school aware of any health issues.

The school accepts responsibility for its student's welfare, and strives to provide a safe environment. However, in individual cases, additional interventions are required in order to safely and appropriately manage specific health matters.

It is the responsibility of the parents/carers and student to highlight to the school any health concerns that have the potential to impact negatively on their wellbeing whilst in the school environment. Health and education are inextricably linked, and both impact on a child's current and future potential achievements. Without information and action plans in place to adequately manage a specific illness/condition, the school will be unable to fulfil their obligation in safeguarding that individual's wellbeing.

Any disclosures of an individual's health status will be managed sensitively and as confidentially as possible. Plans of care should be drawn up by your child's health practitioner and handed into school for the proposed care to be implemented collaboratively.

It is the responsibility of the student and the family to ensure that they are managing their condition effectively. Please ensure that treatment is administered/implemented as prescribed, and if there is a possibility of medication being required during the school day, that the student has access to that medication within the school environment.



If you have any concerns regarding your child's health, or, management of a medical condition within the school environment, please contact school administration or the school nurse.

## INVITATION FOR PARENTS TO SAVE

### The Deception Bay Post Office

We all know parents today are faced with the daily challenge of managing the family budget to meet the necessities of life and seek any avenue for savings.

I invite you to come to the Post Office and buy children's books at substantially reduced prices – up to 63% of the r.r.p – up to and including Christmas, while stocks last.



Jed Hartman

Postmaster  
Deception Bay Post Office

## PULSE DANCE PARTY

The next Deception Bay PCYC Dance Party will be held on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> of June 2008. Please note age and time information. Age range 5yrs to 14yrs. Time 6.30pm to 8.30pm. Cost PCYC members \$4.00 and non-members \$5.00. For further information telephone 3293 0166.

## CLEANING SERVICE

**Cleaning Domestic**, regular home and office cleans, move out cleans, Gold Medal Services, fully insured and police checked – call Mick & Michelle on 0415 460 718 or Freecall 1800 1 James (52637)

