

Tullascope



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As term 3 comes to an end, I am able to reflect on the wonderful achievements of our students and teachers. It became clear throughout the term that students who had worked hard and did not give up when things got difficult were students that reflected the Tullawong spirit.

This term we have had terrific outcomes with our students participating in functions at the Caboolture RSL, senior students winning the QUT Ideas Challenge, our Year 8 and Year 12 students playing in Rugby League Grand Finals and many more students receiving certificates for their efforts in the Science Competition.

Late this term, students will be receiving their interim reports. The reports will show the student's academic progress as well as behaviour and effort. No comments will be provided. I would encourage parents and carers to contact teachers to discuss any concerns in relation to their child's progress.

The current review of the 4 day senior week has highlighted numerous issues. At this stage a letter summarizing the findings will be sent to parents in the coming weeks. All Tullawong SHS staff will vote on whether to return to a 5 day week, early week 2 term 4. One proposal in relation to the review has been that the school commences at 8.30am and concludes at 2.30pm for all year levels. Please feel free to contact me with any feedback in relation to the review of the 4 day senior week and/or the change in school time proposal.

Discussions are already underway to adjust the Student Electronic Device Policy to allow for electronic devices to be used in the classrooms for educational purposes. The adjusted policy will be trialled in term 4 once all staff have had a chance to acknowledge the changes.

I wish all students the very best with their exams and assignments and wish all our families an enjoyable spring holiday.

Principal
Peter Hoehn

2012 AWARDS NIGHT

Our school's annual Awards Night will be held in the Tullawong State School Hall on Smiths Road, Caboolture from 6.30pm on Wednesday, 31 October.

This is a very important night, when we celebrate student achievement in citizenship, cultural and academic endeavours. Highlights of the evening include a presentation by a past student, Zoe Smith. We will announce Champion House, present various prestige awardees and badge the 2013 school leaders.

Students by now will have checked the list of awardees posted around the school while parents will soon be receiving information about the timing and reminders about student dress code and expected behaviour.

Our Awards Night is an exciting and significant occasion and we hope that you can join us.

KEEP A WATCH ON YOUR SCHOOL THESE HOLIDAYS

With the holidays fast approaching, we need you to look out for after-hours crime in our school.

If you see anything suspicious, please don't attempt to intervene. Call the School Watch number – 13 17 88.

The School Watch Program is a partnership between Education Queensland, the Queensland Police Service and the State Government Protective Security Service. It aims to reduce vandalism, theft and arson in Queensland schools.

Keep this number handy – 13 17 88 – and let's work together to help create a safer school community.

For more about the school Watch Program contact Education Queensland's School Security Section on (07) 3237 0874.

Soaring to Great Heights

YEAR 11 & 12 BUSINESS STUDENTS VOLUNTEER AT EKKA

The Year 11 & 12 Tullawong State High School business students volunteered at the iconic Ekka strawberry sundae stalls to raise money for the Prince Charles Hospital Foundation.

They travelled to the RNA Showgrounds by train early in the morning to join other volunteers who worked at the sundae stalls. The students worked tirelessly the whole day chopping strawberries, washing dishes, scooping ice cream, operating the cream gun and serving up these delicious treats to Ekka customers.

The day was an important part of the Year 11 & 12 Workplace Practices course allowing students to gain valuable work experience whilst supporting a great cause.

A big thank you to all business students who volunteered and to Mrs Coleman and Miss Subramaniam for helping out on the day. Congratulations to Mr Brett Stout for organising the event.



HOSPITALITY STUDENTS SHINE

The Caboolture RSL requested students from Tullawong SHS Home Economics Department to work at the Excellence in Business Awards, that they proudly host each year. Our students gained valuable experience as kitchen hands, waiters and serving customers.

The RSL Management Team, Mrs Keegan and Miss Eldridge were extremely proud of these students, as they presented themselves in a professional manner and were extremely hard working. Congratulations to you all.

Respect

Encouragement

BIG SCIENCE COMPETITION

Vincent Ong, one of our Year 10 students, has been awarded the title of Top Scorer in the Big Science Competition, an international science competition held earlier this year. Vincent proved his scientific strength by competing against 37,000 students from over 500 secondary schools in Australia, New Zealand, Singapore and other Asian countries.

Sponsored by Rio Tinto, the one hour competition provided students of all abilities the opportunity to test their critical thinking and problem solving skills. Covering contemporary topics like global warming, space junk, deep sea exploration and wireless technology, the competition uses everyday examples to test competitor's science skills.

Vincent Ong was one of 58 students to earn the coveted Top Scorer title. He was presented with a certificate and a twelve month subscription to COSMOS magazine in recognition of his efforts. "This is the first time we have entered this competition and it was great to see our student do particularly well", commented Jen Borowski, Science HoD at the time.

The Big Science Competition is run by Australian Science Innovations, a not for profit organisation that aims to inspire students in Science. The Chair of the organisation, Anne Semple, believes that encouraging students to discover their science talent is what the Big Science Competition is all about.

"We hope that students like Vincent continue to excel in Science. Australia needs more scientists and it's programs like the Big Science Competition that help teachers nurture the scientific talent in their school," said Ms Semple.

Australian Science Innovations is an independent not for profit organisation whose mission is to inspire, challenge and raise the aspirations of students in Science. Each year, over 40,000 secondary students take part in its activities. The Big Science Competition will be held on 22 May 2013 and will celebrate its tenth anniversary. For more information please visit www.asi.edu.au.

2012 QUT 'STUDENT WITH POTENTIAL' AWARD PROGRAM

On Monday 3 September, 30 students from Years 10, 11 and 12 received a special Student with Potential Award from QUT. The aim of these awards is to encourage students to continue to work hard so they can follow their career goals. The award winners were presented with a certificate, a \$100 gift voucher and an invitation to attend a function at QUT to celebrate their award. The Year 10 and 11 students will continue to receive the award annually until they finish school. Well done to our students for their hard work and for being acknowledged with these awards. It is great to know that students who are working hard are being recognised for their efforts.



DANCE AND MUSIC EXTENSION CALENDAR DATES

- Melbourne Dance Tour on 18 - 21 September
- SE QLD Performing Arts Festival on 12 - 14 October
- Murrumba Dance Challenge on Friday 19 October
- Dance Night on Saturday 27 October
- Music Night on Friday 9 November

DISTRICT ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Tullawong took their athletics sporting talent to the District Athletics Carnival held at Deception Bay on Tuesday 31 July and Apex Park on Friday 3 August. They were excellent days with the Tullawong students performing at their optimum level, resulting in many students ranking highly in their events. The Tullawong girls team was ranked second and the boys team was ranked fifth out of all of the schools that attended, which was an excellent achievement. Overall Tullawong ranked 3rd for the two carnivals combined.

Among the high achievers were Vicky Clark (U16) and Isabel Castrillejo (U15) who took out the Age Champions for the carnival. Vicky Clark also broke the District Javelin Record with her throw of 39.78m, beating the previous record by 2.34m. Well done everyone who put in the effort to participate on the day. Thank you to the PE staff who took the students away on the two days. Good luck to the students who have qualified for the Sunshine Coast Regional Carnival in September.



Name	Age Group	Event	Place	Time/Distance
Brayden Cochrane	13yr Boys	Javelin	First	26.2m
Lania Thomas	13yr Girls	Discus	Second	20.28m
		100m	Third	13.68 sec
Tori Herd	13yr Girls	200m	Second	28.83 sec
		400m	Second	1:11.21 min
Mitchell Denman	14yr Boys	Javelin	First	37.65m
		Discus	Second	29.23m
		Shot Put	Third	10.60m
Kenessi Fredsberg	14yr Girls	90m Hurdles	Second	17.24 sec
Prisilla Toa	14yr Girls	High Jump	Second	1.40m
		100m	Third	13.42 sec
Tyler Andrews	15yr Boys	Triple Jump	First	11.73m
Mitchell Fawcett	15yr Boys	Javelin	First	40.20m
Tia Herd	15yr Girls	Javelin	First	28.72m
Isabel Castrillejo	15yr Girls	100m	First	13.58 sec
		Triple Jump	Third	9.26m
Chloe Tarr	15yr Girls	High Jump	Second	1.30m
Jessica Rose Law	15yr Girls	100m	Second	13.77 sec
		200m	Second	28.78 sec
		400m	Second	1:10.90 min
Nicole McAtee	15yr Girls	Javelin	Third	22.02m
Bradley Henry	16yr Boys	Javelin	Second	37.35m
		110m Hurdles	Third	19.15 sec
Nicholas Thomsen	16yr Boys	Shot Put	Third	12.08m
Lydia Jahnke	16yr Girls	Triple Jump	Third	9.34m
Vicky Clark	16yr Girls	Javelin	First	39.78m
		Shot Put	First	10.10m
		Discus	First	26.50m
		High Jump	Second	1.42m
		Triple Jump	Second	9.93m
		Long Jump	Third	4.51m
Janice Blackman	17yr Girls	Javelin	Second	29.80m
		Long jump	Second	4.36m
		100m	Third	13.40 sec
Marisa Kuhlewein	17yr Girls	Javelin	Third	28.96m
Brad Walshaw	18yr Boys	1500m	Second	5:04.68 min
Jessica Donnelly	18yr Girls	1500m	First	7:15.51 min
		Discus	Third	19.33m



SENIOR FORMAL

Our Year 12 students are nearing the end of their formal schooling with us. There are a number of events that will occur over the next few months as rewards for completing their schooling.

Year 12 students will receive a Reference and will need to complete a Participation and Achievement Form and hand to their Care Teacher by 10 September. Any student needing a copy of this form can get one from the front counter or Mr Thomas.

The Graduation Ceremony will be held in the SAC on Friday 16 November. Participation in the Graduation Ceremony is a reward for completing all student responsibilities. Students are required to wear full school uniform for the ceremony and parents are invited to attend.

To be eligible to participate in the Graduation Ceremony, students need to:

- Have Good Standing
- Have no unexplained absences
- Have no outstanding finances – includes SRS, excursions, sport
- Have no overdue library resources including textbooks
- Have no outstanding uniforms – includes sport and SSC borrowed uniforms
- Have completed the CPR4life course.

The graduation practice is on 15 November at 9am. It is expected that all students would have fulfilled all responsibilities by this time.

The Senior Formal will be held on Friday 16 November at The Landing at Dockside, 44 Ferry St, Kangaroo Point and invitations will be issued to students who have completed ALL their student responsibilities. Payments can be made up to and including 26 October.

To be eligible for formal invitations, students need to:

- Have and maintain Good Standing
- Have no unexplained absences
- Have no outstanding finances – includes SRS, excursions, sport
- Have no overdue library resources including textbooks
- Have no outstanding uniforms – includes sport and SSC borrowed uniforms

Instructions on how to complete these responsibilities will be given to the students on a number of occasions and updates of the student's responsibilities are displayed on the Senior Schooling notice board.

SENIOR JERSEYS

Year 11 students are invited to order their Senior Jersey for 2013 once they have fulfilled their commitments as a Senior Student at Tullawong SHS for 2012. These are:

- Have and maintain Good Standing
- Have no unexplained absences
- Have no outstanding finances – includes SRS, excursions, sport
- All school resources (including library, textbooks and uniforms) returned
- All assessment completed

The privilege of wearing the senior jersey is only granted to Year 12 students who comply with the terms and conditions contained in the contract. The privilege will be revoked if non-compliance occurs.



2012 CHILDREN'S BOOK OF THE YEAR AWARDS

The winners of the Children's Book Council of Australia 2012 Book of the Year Awards have been announced. The Book of the Year Award for Older Readers went to Scot Gardner for his book "The Dead I Know" while Cate Constable took out the Book of the Year: Younger Readers Award for Crow Country.

Nick Bland was awarded the Early Childhood Award for his The Runaway Hug and the Picture Book of the Year Award went to Bob Graham, for A Bus called Heaven. Full details on the winners and runners up in each of the award categories can be found at www.cbca.org.au/winners_2012.htm.

Many Competitions came to a close in the last few weeks.

Congratulations to Jessica Saddler, Sarah Murray, Melissa Sjaardema, Ayden Blackman and Nytarra Buckley, whose work was selected to be published in the "Small but Loud Voices" Anthology. The winner of our Book Week Competition was Tiana Castlehouse who agreed with the Children's Book Council and chose "The Dead I Know" by Scot Gardner as the winning book. Elyce Harper was the winner of our "Once Upon a Time" competition. Elyce correctly identified all 11 classic children's stories from the pictures.



XMAS IN JULY 2012

The Year 12 Hospitality team presented Christmas in July recently. Amongst the many functions throughout this year this one is definitely our biggest event, and one that we hold close to our hearts.

This event attracted 100 guests to our vintage style restaurant, where 5 courses of scrumptious food was served to our valuable customers of family and friends, as well as the State Member for Morayfield, Mr Darren Grimwade.

Caboolture RSL Management was so impressed by students' restaurant capabilities, they have already been offered further experience working at the Excellence in Business Awards later this month.

Christmas in July requires selected students from other year levels who are achieving well and show confidence in the kitchen, to assist in roles such as drink waiters and the labour intensive job of washing thousands of dishes throughout the night.

Maybe a future Head Chef is reading this now. Is it you?



Australian Red Cross **BLOOD SERVICE**

Currently one in three Australians need blood, yet only one in thirty donates.

WHAT: Tullawong State High School students and community members are needed to roll up their sleeves and give blood.

WHEN: The Red Cross Blood Service bus will be at our school **TUESDAY 30 OCTOBER** from 9am to 3pm.

WHO: Fit, healthy people aged between 16 and 70 years who weigh over 45kg are eligible to donate (more information available at school).

HOW: Students between 16 and 17 **MUST** return a Parental Consent Form from Mrs Trimms in Staffroom 1 to make an appointment time.

Community Members can ring the school on 5428 5220 or email stirim4@eq.edu.au to book an appointment time.

WHY: **TO SAVE LIVES!**
It's a great opportunity to help your community. You can get Citizenship points for your House.

NB: Year 12 Students must have completed their exams prior to donating if they have one on this day.