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Principal's Report

Congratulations to Sarah Marsh
Year 10 student, Sarah Marsh, has been selected to represent Australia and Girl Guides at an international event to be held in York, England, later this year. Sarah will travel with a contingent of other Australian girls and will meet with Girl Guides from all around the world. We wish her all the best for her trip.

Mid-Course Reports
As we near the end of term 2, teachers are busily completing marking and writing the mid-course academic reports for their students. With the exception of senior students, there will be a change to the reporting format beginning with these reports. In place of the year adviser comment the report will instead show the involvement of students in extra-curricular activities. This is as a result of our evaluation of reporting processes, conducted last year, and is in line with Department of education policy. To facilitate this process, students have been asked to complete a sheet where they indicate the activities they have been involved in and then have the coordinating teacher of that activity sign to confirm that they satisfactorily participated. Students then return these sheets to their year adviser for collation. The cover page of the report will also be further streamlined and will show attendance more clearly, based on feedback from the reporting evaluation.

Given that this is a shortened (9 week) term, it is expected that reports will be issued to students in week 1 of next term. A parent-teacher evening will then be held on the Tuesday of week 2 (23rd July). Following the last parent-teacher evening, we received significant positive feedback preferring classrooms for these interviews. Based on this feedback, these interviews will again be held in classrooms, but across both upstairs and downstairs of D-block and with a waiting area within each room so parents can see when the teacher becomes available. This will allow us to spread out further and relieve the congestion from outside classrooms.

Year 11 – 2014 Subject Selection Evening
Following on from Parent-Teacher evening, we will intend holding a combined Year 11 subject selection evening with South Grafton High School at the Clarence Community and Function Centre on Wednesday 24th July from 6:00 pm (confirmation and further details will follow).

A separate evening will be held for year 9 – 2014 subject selection (details to follow)

Photos
I thought I would finish my column this week by including a few more photos from the year 7 camp. Also, over the page are photos from our Athletics carnival. Enjoy!

Peter South – Principal
Upcoming Events:
13-15/6 Rock Musical Performance
17-21/6 HSC Maths Assessment Week
19-22/6 Rock Musical Performance
26/6 year 7-9 English Saraton Theatre
28/6 Final day Term 2
15/7 Staff Development day
16/7 Term 3 starts for students

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Buses
Ryans Bus Service does not allow the carriage of large item in the bus or to be placed in bins of bus. Items must fit in the bag of the child or be no larger than a violin to hold in their lap.

Clarence Valley Regional Film Festival

Sponsored by Bendigo Bank South Grafton

Create your own film and premiere at the Saraton Theatre Grafton.

Sunday 27th October 2013

$1000 Prize Pool

- Make a 3 to 7 minute film suitable for General Exhibition
- Entries Close Friday 11th October 2013
- Entry Fee $20 (forms attached)
- Contact Wendy 0458 427 332
- Email: cvrfilmfest@bigpond.com

Surviving and Thriving with Teenagers

Tuesday 18th & 25th June. 5.30pm-7.30pm
Pullen Centre, Grafton.

Understanding your unique young person. Facilitating the journey to responsibility. Balancing different needs in your family. Coping with conflict and difference Letting go.

Contact FRSP 6642 7257 All courses and workshops free. Free child care. Bookings essential.

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Have you ever wondered what it would be like to live in Italy, Spain, France, Germany, China, the USA?... become an exchange student with World Education Program (WEP) Australia and find out first hand! Choose from over 20 countries around the world to experience life as an overseas teenager by living with a welcoming host family and attending their local school.

WEP $3000 Scholarships – Argentina & China
Imagine drinking a traditional mate in Argentina or indulging in delicious dumplings in China. WEP’s scholarships allow you to explore and experience the Argentinian or Chinese culture first-hand during your academic student exchange program in 2014!

Program Inclusions
Make the most of your time overseas! Many of WEP’s programs include exciting extras such as orientation programs in Paris, Rome, New York, language courses, excursions and more.

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Request an information pack, including our brochure and FREE application form. Visit: www.wep.org.au
Call: 1300 884 733 (cost of a local call)
Email: info@wep.org.au

Upcoming Info Sessions
What is Student Exchange? Who is WEP? Australia? Where and When can I go? What support will my child receive? Who are the host families?... Have all your questions and more answered at one of our free, personalised and engaging information evenings.

Melbourne
11 June 13-9.30am
Northport Town Hall
189 High Street
Northcote

Byron Bay
15 June 13-10.11.30am
Byron Bay Community Centre
69 Jonson Street
Byron Bay