FROM THE PRINCIPAL’S DESK

Announcement from the chair of College Council, Mr John Gerlach.

Grace College Community Announcement

At the January 2016 meeting of College Council Principal, Mrs Ruth Butler announced her intention to retire from her position on 31 December 2016. This announcement is now extended to the wider community of Grace Lutheran College. The College is on a firm footing for the future and can look forward optimistically to retaining its position as a highly respected school. Ruth’s retirement from the role of Principal will allow her the opportunity to engage in other areas of personal interest for which she has a passion. This will of course, allow extra time for family both here and overseas.

This year, 2016 will be Ruth’s seventh year as Principal of Grace College. She took up her role following that of a much loved Headmaster, Mr Fred Stolz who had guided the development of the College for 30 years. History of private schools often show that the tenure of a principal who follows a very long-serving principal may only be 2-3 years. Not so for Ruth. Her dynamic leadership ensured the past was respected and was the platform for continued College development. Each year has its priorities to be addressed at all levels. This year may be Ruth’s retirement year but she has clearly indicated there is work to do. She presented to College Council an impressive list of her goals for 2016 and there is no reason to suspect these will not be achieved.

Every principal of a school puts a mark on the school and its community. Ruth has clearly done this. Absolutely essential to Ruth’s life is her belief in God. She allows Him to guide her in all she does, clearly and joyfully expressing this in her daily life. How fortunate Grace is in having such Christian leadership. There is a uniqueness about Grace often referred to as The Grace Way. Ruth lives this daily. Her example encourages all around her to do the same. The College has clearly evolved in a positive manner under Ruth’s leadership. There have been occasions when tough decisions have had to be made at all levels. These are carried through with care, compassion, respect and support for the good of the College and the good of the individual. Time is given to celebration, from chatting with groups of students, leading chapel, sharing with staff, speaking at assemblies and being central to Boondall’s Grace Celebrates – Ruth is there. Ruth shows The Grace Way.

The relationship between Principal and College Council is always harmonious, respectful and professional. Tough decisions have to be made by College Council. Ruth’s leadership, advice, openness in discussion and support of College Council decisions enables the governing responsibilities of the Council to be carried out in an effective manner. Ruth is a true servant leader.

As Ruth enters her final year as Principal we pray that it is a year of fulfillment. We pray also that in this busy year Ruth and Geoffrey are able to make time to plan for the next phase of their lives. Throughout the year, the Grace community will have many opportunities to thank and farewell Ruth. The immediate challenge for College Council is to begin the recruitment process for the appointment of a new Principal. The Council’s plan is to be able to make an announcement towards the end of Term II.

John C Gerlach
College Council Chair
16 February 2016
FROM THE HEAD OF CAMPUS

Thank you to those students and parents who supported the Middle and Senior School Swimming Carnivals on Monday last week and to the Senior and Middle School House Captains and Vice-Captains for their hard work in fostering team spirit and finding swimmers. Congratulations to all students who participated and in doing so, scored points for their house and contributed to their team. Participation is the key to winning carnivals; a few excellent swimmers cannot make up for large numbers who want to have a go. House carnivals are more about building spirit and identity, supporting each other, making a contribution to the greater good and enjoying time with friends (and possibly making new ones) in a less formal environment than just about trialling for district or regional teams. These are some of the days that will be remembered fondly at reunions in years to come. I would like to especially mention the Phoenix Middle School students who, with the help of their teachers led the cheering and inspired Pegasus to join in, creating a wonderful atmosphere. Well done to you all! I encourage all students to get involved in the remaining carnivals this year. Cross country is next on Tuesday 19 April. Take the chance to do something for your house and you may also surprise yourself!

10 Antares left for Googa on Monday 22 February and I’m sure will be settling in well. They were excited to be going and we wish them God’s blessings as they enjoy some time away from the hustle and bustle, learning new things, moving out of their comfort zone and connecting – linking up – with other students in their group and the Googa staff. Blessings also to the families who I am sure will be missing their child or sibling greatly.

On Wednesday 9 March the Parents and Friends Committee will reconvene for the year on with a meeting in the Boardroom at 7:00pm. All parents are welcome to attend to see how this small but hard working group helps the College and it is a great opportunity for you to meet other parents and learn more about what goes on at Grace and how you might become involved. I know the Executive and Mrs Butler and I would love to see you there.

I have been very pleased at the pride in both themselves and the College many students are showing by wearing their uniforms smartly. In the wider world it is important for everyone to dress appropriately and many people have uniform requirements at their workplaces which need to be adhered to. I always like to think that this is done not to avoid negative consequences but because the wearer has a genuine desire to look smart and represent themselves and their employer or school well. Thank you students for doing this! It sends a very strong message to the community.

A special thank you this week also goes to our Grounds staff who have been busy ensuring air conditioners remain operational during the oppressive weather we have been experiencing. We are very privileged to have almost every area of the College air conditioned and I am sure the whole College community has been very grateful for this over the past few very hot weeks.

Camp Gallipoli – Sunday 24 April (3:00pm) overnight into Monday 25 April (8:30am). Brisbane RNA Grounds. Are you interested? Students, parents and staff welcome.

Cheryl Budd
Around the Senior School
Leadership Seminar at Mueller - Mueller College hosted a Leadership Seminar entitled “Networking – Collaborating – Learning”. Year 12 leaders represented Grace College at the event and enjoyed the hospitality of the Mueller students and staff. Mark Broadbent (a past Grace student – now a staff member of Mueller College) shared with students from around the Peninsula, his experiences in Influential Leadership giving the student leaders practical ideas about leading in their respective schools. Student leaders spent a highly valuable morning collaborating with students focusing on their goals and ideas for the year ahead.

Swimming Carnival - Year 12
The Inter-House swimming carnival has been and gone which starts the yearly process of the current Year 12 cohort ticking off significant events in their last year at the College. I am very proud to announce that Year 12 was very well represented across the day with all Year 12 events being filled across A and B divisions. It was great to see the whole Year 12 body supporting their House Captains and being vocal in their War-Cries.
Congratulations to those who swam for the fun of participation.
Congratulations to all House Captains for your organisational work. Congratulations also to the Year 12 age champions – Maegen Hollindale and Brady McCallum.
A sincere thank you to those Year 12 students who stayed behind to help staff clean and pack up after the event.
Mr M Johnson – Year Level Coordinator

Year 11 House Cup Challenge
On Thursday 11 February, the Year 11 cohort took part in the first House Cup Challenge. The challenge was a tug of war competition, where houses went head to head against each other in a friendly competition in a battle of strength! Overall, the challenge was an enjoyable way to spend the Pastoral Care lesson. Congratulations to Pegasus who were the overall winners, Antares who won the house war cry and Phoenix for Fashions on the Field! Special thanks of course to Mr Leutton as our official judge (in pink!) and to those who were involved in dressing up to support their house colours. Next House Cup Challenge is Ball Games….are you ready?!
Faith Stolz 11O2 (Year 11 Marketing Officer)

What’s coming up
Lions Youth of the Year Quest - The Kippa Ring Lions Club support Grace Lutheran College students each year in participating in this competition. Paivi Adeniyi, Penny Tinto, William Gibson and Edward Bennett will be interviewed then present a five minute prepared speech and two x two minute impromptu speeches to their families and members of the Lions club. Independent judges determine a winner of the evening to go on to the Regionals of the competition. The Lions Youth of the Year evening will be held at the Green Tree Frog Restaurant for the first time on Wednesday 2 March catered for by our Hospitality students.

World’s Greatest Shave
Rothwell campus will be the place Friday 11 March at lunchtime. We currently have 48 students shaving, seven of these are girls. We are hoping to raise $25,000 for the Leukaemia Foundation.
FROM THE HEAD OF MIDDLE SCHOOL

Year 8 Camp
Not long now Year 8s! We are looking forward to this wonderful opportunity to explore Grit, Growth and Grace together. Just a couple of reminders:
1. Boys – don’t forget to fill in the additional Medical form required by the campsite. This was both emailed home and sent home in hard copy. Parents this is required by Friday 26 February please.
2. Departure details for both camps:
   • Monday 7 March, 2016
   • Rothwell MPC (Multi-purpose centre)
   • Drop students off between 7:30am and 8:00am with bags and medication
   • Buses depart at 8:30am
   • Students return to MPC – Friday 11 March, 2016 at 2:30pm – you may collect your student at this time.
3. For further information please contact Miss Broughton (Girls Camp) or Mr Blair (Boys Camp)

NAPLAN Practice
Year 7 and 9 students will this year be completing NAPLAN testing during Term 2. While NAPLAN style questions and skills are embedded in our Middle School curriculum we still like to give our students the experience of sitting a practice test to alleviate any anxiety and encourage good test habits. Our practice tests will occur during the last week of Term 1 from Monday 21 to Wednesday 23 March.
Our Year 7 students will complete the tests in classrooms and Year 9 students will sit their tests in the MPC. Please be aware that NAPLAN provides the school, teachers and parents with important information about a child’s literacy and numeracy skills at key points in the child’s schooling. This is helpful data for us all to consider. If you have any queries about NAPLAN testing please free to contact Mrs Nicole Gregory, Head of Middle School.

Coming Up
Friday 11 March is our ‘Shave for a Cure’ and ‘Free Dress Day’. On this day students for a gold coin donation will be allowed to wear free dress (as per the guidelines shared in Home Class). Also during the day our Senior students participate in the “Shave for a Cure” fundraising, with our Middle School students able to join in the lunchtime fun. Students can share in a sausage sizzle and drinks stalls, with proceeds going towards the charity of the day. For more details students should speak to their Home Class teachers.
Friday 18 March – National Day of Action Against ‘Bullying’. Grace College is registered to participate in this event. On this day students will be encouraged to add an orange coloured adornment to their uniform for the day to recognise we don’t accept bullying of any form in our community. The students will participate in a number of activities to recognise the part we all play in creating a safe environment to learn. More details will come to students through Home Class.

A calendar of assessment dates for all year levels is available online (in Calendar tab at top right side of web page gracecollege.com) to provide information to families and assist students in planning for assignments and examinations. The “online calendar with filter” option is recommended, so that only information relating to the student’s year level appears on the screen. Further information about each assessment item can be obtained by clicking on it. Other important dates such as Excursions and Information Nights are also detailed. At the end of each semester, some subjects will require Block Exams (where all students sit the exam together) and the exact schedule of exams will be issued at a later date. At this time, the online calendar will be updated.

In the next few weeks, Home Class Teachers will assist their students to log on to the calendar to check for clashes of assessment. If students find they have more than two pieces of assessment (particularly exams) due on the one day, they should see me immediately.

As a family, we encourage you to take an interest in your child’s learning and log on to the calendar with them, so they become more proactive about preparation for assessment.

IMPORTANT MESSAGE TO ALL PARENTS REGARDING ASSESSMENT

If some families do not have a computer at home, we would remind students that computers are available for use in the Library and access to them can be arranged with Library staff.

Ms R Hermus
Head of Teaching and Learning
‘Risen’ Resurrects Easter
Cheap Tuesday was calling and I went to the movies with some friends last night. I was warned that the ‘Risen’ movie started with some violence in the opening scene and to be prepared for confrontation. Yes, there was violence, but nothing compared to ‘Dead Pool’ that I watched a few weeks earlier.

‘Risen’ took the resurrection of Jesus to a new level from the perspective of Clavius, a powerful Roman Military Tribune played by Joseph Fiennes. It was almost like a ‘murder mystery’, although the murder was publically witnessed, but the body vanished. The journey of detective work, searching and discovering the truth was gripping and wondrous as Clavius changed from being a non-believer to a witness and follower of Christ (sorry, spoiler alert).

Of course there are some Hollywood aspects and some sub-plots which are not clearly stated in the Bible, but I believe that this movie was enough to bring the crucifixion fresh to one’s mind and to create wonder at his miraculous rising and conquering of death. Some impacting sensations for me were smelling the stench of Golgotha, imagining the force of the nails, feeling the joys and fears of the disciples and warming to the love and friendship in the eyes of Jesus who had risen and later ate a fish breakfast with the lads on the beach.

As Jesus said to his friend Thomas in the movie, ‘Put your finger here and see my hands. Put your hand into the wound in my side. Don’t be faithless any longer. Believe!’ John 20:27.

I pray that you experience the reality of Jesus’ death and resurrection this Easter. Whether it is through viewing this film with your family, reading the eyewitness accounts in the gospels or having quiet, reflective time with the risen Lord, I pray that this Lenten time prepares you to experience the greatest love of all.
FROM THE HISTORY AND GEOGRAPHY DEPARTMENT

History Incursions
In Year 7 History, students were given an insightful presentation by Living History Australia during which they engaged and interacted with characters from ancient Greece and Rome. Volunteers from the audience were invited to dress in period clothes and learn first-hand what it was like for them to live in that time. Towards the end of the performance, all students were able to explore the stage and handle the artefacts. Students asked intelligent questions of the presenters regarding both the artefacts and the presentation.

Year 8 History students enjoyed an entertaining presentation by Hands on History, with Matt and Bonnie regarding aspects of daily life in Medieval Europe. Students were involved in unpacking the life of peasant men and women, nobles and knights. Students really enjoyed the performance and provided positive feedback regarding presentation as an “entertaining and humorous way of learning about life in the Middle Ages.”

Kerri-Anne Nolan

ICT DEPARTMENT

Cybersmart Week @ Grace – A Wrap Up
Year 7 and 8 students participated in various Pastoral Care activities to help celebrate Cybersmart Week @ Grace. Students also had the opportunity to view a presentation by Brainstorm Production on Cyber Safety. Year 7 students viewed “The Hurting Game” and Year 8 Students viewed “Verbal Combat”. It was an entertaining drama production which focused on various contemporary Cyber Safety topics. It provided students with essential learning that addressed the dire consequences of cyber bullying which helped students understand that their digital footprints are hard to erase as well as their mistakes. Students enjoyed watching the presentations and took away some valuable Cyber Safety messages.

Online Quiz and Logo Competition
To help celebrate Cybersmart Week @ Grace, Middle School students had the opportunity to participate in an Online Cyber Safety Quiz on eGrace. Middle and Senior School students also competed in a logo competition run out of the library where students had to identify popular social media, games and apps by their logo. Winners of the competitions are in the running to win $20 iTunes gift cards and chocolates. All winners will be notified soon and presented with their prize.

Jacinda Coburn
Middle School Curriculum Coordinator – Business & ICT

Pause for Prayer
for the Grace College Community

Every Thursday (term time) 8:30-9:30am

- Meet in Chapel Cafe or Prayer Room near Ministry Team’s office
- All Welcome
- If any student, parent or staff member has a prayer request a prayer box will be at the office to place your requests in. It can be anonymous and what is prayed for will be confidential.
There are many additional enrichment and challenge opportunities communicated to students via the College’s morning notices. These include both internal and external opportunities. Upcoming events include:

- STEAM (Science Technology, Engineering, Art and Mathematics) Residential Camps for girls in Years 7-8 at Stuartholme School on Sunday 26 – Wednesday 29 June 2016. Go to https://www.stuartholme.com/events/ to apply.

- Years 7-12: Study Skills Seminars specifically designed for bright students and those who struggle organisationally. Dates available throughout Semester 1. Cost $150. Details available on their website: www.clearningskies.com


What is an academically gifted student? An individual who scores in the top 10% on an IQ test or on an equivalent exam/test such as the Ravens Progressive Matrices Plus Exam which we use at the College. A gifted student may or may not be a straight A student because of other factors at play – however, they have an underlying intellect which places them in the top 10% for their age on an internationally normed test of intelligence.

What is an academically talented student? An individual who through hard work and dedication can perform at a very high level (top10% of the population their age) in a chosen field – e.g. English, Mathematics, Science, etc. Talented students may, or may not be ‘gifted’ as well. Talented students have consistently, exceptionally high performance across their school subjects.

The Academic Enrichment Department of the College aims to assist teachers to extend, challenge and support the learning of our gifted and talented students. In 2016 the Academic Enrichment Department would like to partner more closely with parents in the education of their gifted and talented child. For this reason, students within the Academic Enrichment Programme in Years 8 to 12 recently received a letter to take home to their parents regarding the development of three key academic goals for 2016. Through discussion between the parent/s and their student, three academic goals for 2016 are to be created - in light of both their academic performance during 2015 and their hopes and dreams for the future. These three goals are then recorded on the reply slip, which is due back to Middle School Student Reception by February 29, 2016. The goals will be distributed to the student’s teachers and monitored by the Academic Enrichment Department.

If your child did not bring home their letter, or you would like to know more about the Academic Enrichment Programme at GLC, please contact Mrs Leigh-ann Forman (Academic Enrichment Teacher), Mrs Rita Hermus (Head of Teaching and Learning) or Mrs Nicole Gregory (Head of Middle School).
Student of the week
Rasika Jayawardhana for showing outstanding diligence to complete work above and beyond what was expected.

2016 is now well underway and students in Lifestyle Technology are already sewing, cooking, catering for functions, playing with children at Early Learning Centres and learning how their lifestyle choices can affect their overall wellbeing. They are also very much enjoying the newly installed air conditioners in our classrooms which are now MUCH cooler on these very humid days, as well as a new coat of paint on the walls to freshen things up.

Year 10 Antares students have now headed off to Googa and were working very diligently to be on top of their school work before they left. One student in particular, completed almost the whole semester’s assessment tasks before leaving for Googa. An outstanding effort.

Hospitality
Year 12 Hospitality students are completing their service periods for the Certificate II in Hospitality and Certificate II in Events. Last Thursday students prepared and serviced a delicious three course meal to the new staff at the College. The students received favourable feedback on their quality presentation and friendly service. Well done Year 12 students.

Click on the image above for more information

If you are ever interested in finding out what goes on in Lifestyle Technology come and have a chat with one of our friendly staff: Mrs Watts; Mrs Turner; Ms McKenzie; Ms Broughton or myself. I look forward to seeing what outstanding work our students produce throughout the year.

Mrs Stickland  Head of Lifestyle Technology

Health and PE Department

HPE Week is coming!
29 February marks the start of HPE week. At Grace we encourage our students and community members to be active and healthy. During this week students will have the opportunity to be involved in lunch time activities and competitions. The week is about trying something new, having fun and getting active. Watch out for more information on Facebook and in the student notices for the upcoming events. We hope to see you getting active and getting involved!

Fitness testing in Core PE
All Year 10 students have been participating in fitness testing in Core PE. Fitness test results will provide the students with an indication about the fitness components that may need improvement, and those that need to be maintained at their current level. Students will be using their results to design a training session to improve or maintain their current level of fitness. This valuable skill will help students to maintain their physical health into the future. It was great to see the whole year level getting involved and doing their best to test their fitness!

Images: Beep test (aerobic endurance) and the Sit and Reach test (flexibility).
Car Wash

Election Day - 19 March
at Grace Lutheran College
Get your car washed while you vote and support the Grace team traveling to Uganda in June.

Second Hand Uniforms and Books
Open Tuesday Mornings (Term time only)
7:45am – 9:00am
Located at Grace Lutheran College
(old Retail Centre)
We are not accepting any more items for sale at the College at this stage, but donations will be gratefully received.
For sale of second hand items, please use www.sustainableschoolshop.com.au – only $1 per item or $19.95 for the year.
For all new uniforms and other school needs: The School Locker
4-6 Burke Crescent, North Lakes
www.theschoollocker.com.au Open 7 days

VISUAL ART DEPARTMENT
On Friday 12 February, the Year 12 Visual Art and Certificate students spent the day with guest artist Shelley McDonald. The students learnt a range of creative layering techniques and applications to use when making practical artworks. These examples are now on display in V Block.

FILM AND TV DEPARTMENT
On Friday 19 February Year 11 Film, Television and New Media students spent a day getting to grips with all of the new equipment they will be able to access for productions this year. Students had a great day filled with sound recording, lighting, DSLR camera tips, screenwriting and pizza! Their first production will be due at the end of Term 2.
With Term 1 lessons now well underway, we trust your student has settled in well and is enjoying their lessons with Grace Academy. Timetables are often being updated so please remember to check timetables periodically to ensure they are current. Up to date timetables are accessible from the Grace Academy website (graceacademy.com.au) and are on display outside M Block Reception at Rothwell Campus and the Arts Staffroom at Caboolture Campus. Please feel free to contact Paula Ellis via email or telephone should you have any concerns or need any further assistance with Grace Academy tuition.

We would also like to take this opportunity to remind you of the lesson policy as follows:

Students are guaranteed a minimum of 34 lessons per year under our private and group instrumental, vocal and speech and drama programs, and will be invoiced each term accordingly. Payment is not expected for additional lessons. This allows for lost lessons due to Public Holidays, teacher illness and whole school events such as Sporting Carnivals.

Our policies for GROUP lessons:
• Individual students involved in group lessons do not have missed lessons made up other than for Public Holidays, teacher absence and whole school events such as Sporting Carnivals.
• For known absences, students should, out of courtesy, provide a minimum of 24 hours’ notice directly to their teacher or via email graceacademy@glc.qld.edu.au
• For unknown absences such as student illness, notice of absence is required by the parent/guardian to the Grace Academy office via email graceacademy@glc.qld.edu.au or telephone 3897 2118 by 8:00am on the morning of the absence.
• Long-term absences due to illness/injury may be negotiated with the Director of Grace Academy.
• To help keep track of attendance, notes are emailed home when students are absent from a lesson without notice.

Our policies for PRIVATE lessons:
• When appropriate notice is provided, students involved in private lessons will have up to a maximum of five lessons per year made up for explained student absence.
• For known absences, students are required to provide a minimum of 24 hours’ notice directly to their teacher, via email graceacademy@glc.qld.edu.au, or by telephone 3897 2118.
• For unknown absences such as student illness, notice of absence is required by the parent/guardian to the Grace Academy office via email graceacademy@glc.qld.edu.au or telephone 3897 2118 by 8:00am on the morning of the absence.
• Long-term absences due to illness/injury may be negotiated with the Director of Grace Academy.
• To help keep track of attendance, notes are emailed home when students are absent from a lesson without notice.

Students intending to discontinue lessons are required to complete a ‘Notice of Intention to Discontinue Instrumental Lessons’. These forms are available from your student’s instrumental instructor or from the M Block staffroom and must be submitted by the end of the current term. Students advising of their intention to discontinue lessons after the commencement of term or during term will be invoiced for the full amount of the current term’s fees.

Drama

Drama classes are well underway in T Block with Year 12 students currently completing their first piece of Presenting Assessment. Students are currently manipulating a Shakespearean text to a modern context and have incorporated some interesting multimedia components to their work.

Year 11 students are studying the eerie and unusual style of Australian Gothic. They are analysing several playtexts including Constance Drinkwater – a fascinating turn-of-the-century script that especially focuses on the ethereal and eccentric young twins Hope and Fortitude. This video shows the students beginning to explore the physicality of the twins as they enter a scene:

https://vimeo.com/156343347

Year 9 and 10 students have just viewed a live in-school production of Shake and Stir’s Romeo and Juliet and have submitted their first analysis task focussing on this. The students loved the energy of the Shake and Stir team, who always deliver fantastic performances that feature projections and multiple-roles.

Year 8s are about to begin an exciting circus and clowning unit. Students will love the opportunity to explore the characters of clowns and try their hand at this fun and engaging style of drama!

Live theatre is an awesome way for students to engage in Drama and several productions are planned for our Senior students this year. All students in Years 10-12 have received a note outlining the requirements for this. These are now overdue so please check that your student has returned theirs if necessary!

At the end of this term, all Year 9-12 Drama students will be viewing this year’s Senior Drama Production of Macbeth. A note will be forthcoming this week. This will be a fantastic production to engage the students in live Shakespeare presented by their peers. You can grab your tickets for the public shows by following this link: http://www.trybooking.com/Booking/BookingEventSummary.aspx?eid=181423
MACBETH

2016 SENIOR DRAMA PRODUCTION
Tuesday 22 and Wednesday 23 March at 6:30pm
T Block, Rothwell Campus, Tickets $10 at Trybooking.com

Recommended audience age is 13+

Dance
Year 10 Dance students have started a new unit looking at the use of props in traditional Asian dance, particularly that from China. The students had a fun lesson working with a variety of props such as: ribbons, fans, lanterns, umbrellas and sticks. We are looking forward to working on investigating more about this traditional style of dance whilst learning a performance with fans over the next few weeks!

Instrumental Camp 2016
110 Students from both Rothwell and Caboolture recently participated in our college Instrumental Music Camp. It was a great opportunity to link up with other student musicians and a great way to start the year.
All students worked very hard all weekend. Thank you to the big supportive audience of parents and family who came all the way to Luther Heights Youth Camp to listen to us perform!
More photos can be found on the Grace Academy Facebook Page

You’re Invited to a Wintec fundraiser
High Tea
On behalf of Joyce Thomas
Saturday 12th March
10am
Grace Chapel Café
Meyer Road, Rothwell

Tickets $30
Purchase from website or Grace Ministry Office by Monday 7th March
Ph: 0403 416 917
The Watoto Choir is coming to Grace!!!

Book the date to come along and see the Watoto Children’s Choir. They will be presenting their concert in the Grace Lutheran College Rothwell Chapel on Wednesday evening, 20 April, at 6:30pm.

Entry is free but a ‘love offering’ will be collected to continue the amazing work of Watoto in Uganda. They always have cute merchandise for sale as well.

If you are involved in local churches or community organisations, please feel free to encourage others to come. All are welcome.

Contact Gordon Rackley at the College if you want more information.

### Chocolate Drive

This year the drive will run for the month of March – with a break for the holidays and then finish in Term 2. Chocolates can be collected from the Ministry Office any time from after school on Monday 29 February. All money must be returned by Friday 22 April.

All students will need to collect a permission letter when they get their first box. If parents do not want their students to take chocolates they should make sure they know that and then get them to immediately return any that they have taken.

There will be good prizes and this year there will be a prize for the Home Class that has the highest total money returned. All boxes have $50 worth of chocolates and money should be checked before it is returned.

Students select the charity they wish to support from the six partner charities that work with the College. Thanks to all parents, for your support.

**Chocolate Drive Prizes**
- Weekly prizes – Whole box for weekly outright winner
- Homeclass prize – 5 kg Box of Favourites
- Overall best seller prize – 4.5 kg Toblerone
- Various runner up prizes based on number of boxes sold

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Join our OPEN DAY Sunset Tours, 21 March 5-7pm

INNOVATIVE. ENGAGING. CREATIVE.
Bring the family and explore our kindergarten and primary school facilities with our expert staff, who will be on hand to answer your questions. Enrol now for 2017 and beyond!

Register via our website www.livingfaith.qld.edu.au
Kindergarten - Year 6 ● 50 Brays Road, Murrumba Downs ● 3886 2677 •

St Paul’s Annual Trivia Night 2016
Faster, Higher, Stronger - The Olympics
Saturday 5th March
6pm for a 6:30pm start
$140 per table (max. of 8 people)
Burpengary Community Hall
111 Station Road, Burpengary

Select an Olympic country as the theme for your table. You may decorate and/or dress with your chosen country in mind. Prizes presented for ‘best dressed’ table.

Food provided and drinks available for purchase.

Book and pay prior to Friday 26th February
Must be paid upfront to secure your choice.
Not sure what career path is right for you? Try …. GRACE CAREERS
www.gracecareers.com

USI – Unique Student Identifier
Any students undertaking a certificate qualification course either at
school or externally will need to obtain a Unique Student Identifier
default.asp and click on the Create USI icon. Follow the instructions and
e-mail your code to Mrs Crudgington.
carolyn Crudgington@glc.qld.edu.au

VET spares on the move
All Year 11 and 12 VET Spares with Mrs Davis have now been relocated
to the Senior Studies Centre above the Library. Please ensure you have
your name marked off on the roll when you arrive.

Term 1 exams – reminder to all VET students to cross check their exam
timetable for any clashes of TAFE or work experience. School exams take
preference – so, you will need to work something out with your TAFE teacher
or employer well before exams. Rearrange your days and always advise
Mrs Davis during your spare or come to the VET department to advise of
any changes.

Certificate III in surveying - Term 2, 3 and 4 2016 after school at
Rothwell Campus - Year 11 and 12 students may apply. Approximate cost
$750.00. See Ms Jones for further information and enrolment.

TAFE and private course news
2016 CELEBRATING WOMEN IN TRADES DAY
Tuesday 8 March 2016 11:00am-2:00pm
Roma Street Parklands, Brisbane ‘Amphitheatre’ (Site A)
To find out more call (07) 3881 3166 and ask to speak to Heather, Sam
or Kim
• FREE sausage sizzle
• Connect with successful female tradespeople
• Meet industry mentors and leaders and participate in speed mentoring
• Tips to starting your career in a trade
• Displays and activities
• Competitions / Giveaways
• Eve workwear and she wear fashion parade
• Guest speakers including The Hon Yvette D’Ath, Attorney-General and
Minister for Justice and Minister for Training and Skills

WIN a pair of she wear boots just by emailing your confirmation to attend
and ensuring your register at the “registration” table on the day!

Goodbye and good luck John Brooke – Year 12!
PASSION – DREAM – REALITY
John has worked very hard with his continued pursuit and passion to gain
entry into the Defence Force and we are very proud to announce that his
goals and dreams have now become a reality!

Best wishes to all 31 of our Rothwell students undertaking a School-based
Traineeship or Apprenticeship in 2016. Keep up the great work!

Great work and congratulations to our new trainees and appren:

• Subway, Rothwell and North Lakes – Certificate III in Business
• McDonalds – Certificate II in Retail Services or Certificate III in
Retail Operations
• M-A-X & True Employment – Certificates II & III in Retail, Business
and Horticulture at various businesses and locations

Congratulations to our newest school-based apprentices and
trainees:
MONTGOMERY WEST Year 11 - Certificate III in Information, Digital
Media and Technology with Lightmare Studios Pty Ltd, Banyo

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Benjamin Anderson, Olivia Arndt, Jordan Bampton, Brittany Barrett,
Alistair Collins, Lauren Crack, Harrison Curry, Ryan Dixon, Braydon Frost,
Caitlin Hall, Sarah Kolman, Maddison Knights, Joshua Kutasi, Grace
Maddison, James McDonald, Sharyn McDonnell, Anna Mintzas, Jordan
Ouwerkerk, Lauren Rudge, Helena Schutloffel, Isabella Springer, Emily
Stubbings, Sean Thomson, Katie Toole, Eleanor Verco, Michelle Waud,
Montgomery West, Jaye White, Isabelle Wilson, Samantha-Jane Windred.

PASsion – DREAM – REALITY
John will leave Brisbane to embark on his journey in Puckapunyal Military
Base, Victoria on April 4, 2016. We wish him the very best of health,
enjoyment and success in this next phase of his life.
GO WITH Grit - GROWTH - Grace John!

Ms Jones, Mrs Mazlin, Mrs Crudgington and Mrs Davis

GO WITH Grit - GROWTH - Grace John!
My health career – a free resource

My Health Career is not just another website about the health industry. It has been created by a real health professional (read about Amanda’s here) she is committed to ensuring the right people come into the health industry, and assisting health students to become excellent practitioners. It has also become a popular resource for health professionals and industry organisations. Follow them on Facebook or Twitter. Resources on the website include:

- Health industry news every month – article topics include industry trends, employment trends, success stories, and student, practitioner & industry perspectives.
- Over 120 videos from leading health practitioners and students, across 10 health professions.
- Everything from a university scholarship listing to career information from professional associations, employment trends and how much money health professionals earn.

How to become a Psychologist in Australia – by Psychologist Dan Martin
(from My Health Career – February 2016)
Psychology - January 28, 2016
If you have decided that the way you want to be help people is by becoming a psychologist this is the article for you. There are several factors to keep in mind so that you follow the most direct path to...

New Zealand Special Category Visa Holders – Access to help loans
The Australian Government recently passed legislation to make Higher Education Loan Programme (HELP) loans available to New Zealand citizens who are Special Category Visa (SCV) holders and meet the requisite criteria. This new legislation came into effect on 1 January 2016.

Eligibility:
If students hold a New Zealand SCV they will be able to access HELP loans, providing they:
- first entered Australia as a dependent child aged under 18 years of age;
- have been generally living and resident in Australia for the previous 10 years or more (that is, they have been physically present in Australia for at least eight out of the past 10 years) and 18 months out of the last two years at the time of application for the loan; and
- are otherwise eligible for the loan.
- Note: just being a New Zealand citizen, or holding a Special Category Visa, will not automatically entitle students to HELP loans - they must meet all of the required eligibility criteria under this category.

Specific enquiries about the Special Category Visa, and other visas, should be directed to the Department of Immigration and Border Protection [www.border.gov.au](http://www.border.gov.au/)

Queensland School of Film and TV
- Introduction To Video Production Workshop
This workshop offers an ideal introduction for those who desire a better understanding of the principles behind shooting video and editing. Trained by industry professionals, this one-day workshop is designed for everyone and covers all basic areas in digital video production.

Topics to Cover:
- Exposure  - Focus (Depth of Field)
- White Balance  - Framing and Composition
- Basic Sound Recording - Introduction to Editing Video
- Transitions and Titles

For $275 Inc. GST, this one day workshop is a great way to learn the basics of video production!

DATE: Saturday 27 February, TIME: 9:30 am to 4:30 pm
VENUE: QSFT Campus
22 Warwick Street, Annerley, QLD 4103
FOR MORE INFORMATION: Call (07) 3392 7788

Regards from Monique Atwell, Lesley Barnard, Suzanne Wright and Sharyn O’Connor

Twilight nails
Wednesday 23rd March
5.00 to 6.30pm
Chapel Café

- Option 1: $5 entry on the night—2 sample nails and tasty treats OR
- Option 2: $25 for Jamberry Nail Wraps = full hands done (and spares for toes and hands) and tasty treats
- Preorder design by choosing online on http://heidicoelman.jamberrynails.com
- Money and nail choice to the Ministry Office by Tuesday 1st March
- $1 drinks for sale
- Profits go to Watoto — also buying Luci Lanterns to help African families at night — www.mpowered.com
NEWSLETTER ARTICLES  
Any articles or information for the sports section should be sent to Mr Reck or Mrs Brown either via the Grace College office or E-mailed to:- sport@glc.qld.edu.au NB: Please report all items of interest!

MAJOR SPORTS DATES 2016

February
- Monday 15: Interhouse Swim Carnival (R)  
  MS @ Morayfield  
  SS @ Redcliffe
- Tuesday 16: Interhouse Swim Carnival (C)  
  @ Morayfield
- Tuesday 16: District Trial Day 2
- Monday 22: District Swim Carnival @ Redcliffe
- Tuesday 23: Regional Sport Trial Day 2

March
- Tuesday 1: District Trial Day 3
- Thursday 3: Regional Swimming Carnival
- Tuesday 8: Regional Sport Trial Day 3

April
- Tuesday 19: Interhouse Cross Country (R&C)

May
- Tuesday 10: District Trial Day 4
- Friday 13: District Cross Country
- Tuesday 17: Regional Sport Trial Day 4
- Tuesday 31: Regional Cross Country Carnival

July
- Tuesday 26: Interhouse Athletics Carnival (R)  
  Selected events afternoon only
- Friday 29: Interhouse Athletics Carnival (R) All day

August
- Tuesday 2: Interhouse Athletics Carnival (C) All day
- Monday 15: District Athletics Carnival
- Tuesday 16: District Athletics Carnival
- Monday 22: Sports Photos
- Tuesday 23: Sports Photos

September
- Thursday 1: Regional Athletics Carnival
- Friday 2: Regional Athletics Carnival
- Wednesday 14: Interhouse Triathlon (R)
- Thursday 15: Interhouse Triathlon (R)

October
- Wednesday 19: Interhouse Triathlon (C)
- Thursday 20: Interhouse Triathlon (C)

November
- Tuesday 1: Sports Awards Evening (R)
- Tuesday 8: Sports Awards Evening (C)

If there are any changes to dates throughout the year we will advise of these in the newsletter as soon as we are notified.

ROTHWELL RUNNING CLUB
For those students that are interested in running either competitively or socially the running group has started up again at Rothwell Campus on Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings. They meet at the Amphitheatre at 6:55am. All students are welcome and you can do a run and then a swim if you wish.

ROTHWELL INTERHOUSE SWIMMING CARNIVAL 2016

OVERALL RESULTS

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Congratulations to PHOENIX for winning house spirit!

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On Monday 15 February the Annual Inter-house Swimming Carnivals were held at Caboolture Aquatic Centre and Redcliffe Pool. Students at both carnivals enjoyed a fun and competitive day.

Congratulations to all who participated in the Carnivals and those that made the Rothwell Campus Swim Team. The District Swimming Carnival was held on Monday 22 February and the results from this carnival will be in the next newsletter.