Legal Eagles Soar in Brisbane

Originally set to fly out in March, (the day Cyclone Debbie hit!), twenty-three Year 12 Legal Studies students finally made it down to Brisbane during the last week of Term Two.

The group spent a busy first day touring Parliament House and learning more about the Committee Stage of the legislative process. A hotly contested trivia game showed that the group learned lots and was fiercely competitive! From there, we enjoyed lunch at QUT Gardens Point, followed by a tour of the campus and an informative talk about university options and life as a student. We headed over the Goodwill Bridge to South Bank, stopping for ice cream before checking out the amazing facilities at the State Library.

Of course, the evening was spent watching an exciting game of Origin. Day Two was spent exploring the Brisbane courts. We spent the morning with Judge Jarrett in the Commonwealth Courts building – touring his courtroom, viewing family law cases and having morning tea with several judges of the Federal Courts.

We then went around the corner to the Queensland Courts building, which many students listed as a highlight of their week. We toured the building and investigated all the aspects of an (empty) courtroom, even the Judge’s bench. We then observed the Judge's Directions at the conclusion of a drug case, just before the jury retired to decide the verdict, as well as seeing the Defence cross examining a witness in a fraud case.

We spent the evening at Vapiano’s Italian restaurant and admired the lights of the city on a ferry ride up the Brisbane River. Friday, our last morning, we headed to the Queensland Police Museum for a fascinating, slightly gruesome, presentation about the “Suitcase Murder”, learning all about police investigation methods and motives for crime. After viewing the exhibits in the museum and trying out the police motorbike, it was time to hop back on the train to the airport and head home to enjoy the holidays. Well done to the students who attended – security staff and presenters complimented you throughout the trip for your manners and excellent behaviour, and thanks to the dedicated teachers involved in planning and supervising the trip.
Welcome to Term 3! I trust you all had an enjoyable break. Welcome back to returning and new staff including our acting DP behind Mr Ian Harrison for the first two weeks of term, Mr Nick Swan.

It has been a very busy start to the term! On Tuesday, thirteen Year 9 students were given the opportunity to participate in a Cuberider Project. This amazing project partners with NASA and allows students to design their own real-world experiment which will be launched into space to reach the International Space Station. CEO of Cuberider, Solange Cunin lead the sessions with the students and the CEO of Telstra, Andy Penn dropped in to visit the students.

This year the NAIDOC Day theme was Our Languages Matter. On Wednesday both the junior secondary and senior secondary students participated in a NAIDOC assembly. During the assembly students performed Heads, Shoulders, Knees, and Toes in Yuwibara and Darumbal language. It great to see all our students involved in the celebrations and recognition of indigenous culture.

This week, I received some fantastic news that one of our Year 12 students, Meghan Malone has been awarded a prestigious Tuckwell Scholarship from the Australian National University. Meghan was recently invited to Canberra to take part in the final interview process. The scholarship attracts hundreds of applicants across the country and Meghan was one of only 25 selected. This is an outstanding achievement! Well done Meghan!

Congratulations this week also goes to Emma Cameron who was announced as the winner of the Whitsunday Voices Literature competition. Claudia Xerinda and Shakiera Williams also received awards and were placed in the Highly Commended category. Three prize winners out of a possible five across the district is an amazing achievement for our school. Well done Emma, Claudia and Shakiera!

With so many wonderful things happening around our school we are certainly looking forward to a great term!

Jane Grieger
Principal
Tuesday 18 July
Year 10
Meningococcal Immunisations

You can expect your child’s End of Semester 1 report card by next Friday afternoon

Interhouse Athletics
Wednesday 19 & Friday 21

KNEES – BOON (Yuwibara)
TOES – DALGAYU (Darumbal Language)
EYES – DILLI (Yuwibara)
EARS – WAL-LOO (Yuwibara)
MOUTH – DANGGA (Darumbal Language)
NOSE – BOO-TUN (Yuwibara)

NAIDOC Celebrations
Heads, Shoulders, Knees and Toes in Yuwibara and Darumbal language
FROM THE BUSINESS MANAGER

STUDENT RESOURCE SCHEME (SRS)
There is a large amount of unpaid fees. The funds collected through the SRS are vital to purchasing student resources. If you are having difficulty paying your SRS please contact the school on 49631666, select option 2 and our staff can help you to organise a payment plan.
The SRS Parent Participation forms that were emailed to some parents recently should be completed and returned now.

FACILITIES
AIR CONDITIONING REPLACEMENT
The state government has committed 3.5 million to replace the air conditioning at our school. Work began on 100 Block on 24 June and is expected to be completed by 31 July. The Senior Centre will be the next building.

SWIMMING POOL
The original filtration system at the pool was recently replaced by a salt water system.

SHADE SAILS OVER TERRACED SEATING
As you may or may not know the shade sails over the oval terraced seating were damaged by cyclone Debbie. The department of education and training recently committed to converting the shade sails to hard covers. This project is expected to start in the coming weeks.

FROM THE NORTH HIGH STUDENT DIARY

JEWELLERY
The only jewellery permitted is a watch (plain band), two pairs of plain sleepers or studs, (four earrings in all, a maximum of two earrings per ear; to be worn in the lobe of the ear), and one plain ring to meet safety requirements. Necklaces are not permitted.

NAIL POLISH
Only clear nail polish is to be worn. Artificial and gel nails must be a suitable length and natural in colour.

MAKE-UP
No make-up is permitted. Light foundation may be worn.

HAIRSTYLES
Any student with an inappropriate hairstyle (including colour, tracks etc) may be isolated from non-curriculum activities until rectified.
Hair accessories should be primarily functional and not a fashion item. Items such as hairbands, hair ties, combs etc are to be predominantly in school colours.
Cuberider Project

The CEO of Cuberider, Solange Cunin and the CEO of Telstra, Andy Penn with students at the NASA partnered Cuberider Project that allows students to design their own real-world experiment which will be launched into space to reach the International Space Station. Mr Vickery and Mrs Grieger also enjoyed the session.
Congratulations to all students who entered their creations in the 2017 Mackay Regional Show.
Prize Winners were:
Nandus Swart - 3rd place in Youth Art/Drawing
Bianca Little, 2nd and Ella Herring 3rd, in the Fashion Illustration.
VISITOR FROM MACKAY REGIONAL LIBRARY FOR YEAR 8

Mackay Regional Newsletter librarian Jaala Beauchamp recently visited our Year 8s to tell them all the great services provided by Mackay Libraries, and encourage them to join this free service. Students discovered that not only can they borrow books, magazines, and DVDs from the library, they can also read manga and anime, play on play station, access wi-fi, and much more.

Another fabulous benefit of joining the library is that users can download the Borrow Box app and download free ebooks and audiobooks to their device.

All students and their families are eligible to to join the Mackay Regional Library by completing the on-line form on their website, or students can see Mrs Nelson in the JSP for a form to complete at school.

Jaala with some lucky winners of a library bag
INTERHOUSE ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Take your marks… Set…. GO!! Next week will see the annual running of the Interhouse Athletics Carnival at Mackay North State High School. On Wednesday (19th July), students who have nominated will be competing in their field events, and on Friday (21st July) students will compete in the track events (100m will be compulsory) – students do not need to nominate for these, they will enter these events on the day.

For students competing in Field events, they will need to see Mr Smith at the HPE staffroom before school on Wednesday 19th to collect their pass to leave class to attend their event/s. If students do not have a pass, they will not be permitted to leave class and they will not be accepted at their field event/s.

There will be many track events available to the students on Friday. Students wanting to compete for Age Champion must compete in Division A races as other divisions will not count towards this title. Ribbons will only be awarded for Division A races.

Both of these days are normal school days and all students are expected to attend. Normal school rules will apply in terms of behaviour and also technology. It is recommended that students leave technology at home in case of theft or damage on these days. Students will need to make sure that they dress appropriately to compete (no headphones/baggy clothes) and they are welcome to dress in house colours. On this note, they also need to make sure they are sun safe (no mid-drifts/singlets, etc., as per school free dress policy) and have hats, sunscreen and drink plenty of water.

The tuckshop & school café will be available for students to purchase food if they wish.

2016 saw Norris take out the title from Spiller, Bagley & Fitzgerald – who will win this year? Can Norris retain their title? Will Bagley get their first trophy for the year? Stay tuned to the next newsletter & best of luck to all competitors!

NORTHERN SUBURBS ATHLETICS

On Wednesday 19th July, a small group of Year 7 students will be attending the Northern Suburbs Athletics trials at Whitsunday Anglican School. We all wish the following students the best of luck in their events:

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2017 Early School Leavers Survey

The Queensland Government is conducting its annual statewide survey of students who left school in Years 10, 11 and prior to completing Year 12 during 2016. The Early School Leavers survey is a short, confidential survey that collects information about what young people are doing the year after leaving school.

Between July and August, students who left school in Years 10, 11 and prior to completing Year 12 last year can expect to receive an invitation to complete a web-based survey or a telephone call from the Queensland Government Statistician’s Office to complete the survey. Please encourage them to take part.

For more information, visit www.education.qld.gov.au/nextstep/ or telephone toll free on 1800 068 587.
Welcome back to another busy and productive term in the Performing Arts Department. This term most of the preparation will be done for the eisteddfod and Showcase Concert in October. There are also a number of very important performing arts events during this term:

Rock Pop Mime Competition – July 22
Dance Showcase Night – August 15
State Honours Ensemble Program – August 25 – 27
Senior Drama Production – September 5

ROCK POP MIME

The first major Performing Arts event for the term is the annual Rock Pop Mime competition which will be held next Saturday evening at the Meadowlands Amphitheatre, starting at 6.00pm. Our school has three entries: “The Great Australian Movie” (supervised by Mr Fergus and choreographed by Chelsea Rose); “Jacks and the Tea Party” (supervised by Mrs Goodwin and choreographed by Meghan Malone and Mackenzie Holden) and “The Greatest Olympics Ever” (supervised by Mrs Harper and choreographed by May-Lee Wilson).

It is fantastic to see that we have 75 students participating in this important Mackay competition. Sincere thanks to all the students and staff who have given up countless hours preparing for the big night. Best wishes for great performances! This is always one of the highlights of the Mackay cultural calendar - brimming with colour, excitement and high energy performances. Do come along and support our students – you’ll enjoy a night of terrific entertainment!

Performers are reminded that they need to be in full costume (no make-up) for the very important rehearsal at the amphitheatre this Sunday from 2.30 – 5.30pm.

Next Saturday (performance day!), all performers will need to be at school by 1.30pm for the final warm ups and photos, and be picked up from the school at 4.00pm.

Go, North!

JUDAH KELLY SUCCESS

After enthusiastically following his journey on WIN TV’s national vocal competition, “The Voice”, we were ecstatic when our past student, Judah Kelly, was deservedly announced as the 2017 winner. Judah excelled in Year 10, 11 and 12 Music here at North High and performed in both our Twilight and Showcase Concerts. The school sent him a special message of congratulations and we are hoping that if he is ever touring in the area, he may return and perform for us. Judah is due to release an album towards the end of this month.

Kathy GEORGE
HOD – Performing Arts

North High P&C

Supporting Student Achievement

Meeting dates for 2017:
P&C Meetings are held in the school library from 6:30pm every 3rd Monday of the month. (Except for Sept)
All are welcome to attend and participate in decision making for our school.

17 July       16 October
21 August     20 November
11 September*

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## Term Dates

**Term 3:**
- Mon 10 July — Fri 15 September

**Term 4:**
- Tues 3 October — Fri 9 December

**Student Free Day** — Mon 17 October
- Year 12 finish 18 November
- Year 10 & 11 finish 25 November

Students MUST attend on the final day. Please check your calendars for Public Holidays.

**Attendance, punctuality & attending all day, every day are vital.**

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- PO Box 8333
- MT PLEASANT QLD 4740

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**Student Absences Phone** | 07 4963 1660 (Message—all hours)
**School Fax** | 07 4963 1600
**School Email**
- principal@macknortshs.eq.edu.au

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- www.macknortshs.eq.edu.au

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- Co-ordinator

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- Co-ordinator

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**NORTH HIGH PHONE LINES**

Listed below are the options offered when phoning the school on 4963 1666.

1. **Student Absence line**
2. **Student payments**
3. **Junior Secondary Assistance**
4. **Senior Secondary Assistance**
5. **Special Education Program**
6. **Accounts**
7. **Admin (or just hold the line)**

**IF...**

**Your student is late to school:**
- a prior phone call or note is required from you
- the student must present to Junior or Senior Hub and will be given a Late Pass.

**Your student is absent:**
- a phone call to the absentee line or note is required. An SMS message will be sent to parents of students with unauthorised absences.

**Your student has an appointment:**
- A note is required to the Junior or Senior Hub for a Leave Request to leave class. When the student leaves class they return to the Jnr/Snr Hub and will be issued with a Leave Pass to leave the school. If they return to school they present to the Snr/Jnr Hub for a Returning to School slip.

**Your student becomes sick whilst at school:**
- They MUST present to either the Senior or Junior Hub and the staff will contact you. If your child rings you to say they are sick, please tell them they must report to the respective Hub. The staff there will contact you to arrange for them to go home, issue them with a Leave Pass and keep an eye on them until they are collected.
- Reminder – Students contacting home themselves can cause a great deal of concern for staff and their own well-being. Students who do so will be referred to the Deputy Principal overseeing their year level.

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**Make every day count in 2017**

Make 2017 the year when your child doesn’t miss a day of school.
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AT
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29 JULY 2017 OPEN DAY
10AM - 4PM

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https://www.trybooking.com/225272
$10 per participating person
Non participating & children Under 5yo $5pp

At the Gate:
$15 per participating person
Non participating & children Under 5yo $5pp

No EFTPOS facilities will be available on site

PARTICIPANTS MUST WEAR ENCLOSED SHOES FOR
ALL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING WATER - NO SHOES, NO GO

ACTIVITIES INCLUDE:
• Abseiling
• Rope bridge
• Low ropes
• Mobile rock climbing
• MAD Mountain Bike Club
• Go-karts
• Caterpillar crawl
• Damper making
• Rope making
• Bunnings craft
• Sensor boxes
• Heritage Display
• Bush shelters and Ballistas
• Geocaching
• Slippery pole
• Canoes
• Mud course
• Mackay Party Hire Train
• SES sausage sizzle
• Coffee van

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