



St Stephen's News

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Celebrating Excellence



Students were acknowledged for outstanding academic, sporting, cultural and community achievements at St Stephen's Catholic College's annual awards night.

Special Award Recipients: Joshua Priestly (Rotary All Rounder Award), Mellory Aitken (Mareeba Dimbulah Community Bank Award for Citizenship), William Snell (College Dux) and Alexandria Struthers (Sr Mary Stephen Memorial Award) with college Principal, Mrs Ida Pinese.



Above: Sportspersons of the Year: Nadia Falvo and Deane Alterio (Junior), Eden Brandon and Kate Wilcox (Senior). Right: Emma Grimmett (TAFE at School Award) and Aiden Cazzola (Vocational Student of the Year).



Above: Academic Medal winners: Hayley Cek (Year 7), Kate Wilcox (Year 11), Mark Wilcox (Year 12 Runner-Up to the Dux), Ellana Spena (Year 9), Marco Soncin, (Year 10), Kara Cazzola (Year 7) and Deborah Hermanus (Year 8). Right: Cultural Award recipient Kaiya Sawyer.



NOTICES

IMPORTANT DATES:



05 November	Board Meeting
10-13 November	Year 12 Block Exams
17 November	P&F Meeting
20 November	Year 12 Graduation
23 - 27 November	Year 11 Block Exams

TERM DATES 2015

Term Four: October 6 - November 20 (Year 12)
October 6 - November 27 (Year 7 - 11)

Change of contact details?

To ensure communication is received, please advise the college if you have changed your contact details. Email office@sscc.qld.edu.au or phone 4086 2500.

Mathematics Tuition

Students seeking help with their Maths may attend a tuition/homework class on Tuesdays and Thursdays at second recess in the MCR classroom. Mr Ellison and Miss Sugars will be in attendance to assist students at both Junior and Senior levels with any difficulties they may be experiencing.

A roll of attendance will be kept for these sessions.

TERM DATES 2016

Term One: January 25 - March 24 (Years 7 and 12)
January 27 - March 24 (All students)

Term Two: April 11 - June 24

Term Three: July 11 - September 16

Term Four: October 4 - November 18 (Year 12)
October 4 - November 25 (Years 7 - 11)

The Social Justice Committee

2015 CHRISTMAS HAMPER APPEAL

Please bring non-perishable items such as drinks, chips, biscuits, canned food, Christmas decorations, toys etc to donate to the annual St Vincent De Paul Christmas appeal.

Help those less fortunate this Christmas!



Mathematics and English Tutoring

Year 10, 11, 12 students who are preparing for final assessment are invited to attend tutoring sessions in S6 after school in Maths and English from 3.00 – 4.30 pm.

(Wednesday 4, 11 and 18 November)

NOTICE FOR PARENTS AND STUDENTS

If you are involved in an activity not directly related to St Stephen's and you would like to share your children's achievements with our college community, please email the **Marketing Officer: rblake@sscc.qld.edu.au** with any information and photos so that we can celebrate their success in our fortnightly newsletter.

PARENTS AND FRIENDS ASSOCIATION

NEXT MEETING

CHANGE OF DATE:

TUESDAY 17 NOVEMBER 2015

at 5.30 pm St Stephen's Administration Block

FROM THE Principal



Dear Parents and Friends of St Stephen's

“The world tells us to seek success, power and money; God tells us to seek humility, service and love.”
(Pope Francis)

In keeping with the Mission Statement and the ethos of Catholic schooling, St Stephen's strives to provide a holistic education which fosters students' academic, social, spiritual and emotional development. While academic success is recognised and celebrated, educating the heart is just as important as educating the mind. Therefore, a major focus this year has been the formation of a Social Justice Committee whose mandate has been to serve those in need with humility and love.

An example of prayer in action by students involved with social justice was the participation in the Rice Meal evening at St Thomas' on 24 October where those who attended gained an appreciation of the many people in the world whose daily meal is only one bowl of plain rice. In addition there is currently a drive for students to provide non-perishable items for Christmas packages to be donated to St Vincent de Paul for struggling families in our local area.

At the college's annual Awards Night on 28 October, students were acknowledged for not only achieving excellent academic results, but also for their efforts in serving others with humility and love. The congratulations of the entire college community are extended to all students who received accolades for their achievements and also to those whose musical talents entertained the audience. I am extremely proud of the manner in which all students complied with the protocol of the evening and “let their light shine.”

The next milestone for the year 12 students is graduation on 20 November 2015. A letter was sent to all parents of year 12 informing them of the events which are occurring in the final week. On Friday 20 November, the whole school will farewell the senior students in lessons three and four, after which year 12 students will leave to prepare for the Graduation Mass at St Thomas' that evening. Parents are very welcome to attend the farewell assembly at the college.

For the remainder of the college, the academic year concludes on Friday 27 November. On this day, students will be completing tests before participating in an end-of-year mass and final assembly. It is important that all students continue to focus on their learning and attend school until the very last day. As we already finish a week before our primary counterparts, it becomes challenging for students to achieve good results if they miss lessons due to other reasons besides illness. Parental support is a very important ingredient in the partnership with the school and I ask that students attend school until the academic year officially concludes.

Best wishes to the year 12 students who will undertake their final exams in two weeks' time.

Trust in the Lord

Mrs Ida Pinese

Principal

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FROM THE Assistant Principal Administration

On assembly this week, I did a brief tour around the students to inspect the status of their formal shoes. It was no surprise that some of the students have put their formal shoes through the proverbial wringer. As most parents wait for the beginning of the school year to have new shoes for the children, I thought it timely to give a gentle reminder about uniform expectations.



Getting Ready for 2016...

All students will be expected to arrive for their first day in 2016 with the correct uniform, including shoes, and grooming attended to appropriately, including earrings and hair styles. It will be expected by the college that somewhere in the eight weeks of holidays that students will ensure they have the correct uniform items ready to go. Teachers will be looking for this in the first week back to ensure that students are complying with expectations.

Throughout all of this year, posters have been on display around the college outlining what is appropriate footwear for both the academic and sports uniforms. Copies of these can be found on the college website. In short:

Shoes (academic uniform):

- Black leather, regularly polished
- Lace-up (no Velcro or other styles)
- Heel height of about 1-2 cm (ie: avoid extremes of either height or lack of heel)
- Styles such as flat-bottomed, ballet-like, or boot-like (shoe extending further up the ankle) are not permitted

Shoes (sports uniform):

- Runner or “cross-trainer” style sports shoe preferred
- Style of sports shoe should provide good heel-arch support
- Styles such as flat-bottomed, futsal-specific, or simply some casual shoe not designed for sport are not permitted

Appreciating your support,

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FROM THE Assistant Principal Religious Education

All Saints (November 1st) All Souls Day (November 2nd)



The 1st and 2nd of November mark special feast days in our Church calendar. All Saints Day celebrates all the men and women who are in the heavenly presence of God. We give thanks to God for the lives of these holy men and women and their great examples of love. We also ask the saints to pray for us, that we might follow God’s call to holiness more closely.

On All Souls Day, we pray for and remember all those who have died and celebrate the hope of new life in Christ and the love of God for all. Students and staff are invited to pray for their loved ones throughout the month of November in the College Chapel. The feast of ‘All Saints’ and the feast of ‘All Souls’ remind us of our Baptismal call, to be faithful and faith-filled disciples of Christ.

“Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them” (Entrance Antiphon Mass Feast of All Souls).

RICE MEAL: Last Saturday evening, several students and staff joined members of our local parish for prayer and sharing a rice meal as an act of solidarity for those living in poverty. The evening raised \$216 for Children's Mission Partners. Thank you to all who attended and offered their support of this worthy cause.



ST VINCENT DE PAUL CHRISTMAS APPEAL: Students are invited to donate non-perishable food items, Christmas decorations or gifts which will be made into hampers for local families in need this Christmas. Items will be collected during homeroom and placed at the foot of the 'giving tree'.

PARISH YOUTH CLUB: The Parish Youth Club will have its first gathering this Saturday 31 October after 6 pm mass at St Thomas'. Young people from Year 7 to 12 are invited to share a pizza dinner and fellowship at the St Thomas' School basketball court. Parents can collect their children at 8.00 pm in front of the church. For further information, please contact Fr Dipi (Ph: 4092 1077) or myself.

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Regional State Chess Champions

St Stephen's Catholic College chess team won the Queensland Secondary Regional Teams event at the State Titles, which were held in Brisbane last weekend. The boys finished 8th overall out of 18 teams, who competed at the prestigious event.

Year 7 student Caleb Shorey finished in 10th position out of 79 competitors in the individual standings, scoring 4.5 wins from 6 rounds on Board 4. Caleb's efforts won him the Regional Board 4 medal.

It was a clean sweep for Mareeba in the Regional section with St Thomas' taking out the Primary Regional Teams event as well.

St Stephen's chess coordinator Mr Christopher Ellison said the boys' determination paid off. "They were up against some stiff competition from a number of prestigious metropolitan schools and handled the pressure admirably," he said.

Mr Ellison said the boys were well prepared for the competition, giving credit to Mike Harnischfeger who coached them throughout the year. "The results achieved by St Stephen's and St Thomas' is validation of the hard work he has put into teaching and promoting chess over a number of years at schools in the Mareeba area," he said.



Steven Harnischfeger (Year 12), Thomas Gargan (Year 11), Caleb Shorey (Year 7) and Hunter Liebold (Year 10).

YEAR 10 NEWS

Yet again, the commencement of Term 4 was a shock to the system after such a pleasant spring holiday. Staff and students alike have “hit the ground running” to enable all tasks to be completed in such a short and busy term.



It has thus far been a pleasant return to middle leadership and a pleasure to coordinate the year 10 cohort as they are generally an ambitious, well-mannered and relatively compliant group of young people. There appears to be a healthy sense of competitiveness amongst these students both academically and in the sporting arena. This sense of purpose, combined with a will to succeed, is a strong motivator for the majority of students in this cohort.

Students were spoken to by Mrs Pinese last week regarding uniform requirements for 2016. As year 11's in 2016, they are required to be in possession of at least one pastoral house shirt. This must be worn on the day they have their double activities session. Any other extra curricular activity shirt is not to be worn at school. All year 11's in 2016 are also required to wear the new blue wide brim hat. They will no longer have the option of the old cream bucket hat or brown formal hat. Male students will be required to purchase the newly designed formal shirt which has been made to tuck comfortably and neatly into the formal shorts or pants. A black or navy blue belt must also be worn as a part of the formal uniform at all times. We thank parents in advance for their support of the new uniform policy items.

I would also like to use this article to acknowledge some of the many noteworthy external achievements of our Year 10 cohort as we so often don't hear about all the wonderful activities students are participating in outside of school. This list is impressive and again, is testament to the desire of our young people to achieve their personal best in their chosen endeavours.

Only those students who wished to be acknowledged are listed below.

Riley Bell: was selected for the North Queensland Rugby Union Team and went to the State trials for the

Queensland Reds Development Squad in Brisbane. **Shanae Bird:** is currently training for dance regionals in Cairns and is hoping to qualify for Nationals on the Gold Coast.

Eden Brandon: competed at State trials for the 1500 m and 3000 m races. He recently competed at the State Athletics Championship in the 1500 m and the 3000 m achieving a personal best time in the 3000 m and placing 12th. Eden has been offered a position at the Melbourne City Football Academy in 2016.

Matthew Cheesman: recently competed at the State Athletics Championship in the 800 m, 400 m and U17 4 x 100 m relay team. Matthew placed 14th in the 800 m.

Caysha Duncan: achieved 1st place in the Jazz dance solo at the Cairns Eisteddfod, is currently training for dance regionals in Cairns and is hoping to qualify for Nationals on the Gold Coast.

Emily Ernst: has achieved the rank of Corporal in Air Force Cadets in 2015.

Abigail Farrowell: attended the Mendez Equestrian Centre in Sydney and recently achieved State Champion for her division in Working Equitation.

Isaac Fleming: has had a highly successful year in cycling, recently placing 2nd in the 50 km FNEPIC at Davies Creek. He also placed 11th in the A grade criterion in Cairns.

Caitlin Grimmatt: has had a highly successful year in soccer, being selected for both the U15 and U19 Peninsula squads where the U15 team were overall winners. Caitlin was then selected in the U15 Queensland Japan tour in September. She has just finished the season playing for the Cairns Southside Comets in both the U15 and U20's ladies team.

Darcy Hallam: recently won an Australian Fishing Certificate for highest scoring junior male angler. He also caught a 21.5 kg giant Trevally which landed him a Queensland record.

Jack Henderson: represented FNQ in soccer.

Emma Hole: has been selected to sing in the annual Uptown Music concert at the APA theatre in Atherton.

Sara Liaver: recently competed at the State Athletics Championship in discus and shotput, attaining 10th in discus.

Hunter Liebold: jumped a personal best of 180 cm in high jump at the Regional Athletics Trials for State. He was also selected for the North Queensland Rugby Union Team and went to the State trials for the Queensland Reds Development Squad in Brisbane. Hunter attended the State Chess Championships in Brisbane where his team won the regional division.

Gage Legaspi: selected for a State netball carnival in Townsville.

Dale Moss: has had a highly successful year in cycling, recently winning the 30 km FNEPIC at Davies Creek. He was the fastest junior male at ELEV8XCM and placed 2nd in the C grade criterion in Cairns.

Leon Peressini: during the September holidays, played in the Schoolboys National Futsal Championships in Brisbane and was recently selected for the North Queensland team for Nationals in Sydney in January.

Dayna Poggioli: recently competed at the State Athletics Championship in javelin and discus where she attained 9th place in javelin.

Jaicee Sabatino: gained 3rd place in vault at the recent Gymnastics State Championship.

Hayley Skinner: attended the Pony Club Association Queensland State Championship and was ranked 15th overall in the formal gymkhana and sporting category. She also attained 3rd overall in the mounted games and placed in the top ten, 14 times in total.

Congratulations to those students who received a variety of awards at our annual Awards Night this week. It is fantastic to see such an extensive list of students who have been consistently working hard to achieve their best in a variety of fields.

On a final note, year 10 students need to be reminded that there is no chewing of gum on school grounds. Female students are reminded to use only white, beige or navy blue hair restraints (no other coloured hair ties).

Some of our male students also need to consider whether it is now time to begin shaving facial hair.

Please contact me via email if you require any form of pastoral assistance in relation to your child: ntorres@sscc.qld.edu.au

Ms Naomi Torres

Middle Leader Pastoral (Year 10) (Acting)

QATSIF

On Thursday 15 October, Shania Bowen was presented with a QATSIF Scholarship at St Mary's Catholic College in Cairns. QATSIF stands for "Queensland Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Foundation". The website states that: QATSIF was created to give Queensland's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander families increased educational choices and life opportunities. It is an independent, not-for-profit trust managed by The Public Trustee of Queensland and operates through a small Secretariat. The funds used by QATSIF for its programs and activities are drawn from the interest earned on the original capital provided to The Public Trustee to establish the Trust. Built from the labour of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Queenslanders under now-repealed laws, preserving this capital means the toil of previous generations will have a direct benefit to the generations that follow. In this way, QATSIF will always stand as a permanent and positive legacy for the future. We are very proud of Shania as all applicants must meet strict selection criteria relating to academic success and a minimum of 85% attendance at school. Congratulations Shania!



Mrs Ida Pinese, Shania Bowen, Ms Samantha Dooley and Mrs Michelle Hall.

Awards Night 2015

Congratulations to all award recipients.

JCU Academic Encouragement Awards

Year 10: Caysha Duncan and Jaicee Sabatino

Year 12: Celie Henderson and Alexandria Struthers

TAFE at School Award: Emma Grimmett

Amaroo Medical Bursary: Mark Wilcox

Cultural Award: Kaiya Sawyer

Vocational Student of the Year: Aiden Cazzola

Mareeba and Dimbulah Community Bank Award for Citizenship: Mellory Aitken

Claude Cater Mensland Business/Law Studies Bursary: Emma Kleyn

Year 12 Dux: William Snell

Rotary All Rounder Award: Joshua Priestly

Mareeba Chamber of Commerce Business Encouragement Award: Leah Ryle

Evan & Fay McGrath Educational Studies Bursary: Adrianna Soncin

Sr Mary Stephen Memorial Award: Alexandria Struthers

ACADEMIC MEDALS

Year 7 Hayley Cek

Year 7 Kara Cazzola

Year 8 Deborah Hermanus

Year 9 Ellana Spina

Year 10 Marco Soncin

Year 11 Kate Wilcox

Year 12 Runner-Up to the Dux: Mark Wilcox

SPORTSPERONS OF THE YEAR

Senior Sportsman of the Year: Eden Brandon

Senior Sportswoman of the Year: Kate Wilcox

Junior Sportsman of the Year: Deane Alterio

Junior Sportswoman of the Year: Nadia Falvo

ADF LEADERSHIP AWARDS

Year 10 Tulani Lea'Uanae

Year 12 Joshua Priestly



Social Science & Business



The year has come and (is almost) gone in a flash. The Social Science and Business Department has continued to provide opportunities for the students of our college throughout Term 4. I could not be more proud of the diligence and effort from the staff and students alike throughout 2015. I will let their experiences stand as testimony to these sentiments.

Dwayne Miller

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ASIA WISE CHALLENGE: This year History and Geography teachers nominated students in Years 7, 8 and 9 to participate in the Asia Wise Challenge. Asia Wise provides teachers and students with tools and resources to inspire discovery, thought and reflection about Asia. The following students became part of a global community and completed engaging activities that developed students' understanding of the history, geography and cultures of Asia.



Connor Coghlan received a High Distinction with 98% of questions answered correctly. Liam Haendel received a Distinction, and Arosh Heenkenda and Mikaela Millerd were awarded Credits. Merit certificates were awarded to Paulina Bernhardt and Brianna So Choy. Congratulations also to Dylan Longbottom, Gabriella Cuda, Zoe Quintieri, Harry Hughes, Kayleigh Cappella, Keelie Nicholls and Sienna Cheesman for participating in the challenge.

Mrs Sonya Pritchard

ACCOUNTING: As the Senior students are entering into the preparation mode for their Term 4 block exams, one Accounting student has been particularly busy with additional co-curricular activities. On Saturday, 17 October, Adrianna Soncin, travelled to Cairns to be interviewed for the Keith Goodwin Memorial Scholarships in Accounting and Business. She had been shortlisted along with 10 other students from the Cairns region to attend the interview process, which consisted of both group and individual interviews. Although Adrianna did not receive a scholarship, the judges commented that they were impressed with her Accounting results, maturity, confidence and professionalism. I would like to congratulate Adrianna on this achievement.



Miss Laura Marino

BUSINESS MANAGEMENT: The college recently had the opportunity to nominate Grade 12 students from the Business Management subject area for the Australian Institute of Office Professional (AIOP) Award. This is a joint initiative of the Business Educators' Association of Queensland (BEAQ), the Business Liaison Association (BLA) and the AIOP. The aim of the award was to provide an incentive for students who wish to seek a professional career in business administration/management. Congratulations to Mellory Aitken in Year 12 for being short-listed for this award.



Miss Catie Peters



GEOGRAPHY: Year 11 Geography students took to the field recently to test the health of the Basalt Creek sub-catchment. The creek, which runs from near Costin Street through the Bicentennial Lakes Park to Granite Creek, was assessed for its stream and habitat condition, biological health and physio-chemical indicators. Students are using the data they collected to write a report.

Mrs Regina Holden



We Will Remember Them Forum

Congratulations to Dylan Cappella, Joshua Kievit, Brianne So Choy and Ellana Spina for winning the junior division of the school delegates' speeches at the 'We Will Remember Forum' last Thursday, October 22. Students were invited to address the topic, 'Does the Anzac Spirit continue to live in our youth?' and the St Stephen's team responded with an engaging and thoughtful speech. The four students wrote the speech together, which Ellana delivered with confidence.



Joshua Kievit, Dylan Cappella, Ellana Spina and Brianne So Choy.

The morning session consisted of a panel of prominent speakers talking about their experiences of service to their country. Mr Keith Payne VC AM, (who was awarded the Victoria Cross for his bravery during the Vietnam War), Mr Ian Chill, (who was rendered paraplegic from an accident while on peace keeping exercises in the Solomon Islands) and Mr Paul Warren, (who lost his right leg from an improvised explosive device in Afghanistan) were just some of the inspirational speakers on the day.

The afternoon session comprised the students' speeches, which were engaging and thought-provoking.

Ellana Spina: 'I am so honoured to have been able to attend this forum. The veterans' stories have inspired me, and I will forever remember this incredible experience. Hearing the speeches from other students from different schools makes me realise what a great country we live in and how many amazing heroes we have.'

Dylan Cappella: 'I thought that all the guest speakers were very inspiring to listen to, and their service in the army was incredible.'

Joshua Kievit: 'It was a good day filled with inspiring stories from several war veterans. I enjoyed my time there and the effort we put into the speech that Ellana read.'

Brianne So Choy: 'Today was so motivational. I cannot express how grateful I am to have been chosen to participate in such a wonderful event. The guest speakers' stories were so inspiring and I was lucky enough to hear them. Not only the guest speakers, but the speeches from all the other schools were very interesting and made me think about what each of them said.'

Mrs Simone Gillies and Miss Patti Crothers

QTAC FOR PARENTS WEBSITE

QTAC is proud to announce the launch of the For Parents website, specifically designed to help parents be more involved in their child's tertiary study decisions. The For Parents Website can be used as a starting point, or a great adjunct to school provided career guidance.

At the For Parents site, parents can:

- get useful hints and tips to help your child.
- find out when to start planning.
- choose the right course and institution.
- check out how to apply.
- investigate support services.

The For Parents Website can be accessed at: <http://www.qtac.edu.au/for-parents>

State Champion

Jasmine Manning, Year 7, recently competed in the State Championships for Discus and won. She will now go to the Nationals in December. **Congratulations to Jasmine!**





English

Students often ask how they can improve their reading comprehension skills, especially in preparation for written tasks in English. When students read texts in any curriculum area, it is important that they interact with the text to reflect, predict, wonder, question, make connections and think about what they are reading. Such participation and active engagement enables students to become highly effective readers who comprehend a wide range of texts. Students can then write with greater depth and insight when responding to what they have read. Strategies as simple as using sticky notes to track and record their thinking as they read can be very beneficial for students who are striving for success in English.

Some of the many accomplished readers at St Stephen's were recently acknowledged when they were awarded Distinctions and High Distinctions in the ICAS English Competition. This competition involved national and international participants applying reading and language skills in a range of contexts, and students performed extremely well.



Congratulations to these students who received certificates of Distinction: Palyse Love-Beasley (Year 8), Holly Bryce (Year 7), Adam Gampe (Year 10), Ellana Spena (Year 9) and Ruby Kohler (Year 10).

Aaron Bryce and Jake Powell from Year 10 achieved High Distinction awards, placing them in the top 1% of participants in Australia.



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State Athletics Championships Representatives 2015

Congratulations to the following students who competed at the State athletic championships.

- Lachlan Moss – Shot Put (2nd)
- Deane Alterio – Long Jump (3rd)
- Logan Acha – High Jump (13th)
- Tyler Ius – 100 m relay team (2nd), 100 m Sprint (3rd)
- Jada Fittock – High Jump
- Eden Brandon – 1500 m Run, 3000 m Run (New Peninsula Record – Old 10:20.79 / New 10:17.59)
- Matthew Cheesman – 800 m Run, 400 m Run
- Jake Pendlebury – Long Jump
- Emma Gargan – 800 m Run, 1500 m Run, 3000 m Run
- Sara Liaver – Shot Put
- Jennifer Moss – Hammer Throw (New Peninsula Record – Old 41.04m / New 47.94 m), Javelin, Discus
- Elena Pilat – Javelin (New Peninsula Record – Old 27.98 m / New 29.49 m), Discus
- Dayna Poggioli – Javelin (9th)
- Sophie Raciti – 100 m Sprint, 200 m Sprint, Discus
- Ella Ryan – 100 m Sprint, 200 m Sprint, Triple Jump
- Kate Schincariol – 200 m Sprint, 400 m Run, 800 m Run



Mossman 7's Netball and Rugby Carnival

Congratulations to the 13 and under girls' netball team! On Thursday, 15 October, four teams travelled to Mossman State School to compete in the Mossman 7 netball and rugby carnival. The 13 and under netball team had great success and won their grand final against Mossman! Well done to the team consisting of Kara Cazzola, Tahlia De Lai, Megan Crane, Deborah Hermanus, Teagan Schermer, Kasey Devine, Nataliah Lopez, Rhyanna Yow-Yeh and Alexandra McCormack. It was a great effort by all players.



Congratulations Hayley

Hayley Skinner, Year 10, spent most of the September holidays travelling around Queensland competing in Horse Sport Championships. Hayley did very well, winning several individual ribbons in Gymkhana and Sporting, (including 5th in the state in Rider Class) and her Zone 18 Far North Queensland Mounted Games Team came 3rd overall, out of 21 junior teams from all over the state.



Pictured: Hayley Skinner at the State Gymkhana, Sporting and Mounted Games Championships, held in Roma recently.

School Captain can now Captain a plane!

Mellory Aitken, Year 12, received her restricted private pilot licence last month. Mellory has done most of her flight training out of the Mareeba Airport. She is planning to start a degree in Aviation Technology next year externally through CQU. This will allow her to continue to live at home, to continue to work and earn money for her flying lessons and to continue study in her integrated flying program with the Aero Club which will take her through Commercial and Instructor ratings in the long term. Congratulations Mellory!



Mellory is pictured with Chief Flying Instructor at North Queensland Aero Club Sally Scott.

School Gymnastics



Olivia Bannick, Kyrah Johnston and Palyse Love-Beasley attended the Gymnastics WAG Junior State Championships in Brisbane during the September School

Holidays. The gymnasts thoroughly enjoyed their competition and competed very well with Kyrah finishing 9th on Beam. Kyrah also competed as part of the FNQ regional team.