FROM THE COLLEGE PRINCIPAL...

Dear Parents, Staff and Students...

Welcome to the New Year. Welcome back to all our existing families and I especially welcome all those families new to the College and to our new staff who join us for the first time. Even though it is February, the year has really just begun for many and certainly the school year is getting under way with its full and busy program. I hope that 2015 brings many opportunities for all, with much success, good health and happiness.

**Staffing**... We welcomed several new staff to our College community this year. The following list of staff have been appointed in a full-time, continuing capacity:

Junior Campus—Simon Bliss, Rachael Scott, Rachael Hunting, Lyndal Hellaby, Vicky Howie and Jessica Fitzgerald, Fiona Suter
Senior Campus—Nadia Follett.

**Senior Results 2014**... We are particularly proud of our senior data. 89% of OP eligible students achieved an OP 1-15. Additionally, 100% of seniors were awarded a QCE or QCIA. Congratulations graduating class of 2014.

**Recent Teacher Profession Development — Creating Better Thinkers**... Last week our staff attended a half-day workshop on higher-order thinking, presented by Gerard Alford from ITC Publications, a Queensland-based education consultancy.

The emphasis of the session was on establishing a common Thinking Skills Framework for our school and work shopping a wide range of thinking tools that we can use to develop the critical and creative thinking capacities of our students.

The benefits of a common whole-school approach to thinking are that our students will have a common understanding of terms such as ‘compare’, ‘analyse’ and ‘critical thinking’ and as a team, we can better track the thinking skills being taught throughout the College. The acquisition of these creative and critical thinking tools will not only deliver better academic outcomes - it will also equip our students with an attitude towards life-long learning that will assist them in better decision-making and problem-solving. We look forward to seeing these ideas reflected in your sons’ and daughters’ work during the year.

**School review – opportunity to have your say...**

Our school is scheduled for a school review from 9 February -11 February 2015.

The Department of Education, Training and Employment has introduced a new school review for Queensland state schools in 2015. The review replaces the teaching and learning audits, and are designed to help schools continue to improve outcomes for students. The reviews does not rate or compare schools but, rather, give schools independent and quality feedback to help them improve teaching and learning at the school.

As with the audits, all schools will have a review at least every four years. A final report will be made available to parents and the community via the school website.

As part of the review, the review team would like to hear from you, our school community, and I encourage anyone who is interested to have their say. Your feedback is important and will help us continue to deliver a quality education for students. If you are interested in speaking to the reviewers please contact the office to arrange a time. If you would like more information about the review process please speak to our administration team.
Further information about the reviews is available from the department’s website at: education.qld.gov.au/schools/school-performance-assessment-framework

How to help your child be a better student ....
Thousands of students are heading back to school and parents are a vital factor in their children’s educational progress. Here is one suggestion from Mari-Jane Williams to help your child do better at school this year

Let your child see you making mistakes—Parents are their child’s first teacher and their lifetime teacher. Part of being a teacher is teaching your child how to deal with making mistakes. Let them see that you can make mistakes and deal with it so they will understand it’s not a big deal and they can cope when they trip up.

Minor Works Projects....
Over the holidays, several projects were undertaken and have been completed in time for the return of the students. Works conducted include: New toilet partitions on both campuses; Large Screen TVs in Junior Campus classrooms; Sports Floor and Dance Floor upgrades on Senior Campus.

1:1.....6 classes will start the year as ipad classes. We are looking forward to working with students and providing technology rich pedagogical activities for students.

Uniform.....
It is important that students wear all elements of the uniform correctly including black leather lace up shoes. I ask parents to support the College as we strive to be recognised as a school with the highest standards of learning, behaviour and presentation. It is also important that students wear the College hat to protect our students from the sun. Please help us drive home the sun safety message in the skin cancer capital of the world in which we live.

P & C Annual General Meeting.... The AGM will be held next month on Monday, 16 March from 7pm. There will be a P&C Meeting on Monday night 9 February prior to the AGM. I hope to see as many parents at that first meeting as possible next month as there are still several positions which will be required to be filled.

Although no one can go back and make a brand new start, anyone can start from now and make a brand new ending.
— Carl Bard

I encourage you all towards a brand new ending this year and to be your best.

Bronwyn Johnstone
College Principal

Secondhand Uniform Shop
Thankyou to those families who have donated preloved uniforms. Just a request that any uniforms be washed and ironed before being offered for sale.

There is always a high demand for uniforms and your donations are most appreciated. Please remember that there are no EFT facilities in the second hand uniform shop.

For more information please ring Niki 0433071241 or Tina on 0437574757

Open for business
Tuesday and Fridays 9am to 2pm Junior Campus
Welcome to 2015
Welcome everyone to the 2015 school year. We are already two weeks into the new school year and the business of teaching and learning on Junior Campus is underway. We welcome back all of our continuing families and thank you for your ongoing support. We have also welcomed many new families who have joined us for the first time this year. We have included some photos of our start to the school year in this newsletter.

Junior Campus Carparks
The start of the school year is always a very busy time for parking around the Junior Campus and new parents are getting used to parking locations and rules. To help with this, here follows a brief outline of all the Junior Campus carparks:

Inside our Junior Campus, there are no carparks available for parent parking. The two carparks inside the grounds, near the swimming pool and next to administration, are designated for staff parking.

The major carpark for parents is located on the corner of Mt Cotton Road and School Road with access from School Road. This carpark is not actually on school grounds and is therefore not managed by the school. It is controlled by Redlands City Council and from time to time, council officers visit the carpark to ensure compliance to council carpark rules. The major rules for this carpark are firstly, to park within designated spaces and not on footpaths and secondly, to reverse park for the safety of pedestrians. This carpark also has a designated disability carpark for people who have correct parking permits.

Street parking is permitted along School Road unless zoned for buses and on Mt Cotton Road towards the southern end of the campus.

A drop off zone operates on the school side of Mt Cotton Road with a two minute wait limit applying.

We thank all parents and carers for their patience and consideration when parking and driving around our College.

Meet the Teacher Evening
Our annual Meet the Teacher event is approaching with this activity planned for Wednesday, 18 February. Once again this year, our College P&C Association will be hosting a barbecue sausage sizzle free of charge to families who attend this event. Class meetings offering you a chance to get to know your children’s class teacher, classroom procedures and your child’s learning schedule for the year ahead will be scheduled as follows:

Class meetings will occur around this barbecue as follows:

Meet the Teacher Schedule:

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A further letter with details of this event will be sent out to families in the coming week. We hope to see as many of you as possible at this gathering as this is an important opportunity for parents to become involved in the education of their children.

Looking forward to seeing you there.
Regards
Brad French
FIRST DAY ON THE JUNIOR CAMPUS...
The Arts Teaching Team at the College are very generous with their time in extending students’ learning in both curricular and co-curricular programs. All students need to stay tuned via Student Notices and StudentNet for in-school time arts activities. Two co-curricular programs commencing next week on the Senior Campus are the Instrumental Music Program and the Dance Team Program.

Debb Wall
Head of Department – The Arts and Languages

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC, CONCERT BAND and BIG BANDS
Contacts:
Mr Aaron Tickner, Instrumental Music Teacher and Band Director: atick3@eq.edu.au; Tel: 38239105;
Ms Debb Wall, Head of The Arts: dwall5@eq.edu.au; Tel: 3823 9105

Cost: $80/year participation fee + $70 for each school instrument
Participation Fee includes music, band folder and some parts of uniform including blue trousers, tie and belt.
When: Classes and rehearsals commence Week 3. Classes on Tuesdays and Fridays.
    Concert Band (all students except beginners) – Tuesday 7.15 – 8.25am (commencing 10 Feb)
    Big Band – Fridays 7.15 – 8.25am (commencing 13 Feb)
    Yr 7 Big Band (TBC) – Tuesday lunchtime (commencing 10 Feb)
Students are reminded to return enrolment & loan agreement forms ASAP.

Languages Update
All Year 7 & 8 students will start the year with one lesson per week of Languages. Using the on-line Language Perfect program available through www.educationperfect.com. Students are able to continue learning the language/s they learnt in primary school. Language Perfect allows students to consolidate their skills in reading, listening and writing. Students may also like to develop cultural languages such as Maori. Ask your student to show you the program and how it works. They should be logging on in their own time and completing exercises at least three times per week. Teachers are able to log on at any time to view who has been accessing the program and send them a ‘cheer’. Students’ progress through Language Perfect will form part of their assessment. Students who do not have internet access at home may use the computers in the library before/after school and during breaks. Students may also negotiate with Ms Wall to use computers in Lab 2 during lunch breaks when she is available to supervise.

Ms Debb Wall
HOD – The Arts and Languages

![Image of students using computers]
Welcome Back
We hope you all had a fantastic Christmas Break and really enjoyed the holidays with family and friends. Warm welcome to all of our new Staff and we hope you enjoy your time at our College.

It was fantastic to see everyone back at school and students in school uniform ready to start the new school year. This year the P&C, with the help of our Junior College Year 6 students welcomed the parents of new Preppies with a welcome pack to ease them into life as a Prep Parent. We hope you enjoyed your “moment”. Thanks to Wendy (P&C Classroom Co-ordinator) for having this organised to run smoothly on the day.

First term is always pretty busy and this year we had the Election first Saturday back. This was our first fundraising venture for the year, where we held a bbq and raised approximately $650 for the College. Big thankyou to those parents that could help out on the day Tina D, Leanne B, & the Wilbow and Aumua families. It was a great day and I truly appreciate the time and “free smiles” on the day! It was incredibly short notice to organise this event and I would like to acknowledge Tammy (P&C Fundraising Co-ordinator) for another fantastic effort. These things wouldn’t happen without you. Thanks also to the school’s officers who once again helped with getting our equipment ready for us to use.

The next bbq where we will be needing help is on Wednesday in Week 4 for Meet the Teacher evening on Junior Campus. Any parents available to help cook sausages or man the P&C “Getting to know You” table on the night can ring me on 0419024682.

Thanks to Kirsten and Bethan who are continuing on with playgroup. It has again started up on Junior Campus on Mondays starting at 9 am. This is a great opportunity to meet new parents. Come along and have a chat and a cuppa and let your pre-Preppers make new friends. Ring the Junior Campus office for more information.

I would also like to point parents in the direction of our P&C facebook page “Capalaba Parents and Carers”. If you know of another parent at the College and you are already a member please add them to this page. It is important that we grow as a community and this includes embracing whatever communication tools we have. This is a great page and has really good information on it for parents at the College.

Just a reminder that the first P&C Meeting is this coming Monday, February 9 in the P&C Building on Junior Campus. For new parents it is the building closest to the swimming pool. Meetings start at 7.00 pm. Many of the Executive Positions will be vacated at the AGM in March. If you have ever wanted to get involved with the P&C now is your chance.

Mel Armstrong
P&C President
GUIDANCE AND COUNSELLING SERVICES

Welcome back to Term 1 – 2015. As the Guidance Officer of Capalaba State College’s Junior Campus I look forward to working with students, staff and parents again this term and in the future.

Guidance and counselling services are provided directly to students and their families and are available at all Queensland state schools or education programs.

Guidance and counselling services focus on assisting students to achieve to their potential in the most appropriate educational setting. Guidance officers identify factors that can be barriers to learning and development, and plan or assist in planning interventions or programs that can help students achieve positive outcomes.

Guidance officers may work directly with the student or with the student’s teachers, support personnel, family, other specialists, or professionals from other agencies depending on the issues to be resolved and the age of the student. Depending on the student’s age, a range of issues may be supported by guidance officers including personal and social development, diverse learning styles and needs, and educational and career pathways.

Guidance officers, while respecting student privacy and confidentiality, work as members of a support team and are committed to providing quality education services for every young Queenslander regardless of their circumstances. Sometimes when a child is in Prep or even before Prep (Early Childhood Development Program – ECDP) educational decisions are made with the involvement of a Guidance Officer which impact positively on a child’s education every year right up until Year 12 and even beyond Year 12! I am looking forward to continuing to meet parents and students of Capalaba State College.

Kaye Molloy
Guidance Officer
Capalaba Junior Campus

Craft Sub Committee

The Craft Sub Committee meet every Tuesday and Friday between 9am and 2pm in the Parent Room on the Junior Campus.

This wonderful group of volunteers make gifts to sell at the Mother’s Day, Father’s Day and Christmas Stalls. They are always looking for more volunteers and if you can only assist for an hour or the day here and there you would be most welcome. It is a great way to meet other parents at the College and have an enjoyable day.

Some areas you could assist with are:
- Sewing
- Making jewellery (beads supplied)
- Handy Dads to volunteer would be great
- Knitting or crocheting
- Any fresh ideas, skills or knowledge you are willing to share would be great.

We are looking for donations of —
Spray paints, paints, spray adhesive, craft Materials, soft toys, scrapbook materials, unwanted gift packs, soaps, powders etc, baby jars, jars, nuts and bolts, materials
Congratulations to our QATSIF Scholarship recipients for 2015.

This year we congratulate three Year 11 indigenous students who have been successful in obtaining a QATSIF (Queensland Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) scholarship to support them with their senior education studies. High levels of attendance and sound academic results are required for students to receive, and maintain, this prestigious award over the two final years of secondary schooling.

Well done and congratulations to Natalia S, Tegan S and Elleigh W.

The trust which funds this scholarship, the Queensland Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Foundation (QATSIF), was established on November 25th 2008, using money earned from the toil of previous indigenous Queenslanders. The foundation is highly respected and valued for the significant contribution it makes the future of our indigenous Australians, through education.
How to talk to teens who don’t want to talk

Do you have a teenager who isn’t interested in talking with you? Do you get monosyllable answers to your questions? If so, you – and they – are normal. But don’t give up trying to have a good quality conversation with your teen. Teens don’t have to be having long, deep and meaningful conversations with adults on a daily basis – but it is important they share their thoughts and feelings with adults at least some of the time.

Here are a few ideas to help the process.

* **Talk while doing something else at the same time**
  
  Try conversations in the car, while walking the dog, ironing and so on. Create spots in your house that a teenager can sit and eat or look at magazines, etc. and talk to you while you are also doing something (cleaning up, looking at the paper yourself, etc.).

* **Express less intense emotion (positive and negative) while talking to the teen**
  
  Teenagers will often ‘turn off’ if they notice stress, worry, frustration and excitement in an adult’s voice. Try to be as neutral as possible in conversations with uncommunicative teens. Express interest and care but stay nonchalant, casual and ‘mild’ with words and body language.

* **Try closed questions**
  
  If open ended questions (How was your day?) aren’t getting you anywhere, try closed questions with just a few options. For example, “What did you like most, ‘this’ or ‘that’?”, “What was the hardest bit, ‘this or that’?”, or “On a scale of 1-10, how good/bad/worrying/fun/upsetting/easy is this/was that?”. These are often easier for teens to answer.

* **Try written communication**
  
  Excellent teen-adult communication often happens via email, texts, notes left on pillows and Facebook posts (yes, even if they are in the next room!). Teens often feel less embarrassed and vulnerable communicating in writing, and they can do it in their own time.

* **Talk about yourself**
  
  Don’t make conversation just about interrogation. Share your own thoughts, daily experiences and feelings. Talking idly about things helps increase their own sharing in the long term.

* **Try addressing the uncommunicative behaviour directly**
  
  Sometimes, it can work to be upfront about the difficulties in communicating. Say: “I know you don’t always feel comfortable talking about this stuff, and I really will try not to bug you, but I need to know a couple of things”. Or try humour: “Here we go again, I’m going to pester you for information, I know it’s a pain, but just five minutes and then I’ll stop talking”.

* **Offer options for communicating with someone else**
  
  Help teenagers find opportunities to talk with another adult they trust. Organise for an aunt/family friend/older cousin to take the teen out for coffee or be with them and initiate conversation. Set up counselling sessions with a GP/school counsellor/psychologist. Communication that happens between a teenager and adult can have positive outcomes.

* **Don’t get frustrated, just try again tomorrow**
  
  If the teenager still doesn’t want to talk, don’t take it personally. It’s not your fault – or theirs. It’s just the teenage brain focussing on other things. Try again tomorrow. And the next day. Never give up on showing care and interest. Eventually they will start to talk, often when you least expect it.

By Kirrilie Smout, Clinical Psychologist Specialising in supporting Kids and Teens
SENIOR CAMPUS GENERAL NEWS ...

Student Support Services—Senior Campus—2015

At Capalaba State College, we have a dynamic team this year that will support our students on the Senior campus. The Student Support Services staff can be located in the Social Science staffroom and this is where they will meet with students to support their needs. Joy Ganter, our Guidance Officer, will remain in the Administration building.

Introducing the team

Joy Ganter  
*Guidance Officer (Every day)*

Ms Ganter provides information and assistance in three main areas:

- **Careers and pathways**
- **Study skills**
- **Personal Counselling**

Students need to check their emails each week for the Guidance Gazette e-newsletter. Appointments can be made directly with Ms Ganter or through the office.

Samantha Conlon  
*Indigenous Teacher Aide (Tuesday)*

Ms Conlon liaises with Joy Ganter to provide support to our indigenous students. Sam and Joy organise support programs both on and off campus.

Lisa Davies  
*School based nurse (Tuesday and Friday)*

Ms Davies is available to discuss health related issues with students. All conversations are confidential. An appointment can be made through the office or by speaking to the nurse during any lunch break on Tuesday or Friday.

Alison Finlayson  
*Youth Support Co-ordinator (Tuesday and Wednesday)*

Miss Finlayson’s role is to work closely with students, families, the Student Support Services team, staff and community groups to create supportive environments for learning, assist with issues that impact on a student’s schooling (like absences, leaving class, personal issues etc.). She offers one-one support to help students assess their circumstances and strengths to assist in making good choices, decisions and plans for education, employment and other opportunities. She can provide information, a listening ear and resources to help, assist with resumes, job searching and referral to community organisations. Appointments can be made by directly or by contacting the office.

Mike Rubio  
*School Chaplain (Monday and Wednesday)*

Mike is an experienced Chaplain who provides both spiritual and/or emotional support to students. Throughout the year, Mike will organise programs and events for students. Students can speak to Mike by making an appointment with him or by making an appointment through the office.
GENERAL NEWS ….

School Based Youth Health Nurse

Lisa Davies works in the position of School Based Youth Health (SBYHN) nurse at Capalaba State College. The SBYHN is located in SS11 and is available Tuesday and Friday.

School Based Youth Health Nurses work in secondary schools across Queensland, with a focus on preventative healthcare for the whole school community (including students, teachers, parents and carers) and provide:

- confidential health consultations
- health information to students, teachers and the school community
- classroom health lessons
- interventions, and links to other services as required.

Confidential Student Appointments

Students can make an appointment with the SBYHN to discuss any questions they may have about their health. These appointments are confidential, and the nurse will not share any information without the student’s consent, unless there is a significant risk to the student’s health or safety in not sharing this information with others. This will be discussed with the student prior to consultation.

In most cases, it is best for students to talk to their parents or carer about their health and wellbeing issues and the nurse can help support students to do this.

Individual health consultations may include:

- Early detection of actual or potential health problems.
- Providing information, options or referrals to relevant health services to provide them with further assessment, treatment and/or support.
- Providing brief interventions and/or referrals as appropriate.

Some of the main issues for which students have accessed the SBYHN are mental health, including social and emotional wellbeing, relationships, stress, eating issues, sexual and reproductive health, drugs (including tobacco and alcohol) and growth and development.

Please encourage the young person in your care to contact the nurse if they require any information or support for any health related issues. The SBYHN also takes referrals from teachers and parents.
GENERAL NEWS ....

A free information session for people with a disability and their carers

The National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) is coming to Queensland; the YFS Get Ready team are holding sessions in Logan, Redlands and the Gold Coast to provide you with information on how to get ready for the NDIS. These Get Ready sessions are a 2 hour introductory session to the NDIS and cover topics such as:

- What we know about the NDIS and what it will mean for people with a disability
- Why is it called insurance?
- Eligibility criteria
- How to start preparing for the NDIS

Forums will continue to be delivered throughout 2015 with updates as more information rolls out. Sign up for updates at www.getready.yfs.org.au or call the Get Ready team for more information.

Details of the dates and locations in the Redlands area for YFS NDIS Get Ready information sessions in February and March 2015 are provided on the back of this flyer.

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Pink Magic Netball Club Players Sign On
9th February 2015 ... 9 am – 1 pm

Pink Magic Netball Club is a member of Redlands Netball Association, which is dedicated to growing and developing our players into skilled, respectable, successful young people with lifelong skills for on court and off court situations and memories to carry with them throughout their life. Pink Magic is currently looking for boys and girls aged 6-18 for this year’s season of netball.

For Women there is a Monday Night Camp held at Redlands Netball Association. Sign on is at the Redlands Netball Association @ 260 Cleveland Redland Bay Rd, Thornlands. Coach & Umpire Accreditation Available

For More Information: Tammy Halcroft - 0402 683 159 or pinkmagicnetball@hotmail.com

Are your details up to date

Address
Email
Phone Numbers
Emergency Contacts

Please contact the College Office on 38239111 or 38239333 if you need to change any information

A.F.L. SIGN-ON DAY

Sat. 7th & Sun. 8th Feb

10.00 AM—3.00 PM

ALL NEW MEMBERS WELCOME—BOYS & GIRLS
Auskick, Under 6’s Juniors through to Under 17’s Youth Teams and Girls Teams

*** On-line Registration Now Open
http://www.foxsportspace.com/club_info.cgi?c=1-3928-59011-0-0

ENQUIRES: Email registrar.ahjafc@gmail.com
Phone Leanne Taylor 0418 728 135
Check out our webpage http://www.foxsportspace.com/
club_info.cgi?c=1-3928-59011-0-0
And follow us on Facebook https://www.facebook.com/AHJAFC
VOCATIONAL NEWS

100JOBS: Australian Apprenticeship Initiative

100JOBS aim to place 100 quality job seekers into Australian Apprenticeships, Traineeships, School-based Traineeships or Labour Hire positions between 1st December 2014 and 28th February 2015 across Australia.

MIGAS are part of initiative and have a variety of vacancies for future apprentices.

Apprentice Chef (Sunshine Coast)
The Apprenticeship Company has three vacancies for fulltime apprentice chef positions. Applicants will undertake their certificate III in commercial cookery. For more information and to apply, visit:

Pre-Apprenticeship Course Finder
A pre-apprenticeship course aims to develop skills that can lead to an apprenticeship or traineeship. They are looked at favorably on a resume and are often required for an apprenticeship or traineeship. This course finder allows you to search for a pre-apprenticeship course in a specific region and select an industry group that interests you.

TAFE Brisbane: Bucket List Expo
Saturday 21st February: 10am - 5pm, and Sunday 22nd February: 10am - 4pm @ Brisbane Convention and Exhibition Centre, Hall 1, Corner Merivale and Glenelg Streets, South Bank. Visit the bucket list expo and speak to staff about pursuing further studies after school with a TAFE qualification.

2015 Job Guide is now available online
Visit http://www.jobguide.education.gov.au/ to access information on over 500 occupations in the 2015 Job Guide. In addition, the Job Guide contains information on job seeking skills, learning pathways and apprenticeships. There is also a section for parents with useful suggestions on how to support the career development of their children. The Job Guide is particularly useful for students in Years 10 - 12 who are in the process of exploring their future options.

Police Recruiting Information Seminars for August

Brisbane Information Seminars are held at the Police Headquarters, 200 Roma Street, Brisbane.
- Saturday 7th February, 9:30am - 11am & 1pm - 2:30pm
- Tuesday 10th February, 6pm - 7:30pm
- Wednesday 11th February, 6:30pm - 8pm
- Saturday 14th February, 9:30am - 11am & 1pm - 2:30pm
- Tuesday 17th February, 6pm - 7:30pm
- Wednesday 18th February, 6:30pm - 8pm
- Tuesday 24th February, 6pm - 7:30pm
- Wednesday 25th February, 6:30pm - 8pm
- Saturday 28th February, 9:30am - 11am & 1pm - 2:30pm

Book online at:

Local Council Apprenticeships and Traineeships
Each year many local councils offer apprenticeships and traineeships in a variety of fields. Students interested in undertaking an apprenticeship or traineeship in 2015 should visit their local council’s website for opportunities that may be available.

Applying for Jobs?
An Excellent Resume for Someone with No Experience.
The following article showcases a resume and outlines the features that make it an exemplar resume for a jobseeker without any experience

Capalaba College Career Information
Guidance Officer: Joy Ganter
February 2015
UNIVERSITY NEWS

Planning to study medicine or dentistry?

UMAT 2015
UMAT is a test that is used specifically to assist with the selection of students into the medicine, dentistry and health science degree programs at undergraduate level at the universities listed on the website. Registrations for UMAT 2015 are now open and close 5:00pm (AEST) 5th June 2015. The test takes place nationally on the 29th July 2015. http://umat.acer.edu.au/

Griffith Business Year 12 Program
The Griffith BUSINESS Year 12 Program aims to help students make the transition from the supported framework of school, to the flexible and autonomous nature of tertiary studies. Students complement their high school studies by choosing subjects from one of three strands: Business Management, Commerce, or Tourism, Event and Sport Management. Interested Students must register no later than Friday 6th February. http://www.griffith.edu.au/business-government/griffith-business-school/high-school-community-programs/griffithbusiness/griffithbusiness-year-12-program

Australian College of Applied Psychology: Information Session
Wednesday 25th March, 6pm @ ACAP Brisbane Campus. Find out about the courses offered at ACAP. Take a tour of the campus and speak with staff and students. Register your attendance at: http://www.acap.edu.au/

Martin College: Q&A Night
Monday 16th February, 6pm - 8pm @ Martin College, Level 4, 119 Charlotte St, Brisbane
Find out about Martin College with a presentation from the Head of College and chat with lecturers, enrolment advisors and support staff. Register online: http://www.martin.edu.au/about/events-intakes/q-and-a-night

Queensland University of Technology: Email a Student
If you have a question about any aspect of undergraduate study at QUT, these current students are perfectly placed to give you the lowdown. There are ten students studying a range of subjects waiting to hear from you. https://www.qut.edu.au/study/undergraduate-study/email-a-student

Tertiary Prerequisites 2017 – For Current Year 11s
Last year, the QTAC Tertiary Pre-requisite books were issued to 2014 Year 10s. These booklets list the courses of study available at universities in Queensland with the prerequisites required for entry to tertiary courses for 2017 (the year the current Year 11’s will start their tertiary studies). It can now be accessed on the QTAC website at http://www.qtac.edu.au/Schools/Resources.html OR if you would like a hard copy – call by the Guidance Office.

Scholarship Search
MyFuture has a useful search feature to find scholarships. Visit: http://www.myfuture.edu.au/tools-and-resources/study-or-training-options/scholarshipsearch

Study Assist
Study Assist is an Australian Government program that assists tertiary students with financing their education. This website contains information about the range of government assistance available to students participating in tertiary study. http://studyassist.gov.au/sites/StudyAssist/

Students who wish to discuss options for their future are invited see the Guidance Officer – Ms Joy Ganter. Appointments may be made through the office, in person or by phone: 38239111.

OTHER NEWS

$20 Boss
The Foundation for Young Australians is launching a new initiative to motivate and inspire young entrepreneurs. The $20 Boss program loans secondary school students twenty dollars to start their own business, then through hands-on experience these mini-entrepreneurs will plan, budget, market and run their business idea. School groups or individuals can register their interest online by visiting: http://www.fya.org.au/inside-fya/initiatives/20-boss