## ELIZABETH COLLEGE E-NEWSLETTER

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## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

As parents of Elizabeth College students - welcome. If you are the parent of a student new to the college, we would like to extend you a particularly warm welcome, as you are now part of our Elizabeth College community, a community that's known for being vibrant and friendly. I hope you'll join us on Facebook and get involved in the range of events and activities that will take place over this year.

I am often inspired by students and the way they interact on a daily basis here at the college. Yesterday I was waiting to speak with the eighty or so young people who were gathered to be a part of our annual Drama production. Without any teacher prompts, the Year 12s were showing the Year 11s what to do - and the standard of performance was so high, I felt like I was in the audience of an opening night!

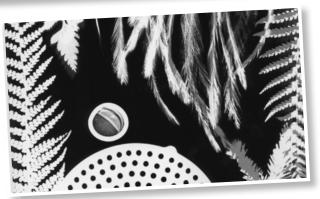
As I visited a number of classrooms later in the day, I saw the same scenario revisited. Young people were focussed and helping each other in the Retail, Makeup and Skincare class, our young scientists were working in teams to examine chemical effects on mass, emerging creative writers were working in pairs to share ideas and the gyms were filled with young people exercising.

I am proud of what we offer here at college and none of this would be possible without the connections we have with students, their homes and the community. I look forward to meeting you at our Parent Group Meeting on 5 March and our Meet the Teacher Evening on Thursday 19 March. I hope you will stay in touch regularly over the year.

Dr Dianne Purnell



Year 12s on their first day of the year



Detail of darkroom work by Kate Loader Photography 2C

## STUDENT AND STAFF ACHIEVEMENTS

• The following students were recognised at the annual TQA awards for outstanding achievement in 2014:

Caitlyn Reardon – Cert II Sport and Recreation

Luke Robertson – Cert II Construction and Cert III Retail **Operations** 

ATAR score of 99.5 or above: Eliza Cropp, Genevieve Stather and Lin Rong Lee

• Elizabeth College Scholarship Winners (Year II & I2):

Isaac Beswick & Joshua Toselli (New Town)

Madeline Burrows & Alice Cox (Ogilvie)

Andrew Duffy & Catherine Grainger (Cosgrove)

Sherry Wang (International)

- Hayden Beltz and Madeline Murphy have won scholarships with the Tasmanian Institute of Sport for 2015.
- Sarah Howells has been awarded the Transition Scholarship and the 2015 Women in Mechanical and Manufacturing Engineering David Beale Scholarship at the University of New South Wales.
- Jesse Bowden has been awarded the Contemporary Music Performance Scholarship to study at the Tasmanian Conservatorium of Music
- Rhys Gray has received the Don Kay Tasmanian University Scholarship in Music.
- Sue Self, Maurine Upton and John Mainsbridge have celebrated 25 years' service, receiving a special presentation from the Department of Education.

## UPCOMING DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Thursday 5 March Parent Group meeting, 5pm Friday 6 March Japan Tour deposit due Tuesday 10 March Student Free Day -Teacher Quality Assurance

Thursday 19 March Meet the teacher evening

Thursday 26 March Prize Night



