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EC students on Miyajima Island, Japan.

The Japan tour was an amazing experience for everyone involved. We thoroughly enjoyed the busy city of Hong Kong (especially Disneyland), and in Hiroshima we made many friends among the students of Inokuchi High School. Even our short time in Kyoto was fulfilling and fun. We were all changed by this trip, and will remember it forever. (Rosalie Waldock)

### From the Principal

Welcome to Term 3! I hope everyone enjoyed their break and that students are ready for the mid-year assessment period. For each subject, students will have either an exam or major assessment task. Please assist your son/daughter in meeting the requirements of these assessments as they are an important component of their final assessments. The exams are practice for the end of the year and are an important part of the learning process for students.

I was fortunate to spend some of my holidays with the college group that travelled to Hong Kong and Japan to visit our sister school in Hiroshima. We had a wonderful time and through homestays were able to truly experience Japanese culture. If you are a parent of one of the students who went on this study tour you should be very proud of them. They were a pleasure to travel with and were wonderful ambassadors of Elizabeth College and Australia. We are now looking forward to the students from Japan arriving next week to spend a couple of weeks in Tasmania.

I encourage students interested in our study tours for 2014 to put in an expression of interest before the end of term.

Term 3 is another busy term with Orientation Day for Year 10s, the assessment period, Science week activities and enrolments for Year 11s into Year 12 for 2014 later in the term.

From this newsletter you can see the many achievements of our students and wish to congratulate all of them as well as wish all our students success in all their upcoming assessment tasks.

**Dr Dianne Purnell, Principal**

### Elizabeth College Orientation Day

This will be held on Monday 29 July 9.00am – 2.45pm. EC will be offering Year 10 students a Taster Program for those intending to enrol for 2014. Students will participate in classes and other activities on the day. Non-feeder schools students are invited to take part. If you are interested in attending the College Orientation Day and have not yet filled in an enrolment form, please come to the College Office at 8.30am on the day.

### Student Accommodation

The end of the year is coming up fast. If you want to get the most out your academic year and need settled accommodation, then come and have a look at Springvale. We have immediate vacancies in single rooms. We would welcome short term boarders (e.g. for a term or part of a term), or boarders who only want to stay one or two nights a week. Check us out at [www.springvalehostel.com.au](http://www.springvalehostel.com.au) or find us on Facebook, or call the hostel - 0362 281 282.

### Elizabeth College Parent and Community Group

The next meeting of this group will be held on Wednesday 7 August. The group supports and provides feedback on College programs and initiatives. We would welcome your involvement and input.

### Upcoming Dates for Your Diary

29 July	Orientation Day
30 July - 7 Aug	Mid year Assessment Period
31 July - 12 Aug	Inokuchi Sister School visit
12 - 16 Aug	Science Week
01 Sept	Mt Hotham ski trip departs
04 Sept	Reports distributed in Home Groups
12 Sept	Parent Teacher Evening
20 Sept	QA Day - student free day
27 Sept	End of Term 3

### Student and Staff Achievement

- Congratulations to all students who recently competed in the Hobart Eisteddfod and the Southern Tasmanian Dancing Eisteddfod.
- Noah Casey has been popping up recently in a number of guises - Santa, a pirate, and a prince who couldn't laugh.
- Kathryn Ellis and Peter Legg were selected for the United Nations Youth National Conference in Sydney and Australian Schools Debating Championships in Canberra.
- Hugh Nicklason (2nd) and Zoe Moss (5th) performed very well at the All Schools Cross Country on July 2nd.
- Sarah Howells recently competed successfully in the International Robo Cup 2013 in The Netherlands.
- In the 2013 Hanyuqiao State Chinese speaking competition eight students from EC competed in Poetry, Conversation, Speech and Cultural Performance. Kirstein Munday, Lily Barnett and Teshia Kelly won first, second and third place in the Poetry category; Stephanie Whitton achieved third place in the Conversation category; Sarah Howell and Wesley Rietveld received honourable mentions in the Speech and Cultural Performance category.
- Adam Coleman former Elizabeth College student recently debuted for the NSW Waratahs in rugby union.
- DRILL's latest dance work, REBELLION, features Elizabeth College student Jayde Seymour.
- Michael Graham-Smith was chosen to umpire in an international Under 19 cricket series in Darwin in late June and early July.

### Tips for Dealing with Exams

1. Don't cram before the Exam
2. Avoid stressful people
3. Eat well
4. Watch caffeine intake
5. Prepare to be prepared
6. Check exam time
7. Sleep
8. Focus during the exam
9. Start strategically
10. Spoil yourself after the Exam

Student Services provides students with support and counselling or help with exam stress, study techniques or coping with disappointing exam results later. No appointments are needed during recess or lunch – for any other time book a time via the front office.

### International Study Tours 2014

We have planning to have international study tours to Italy, China (preference given to students studying Chinese), Vanuatu and Japan in 2014. If you are interested in finding out more about any of these tours an expression of interest form can be collected from the office to get you on our database to obtain more information.

### 13th Annual National Science Week, Elizabeth College - "A Century of Australian Science - Science is Forever"

Events will include students presenting practical lessons to parents and member of the community, workshops for Grade 8 students and a range of activities presented by Elizabeth College students for K - 6 students.

### Debating Final Win

Elizabeth College I defeated Collegiate in the grand final of the college debating competition. Congratulations to the team of Kathryn Ellis, Julian Duyst and Eli Cropp. Timekeeper/announcer was Peter Legg. Kathryn Ellis won the award for the best debater in the competition.