Elizabeth College e-newsletter

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Leader of the Pack.

From the Principal

Here we are almost at the end of Term 2 and what a busy term it has been!

I would like to congratulate all the students (76 of them) and staff who were in our musical production this year of *Leader of the Pack*. The show was an outstanding success and I have had many phone calls and emails from patrons who were blown away by the performance.

Next week I head off with teachers, Stewart Gordon and Deidre Smythe and some very excited students to visit our sister school in Hiroshima Japan. We have had a sister school relationship with Inokuchi Senior High for fifteen years. Expressions of interest for a number of international study tours next year will be called for next term.

In the second week of next term we will hold our Orientation Day for Year 10s followed by our Mid Year Assessment Period. Parents /carers will receive a letter home soon outlining the requirements of students during this time. Your son/daughter will have either an exam, classes or major assessment task to complete during the assessment period and support is provided on campus by teachers and through the library.

With Term 3 we have a number of teachers on leave but have been very lucky to find some high quality replacement teachers. If you have any queries about any of the changes in teacher for your son or daughter please do not hesitate to contact the College.

Dr Dianne Purnell, Principal

Stage Band in Mt Gambier

The EC Stage Band, eagerly set off for a wonderful weekend at the 'Generations In Jazz' festival at Mount Gambier in May. It was the first time in over twenty years that a Tasmanian school has been represented at this festival and it was a real buzz to be part of this amazing musical event. The whole group were outstanding ambassadors for EC.

Staff changes

All of Term 3

Ben Payne: Luke Yates will take Electronics, Science of the Physical World and Home Group. Deidre Smythe will take Physics and Will Walker Physical Sciences. Luke will take Will's Maths Methods Foundation, John Schuringa, Deidre's Maths Applied class and Angie Broadby, John's Intro to Soc and Psych class.

Jeffrey Thornton is moving to the mainland. We are sad to see him leave and wish him all the best in his new adventures. Jeffrey's Electronics 3 class will be taught by Luke Yates and his Audio and Contemporary Music class will be taught by Jonathan Cavenagh.

First few weeks of Term 3

Nicole Harstead: Elga Skrastins will take Sociology and Rebecca Wilson Dance.

Rebecca Harrison: Sue Ball will take English Studies

Dale Chen: Susan Oakden will take Business Studies, David Webster, Legal Studies 3 and Angie Broady, Legal Studies 2.

Susan Marshall: Mark Philips and Dana Gerke will take Work Readiness, **Jennie MacDonald:** will be managing the Library and Jonathan Cavenagh will take Music 3.

Upcoming Dates for Your Diary

EC Careers Expo
End of Term 2
Term 3 begins
Orientation Day for year 10 students
Assessment Period
Science Week
Inokuchi Sister School visit
Mt Hotham ski trip departs
Reports distributed in Home Groups
Parent Teacher Evening
QA Day - student free day
End of Term 3

Blood Drive

The Elizabeth College Annual Blood Drive was held again this month and culminated in a fantastic result of 54 new donors and 162 lives saved! Well done everyone! If you are interested in donating and adding to our tally, contact the Red Cross Blood Service and ask to be added to the Elizabeth College Group.

Careers Update

- UMAT (Undergraduate Medicine and Health Sciences Admission Test) will be held on 31 July.
- University enrolments open around the end of July and close on 30 September. Late fees apply for interstate university applications.
- Tasmania TAFE can place your name on a waiting list for a course you may be interested in by phoning 1300 655 307
- ADFA is holding an information session at Anglesea Barracks on 23 July from I - 2pm.
- Elizabeth College CAREER EXPO: Tuesday 2 July from 9am to 12.30pm in the Gym

Contact Dale Chen on 6235 6540 or <u>dale.chen@education.tas.gov.au</u>u for further information about careers/future pathways or any of these items.

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.

International Study Tours 2014

We hare planning to have international study tours to Italy, China (preference given to students studying Chinese) and Japan next year. 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.

EC Career Expo

This will be held in the College Gymnasium on Tuesday 2 July from 9am to 12.30 ALL Elizabeth College students will have the opportunity to attend.

The main features of the Expo include displays from:

- Further education providers e.g. TAFE and UTAS
- Apprenticeships and traineeship providers
- Major employer groups MyState, Defence, Police, HIA, Tax Dept, Beauty Therapy and the Travel Studio
- Community groups AFS, the Electoral Commission, Volunteering Tasmania and Red Cross.

Students will be able to engage with these participants to help explore opportunities for their future pathways.

Debating Semi final Win

Elizabeth College I defeated Hutchins in the semi-final and are into the Grand Final next Wednesday night. The winning team was Kathryn Ellis, Eli Cropp and Ella Thain. Well done team!

Parent Permission Booklets

Thank you to all those parents who have returned these. Please return any outstanding booklets before the end of this term



