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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

As I spoke with parents during our recent Meet the Teacher Evening, I was reminded of the complex challenges faced when raising young adults. We want to allow our young people independence, but at the same time we know how important it is that they achieve in their studies to have happy and successful futures. Are they keeping up with their assignments? Do they have too much freedom? Are they reaching their potential?

All of these questions and more were raised in conversations with teachers, and we know that these conversations make a difference. When teachers, students and parents work together closely, we know that students will achieve greater success. Teachers are always keen to hear from you and we have a strong network of support for our students here at the college.

Striving for good results can place extra pressure on our students and developing realistic expectations is an important part of their growth and development over Years 11/12. Good sleep patterns, sharing study time and attending tutorials have proven to be helpful tools in attainment – one of our key goals at Elizabeth College.

Our partnership with you is an important factor in your child's success, so we encourage you to stay in touch with us throughout the year.

Dr Dianne Purnell

HARMONY DAY

EC will celebrate Harmony Day on Wednesday 1 April. A wide variety of activities around the college will help us celebrate Australia's diverse and inclusive culture.



Dianne Purnell talking to parents at the Meet the Teacher evening this month



Computer Graphics and Design student Belle Vechasilp Proposal for a "Seaside Cottage Seymour"

STUDENT AND STAFF ACHIEVEMENTS

- Maths and Psychology teacher John Schuringa recently came second in the 30 – 39 male age group in the 32 Km Hydro King Island Imperial 20 Challenge. John also gained an HD for additional studies in Mathematics at UTAS in 2014 and is hoping to continue with this success this year.
- Brenda Verasdonck, who completed Year 12 in 2014, has been invited to apply to be part of the Australian delegation to the 2015 Asian Science Camp as a result of gaining a High Distinction in the Big Science Competition senior paper in 2014.
- Stephanie Wickham will travel to Spain in August to represent Australia in the world under 19 underwater hockey championships.
- The Athlete Development AFL team was victorious against Newstead in Launceston. A rematch is scheduled for later in the year.

HAPPY EASTER!

The staff at Elizabeth College wish you a safe and happy Easter.

UPCOMING DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Wednesday 1 April	Harmony Day
Thursday 2 April	End of Term 1
Friday 3 - Sunday 19 April	School Holidays
Monday 20 April	Start of Term 2
Thursday 7 May	Parent Group Meeting 5.00pm, Library
Friday 8 May	Alumni Quiz Night
Wednesday 13 May	Reports to Students
Thursday 14 May	Assessment Information Forum, 5.30pm, Theatre
Tuesday 19 May	Parent Teacher Evening