From the Principal

In 2013 we have welcomed to Elizabeth College over 1000 day students and another 290 night students who are part of our Athlete Development Program. I am proud of how most of our students have transitioned to College life and this is in part due to the work of our transition teams working in partnership with Year 10 coordinators and pathway planners in our associate schools. We have also welcomed eight Brazilian students to the College and what wonderful ambassadors for their country they have been. It is such a pleasure to have them at College. We have had a busy start to the year with students settling into their subjects as well as participating in a number of extra curricula activities. This newsletter showcases the many enrichment activities offered to our students that help them develop new skills, make new friends and prepare them to be part of a global community.

We are still getting our heads around four terms, and this term seems to have gone so quickly with events such as Harmony Day, International Food Festival, Parent Group Meeting, Meet the Teacher Evening, Outdoor Education Camps, ECAAD Camp, the first performance for the year of Hanging onto the Bottom of the World as well as our 2012 Prize Night.

Prize Night was one of those great occasions where we get to celebrate our young people – their achievements, their perseverance and their successes as they develop as young adults. Our Past Scholar and guest speaker, Frances Bevan, was an inspiration to us all. Congratulations to Will Maher, our Dux for 2012, and to all our award winning students. Throughout the evening we were entertained by the College Stage Band, which includes a number of students heading off to Mt Gambier to participate in the Generations in Jazz. We wish them well during their time away. We were also given a taste of what to expect from our College Musical this year Leader of the Pack. All in all it was a wonderful evening.

With Term Two starting soon, we hope that all students have now settled into the subjects that they will be in for the remainder of the year and will attend all classes and meet assessment deadlines. All students under 17 years of age are required to attend full time education and our aim is for every student to successfully complete Year 12 and obtain their Tasmanian Certificate of Education. Our College prides itself on the support it provides students. Parents and students can make an appointment with a teacher, Home Group teacher or counsellor at any time to assist students make their time at college successful and to prepare them for life after college.

I encourage all parents to be involved in their child’s education in whatever way they can. This may be by discussing with your child their progress at College, attending an Elizabeth College Parent and Community Group Meeting or coming along to a Parent Teacher Evening. I look forward to seeing many of you at our next Parent Teacher Evening on the 28th May.

Dr Dianne Purnell
Principal

Welcome to all parents and friends of the Elizabeth College Community for 2013. The Elizabeth College Parent and Community Group (ECPCG) had our first meeting of the year in March. We would warmly welcome parents and friends to the next meeting.

This is an opportunity to find out more about the diverse range of programmes being offered through the year at EC, plans for future developments and to support your family and the College. We will meet in the Library at 4.30 pm on Wednesday 15 May.

Jo Bilson
Chair ECPCG
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**Award for Excellence in Natural Science**
Joshua Hardy, Sam Monaghan

**Mathematics**

- Workplace Maths 2C: Chloe Hinds, William Wylie, Natalie King, Guangyi Li, Ebony Geyer, Lachlan Marshall, Lewis Ponting
- Maths 2C: Saranya Costa, Nicholas Curtain, Christopher Neasey, Lachlan Marshall, Devika Remash, Clare Henry
- Maths Foundation 2C: Nicole Lewis, Katelyn Davy, Ebony Geyer, Alexander Beswick, Laura Tulip, Alexander Beswick
- Maths Specialised 3C: Clare Henry

**Physical Science**

- Science of the Physical World 2C: Joseph Strutt, Nicholas Curtin, Thomas Halbe, Thomas Schap
- Physical Sciences 3C: Ebony Geyer, Clare Henry, Lachlan Marshall, Luke Oliver
- Science of the Physical World 2C: Clare Henry
- Science of the Physical World 2C: Katelyn Davy

**Studies of Society and Environment (SOSE)**

**Business Studies**

- Business Studies 2C: Amy Carnes
- Business Studies 3C: Patrick Schwaiger
- Accounting 3C: Milhir Gandhi
- Economics Society of Australia (Tas Branch) Prize for Economics 3C: Andrew Lonergan, William Maher, Edward Pitt
- Ancient Civilisations 3C: Imogen Rowe
- Modern World History 3C: Eliza Archer, Eliza Murphy, Luke Oliver, Hayden Parker
- Legal Studies Foundation 2C: Amber Delanty
- John Kable QC Memorial Award for Outstanding Achievement in Legal Studies 3C: Patrick Cordwell, Jillian Keogh, Eliza Murphy
- Studies of Religion 3C: Audrey Clarkson
- VCE Philosophy: Millicent Austin
- Religion and Philosophy Foundation 2C: Laura Tulip
- Award for Excellence in the Humanities: Eliza Murphy
- Sociology 3C: Ellyn Carter, Patrick Cordwell
- Introduction to Sociology and Psychology 2C: Campbell McGown, Mikayla Absolom
- Working With Children 2C: Chloe Bennett, Sophie Bennett, Caitlin Eyles
- Award for Excellence in Behavioural Studies: Tania Brooks, Patrick Cordwell
- Art Production 3C: Ellie Paine, Brittany Watson, Caitlin Scaife
- Introduction to Sociology and Psychology 2C: Lydia Connolly, Jack O’Sullivan
- Art Production Foundation 2C: Brianna Bone, Ebony Somerville
- Technical Production 2C: Rhiannon Jackman
- Contemporary Music Studies 2C: Brianna Bone, Ebony Somerville
- Audio Design 3C: Ellyn Carter, Eliza Murphy, Imogen Rowe
- Music 3C: Andrew Lonergan, William Maher, Mihir Gandhi
- Advanced Music - Foundation Practical Study UTAS 3C: Rebecca Riley
- Drama - Technical Production 2C: Katelyn Davy, Rebecca Riley
- Theatre Performance 3C: Raine Paul
- Steven Hurst Memorial Music Prize: Samantha Lush, Jeremy Pyefinch
- Award for Contribution to Drama: Rachael Mirk, Rebecca Riley
- Award for Excellence across Performing Arts: Ellen Roe, Jordan Kerr
- Rebecca Riley

**Science of the Physical World 2C**

- Access to Work and Training: Jacqueline Browning, Chloe Hinds
- Automotive: Arlyn Kelly
- Community Services - Children’s Service: Cassandra Coad, Caitlin Fogarty
- Construction: Matthew Palmer
- Hospitality: Kirsty Whitbread
- Sport and Recreation: Silvio Aragon, Megan Guy

**The following prize winners in VET Program were presented with their awards at VET Graduation in December 2013**

**Flexile Learning**

- Award for Excellence in Flexible Learning: Campbell McGown

**English**

- English Applied 2C: Aleisa Burden, Vaughan Smith, Elizabeth Morrison, Nikola Talbot
- English Writing 2C: Lillian Duncan, James Wardlaw-Kelly, Megan Hills, Olivia Howard, Amy McGinn
- English Studies 3C: Zoe Cooney, Kathryn Ellis, Sophie Roberts, Kate Spotswood
- English Writing 3C: Kate Spotswood
- Award for Excellence in English: Aleisa Burden, Vaughan Smith, Elizabeth Morrison, Nikola Talbot
- ESL 1: Akane Morimoto
- ESL 2: Rian Tarantino-Coutinho
- ESL 3: Xuanyi Zhao

**Languages (Awards to Non-Native Speakers)**

- Italian 2C: Francesca Mascia
- Japanese 3C: Stephanie Whitton
- French 2C: Thomas Halbe
- French 3C: Kathryn Ellis, Ella Thain
- Chinese 2C: Phineas Aldridge, Freya Steel-Wood
- Chinese 3C: Stephanie Whitton
- Special Consideration (Chinese Specialist): Victoria Chen
- Proficiency in Two Languages: Stephanie Whitton

**Literature**

- Award for Excellence in Literature: Campbell McGown

**Health and Wellbeing**

- Outdoor Leadership 3C: Haylee Baier
- Outdoor Education 2C: William Wylie, Kate Choraziak
- Athlete Development Introduction 2C: Emily Miles
- Athlete Development Extended 2C: Madeleine Walker
- Health Studies 3C: Jake Moore
- John Peacock Award for Sports Science Recognition for Service: Jacob Petrakis

**Maths Methods Foundation 2C**

- Access to Work and Training: Jacqueline Browning, Chloe Hinds
- Automotive: Arlyn Kelly
- Community Services - Children’s Service: Cassandra Coad, Caitlin Fogarty
- Construction: Matthew Palmer
- Hospitality: Kirsty Whitbread
- Sport and Recreation: Silvio Aragon, Megan Guy

**Technology**

- Computer Graphics and Design 2C: Ben Cretu
- Computer Graphics and Design 3C: Donald Hoyle
- Computing C - Business: Mitch Gregory, Elyse Jenkins
- Computing C - Business: Lauren McCrossen
- Computer Science 3C: Robert Hilton
- Award for Innovation in Technology: Darcy Paynter, Melanie Cobcroft, Victoria Wickham, Lillian Salter
- Introduction to Catering: Thomas Hardsstaff, Anna Rands
- Food and Cooking Essentials: Aleisa Burden, Nicholas Cripps, Stephanie Jeffreys, Thomas Gillie
- Workplace Maths 2C: Stephanie Jeffreys

**Natural Science**

- Life Sciences 2C: Alex Chen
- Biology 3C: Kevin Chan
- Environmental Science 3C: Alex Chen
- Award for Excellence in Natural Science: Alex Chen
Prize Night 2012

A new award presented at Prize Night 2012 was the James Brown award for Leadership and Academic Excellence. James was a highly regarded student at EC with a bright future who tragically passed away. James’ motivation and passion for knowledge was infectious. He was an inspiration to all who knew him.

We are proud to have had James as a student at Elizabeth College. This award will ensure that he is remembered for his outstanding contribution to EC and his love of learning.

The inaugural winner of this award was Patrick Cordwell.
Teacher Registration Congratulations

Last year three of EC’s teachers, Georgina Perry, Heath Watts and Will Walker, successfully changed their category of teacher registration from Provisional Registration to Full Registration.

The College congratulates these staff members and acknowledges their demonstrated commitment to their profession.

Any person wanting to teach in a Tasmanian school, the Tasmanian Academy or the Tasmanian Polytechnic must have full registration, provisional registration or a limited authority to teach (LAT). It is an offence under the Teachers Registration Act 2000 to teach in a Tasmanian school, Academy or Polytechnic without registration or a LAT.

Registered teachers are required to:
- have appropriate teaching qualifications
- be able to communicate in the English language at a professional level
- be of good character and fit to teach
- observe a code of professional ethics
- continue to participate in professional learning to build knowledge, skill and competence.

Teacher registration promotes community confidence in the work of Tasmanian teachers and validates registered teachers as highly skilled professionals.

Flipped Classrooms

The Mathematical Association of Tasmania is holding its annual conference this year at Penguin High School, in early May.

The theme for this year is “Expanding your Horizons” or to put in another way, using new, innovative but proven approaches to teaching and learning in a Mathematics education environment.

One of the presenters is Helen Cooke, a member of the Mathematics team at Elizabeth College, and one of our Assistant Principals.

Helen will present an innovative approach that she is developing for use by Maths Applied students, using “flipped” classrooms, and the recording of lesson material that can be used for tutorial purposes by students.

Community Aid

Roving morning teas are part of the Staff culture at EC. They provide an opportunity for all staff to come together, enjoy a sumptuous morning tea and also support those not as lucky as we are.

All staff are invited to attend and contribute a gold coin donation.

As a result of these donations so far in 2013 we have purchased (through Oxfam) the following:
- One duck
- Three chickens
- One goat
- Supported a women’s shelter
- Provided clean water to two villages
International students from Brazil

Nine Brazilian scholarship winners are enrolled at EC until July. They are from the Pernambuco Province in Northeast Brazil. They are participating in a range of subjects and extracurricular activities and have settled in very well. Some of them are really enjoying learning the guitar.

While they are here they will have outings to the Bream Creek Show, Russell Falls, Tahune Airwalk, Richmond and MONA.

You can follow the events involving all fifty of the scholarship winners on the BlogSpot that has been created for them by the Department of Education: http://tased-pernambuco.blogspot.com.au/


*Front row:* Camyla Luiz Gomes da Silva, Karine Cassia da Silva, Rafael Alves dos Santos, Larissa Oliveira de Carvalho.

On Being a Host Parent

It happened by default last July… Neighbours experienced in hosting International Students were going to host again for five weeks and there was another student needing a family for those five weeks too.

We thought about who we were, as parents, and how our house was set up. Our own children had left home. We said yes. Our French student arrived and we all happily greeted each other at the airport. She had a snack, a look around and a HUGE sleep. We Skyped her home when she was awake enough.

She was the same as our kids were. A good eater of most things, put most of her washing in the basket, helped when asked but didn’t offer, was fascinated by the range of choice of subjects at EC, began to relax because the pressure wasn’t on to study, was mostly interested in Facebook interaction, was adventurous enough to enjoy outdoor activities, had regular happy or grumpy interaction with her mother back home on Skype and loved to spend money and socialise with the bunch of French and Italian students who were here at the same time. She was a lovely girl and she spoke good English. We got a great vibe from her family. They came to Australia for their two week winter break in January and stayed with us. Of course, we’re going to visit them. They live in the south of France. How great is that!

Now we have a student from Brazil - this time for five months. She has a much lower level of English, and her family speak no English. Our first Skyping experience was full of smiling and thumbs up and the odd hug so they could see we liked their daughter and she was happy! As a result of our language differences we’ve had a few situations which we recall with a smile. We thought she understood about getting home later in the first week of her stay and found out when she arrived home worryingly late that she’d caught the wrong bus, ended up at Huonville and the driver had driven her back to Leslie Vale where we live. She had told me a ‘motorista’ brought her back, and I had visions of her being picked up by an unknown person! My translation app tells me “motorista” in this case meant bus driver. That translation app has been really useful at times. We installed it on her phone so I use English to Portuguese, and she uses the opposite. Her understanding and language development is improving greatly. She’s started to say ‘yep’ – that’s really Australian!

She is enrolled at EC where she is in the Musical Production. We regularly hear beautiful singing coming from the bedroom as she rehearses. She’s very conscientious about homework and we help her often with ESL and French homework. We Skype her family every Saturday morning in Brazil where it is Friday night there. She sits with us and includes us in the conversations with her mother, her father, her younger brother and her elderly grandmother who misses her dreadfully. She has already said she loves Tasmania, and she is going to Skype me every week when she goes back.

You can probably see that we are enjoying our ‘adolescent parenting revival.’

Lindy Howell.
ECAAD Camp

Heated volleyball games, inspirational talks, intense group activities, tug of war and self-defence - what sounds more like a boot camp was in fact ECAAD camp for 2013. It was an amazing two days to relax, gain life lessons, enjoy the beautiful weather, all while spending it with potential life friends.

Richard Grudzien’s love for astronomy really shone as he stood excitedly in front of the class like a little boy at a lolly shop bursting to show the class his amazing findings, each with an insightful story behind it.

Casey Dergess managed to trace back her family heritage finding unbelievable facts and showing just what technology can achieve. This was a fantastic insight on history and inspired us all in a great group discussion.

David Webster showed us a short documentary on drink driving and the effects it can have, impacting not only on David but the entire audience as the room fell silent in complete disbelief.

Every break between activities consisted of intense volleyball games that always ended in devastation for the losing team, or if you wanted a more relaxed rest you could enjoy board games with a cup of juice.

As the weekend came to an end and the 2013 ECAAD camp came to a close, students and teachers couldn’t have wished for anything more - Year 11 and 12’s were completely mixed making new friends and talking like they had spent years together.

**Brodie Moore and Bryce Parker.**
Science links with Taroona High

Olivia Johnson, a Year 12 student at Elizabeth College and a past scholar at Taroona High School was invited to assist at the Taroona Year 9/10 camp held earlier this year and has subsequently been asked to share her snorkelling skills with students completing the ‘exploring the Ocean’ course. She will also be assisting students in their investigation of rocky shore transects.

Olivia commented, “I think this would be a fantastic opportunity as Marine Science is the career path I’m extremely keen to pursue”.

Olivia’s studies at EC have been supporting her in her ambition. Her studies include Physical Sciences, Maths Methods, Sociology, Business Studies, Biology and Chemistry.

Midas Touch

Students recently tried to see if they had “The Midas Touch”, by changing some old coins into “gold”.

Unfortunately what they ended up with was “brass”, an alloy of copper and zinc. The students are photographed as they are on their way to see the College Assistant Principals to see if they will give them gold for their brass.

What’s new this year? - Mini assemblies

As part of our ongoing effort to further celebrate student achievement, the College has been holding Home Group assemblies in the theatre.

While we continue to hold our regular whole College assemblies, these smaller Home Group assemblies allow us to showcase even more student musical items, performances, artworks and student readings.

At these assemblies we also celebrate the achievements of so many students involved in community events and charity work.

As Sophie from Year 11 says, “tis a great way to find out what’s going on around the College. You get to see what others are doing outside College too!”

Our College chaplain, policeman and security officer are an integral part of the events.
Harmony Day 2013
Harmony Day 2013
International Food Festivale
EC Students Shine in Local Theatre

At the Playhouse Theatre, past students worked with Tasmanian director, Don Gay to create the memorable story of the Jewish milkman Tevya, his wife Golde and his five daughters in Fiddler on the Roof. Rachel Mirk, Terri Ryan and Aiden First were involved in this memorable and well received production. Choreography was by Cassie Xintavelonis.

While most students were relaxing over the summer, many of our Performing Arts students were giving up their holiday break to rehearse as part of the Summer School production of The Drowsy Chaperone performed at the Mount Nelson Theatre in late February. On stage Andrew Aisbett shone in his role as the Man in Chair. Jeremy Pyefinch, Ella Cambridge, Taylah Shirley, Noah Casey, Sam Lush, Laura Morrisby were all cast in lead roles and Steven Mitchell and Harris Sari worked as part of the strong ensemble. In the orchestra, Will Maher, Emily Reiper and Clare Henry performed under the skilful direction of musical director, Aaron Powell. Behind the scenes, Nick and Imogen Paine continued to show their commitment to local theatre.

Elizabeth College has built a strong tradition in the Performing Arts through its annual musical productions and extensive music and drama programs. Students leave the College with a love of music, drama and dance and seeing them continue this passion through involvement in local theatre makes us very proud.

Rebecca Wilson.

International Food Festivale

The inaugural Elizabeth College International Food Festivale took place on Wednesday 20th March.

Thanks to the students from the Languages classes who brought along food to share from the country of the language they are studying, and the students from the ESL classes who shared food from their heritage. We sampled a delicious assortment of food.

We also danced the Italian “Tarantella”, we chatted, we played games, and more importantly, new friendships were made.

A great evening was had by all. We are already looking forward to the next one!

See photos on previous pages.

Maths Summer School

At the start of February many students participated in the Maths Summer Schools, to prepare for the year ahead in both Mathematics Methods 3C and Maths Applied 3C.

We took part in classes that revised and consolidated our knowledge of Mathematics, whilst having some fun.

It was a worthwhile opportunity as many people learnt new methods of solving problems and how to use their Class Pad.

During the classes we were able to establish relationships with other students and also the teachers who will further our Mathematics ability during the year.

Some of the cast of ‘As You Like It’ with EC connections: Harley Mason, Tom Byers, Ellen Roe, Katie Robertson, Beck Riley, Raine Paul.

The chances are if you have attended local theatre around Hobart over the past few months you would have seen a number of current and past students treading the boards and working behind the scenes.

In As you Like It a number of past EC students including Harley Mason, Beck Riley, Katie Robertson, Tom Byers and Ellen Roe were skilfully directed by Anica Boulangner-Mashberg. Raine Paul was at EC in 2012 and worked on a number of our shows behind the scenes working on lighting, publicity and marketing and costumes. Once again, she showcased her wonderful stagecraft skill in this production. The season was a great success with only one night being cancelled due to inclement weather.

Rebecca Wilson.
Leader of the Pack

Over the past few weeks students involved in this year’s musical production of Leader of the Pack have been ‘Doo Wah Diddying’, and working on those 60’s moves for ‘River Deep Mountain High’ and have even gone to the ‘Chapel of Love’.

This musical tells the story of Ellie Greenwich, a songwriter from the 60’s who wrote classics such as ‘And Then He Kissed Me’, ‘I Can Hear Music’ and of course the unforgettable tune, ‘Leader of the Pack.’

This is an action packed, toe tapping musical which will transport the audience to a time of go-go boots and minis.

The cast of forty-eight are a talented and dynamic group working extremely hard under the direction of Justain Wagner, Georgie Perry, Jennie MacDonald and Rebecca Wilson, while the band are meeting weekly with Les Johnson to refine the sounds everyone is so looking forward to hearing.

Leader of the Pack is a big show with over twenty two musical numbers, ten lead roles and some huge chorus numbers. The students involved are having a great time and learning many new performance skills to add to their repertoires.

Leader of the Pack opens on 14 June and will run until 22 June in the Elizabeth College Theatre. Look out for further information about how to get your tickets in the next e-newsletter.

You won’t want to miss this show!

Genevieve Stather, Amy Goss, Annie McCann and Samantha Lush preview leader of the pack at EC Prize Night.
Stage Band heads to Mt Gambier’s Generations in Jazz

On the first weekend of May, Jennie MacDonald, Les Johnston and the EC Stage Band will head to Mt Gambier in South Australia to participate in the 2013 Generations in Jazz.

Although the Stage Band isn’t a stranger to performances in Hobart, having played at Prize Nights, Parent Information Evenings, assemblies and countless school concerts, this will be the first time the Stage Band (and possibly any EC music ensemble) has ventured outside the state to perform!

Not only will the trip provide the EC band with a fantastic performance opportunity, they will also have the chance to meet many like-minded musicians and hear a huge range of bands and soloists from many other schools across the country.

There are a number of concerts during the weekend programme that are great opportunities to get a glimpse into the nation’s best musos, as well as seeing some fantastic international artists! James Morrison and his band, Emma Pask, The Idea of North, an a cappela ensemble and Gordon Goodwin and his Big Phat Band are on the bill! The Big Phat Band is an eighteen piece Big Band let by Gordon Goodwin. This will be their only performance in Australia as they are flying out from the USA especially for Generations in Jazz.

Watch this space for a post trip article with plenty of pictures!

Generations in Jazz 2013 is a festival that encompasses the Mt Gambier Stage Band Awards as well as a host of other musical experiences such as the James Morrison Jazz Scholarship and the Generations In Jazz Vocal Scholarship, held from 3rd to 5th May.

Our own Stage Band will perform in the Stage Band section of the competition which sees bands from across Australia come together to compete over a number of divisions with adjudication from highly regarded national and international jazz musicians.
The Elizabeth College Stage Band Summer School continues to go from strength to strength with record enrolments in 2013. Students from fourteen different schools around the state and interstate attended the weeklong program of master classes, improvisation workshops and rehearsals, culminating in an exuberant concert for family and friends.

Students were mentored by a dedicated team drawn from the highest ranks of Australia’s performing musicians. The team included Bob Schultz - Trumpet, Danny Healy - Saxophone, Hamish Houston - Bass, Glen Hodges - Guitar, Dan Sulzberger - Keyboard, Hayden Dare - Trombone, Craig Russell - Trombone, Dean Stevenson - Vocals, Rob Mason - Saxophone and Konrad Park - Drum Kit.

Students were given the opportunity to develop their understanding of swing, Latin and funk styles as well as gain confidence with improvisation in a supportive environment. A series of instrument specific master classes guided students through warm-ups, ensemble playing, section playing, improvisation and technique development.

The Gala concert featured two stage bands performing classic charts such as ‘Children of Sanchez,’ ‘Tiger of San Pedro’, ‘That’s Life’, ‘Sway’, ‘Orange Coloured Sky’, ‘Hey Jude’, ‘Almost Like Being in Love’ and ‘Don’t Get Around Much Anymore’. The standards achieved in the space of one week were remarkable. Staff, parents and the students were understandably proud of what they achieved.

If your son/daughter missed out on these wonderful opportunities this year then put the EC Stage Band Summer School in your calendar for next January.

Email Les Johnston or Jennie MacDonald at Elizabeth College now if you would like to be added to the distribution list for the brochures coming out later in the year. les.johnston@education.tas.gov.au or jennifer.macdonald@education.tas.gov.au.
For the second year in a row an Elizabeth College student has been the recipient of the Clarence Jazz Festival Scholarship.

The 2011 recipients were Emily Reiper and Will Maher (both EC music students) and it was great news that one of the winners in 2012 was our very own Tom Schaap.

Tom is a valued member of the school music community at EC, having been a member of the Stage Band, Concert Band, Jazz/Funk Ensemble and the band from our hugely successful production, Dusty, The Original Pop Diva.

The Scholarship Program offers two young brass or reed players six months of private tuition with UTAS lecturer and performer Alistair Dobson. Alistair is highly regarded on the national stage as an improvising musician, as well as his academic and teaching role in the Tasmanian Conservatorium of Music’s Contemporary Music Department. We are also fortunate to have Alistair working at EC as tutor to our contemporary saxophone students.

As recipient of the scholarship, Tom undertook six months of specialist lessons with Alistair with a strong focus on improvisation. Tom also had the opportunity to rehearse and workshop with the 2012 “Festival Ambassador”, Paul Williamson, a highly respected and well known identity in the Australian jazz scene, and his band.

It's great to see Tom gaining so much experience in a variety of musical circles both within and outside of the school community and continue his adventure into the world of improvised music through this wonderful learning experience.

The Performance students have been rehearsing for Hanging onto the Bottom of the World by Barry Kay.

The play is a comical look at the Federation of Australia and the decisions that were made in the forming of our nation. The cast play several different characters including, Governor Philip, Captain Cook and Queen Victoria.

The Theatre Performance class performed this work in the EC Theatre. It was a wonderful production.
Life Drawing in Action

Jane Diprose’s Line 5 life drawing students, and our life model, Rebecca Tilley work out that, YES, it IS okay to have one eye covered so that we can learn how to control the representation of the foreshortened figure in two dimensional space.

Rebecca Tilley, teacher, professional life model and singer, with the line 5 life drawing class, learning to foreshorten the 3dimensional figure!

Grounds Redevelopment

The Elizabeth College Parent and Community Group (ECPCG) are working with the College on a much needed project to improve the recreational areas for students at the College.

The group is working with the HCC on this project thanks to Lord Mayor, Damon Thomas. We are seeking support from local businesses to help move this project forward.

Rebecca Doblo, who works for the HCC as a landscape architect has drawn up the plans.

If you would like to be part of the project in some way, please contact the current Chair of the ECPCG, Jo Bilson, elizabeth.parent.group@education.tas.gov.au or Elizabeth College Principal, Dr Dianne Purnell dianne.purnell@education.tas.gov.au.

We look forward to the development of an improved environment for our students.
2013 National School Constitutional Convention

The students were fortunate to be addressed by a number of outstanding speakers including Hon Peter Garrett, Governor-General Ms Quentin Bryce, Hon Justice Stephen Gageler – High Court and Ms Casey Keed, an aboriginal ACT Finalist Young Australian of the Year 2013.

Highlights were Question Time, meeting with their local MP as well as meeting the Governor General at Government House. They also visited the Australian War Memorial and the National Gallery.

This was an outstanding learning opportunity for Patrick and a great experience to work with like-minded students.

Supervising teacher Elizabeth Williams said of Patrick “It was a pleasure to supervise such a mature, reliable, co-operative and enthusiastic young man. He was quick to form positive relations with the other students at the Convention and to engage in in-depth and challenging discussion about constitutional reform”.

Well done to Patrick for representing both the State and Elizabeth College so admirably.

English Writing

‘Trees often have a story of their own; they age with us and sometimes outlast us. They return us to the imaginative realms of childhood, and remind us of our own longevity ... and so, lured by the warmth of a lingering summer, we left our classroom and sat under the shade of oaks and silver birch, scribbling in notebooks our musings on the literal and figurative interpretation of trees.’

Greta Lucas (English Writing 3 teacher)

Tree

The tree towers above me, standing heavily on the dry pine bark; five branches sprouting from its base. The tips of some branches remain out of sight, grasping for the sky. As a child this would have excited me, filled me with wonder and joy. This tree would have been an everlasting climb to a wonderful kingdom. I can imagine my younger self climbing it eagerly, wondering how high I can reach, perhaps grasping my supple knee on the rough bark on the way down. Its aged skin also reminds me of childhood memories of my great grandmother; her skin wrinkled much the same. Somehow the deep folds of its skin bring a feeling of human-like weariness and wisdom. Yet its young branches pose a glorious contrast. The tree holds both the joy of youth and the wisdom of age within its winding and grasping limbs, as it aspires towards the sunlight. I wonder how many people the tree has watched pass by? I wonder what it thinks of me? Am I just another student among many; simple and plain, with no experience of age. I wonder if it minds me feeling its deep crevasses and age lines, searching for poetic adjectives and synonyms.

Ella Clifford.

Tree

The tree grows in a corner of the courtyard; the pavement near the base lifted to accommodate its roots. It is rather thin and young-looking, but its roots have begun to crack the surrounding pavement, showing that it is not as youthful as one might think. I do not know its species; it does not look native and is probably deciduous. At this moment it is impossible to tell; it is summer and the branches are covered in green leaves. Its branches grow upwards before dipping back towards the pavement, to the point where its leaves brush the ground.

Millicent Austin-Andrews.
Life After College

Not every person that graduates College knows what they want to do in their life and I am one of those people. I graduated with Dux of Art Appreciation and two letters of commendation, so naturally I decided I’d get myself into Bachelor of Fine Arts. Off to Art School I went... for six months.

When someone tells you “You’re funny”, you can take it one of two ways. You can get shy about it and self-conscious, or you can do what I did and enter comedy competitions. As a finalist for a few years running in Class Clowns, I decided that I would enter in 2011 Raw Comedy. I got nowhere, but at least I entered! Right?

After trying my hardest at Art School, I changed degrees from Fine Arts to a distance Bachelor of Education for Primary School. I thought I would be good at this, considering I’ve been a Scout Leader for many years. It turns out I am not so good at it, and despite achieving credits last semester I feel another change is in the air.

Some of the coolest people in my life at the moment I have only met due to my title of “Miss Perfect Pinup Runner Up 2011/2012” for Tasmania. These are great people, and considering the title I have, I must be the perfect example of “Rocking what you’ve got”. I even went to Sydney to compete. I never thought I’d add ‘Beauty Queen’ to the list of things that I have come close to being.

Being the competition junkie I have written myself out to be, last year I entered the Uniqest Trailblazer ideas and innovation competition. My idea was to bring driving into the university and have the fees deferred onto HECS and I was a UTAS finalist for this idea. I even had talks with companies around Hobart about developing a course to my target demographic.

I’ve started sending in manuscripts for children’s picture books to various publishing companies. I wish I could tell you more about their progress, but publishing folk like to get back to you in their own sweet time (I remain hopeful about being published).

In the same year, I got my part-time-job as a petrol attendant. It’s not a bad job and my boss is amazing at coping with my spontaneity. I also got a motorcycle licence, a scooter and crashed it all in the space of one month. This is not something I recommend to anyone, but if you are considering riding (it’s fantastic), get good gear and don’t skimp on the insurance policy.

So what am I doing at the moment? Well, I entered Raw Comedy again. This time I made it to the finals and performed at the Playhouse Theatre. What an amazing performance space this little theatre is. Truly a Hobart gem!

What next? Well, to be honest I am not sure. Being indecisive certainly has its downfalls but so far I haven’t met any major ones. I’ve tried a lot of stuff lately that once-upon-a-time I would never had and I am trying to be more and more positive about what I have done. Stopping being hard on myself is probably the hardest thing to overcome and I haven’t yet knocked it fully on the head, but I am trying. I guess not knowing is okay, I just have to learn to accept it more.

Nichole Harbottle.

Are you or someone you know a past student or employee of our College?

We have a number of projects planned to establish, develop and sponsor the development of our Alumni.

Membership is open to all former students and staff of Elizabeth High School and Elizabeth College.

To express your interest please send your name, address, phone contact, years when enrolled at the school and email to craig.carnes@education.tas.gov.au
Pilot for a Day

On Sunday 17th March fourteen students had the opportunity to be a ‘Pilot for a Day’ as part of the Enrichment Program at Elizabeth College. The activity was conducted at Par Avion Wilderness Tours, Cambridge.

On meeting at Par Avion, a flying instructor gave the students an introduction to a Cessna 172, the aircraft they would be flying in, plus some introductory flight theory. They then went for a thirty minute flight. During the flight they were instructed in the use and operation of the main controls and had the opportunity to fly the aircraft.

The cost to the students for the activity was $80.00, the remainder being subsidised by the College. This makes it excellent value for anyone wishing to try flying. The weather conditions for the day were good and students had aerial views of Ralphs Bay.

The group involved had varying degrees of exposure to flying prior to embarking on this activity. One participant had never been in an aircraft before, hence this activity was a very steep learning curve for him, whilst another student who is currently undertaking pilot training used this opportunity to practise circuit work as he is very close to going “solo”.

This activity was a great opportunity for students to find out more about the aviation industry either as a career pathway or for recreational flying. A number of students expressed a strong interest in pursuing flying as a career.

For anyone wishing to try this activity, ‘Pilot for a Day’ will be offered again in second term, so watch out for further information through Enrichment.

Our thanks go to the dedicated staff at Par Avion Wilderness Tours who made the day an excellent experience for all concerned.

Mark Phillips.

David Wise and Matthew Morgan.

Huon Frappell and Ben Strohfeld.

Tasma Shrestha and Elroy Yeap.

Tara Stewart, Dain Cairns, Tasma Shrestha and Elroy Yeap.

Erin Foster and Sam Peart.
Elizabeth College Breakfast Program

The breakfast program has kicked off again for 2013 with fifty to sixty students heading along for a free breakfast every week.

The breakfast is open to all EC students and is held every Wednesday morning in the Student Common Room (in H block) between 7.45am and 8.20am, giving students plenty of time before their first class to grab a muffin or some cereal and a hot cuppa!

The breakfast program is only made possible through the generous sponsorship and support of Banjos Bakery Hobart, Hobart Baptist Church and the EC Chaplaincy.

Roxy is Climbing High

Year 11 student, Roxy Perry, has been selected to represent Australia at the World Indoor Rock Climbing Championship in Canada in August.

Roxy recently competed in the NSW and Australian titles where she was ranked first in her age group.

We congratulate Roxy and wish her well at the World Titles.

Tasmanian Youth Science Forum

The Inaugural 2013 Tasmanian Youth Science Forum was attended by Alexandros Best, Claire Elliot and Stephanie Jeffreys. Louis Lanigan-King was also selected but was unfortunately unable to participate. This was a most enjoyable program held in January, supported by UTAS, and Rotary Tasmania.

The report below was provided by Claire Elliot.

The Tasmanian Youth Science Forum was an amazing experience. Over the four day we were exposed to so many unique people and situations, the practical sessions were interesting and the speakers were inspiring. The chance to experience the different sciences before we have to make all our big decisions for university was very helpful.

I really enjoyed visiting the radio telescope. It was interesting learning about how it worked and what it can be used for. I thought it was interesting that NASA gave Tasmania this amazing radio telescope. The history around the telescope was interesting though I’m not sure how I feel about there being human ashes attached to the telescope in a box. The people involved in the work with the radio telescope seemed to be very involved in their research in a way that was inspirational.

I enjoyed the challenges we were set in engineering, trying to build a tower of uncooked spaghetti is hard enough but then we had to balance a marshmallow on the top as well. I thought that my team’s paper boat was beautiful (it won!), not only did it managed to float with all the marbles in it but the cutlery and two mugs too. Not only did these activities give us an insight into Engineering but they also improved our team work skills as well.

The lunch with a young scientist for me was really good. It was interesting to see people who were halfway through their learning and to be able to talk to them about how they got into what they were doing and what they hoped to achieve at the end. I particularly liked talking to Reyne Pullen. He had some interesting ideas and seemed genuinely interested in his chosen field of research, I also found the fact he wanted to be a teacher after his PhD fascinating.

The whole experience was fun and I shall never forget it or the people involved. I think that the Tasmanian Youth Science Forum was a great success and I hope it will continue for many years to come. I would like to thank Rotary for all their effort and support in making the Tasmanian Youth Science Forum such an informative and engaging event.
Derek Muller visits

Derek Muller visited us in early March and entertained a number of Mathematics and Science students with his Physics presentations.

Derek Muller, is one of the presenters on ABC’s Catalyst. He also runs the Veritasium YouTube channel and is an amazing science communicator, as our students discovered.

This visit was organised by College teacher Ben Payne with Sarah Bayne, the Inspiring Australian, Tasmanian Liaison Officer, based at UTAS.

New Maths / Science Staff around the College

We welcome John, Luke and Derek to Elizabeth College, and hope they enjoy their time with us.

**John Schuringa** completed a Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Teaching at UTAS, majoring in Biology and Psychology. He was recognised on the Dean's Roll of Excellence during his university studies. He has taught at several schools, including in London. John has been transferred to Elizabeth College and is currently teaching Maths Applied and Introduction to Sociology and Psychology.

**Luke Yates** is with us for ten weeks while he is studying for a Graduate Diploma of Teaching and Learning from Charles Darwin University. Luke is a graduate of UTAS where he was on the Dean’s Roll of Excellence and received the Australian Institute of Physics Prize for Greatest Proficiency in Final Year of Undergraduate Physics. He then completed Honours Physics followed by research into Mathematical Physics. In addition Luke has skills in French and Italian which he is sharing with our students while he is with us.

**Dr Derek Choi-Lundberg** is a Senior Lecturer at UTAS, who is currently studying part time for a Master of Teaching at UTAS. He has been visiting the college as an observer/volunteer. Derek is a unit coordinator and teacher of gross anatomy and prenatal development, in the Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery degree studied at the Menzies Centre. We have been reliably informed that he knows where every little vein is!
Lunch at Café Tang

As students in the Skills in Work and Training Cert II class we prepared a light lunch for guests on the 28th February between 1.00pm and 2.00pm. It took place at Café Tang, Elizabeth College.

The point of this lunch was so parents and close friends could find out about the requirements of the course that we are enrolled in.

I played the role of the host. I greeted people as they came in and handed out name tags.

After everyone was seated, I made a speech explaining why everyone was invited and gave the guests the opportunity to ask any questions.

The class prepared the food all together. We prepared sandwiches, wraps, dumplings, cheese platters and fruit. Beverages included juice, tea and coffee.

During the lunch, a slideshow was played, highlighting the criteria of the course.

Our guests helped themselves to the food and spoke to the teachers about any queries that they may have had.

At the end of the lunch, all the students helped clean up and made sure no rubbish was lying around.

Samantha Carey.

Brodie Robins at WorldSkills

Brodie Robins was a member of the VET Construction class at EC in 2009. On the completion of his Certificate II in Construction, Brodie was selected for an apprenticeship with Hillcrest Joinery 2010.

Whilst completing his certificate, Brodie undertook work placements at Top Cat Builders and Hillcrest Joinery.

Brodie came to EC from Cosgrove High School. Stewart Gordon his Construction teacher remembers Brodie as a very polite, quiet, focused student with great skills who paid attention to detail and had a keen willingness to learn.

In 2012 Brodie was selected to be a member of the Tasmanian WorldSkills Team which competed in Sydney.

WorldSkills Australia aims to develop and nurture the skills of Australia's youth across traditional trade areas.

Congratulations Brodie on gaining State representation.
Outdoor Leadership

Term One has been very busy for the Outdoor Education team of Steve Cameron and Monica Hayes. The team have successfully completed three camps with two Outdoor Education classes and one Outdoor Leadership class.

The Outdoor Leadership camp was the first overnight trip for the year in early March. This overnight adventure consisted of a half-day ropes’ course and an adventurous day walk. The ropes’ course was held at Fusion’s Adventure Centre in Fern Forest, just outside Kingston.

The course involved several team problem solving challenges and a couple of high ropes' challenges. The ‘leap of faith’ (a leap to reach a trapeze bar situated 4m above the ground) was the highlight.

The next day the group undertook a challenging day walk from Mountain River to Cathedral Rock. As the group traversed the Montague Thumbs, they experienced fantastic views. Overall it was a great team bonding experience.

Students have access under supervision to Chuggy’s Gym during lunch times and can then apply for a ‘gym licence’ which enables them to use the facility before or after School and during free lines. Chuggy’s Gym has a range of training equipment including a variety of ‘Life Fitness’ cardio machines and an extensive array of free weights and other weight training equipment.

Through our Athlete Development Program and other Health and Wellbeing subjects, along with our outstanding facilities, Elizabeth College continues to set the bar high in the Health and Wellbeing area offering fantastic opportunities and outcomes for our students.

Oliver Close.

All in a Spin at EC

Elizabeth College has added a spin room to its range of first class sporting facilities. We have a class set of twenty-four high quality ‘Star Trac’ spinning bikes in a renovated room within the Health and Wellbeing Department. Students from our Athlete Development Program, Physical Recreation classes and the wider student body, through our Enrichment program, have enjoyed the variety that spin has brought to their training.

Chuggy’s Gym, our strength and conditioning centre, is enjoying regular use by our students and staff. Chuggy’s Gym is named in the memory of our late colleague, Chris Chugg, who was an outstanding teacher in the Health and Wellbeing department and a highly credentialed and inspirational weightlifting, body building and strength and conditioning coach.
Outdoor Education

The Outdoor Education Camp – Southern Adventure, was offered to two classes over two consecutive weeks in March.

The camp involved kayaking 6.5kms down the Lune River to Southport Lagoon, camping at Cockle Creek, walking to South Cape Bay, caving at Mystery Creek and relaxing at Hasting’s Thermal Pool. Both groups were very fortunate to experience excellent weather.

The trip provided students with the opportunity to gain technical skills in kayaking, navigation, cooking and safe operations. Students also challenged themselves, bonded with their classmates and generated some fantastic memories – there were many laughs.

Highlights from students in both classes included crawling through the squeezes when caving, viewing spectacular displays of glow worms, getting to know classmates and appreciating what Tasmania has to offer.

The Line 3 Outdoor Education Class was fortunate to enjoy the company of EC Principal, Dianne Purnell. Dianne joined in all activities and excelled – kayaking in river kayaks, bushwalking, playing soccer on the beach and caving. It was great to have her along, and, as a fan of ACDC, she even fitted in well with the rowdy bus rides. Great effort to all involved!
Danielle McConnell recently competed in Perth at the National Track and Field Championships. This was Danni’s last opportunity to compete as a junior.

Danni won the hammer throw with a throw of 58.09m which was a post surgery personal best.

During April, Danni is competing at the Senior National Championships in Sydney.

Danni’s next goal will be to be part of the Australian team for the Commonwealth Games in Scotland and ultimately to go to the Olympics.

We congratulate Danni on her successes to date and wish her all the best for the National Championships in Sydney and in the pursuit of her future goals.

Futsal

The State Futsal Championships were held at the Tasmanian Hockey Centre in March. Five boys teams and one girl’s team represented the College. Each team played three or four games in the qualification rounds and the top two teams in each division played off in the finals.

In the boys division EC had three teams in the finals. In the first semi-final, EC Green defeated EC White to advance to the final. EC Black was defeated by Hobart College in the second semi. In the boys’ final EC green, after a gallant effort, was beaten by Hobart College and collected the silver medal.

The girls’ team, captained by Madi Lee, defeated Hobart College 1 in the semi final and won against Hobart College 2 in the final to win the Championship.

Many of our teams were made up of Grade 11 students who will be looking to participating again in 2014.
Surfing enrichment was held at Clifton Beach this term. Twenty eight students participated. The program was conducted by Coast Rider Surf Academy over two sessions.

One day was a very pleasant 30 degrees day with one to two foot waves. A great day to spend learning to surf!

All participants managed to get to their feet and also enjoyed basking in the idyllic summer conditions at one of Hobart’s beautiful beaches.

Self-Defence Enrichment

This year’s Self-Defence Enrichment has been a huge success. Students who started off as shy, meek and mild students are now taking the class by storm! It has been fantastic to watch the transformation of the students.

The course has been developed and taken by our College policeman, Ben Hughes, assisted by Senior Constable Rod Warrington, who is the Head Police Operational Skills Instructor.

The class aims to teach students assault avoidance skills and ’Party Safe’ skills. It also teaches about the use of force and when it becomes excessive, as well as basic, but effective self-defence skills, (throwing, punching, kicking, defending).

This program will continue in Term 2 and students who would like to join, can enrol at the Enrichment assembly at the start of Term 2.

Boat Licence Enrichment

Early in March, as part of the Enrichment Program, eighteen students and three staff headed down to the Derwent Sailing Squadron to get their boat licence.

We were all a little nervous and not quite sure how we were going to get our ticket in one day!! We were split into two groups. The group I was in did our theory session and test first – talk about a cram session!! Two hours later we were in a boat.

Our instructor took us out on the Derwent in front of Sandy Bay beach and put us through our paces – accelerate to twenty knots and turn as hard as possible!

We then practised man-overboard drills and went to Elizabeth Street Pier to practice docking until we got it right. Talk about baptism by hellfire!

At the end of a totally awesome day, twenty one people had their boat licence and were very happy about it.

One student told me that he had never been in a boat before and the very first time he did, he got his licence to drive one. What a great opportunity for all and thank goodness for the enrichment program!

Students who got their licence were: Mitch Baily, Ryan Barwick, Isaac Godfrey, Jordan Haas, Jesse Holland, Jamie Meaclem, Anya Meure, Brodie Moore, Nicholas Mrzyk, Connor Munnings, Mischa Nester, Tommy Anju, Cameron Weston, Anastasia Tierney, Brad Beauchamp, Emily McArthur, Courtney Chaplin and Rachel Baier.

And the successful teachers were Dianne Purnell, Will Walker and Heath Watts.

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Special Exam Consideration

The TQA provides for special assessment arrangements in examinations to be made for Level Three students who, because of particular circumstances, may be eligible for some assessment provisions. Students who may be eligible will have pre-existing conditions which are likely to fall under the following headings:

- Significant Health Impairment
- Significant Physical Disability
- Learning Disability
- Hearing Impairment
- Vision Impairment
- Refugee Status

A letter was sent to all students and parents in March, 2013, which outlined the application process. Students who feel they may be eligible have been asked to consult with their parents and return their completed application form to Di Richards (Student Services Manager) by March 29th, 2013.

Further information regarding eligibility and evidence requirements can be located from the TQA website: http://www.tqa.tas.gov.au/1470

Levies 2013

Invoices for 2013 Levies have now been sent to all students not in receipt of Student Assistance (STAS). Reminder statements will be posted each month until the account is finalised.

The invoices and statements are issued by the Department of Education and relate to all full and part-time students enrolled at Elizabeth College in 2013.

Levies form a significant part of the Elizabeth College budget, which in turn supports the College’s educational programs. Please support the College by paying your levies in full and on time.

All levies should have been paid by Friday 19th April, 2013 (i.e. End of Term 1). Payment of invoices can be made via BPay, Service Tasmania or direct to the College.

If you were unable to pay by the due date, please contact the College to discuss alternative payment arrangements.

The contact person for this and other queries in relation to levy invoices is Lynne Williams Phone: 6235 6506.

Student Services

Jane Shearing is the EC Youth Worker. Jane can help students with:

- Anything in general that will support students with their education.
- Issues with accommodation.
- Centrelink.
- Relationships.
- Health.
- Course counselling and changes.
- Referrals to community agencies.

Mel Docker is the EC Chaplain. Mel can help students with:

- Spiritual stuff
- A cuppa and chat about something that might be bothering you or just something really great!
- Getting involved to make a difference in social justice and community charities.
- Free breakfast on Wednesday.
- A pack of cards or a board game during a free period or rainy lunchtime.
- And pretty much anything else you can think of!
Good Study Habits

One of the best things you can do to help you make the most of your time at College is to begin by taking care of yourself. In his book *Surviving Year 12*, Dr Michael Carr-Gregg talks about eating smarter, exercise, understanding stress, learning to relax and staying on track as being the keys to a successful PY10 experience.

At the risk of sounding like a nagging parent (and yes I am the parent of a Year 11 student!) here are some tips from Michael’s book which I think you might find helpful.

Maintain a healthy diet as this will increase performance, boost your immune system and help you cope with stress. Avoid too much junk food and eat breakfast e.g. cereal with Omega 3, eggs, fruit and a glass of milk or juice.

Regular exercise will keep you more mentally alert and reduce stress and tension. Please seek advice from your doctor about this if you have existing health problems. 30 minutes or 3 x 10 minutes a day is recommended.

Stress is a part of everyday life. It’s all about balance. Not too little and not too much. There are many things that can add to your stress levels during the college years including: assignment deadlines, exams, finances, parental pressure, part time work, getting your driver's licence and relationships.

Try to keep stress to a minimum or learn some healthy strategies to deal with the stress including relaxation, deep breathing, time-management, talking with your parents, teachers, and friends. College counsellors located in Nangaree can also help here.

Avoid alcohol and drugs. While these may ‘help’ you feel better in the short term they only mask the problem and increase stress.

Getting enough sleep, not too little and not too much, about 8.5 to 9 hours per night is recommended. Start by developing a sleep routine and going to bed at the same time each night and waking at the same time each morning.

Do something relaxing before you go to bed e.g. read a favourite magazine, have a bubble bath, or listen to relaxing music. Avoid sleeping in a bed which is too warm and avoid stimulants such as coffee, nicotine and cola for at least two hours before you go to bed.

Time management - keep a timetable, write a ‘to do’ list every day, try to maintain a balance between study time and recreation and avoid distractions.

To start with it’s a good idea to keep a record of how you spend your time over a typical week. This is called self monitoring and can be a handy way to keep you on track.

If you would like further information or help with any of these tips please make a time to see either myself or one of our student counsellors.

Anna Crocker
School Psychologist
Wednesday and Thursday

Orientation Day

On Monday 29th July, Year 10 students will have the opportunity to visit our College and be involved with a familiarisation and activity program that will introduce them to subjects and programs for 2014.

Students will be able to choose from a range of subjects including English, Science, Computing and Maths. However there will be some fascinating options such as printmaking, producing your own video, tuning an engine or making some fashionable jewellery among with many other activities. The emphasis on the day is for students to enjoy themselves, meet teachers and discover what the College has to offer.

A BBQ lunch and music will be provided. Students will also be invited to participate in basketball, volleyball and other fun games on the deck. If you feel like a chat and a wander about, talk with Ben, our College police officer and John, our security guard or have a look at the subject and educational displays in the library.

Enrolment information will be sent to Year 10 coordinators later in Term 2.

The College looks forward to meeting prospective students in July.

Further details available from Assistant Principal, Craig Carnes by phoning 6235 6502 or emailing craig.carnes@education.tas.gov.au.
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**Elizabeth College Playgroup 2013**

**Tues 9.15 - 10.45**
**Wed 9.30 - 11.00**

*All children from birth to 5 yrs welcome*

*Bring a hat and a piece of fruit for a shared morning tea.*

*Cost is $4.00 per sessions per family*

*Phone Nicki on 6235 6533 for more information*