



Students at the Commendation Morning Tea with Dianne Purnell.

From the Principal

It is hard to believe that Term 4 classes are almost over and students are completing internal and some external assessments, as well as preparing for written exams that start on the 11 November. Students will have received their internal assessments and be working closely with teachers to prepare for their final assessments in each of their subjects. Please do not hesitate to contact the college if you feel your son/daughter needs additional support over the coming weeks. All our staff including our wonderful student services team are available to assist in whatever way they can.

In this newsletter you can again see the wonderful achievements of our students. This week we have our Vocational Education and Training (VET) Graduation and I look forward to celebrating the successes of these students with their families. Next week we will have our end of year assembly which will be a celebration of the year including the recognition of the many achievements of our students. We will also farewell our Year 12s and wish them well on their future pathways. We ask that they keep in contact with us in the future to let us know how they are going.

Earlier this week, the Hon Nick McKim, Minister for Education and his advisor Terry McCarthy toured our Science facilities and were very impressed, not only with our science facilities, but also with the high standard of art work being displayed for final assessment, which they passed during their visit.

We welcome all parents to come along and view our student art exhibition WHAM on 13 November and other student exhibitions as listed in this e-news. I would also like to invite any parents who might be interested in being involved in our parent group next year to come along to our final meeting for this year on the 6 November to find out about what the group does and how you can contribute. I wish all students the very best in their final assessment and for the future.

Dr Dianne Purnell, Principal

Student Services Intranet Page

We are excited to be launching our new Student Services intranet page. This can be found at: <https://education.tas.edu.au/academy/elizabeth/intranet/student/Pages/Student-Services.aspx>. The page provides information to students on a whole range of support services such as study tips, how to manage stress, relationships, future pathway options and outside service providers. Our student services team can also be accessed directly from the site.

Parents and friends are invited to attend the following events:

- **Dance 3 Practical Examination Performance** - Monday 4 November, starting at 7.30pm in the Elizabeth College Theatre.
- **Opening of WHAM Exhibition** - Visual Arts student work - Wednesday 13 November, 5.30pm, in B block - Elizabeth College.
- **Techno Exhibition** - technology students' work for the year on display, lower level T block, Wednesday 13 November 5.00pm - 8.00pm

Elizabeth College Parent and Community Group

The next meeting of this group will be held on Wednesday 6 November. There is more information about this group at <http://education.tas.edu.au/academy/elizabeth/Pages/Parent-Group.aspx>

Upcoming Dates for Your Diary

04 Nov	TQA Oral exams begin
06 Nov	Parent and Community Group Meeting
07 Nov	VET Graduation
08 Nov	Last day of classes
11 Nov	TQA written exams begin
13 Nov	WHAM and techno exhibitions at College
22 Nov	TQA exams conclude
13 Dec	Last day for teachers
20 Dec	College office closes for the year at 11.30am

Student and Staff and Achievement

- Claire Elliott came second in the State Gymnastics Championships (level 4-7).
- Elizabeth College won the team event in the Upper Secondary Category at the Burnie Ten. David Webster ran 10km for the first time.
- Felicitations and congratulations to Lin Rong Lee who earned 3rd place in the recent Concours D'Entrecasteaux. Lin Rong won a place in the finals by completing reading and listening comprehension and writing in French. In the finals she was required to speak in French about herself and about early French explorers who visited Tasmania.
- Deborah Beswick was named Teacher of the Year - Secondary and was also nominated in the Secretary's award for Outstanding Contribution to the Department at the recent RBF DoE Awards.
- Madeline Spencer, an Environmental Science student, is joint winner of the Senior 1st Prize in the TSTS (Tasmanian Science Talent Search) in the Science Inquiries section for her work on Water Pollution and the Health of Suburban Waterways.
- Hannah Foster, Isabella Young, Sarah Howells, Joshua Hniat, Hugh Tabart and Andrew Reading were awarded silver medals in the National RACI Titration Finals held at UTAS in October.
- Michael Graham-Smith, will be making his first class (Sheffield Shield) debut at the MCG, Victoria vs. NSW, at the end of next week.
- Jordan Kerr has gained a position in the Sydney Symphony Orchestra's composition education program. He will work with program director Richard Gill. Jordan was also the winner of the Tasmanian Symphony Orchestra composition competition for writing a piece for strings. This was performed by the TSO recently.
- Congratulations to Peter Wagg for 40 years of service and Marg Pinkard and Anna Crocker for 25 years of service.
- Eliza Cropp won the State Award for the Year 11-12 section in the 2013 National History Challenge.
- Tom Schapp, Mathew Olivier, Jordan Kerr, Alastair Boon, Lawrence Churches, Naomi Dieckfoss and Ben Pasanen entertained participants at the recent DOE state-wide Leadership Symposium.
- Congratulations to past student Chris Coleman winner of the Telstra Road to Discovery performer Category 2013. Hear Chris' song at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=inRhXbAryYo>.

Enrolment Sessions Information

New Town High School, Monday 11 November, 9.00am – 12.00pm
Non-feeder Govt schools, Tuesday 12 November, 9.00am – 12.00pm
Non-Govt schools, Tuesday 12 November, 12.00pm – 3.00pm
Evening session open to all, Tuesday 12 November, 5.00pm – 6.30pm
Cosgrove High School, Wednesday 13 November, 9.00am – 11.00am
Ogilvie High School, Friday 15 November, 9.00am – 12.00pm

TQA examination and assessment information

All information about TQA final assessments including the exam timetable, what to do in the case of illness and release of results can be found on the College website: <http://education.tas.edu.au/academy/elizabeth/Pages/Home.aspx>

Hair at EC in 2014

Elizabeth College musical for 2014 is *Hair*. The musical follows 'The Tribe', a group of politically-active, long-haired "Hippies of the Age of Aquarius" fighting against conscription to the Vietnam War. With unforgettable tunes, strong ensemble and many roles this is going to be one musical people won't forget. For more information see Rebecca Wilson in E Block or contact 6235 6518.