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The band was once again one of the highlights at the end of term assembly.

# From the Principal

Welcome to the end of Term 3, another busy term with assessment and reports for staff and students. It was good to see so many of you at Parent Teacher last week and I hope the meeting with teachers has helped your son/daughter to prepare for the remaining weeks of college.

Whilst holidays are upon us, exams are not too far away and so for many students they will need to use some of their holidays to prepare and revise for final assessments.

Most Year 11's have now enrolled for 2014 and Year 12's have started to prepare for further education, training or work in 2014. Our cluster assemblies this term have focused on future pathways with guest speakers giving students advice on resumes and interview techniques.

In Term 4 we welcome a new Assistant Principal to our team, Andrew Kerslake. Andrew has come from Rosny College and brings a wealth of experience in supporting students and we look forward to working with him.

If you have the opportunity to have some holiday time with your son/daughter, enjoy, as we know Term 4 will be a challenging one for many students. Our Student Services staff and all staff are here to help so please do not hesitate to contact us if you think your son/daughter needs additional support in these final weeks.

We are finalising itineraries for our overseas trips to Vanuatu, China, Japan and Italy and will be holding parent information evenings about these trips in week 2 Term 4. There are still places in all trips so if we have any other interested students they need to fill out an EOI in week I Term 4.

Happy holidays!

# Dr Dianne Purnell, Principal

# Parents and friends invited to attend the following events:

- **Drama 3 Practical Examination Performance** Monday 21 and Tuesday 22 October, at 5.00pm, Elizabeth College Theatre, gold coin donation.
- Theatre Performance Students perform Daisy Pulls It Off, a girls' adventure story set in England in the 1920's Sunday 27 October at 3.00pm, Monday 28 and Tuesday 29 October at 7.30pm, Elizabeth College Theatre, \$10 adult, \$5 student/concession.
- Dance 3 Practical Examination Performance Monday 4 November, starting at 7.30pm, Elizabeth College Theatre.
- Opening of WHAM Exhibition Visual Arts student work Wednesday 13 November, 5.30pm, B block, Elizabeth College.
- Music Performance of pre-tertiary Music students 20th October, 2.30pm at St Johns Church, New Town.

#### **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**

**14 Oct** Term 4 begins

24 Oct Royal Hobart Show Day holiday

**04 Nov** TQA oral exams begin

**06 Nov** Parent and Community Group Meeting

08 Nov Last day of classes
11 Nov TQA written exams begin

## Student, Staff and Former Student Achievement

- TSO Composer Award Elizabeth College student, Jordan Kerr has been announced as the winner of the Tasmanian Symphony Orchestra's Secondary Composition Competition for his work entitled All Hallow's Eve. We really look forward to hearing the orchestra perform his work on 31 October. Well done Jordan!
- Maths teacher, Michael Graham-Smith has been appointed to the National Umpiring Panel and will be umpiring Sheffield Shield, Ryobi Cup and Big Bash League matches this season.
- EC Squash team of Thomas Warrington, Patrick Schwaiger and Koh Kawaguch won the final for Division 3 last Friday night.
- Congratulations and best wishes to Oliver Close coach of the Van Diemen's Women's hockey team. The team begin their National Tournament on 27 September at the Tasmanian Hockey Centre at New Town. Come along and see some top hockey.
- Library Staff have been stepping out in style. The seven member team
  has come in the top 10% of the world (37,000 teams) in the Global
  Corporate Challenge and 4th in the DoE rankings.
- Achievers in the Australian Mathematics Competition 2013 were:
   High Distinction -TJ Halbe
   Credit Saranya Costa, Allister Mitchell, Darcy Paynter, Thomas Schaap, Joshua Beltz, William Page, Emily McGinniss, Stephanie Jeffreys, Madeline Spencer.
- The Badenvilles, all former EC students, are part of Triple J's unearthed project this year. The band comprises Ben Naismith, Gordie Cleeland, Nick Dewey and Grace McCallum on vocals.

## **Combined Colleges Concert Band Performance**

On Monday 23 September 24 Elizabeth College music students took part in the Combined Colleges Concert Band Performance at the Conservatorium. The Elizabeth College Stage band performed in the first half of the program and many of these students then performed with students from other colleges as part of the Concert Band. Special thanks to Les Johnston who co-ordinated this worthy program and was conductor for the Concert and Stage Bands. Another wonderful night of musical talent!

## Help for young people and their families

At this time of the year, students are often starting to feel tired and the school holidays provide an opportunity for them to rest and recharge. The end of term can be an exciting time for some young people however for others it is a time when stress and tiredness can lead to struggles with mental health. If you have any concerns about your child, you can contact any of the services below:

- Headspace Hobart is a service for young people aged 12 to 25.
   You can contact them by calling (03) 6231 2927 or at headspace.org.au/headspace-centres/headspace-hobart.
- Eheadspace provides online counselling and telephone support to young people aged 12 to 25. Contact them by calling 1800 650 890 or at <a href="mailto:eheadspace.org.au">eheadspace.org.au</a>.
- Lifeline is a 24-hour telephone counselling service phone 13 11 14.
   www.lifeline.org.au has other online information and referral services.
- Kids Helpline is a 24-hour telephone and online counselling service for young people aged 5 to 25. Call on 1800 55 1800 or see the website kidshelpline.com.au.

#### **International Study Tours 2014**

We are 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.

