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Whole School

From the Head of Junior School

Junior School Concert

Junior School families are reminded that our concert – *We've Got Character* will be held next Tuesday 22 August. All students in Years 1-6 have a role and are expected to attend. Families are invited to obtain tickets using the Try Booking system.

FOTA will be providing food and drink prior to the concert and also running a raffle to support the purchase of resources for our Music program.

Car Park / Pick-Up Zone

To ensure the safety of our children parents are asked to use one of the following two options when collecting children from school:

1. Park in carpark and walk into classrooms to collect children;
2. Use the pick-up zone where staff are on duty and able to supervise children until parents arrive.

I would like to take the opportunity to thank our wonderful grounds staff who have been assisting each afternoon with traffic flow in our Junior School pick-up zone. This area has become a much more efficient way for parents to collect children from school.

Courage

This week in RAVE our exploration around the theme of courage has taken us to look at the 'wobblies' – that kind of nervous thinking that everyone uses sometimes. This is the type of feeling that makes us doubt ourselves – you could call it

negative self-talk. You could say we are dipping into our own buckets. It is really important that we challenge this type of thinking so that we can make better and braver choices. When a wobbly comes into our minds we basically have two choices:

1. Let the wobbly beat us;
2. Argue with it and user brave self-talk (fill our own buckets).

The Bible reading this week is the one where Jesus walks on water. It reminds me of the scene from Indiana Jones where Indi is faced with a chasm and needs to believe and take a step in faith. As he has the courage to step out in faith, the path appears before him and the way forward becomes obvious. Sometimes all it takes is the courage to take that first step.

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Junior School

Director of Curriculum

QCST – Year 12

Year 12 students will sit the QCST on Tuesday 29 and Wednesday 30 September. The QCST is used to scale the in-school results for OP students. Students have been provided with the Instructions to Students information containing the equipment list.

I encourage students to continue to prepare for the testing by completing as many past questions as possible.

Year 12 students not sitting the QCST are welcome to attend Study Hall in SA20 on each day of the test.

Exam Block – Year 11 and 12

Exam Block for Term 3 is in its final stages of scheduling and should be available to students late next week. Year 11 Exam Block commences on Thursday 31 August whilst the Year 12

Exam Block will begin on Friday 1 September. Classes for both year levels recommence on Thursday 7 September.

NAPLAN – Years 3, 5, 7 and 9

Individual NAPLAN results for students will soon arrive at the College. These will be posted to parents in the coming weeks.

Subject Selection Process - Years 7, 9, 10 and 11 2018

Students who selected subjects for study in 2018 will soon receive advice on if they have been successful in gaining entry into their chosen subjects. This will allow parents and students plenty of time to complete stationery lists for 2018 once these become available from Sequel.

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Whole School

From the Director of Creative Arts and Extra Curricular Programs

Term 3 Extra-Curricular Events

Mon 21 Studio & Small Ensemble Recital No 2, MD17,
Aug 6.30pm

Thurs 24 Grandies Day – Piccolo Voci & Bella Voce
Aug

Fri 25 Aug *Jazzin' Up The Hall* – (Big Band, Jazz Vocal,
Brass Ensemble) 7pm

Wed 30 Yr 4 Parents Info session (re Yr 5 & 6 IP)
Aug

Thurs 14 Studio & Small Ensemble Recital No 3, MD17,
Sept 6.30pm

Ipswich City Council Protégé Master Classes

Be inspired and reach your potential as part of Ipswich City Council's brand new youth arts program. Learn from industry professionals and participate in FREE workshops, events, networking opportunities and performances specialising in music, drama, dance, visual art and production. Workshops and events are open to young people of any ability. Be the first to hear about workshops and events by signing up for alerts below, or for more information email protege@ipswich.qld.gov.au

The last week has seen WestMAC students representing the College with great distinction across a range of extra-curricular activities with some outstanding results.

Dance

WestMAC dancers competed at the Quota International Beenleigh Eisteddfod at the Logan Entertainment Centre last week. The High School Dance Groups sections were quite large with so many competitors entered this year that the

schools competition was spread over three full days. Our day of competition yesterday lasted 13 long hours, and our students competed brilliantly with every WestMAC routine being awarded a placing or a prize; a first for WestMAC Dance.

- Year 9 & Under Contemporary/Lyrical Section: 1st place: Dance Troupe "White Teeth Teens"
- Year 9 & Under Jazz/Funk/Hip Hop Section: 1st place : "Mad Scientists" Hip Hop routine
- Year 9 & Under Musical Theatre/Variety Section: 1st place: "Aladdin" Musical Theatre routine
- "Best High School – Grade 9 & Under" Award: West Moreton Anglican College Dance Troupe
- Year 12 & Under Lyrical Section:
 - 1st place: "Body Love" Dance Company Lyrical routine
 - Highly Commended: "Alaska" Year 11 & 12 Dance Classes
- Year 12 & Under Funk/Hip Hop Section: 2nd place: "King of Hearts" Dance Company Hip Hop
- Year 12 & Under Jazz Section: 3rd place: "24K Magic" Year 11 Dance Class
- Year 12 & Under Student's Own Choreography – Any Style:
 - 2nd place: Dance Company Boys Hip Hop
 - 3rd place: Dance Company Girls Hip Hop
- Year 12 & Under Musical Theatre/Variety Section:
 - 2nd place: "Broadway Melody" Dance Company
 - Highly Commended: "No Bad News" The Wiz Cast
 - Highly Commended: "Coffee Break" Year 12 Dance Class

Congratulations to our dancers on a fantastic achievement and thanks as always to Miss Judd and her fabulous team of helpers.

Music

In a similar vein, four of our smaller music ensembles performed at the Silkstone Eisteddfod last week. Results again confirmed the dominance of local eisteddfods by WestMAC musicians:

Brass Ensemble: Gold Award

Flute Choir: Silver Award

Flute Quartet: Gold Award

Cello Consort: Silver Award

Well done to our musicians and their teachers, Mrs Lawless, Mrs Rixon and Mr Hall.

Performance Band delighted students in Kindy, Prep and Years 2 and 3 at our annual Cushion Concert last Tuesday in the Middle School Open Learning Area. Members of Performance Band and Symphonic Band are looking forward to the band camp at the start of Term 4 to put the final polish on their preparations for the Prestige Music Fest in October.

The Music Department has been advised that applications are now open for the Young Conservatorium 2018. The Young Con offers a range of ensembles and programs to suit all ages and gives students access to the skills, expertise and excellence of the Queensland Conservatorium Griffith University. For more information, go to <https://www.griffith.edu.au/music/open-conservatorium/young-conservatorium>

Equestrian

Following the news last newsletter that four of our riders have qualified to compete at the National Championships in Toowoomba this September, we have been advised that two of those riders have been selected by Interschool Equestrian Queensland for leadership positions in the Queensland team:

Molly Stacey: Vice Captain of the Queensland Eventing Team
Tamsyn Breeze: Captain of the Queensland Pool Horse Team

Congratulations to both girls on being selected. This clearly indicates the confidence that the team organisers have in their expertise and outstanding leadership qualities.

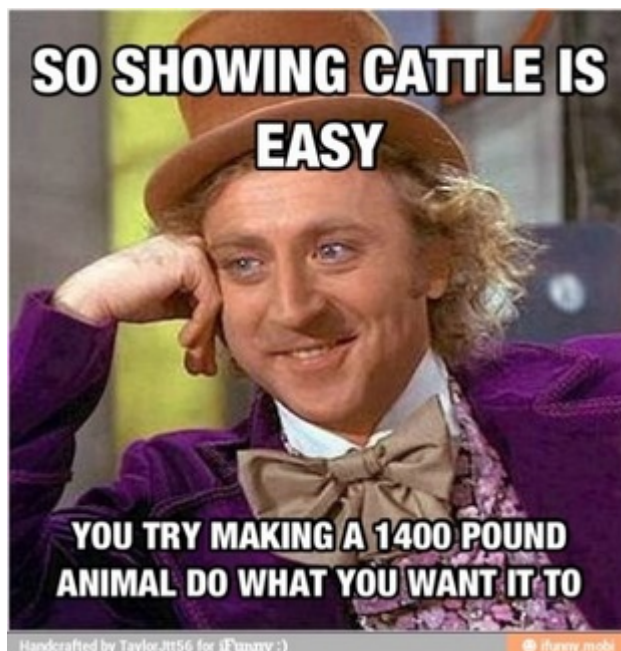
Cattle Show Team at the EKKA

The WestMAC Cattle Show Team will return to College next week exhausted but proud after yet another stellar year at the EKKA, culminating on Wednesday with the award of the Blue Ribbon for most successful school.

- 11-13 Year Old Paraders: Grace Davis 5th (out of 65).
- 14-15 Year Old Paraders: Brooke Parlane 8th (out of 160); Ben Wendt and Olivia Lems made the finals.
- 16-19 Year Old Paraders:
 - Amy Davenport 1st (out of 125)
 - Sarah-Jane McCartney 8th
- Lachlan Young and Faith White made the finals.
- 12-13 Young Judges:
 - Sarah Stewart 2nd
 - Grace Davis 3rd
 - Caitlyn Early 4th
- 14-15 Young Judges: Keianna White Highly Commended
- 16-19 Young Judges: Edward Johnstone Highly Commended
- School Steers: Champion and Reserve Champion School Steer
- Overall we exhibited 11 Steers for 8 Ribbons.
- School Herdsmanship: 2nd Place out of 28 schools.
- Open Steers: Champion Light Weight Steer with our Charolais Steer *Dyno*.
- 2 x 4th place and 2 x 5th place.

Overall Champion School

Congratulations to all students involved and thanks to Mr Elliott, Mr Beattie and the other staff who supported our students at the EKKA.



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Whole School Extra-curricular Activity

Cattle Show Team

The 2017 WestMAC Cattle Show Team would like to thank all of the parents who contributed to helping us through the week in Brisbane.

To the parents who provided transport, meals, snacks, and other support - we are very grateful.

To members of the team who did not travel to the Ekka, a big Thankyou for your commitment this year. Every member has contributed to our success during the Ekka Beef Week.

2017 Ekka Results

MONDAY

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Champion and Reserve Champion School Steer

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Overall Champion School

WEDNESDAY

Open Steers

Champion Lights Weight Steer with our Charolais Steer Dyno.

2 x 4th place and 2 x 5th place.



Darren Elliott - Cattle Show Team

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Whole School

Careers

Students and Parents of students considering post school options in education. Please read the below:

The [QTAC dates](#) for study preferences for 2018 are looming. You may not know however that the [ACU National School of Education](#) (in the Faculty of Education and Arts) is the largest tertiary educator of teachers in Australia, with 7 campuses spread across 3 states (Qld, NSW and VIC) and the ACT. We also have campuses in Rome and New York and offer students an opportunity to study part of their course overseas at these exciting destinations. We graduate job-ready, quality teachers for all sectors (early childhood, primary and secondary) and all systems (State, Catholic and Independent) and during their program our students can acquire the necessary accreditation to teach religious education in Catholic, Lutheran and Anglican schools across Australia. In fact students come to us to study these religious education specialisations from all other Qld universities. Our current 4 year primary pre-service program is unique among Qld universities as our students will graduate with a specialisation in literacy or numeracy or inclusion/diversity and we are currently developing other specialisations to ensure our primary graduates have a depth of knowledge in at least one significant content area aligned with the needs of primary schools and students. Students can also study a Bachelor of Education (Primary and Early Childhood) that incorporates both Primary and Early Childhood in the one program to make them doubly attractive to schools. Our secondary students can major in any Australian Key Learning Area and we also have unique double degrees such as the Bachelor of Teaching/Bachelor of Arts; Bachelor of Teaching/Bachelor of Exercise Science; Bachelor of Teaching/Bachelor of Science.

So that we can show you how wonderful it is to study education with ACU, we have compiled a series of short video clips that tell the story of what it's like to be an ACU education student; especially for those students who have not been able to attend one of our Open Days or Information Sessions in 2017.

Please enjoy and share our video stories:

- **Lara's Story:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=036EqZrliA>
- **Our First Year Education students' community of learners:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DoFaPF9K3sU&feature=youtu.be>

ACU's social media platforms:

- **Instagram:** @acuimages <https://www.instagram.com/acuimages/?hl=en>
- **Snapchat:** auscatholicuni
- **Facebook:** Australian Catholic University <https://www.facebook.com/Australian.Catholic.University/?fref=ts>
- **Twitter:** @acumedia <https://twitter.com/ACUmedia>
- **YouTube:** ACUSocial <https://www.youtube.com/user/viewACU>

Other videos of interest:

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nusNwWBFFsQ> – the ACU Brisbane Campus
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0jD9w7YFvU> - the Bachelor of Education (Primary) program
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6ee2i7vsB2U> – why study education/teaching at ACU? – a message from Professor Elizabeth Labone

If you have any questions about our programs or studying at ACU please contact [AskACU](#) on 1300 ASK ACU (1300 275 228) or askacu@acu.edu.au

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Senior School

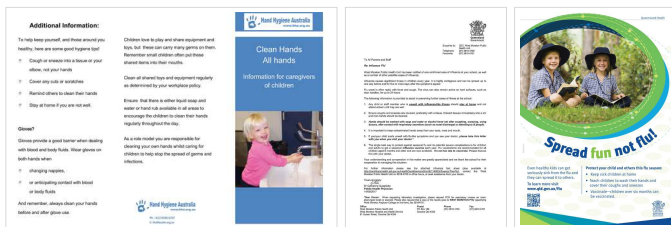
Middle School

Spread Fun, Not Flu!

Dear Parents,

With the winter season and illnesses in full swing, it is a timely reminder to reinforce good hand hygiene and cough etiquette with your children.

Anyone with symptoms (such as coughs, sore throat, fever, congestion, aches, pains and headaches) should remain at home until they are well again. It's never too late to vaccinate so if you haven't already, you may wish to consider having yourself and your family immunised against flu as added protection.



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Whole School

Uniform Shop

In Term 3 the Uniform Shop will trade:

Monday	8am to 3.30pm
Wednesday	8 to 11am
Friday	8am to 3.30pm

Blazer Pockets

The cutoff dates for embroidery this term are:

- Monday 4 September – Wednesday 13 September
- Friday 15 September (last day of Term 3) – Start of Term 4

Second Hand Uniforms

Please note that proceeds for second-hand items left at the Uniform Shop after Friday 25 August 2017 will not appear on Accounts until Term 1, 2018. Please ensure that any second-hand uniforms left for re-sale at the Uniform Shop are: the current style, clean and in good condition, have no ink and/or paint marks, perspiration stains, holes, fading or broken zips.

Unless a request for notification of rejected items is indicated on the *Second-hand Items form*, any unsatisfactory items received will be disposed of.

Swimming Uniform Policy

All Prep to Year 12 students must wear the appropriate WestMAC swimming uniform for HPE and REC lessons. Students will not be permitted to swim if they are not in the correct swimming uniform.

The swimming uniform for Prep to Year 12 for HPE (including REC) lessons consists of:

- WestMAC one piece butterfly togs for girls
- WestMAC Speedos or Jammers for boys
- WestMAC sun-shirt
- House coloured swimming cap or 'WestMAC' yellow swimming cap (only if a TAS Swimming team member) are compulsory

- WestMAC swim shorts (optional)

Non-WestMAC boy's Speedos and non-WestMAC girl's one piece togs may be worn providing that they cannot be seen under a WestMAC sun-shirt (WestMAC swim shorts may also be required to hide the non-WestMAC togs. Bobby pins and the navy HPE shorts are not to be worn in the pool. Students are strongly advised to wear sunscreen.

Please note: the Swimming Uniform Policy does not apply to private swimming lessons conducted at the College Pool.

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Whole School

Woolworths Earn and Learn Promotion



Don't forget to save your Earn and Learn stickers for Kindy. A collection box is located outside Unit 1.

Thank you for your support.

Carolyn Symonds - Kindergarten
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Whole School **Junior School**

Rosewood Little Athletics Sign On Day

DATE: Saturday 9th September 2017 9am - 12 Noon
 LOCATION: Rosewood State High School
 COMPETITION DAYS: Saturday mornings starting 16th September
 REGISTRATION: \$120 per athlete
 AGE: Tiny Tots/ U6 - U17

Family Discount for 3 or more athletes
 Contact Scott 0412 416 781 for more details.

Scott Johnston - Rosewood Little Athletics
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Whole School

Youth Voices

Greetings all!

The *Youth Voices* survey is underway, with young people across 4 states sharing their experiences of when they've needed help or support, and what that experience meant to their lives.

Please enjoy the attached *Youth Voices* newsletter. We'll be sending regular updates over the next couple of months, and welcome your feedback, questions or participation – there's still time to be involved if you're not already!

In addition, and *very importantly* – please add the following date claimer to your diary.

Youth Voices workshop

Date: Tuesday 24 October 2017

Time: 10am-3pm

Venue: Holy Trinity Church Hall, 141 Brookes St Fortitude Valley

You're invited!


- Any young people from 10-25 years
- Youth workers, counsellors, teachers, lawyers, police officers – anyone who works with young people
- People involved in youth policy, programs or service delivery in any government department
- Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander leaders, Elders or Justice group members
- People working with youth through community, welfare or faith based organisations
- Academics with interests in youth or youth justice
- Reps from philanthropic trusts or peak bodies, with an interest in innovative youth policy development.

The real value of *Youth Voices* will be when young people and those who work with them **actively engage with the narratives shared through the survey** - what are the key themes and priority messages that young people want to communicate? What does this mean for them? for us? for our organisations? What happens next?

Join us for a workshop that will be interactive, participative, engaging ... and enjoyable!

More details to come, but RSVPs and questions in the meantime to Leanne Wood, *Youth Voices* Project Manager, at lwood@anglicaresq.org.au

We hope you can join us for a one-of-a kind event!



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LISTENING TO YOUTH VOICES

From now until the end of September 2017, hundreds of young people aged from 10-25 years across Queensland, ACT, NSW and South Australia will share their experiences of when they've needed help or support, and what those experiences meant to them, through the Youth Voices survey.

HOW IS THIS DIFFERENT FROM OTHER SURVEYS?

This is a truly collaborative journey – young people have actively shaped the survey questions; are helping to collect the responses; and they'll be at the very core of project workshops later in the year that will bring together young people, teachers, youth workers, government policy officers and others to explore the data and how it might inform practical initiatives and outcomes for young people.

WHO IS BEHIND YOUTH VOICES?

Youth Voices is a project of Anglicare SQ, the Anglican Church SQ (Social Responsibilities Committee) and Anglicare NSW South, NSW West & ACT. They are supported in the project by a range of other organisations that are interested in what's good for young people and how they can support them, including Anglicare South Australia, Kairos Community College, PCYC Beenleigh, the Youth Advocacy Centre, the School of Justice at QUT and others.

WHY YOUTH VOICES?

Youth Voices is a way for young people to influence youth policy, program development and service delivery in government, schools and community organisations – to communicate what they see as a flourishing life, and the supports they need to achieve that.

WHO ARE THE YOUNG PEOPLE CONTRIBUTING TO YOUTH VOICES?

Young people who:

- ◆ are at risk of homelessness
- ◆ are at school or university
- ◆ are currently disengaged from education
- ◆ have caring responsibilities
- ◆ are in or on the edges of the youth justice system
- ◆ are in the workforce

HOW ARE YOUNG PEOPLE MAKING THEIR VOICES HEARD?

There's a range of ways young people are contributing to Youth Voices. Young people aged 10-14 years are doing the survey as part of a face to face workshop with the researchers. Most young people (over 15 years old) are undertaking the survey online, with the support of staff in their organisation. And in some places, a small number of young 'citizen journalists' are collecting stories from their peers.



INTERESTED IN YOUR YOUNG PEOPLE TAKING PART?

It's not too late! The survey period will be open until the end of September. Please contact Leanne Wood at lwood@anglicaresq.org.au or 07 3838 7553 if you'd like more information.



We'll be sharing some of the project insights through this e-newsletter as young people contribute to the survey over the next 8 weeks, including experiences like these:



GIVING UP

A young girl had felt it was all getting too much and felt as if she could not follow through and continue on the path she was heading in. She had many ups and downs going on in her life and giving up just felt like an easier choice. I had advised her to truly think about the decision she was about to make before she made it, she [was] just needing a bit of a helping hand and someone who understood her worries.

ENCOURAGING THE NEXT GENERATION TO SUCCEED IN THEIR DREAMS

I have been working ... since I was 15 years old so I was really young. I am now 18 still young and have had many times when I needed help and support. A majority of the time I was given great help and support ... But lot of the time I felt like I was looked down on because I was not as experienced in the field as others ... They would say a lot of the time - you should know that or something along those lines.



Social Responsibilities Committee

Ethics

Youth Voices has ethics approval from the Anglicare Southern Qld Human Research Ethics Committee (EC00341) for the participation of young people/children from the age of 10 years+; young people from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander backgrounds; and young people in detention. Participants have given specific permission for the experiences and 'headlines' provided here to be shared.

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Whole School

