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## **Principal**

#### WHEN OUR CHILD DOESN'T GET A PRIZE

As the season of awards ceremonies approaches, it's useful to consider how to respond when our child doesn't receive a prize. It is important to learn to cope productively with disappointment because it's an important skill for a happy life.

Talk about what matters.

The best lesson is to enjoy learning and activities for themselves, not for prizes and accolades. Some students desperately want always to be the best. One way we can assist is to ask our child, "What does the prize really mean to you?" If it is recognition for work well done, help them see what a good year they have had and how much they have accomplished. It's their own sense of satisfaction that really matters.

Don't blame the decision-maker.

Those who give prizes are usually keenly aware of their responsibility and are thoughtful and conscientious in their decisions. Most decisions are made using clearly articulated criteria and in my experience, always made in good faith.

Take the long view.

Short of a Nobel, most prizes don't really have a long-term effect on anyone's life. After they are given, they have a short shelf-life and quickly decline in importance. How many adults can truly point to a childhood prize making a deep impact on their future?

Accept that feelings provide us with choices.

Children can focus on their own unhappiness or be happy for their classmate or teammate. Uncomfortable feelings fade quickly.

Learn to find joy in the success of other people. Disappointment provides an opportunity to take joy in someone

else's success. That's difficult but the ability to enjoy another's good fortune is part of an emotionally mature life.

#### Focus on happy memories.

If our child cares enough about an activity to be disappointed by not winning a prize, that activity has been important. Celebrate the year's work as a family. This can be achieved by focusing on the happy memories, the lessons learned, the personal growth and skills developed and the relationships cultivated. In this way, parents can help lessen the very real sting of feeling passed over. Acknowledge their disappointment and help them stay focused on what is most valuable. That way, we help our children develop resilience and emotional maturity.

Acknowledgement: Braden Bell

#### Sporting Achievements

There have been some outstanding sporting achievements by College students this year and it is pleasing to read about these in the fortnightly Newsletters as highlighted by Mr Ellis and Mr Hillier. I would like to make mention of two particular students who have attained a very high level of achievement in their chosen sport. Both Talicia Canty and Zac McCoombes have been selected to be members of the School Sport All Australian International Hockey Teams to participate in the SSA Australian Hockey Tour taking place in Europe from 25 May to 11 June 2019. Destinations they will travel to include the Netherlands, Belgium, France and Germany. This is an outstanding achievement on the part of both Talicia and Zac and I know that they will prove to be great ambassadors for West Moreton Anglican College. Whilst both have been 'quiet achievers' over the years representing Hockey at various high levels, they should be very proud to have reached such extraordinary heights in their chosen sport. On behalf of the WestMAC community, I wish them well in their journeys leading up to and including the European tour.

#### **Equestrian Achievements**

Congratulations to our three Queensland Schools' Equestrian team members, Freya Domrow, Sage Fisher-Peters and Siena Fisher-Peters, for their efforts at the recent National Championships in Werribee, Victoria. All three girls were enthusiastic representatives for the Queensland team. Freya achieved two national top ten placings – 10th in Elementary Freestyle class (on Chance of a Lifetime) and 6th in the Secondary Advanced class (on Emmaville Decoy). Siena also achieved a national top 10 placing finishing 8th in Combined Training Primary 80cm class (on Jazz McTavish). Sage and Freya captained the Queensland Show Horse and Dressage teams respectively. Congratulations to all three students on their achievements.

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Whole School

## **Deputy Principal**

#### Presentation Nights 2018

Planning is underway for this year's Presentation Nights which will once again be held in the Lostroh Centre. Having these events at our own venue enhances our seating capacity. Please note that it is a College expectation that all students attend with any unavoidable absences advised in writing to the respective Head of School.

Please mark onto your calendars the following dates and starting times:

Senior School - Tuesday 13 November (7.00pm start) Middle School - Tuesday 20 November (7.00pm start) Junior School - Thursday 22 November (6.30pm start)

The process for securing seats for these events will be communicated shortly; initially each family will be able to collect up to two seats for accompanying parents/guardians. Those who require additional tickets or need wheel chair access or assistance with prams are invited to contact their respective sub-schools to request further tickets or assistance. Child care is available for school aged children at both the Senior and Middle School events. Bookings for this service can be made at Middle or Senior School Receptions.

#### Presentation Night Book Prize Donations

We are inviting members of the College community to support our students through sponsorship of Presentation Night Book Prizes (each prize is valued at \$50). For more information or to make a donation towards the cost of subject prizes recognising academic success, please click here:

https://www.wmac.com.au/community/giving/book-prize-donation



## **WestMAC** Presentation Night Book Prize Sponsorship Opportunity

"Whenever you read a good book, somewhere in the world a door opens to allow in more light"- Vera Nazarian



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Whole School

# New Head of Communications and Business Development

A warm welcome to Mr Jason Cubit who commenced with the College this week as the Head of Communications and Business Development.

Jason's most recent role was as the CEO of Ipswich Jets Rugby league Club. This role has provided Jason with a range of opportunities in leadership, project management, stakeholder engagement, issues and reputation management. In addition, Jason has extensive networks in the local community – Ipswich and the Lockyer Valley. Jason has also won a number of local, state and national awards for his work in communications, public relations and community service. Jason and his wife reside in Gatton with their three young sons.

I'm sure you will welcome him to the College when you have the opportunity to meet him in the near future

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Whole School

## Senior School

#### Kokoda Challenge Youth Program

While many of us were enjoying a relaxing break during the recent school holidays, Ashleigh Armstrong, a current Year 12 student, was challenging herself and walking the Kokoda Trail. Below is a short report from Ashleigh along with some photos from her experience.

"During the recent school holidays I travelled to Papua New Guinea (PNG) and trekked the famous Kokoda Trail. Over the past 20 weeks I have been training every Sunday and Wednesday with the Kokoda Challenge Youth Program (KYCP) to prepare for this trek. The entire PNG experience was equally challenging and rewarding. Being in a third world country and

seeing how different people live is inspirational in itself. Each day we stayed in villages with the most kind hearted locals; this made the trip worthwhile. Most of all, having the privilege to walk the track the Australian soldiers fought on was mind blowing. Seeing foxholes, trenches and ammunition dumps first hand, climbing to the top of Brigade Hill and visiting Isurava (the site of the Battle of Isurava) were incredible experiences. I have a renewed respect for every Australian soldier, past, present and future.

The entire KCYP experience has taught me how much the human body can achieve if effort is put in. From completing the Gold Coast 96km challenge to now being able to say I have walked the Kokoda Trail at 17 years of age shows that I can overcome anything. The traits that are commonly referred to within the program are courage, endurance, mateship and sacrifice. These are the traits that were shown by the Australian soldiers during World War II on the Kokoda Trail. The foundation's purpose is to bring those traits out in young adults and I can proudly say that through hard effort and determination, I can see those same traits within myself. Even though my training and trekking with the program is over, our team's 6 months of community service begins. We give back to the community that helped us go on this once in a lifetime experience and I don't think I can be any more excited."





Congratulations Ashleigh! This is indeed an awesome achievement.

#### Student Protection

In a couple of weeks, the Child and Youth Risk Management Committee will meet to reflect upon initiatives that have been undertaken in 2018 to keep our students safe. I extend an invitation to you to email me with any thoughts you may have as to how WestMAC can continue to ensure the safety of our students.

#### University Scholarships

Congratulations is extended to Luke Spreadborough who found out this week he is the recipient of a Vice-Chancellor's Scholarship at the University of Southern Queensland for 2019. These scholarships are offered to reward high achieving students with strong academic ability. Next year, Luke intends to study a Bachelor of Spatial Science (Honours) Major Surveying. We wish Luke all the best with his tertiary studies.

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Senior School

### Middle School

WestMAC is a school that is committed to providing a global outlook for its students. A global outlook is an increasingly common catchphrase projected by many Australian schools, but what does it mean for our students? When we consider global learning at WestMAC, it includes:

- Learning in a global context
- Fostering critical and creative thinking
- Self-awareness and open-mindedness towards difference
- Understanding of global issues and power relationships
- · Optimism and action for a better world

In further answering this question I can reflect on my recent visit to Japan with Mrs Anne Shaw, our Director of International Student Programs, where I was very fortunate to meet some of our international families and partnering schools. It was a great privilege to be able to meet our extended international community and gain a clearer understanding of the cultural contexts of our international students and the challenges they face when transitioning to our college.

Having international students at WestMAC highlights our rapidly evolving global economy. Here at the College, we encourage our students to think wide and far considering those from different cultures and backgrounds. From a business perspective James Smith, Chair of Shell, states unequivocally: "It is crucial for the future challenges we face, both as businesses and as a society, for young people's education to equip them to think globally. We live in a global world, and an interdependent economy and environment". Thinking global doesn't mean just providing annual school trips to various countries (although these are wonderful experiences) but welcoming and engaging with international students on a day-to-day basis, developing global learning and international cultural awareness.

I am immensely proud to have such wonderful international students in the Middle School and their contributions to expanding our cultural awareness. Having visited families in Japan, I appreciate the trust each family place in our college in the wellbeing and care of their children and their desire for them to not just improve their English skills, but obtain greater global learning. It must be a massive culture shock for our international students departing their countries and arriving in the quiet, rural setting of WestMAC. When recently speaking with our Japanese families they choose our WestMAC for its reputation of providing a welcoming, safe and academic school. They speak of the generosity and kindness of our domestic students and their encouragement to include them in all aspects of college life. These families also speak warmly of our wonderful homestay families who nurture and care for these students as they would in their own homes.

I've included some of the photos from my visits that included visits to Shizuoka Kita High School and Shukutoku Junior High School. Also included are photos of Mr & Mrs Shimura

(Grandparents of Ensei Shimura – Year 8) and Ms Kunimoto (Mother of Yumeka – Year 9).





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Middle School

### **Junior School**

#### 2019 Class requests

College staff are already well into planning for next year and, as always, are receptive of parent and guardian input. If you have a special class request for your Junior School child or children in the areas of friendship groups or teaching styles, please put it in writing to Ms Kirsten Mullan, Head of Junior School, kmullan@wmac.com.au to be received by Friday 2 November.

Junior School staff place students in classes after a very careful analysis of each child's personality, learning ability, friendship groups and the personality and special talents of the prospective teacher, as well as considering the possible dynamics of the new class and how well the class as a whole will function.

While parents and carers wishes will certainly be considered, it is not always possible to meet every parent's request; however, please be assured that if a request has not been met, there was a very valid reason for that decision.

#### Science and Design Technology in Year 5

The Year 5 students rose to the challenge of creating lighting systems for Egyptian Tombs as a culminating activity in Science in Term 3. Pictured are some of our students applying their knowledge of reflected light to solve the problem of how to illuminate the tombs during a black-out. We would like to thank David Ferrett of Sequel Books for kindly donating 24 cardboard boxes for our activity.

The Year Five Team: Ken Harvie Fiona Stephen and Andrew Grant





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Junior School

## Chaplaincy

As I write, my Son and his fiancée are imminently awaiting the birth of their daughter. I have been asked to be present at the birth, which is a huge privilege, so I have a bag ready, packed in my car and have been making contingency plans should I have to dash off. While this is somewhat unsettling, the up-side of this is that our students get to hear from an array of speakers. Rector of St Paul's, Ipswich, Fr Steve, spent the morning with us last Tuesday. Jelly Babies were shared, important life lessons delivered, laughter and thoughtfulness were the order of the day. Naturally enough, the new Doctor received a hat tip. This Tuesday, Reverend Chris Bate and his wife, Juliana from All Saints, Booval joined us. While I don't want anyone to think I'm shirking my responsibilities, I think it is a really good thing for students to hear a number of differing voices and responses to the Gospel. The wonder of the Anglican Church is its variety and breadth.

At Synod, a couple of weeks ago, the Archbishop spoke about that. It is so easy to become polarised but it does the Church, the community and the Gospel no favours when we let this happen. Openness and acceptance is one of our most powerful virtues. It is so easy to write off someone or something different from us. Tribalism and fearmongering seems to be one of the most often used political tool at the moment. I don't think it does any of us any good. The more we can see ourselves in others, the more we realise that it's possible to hold differing viewpoints without having to fear or hate 'the other', the more our world will grow in peace and understanding.

One of the things I regret most having missed out on as part of my schooling was the opportunity to learn debating. It's such a valuable life-skill, to be able to debate a subject without being emotionally involved or offended by the discussion. To have the ability to look at a situation from diverse angles and realise that your point of view is not necessarily the only valid one, is becoming an ever more crucial skill for the leaders of today and definitely for the leaders of tomorrow. WestMAC has a proud tradition in this area and, coupled with our Anglican values can only make our students more well-rounded, compassionate and well qualified for the challenges they will face in the future. I'm convinced that many of our students will go on to make very real positive changes in their communities. I know many already have. As we move ever closer to farewelling the Class of 2018 let us support them in every way we can, giving thanks for all they have achieved and all they will achieve. May these last few weeks of school be full of blessings for each of them.

Mother Julie Craig-Leaves - Chaplain

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## **Sport**

#### TAS Sport

Preparations are being made for 2019 TAS Sport with more information to be forwarded to students and families about pre-season training beginning in the coming weeks.

## Term 4 Junior TAS Sport – Touch Football and Tennis

The Junior TAS Touch Football and Tennis draw is available on the College website and App. The first tennis fixture will be played this Saturday on WestMAC's Senior Courts. Touch football will begin on Saturday 27 October at Ormiston College. I hope all students have an enjoyable season and continue to learn and develop their skills and overall love for the game.

## Junior TAS Sport Sign On – Term 1 2019 Cricket and Hockey

Current students in Years 3 to 5 will shortly have the opportunity to sign on for the 2019, Term 1 hockey or cricket Junior TAS season. Junior TAS Hockey pre-season will begin in Week 4 every Tuesday morning from 7.00am to 8.00am. Further information regarding the cricket and hockey season will be sent out shortly.

#### Sports Presentation Night

The 2018 Sports Presentation Evening will be held on Thursday 1 November at the Lostroh Centre from 5.50pm. Students who are receiving an award for Junior TAS and TAS Sport for 2018, and their families, are invited to join the WestMAC Sports Department for the Sports Presentation Evening. Parents of students receiving an award will receive an email with the relevant information. Please ensure you have RSVP'd to Ms Melissa Beutel mbeutel@wmac.com.au by Friday 26 October.

#### **CBSQ Basketball**

The College once again took part in the Champion Basketball Schools of Queensland competition at the end of Term 3 and into the September holiday break. Our boys team had raised a division after coming 2nd in 2017 and we were also lucky to gain entry into the girls competition.

Our boys were competitive and finished in 13th place whilst our girls team made it to the Grand Final playoff against All Hallows. WestMAC went down in a close showdown in the final finishing in 2nd place. Our Open Girls team is to be congratulated for their efforts in making a CBSQ Grand Final in the Colleges' first ever appearance in the School girls competition.

It is a long four day carnival with many hours between the multiple matches played each day. A massive thankyou to the parents and supporters who made the trek out to the Logan City playing venues to cheer on and support both teams at the event.



WestMAC made the Facebook feed of Basketball Queensland to announce the Tournament start!



Our Open Boys team listen in on a quarter time huddle.



Our WestMAC Girls team after the grand final presentation

#### All Schools Touch Football

West Moreton Anglican College entered an Under 13 Girls and Open Girls team into the Queensland All Schools Touch Football Competition. This competition draws 420 teams from around the State, including teams from overseas, as far away as Singapore.

The event had to be cancelled for the second time in its 36 year history due to the wet and unplayable conditions presented at the event. We would like to thank all players for their efforts preparing for and competing at the event. Though we did not get to complete all games in 2018, our teams competed hard for a chance at making the final round of schools. This brings the Touch Football season to a close and we wish all players and coaches a restful off-season and we hope to see everyone back out on the Touch Football fields in 2019.

#### Prep to Year 2 Term 4 Eaglets Sporting Program

The Term 4 Eaglets Sporting Program will begin in week 4 for students in Years 1 and 2. Students in Years 1 and 2 will be able to choose between a Hockey or Cricket Program. The Years 1 and 2 Programs will run for four weeks starting Tuesday 30 October and concluding Tuesday 20 November. An email will be sent home to families shortly with instructions on how to sign on.

The program for Prep is currently being finalised and details regarding this program will be emailed shortly.

Please note that Year 3 students previously invited to take part in the Eaglet program will now be invited to attend Pre Season Junior TAS training as a lead into them being in Year 4 in 2019. This Junior TAS information will be sent out separately to families with students in Years 3, 4 and 5.

Information and details regarding the program are contained below:

| Year<br>Level | _   | Program<br>Capacity<br>(Max.<br>numbers) |         | Time | Start<br>Date | End Date                  | Venue                   |
|---------------|---|--|---------|------|---------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| Prep          | All details regarding the Prep Eaglets Program is currently being finalised and information will be sent out shortly. |  |         |      |               |                           |                         |
| Year<br>1/2   | Cricket   | 30                                       | Tuesday | to   | 30            | Tuesday<br>20<br>November | Upper<br>Junior<br>Oval |
| Year<br>1/2   | Hockey  | 30                                       | Tuesday | to   | 30            | Tuesday<br>20<br>November | Upper<br>Junior<br>Oval |

#### Congratulations to:

- Lachlan Skull for his selection in the U14 Boys Metropolitan West Cricket Team. Good luck at the State Championships Lachlan!
- Caleb Doyle and Baxter Powell for Representing Ipswich at the Under 15's State Hockey

Championships at the Sunshine Coast. Ipswich finished 9th place overall. Caleb has also been chosen to participate in a Hockey Queensland 16 years Boys Development Camp in November at the Gold Coast.



 West MAC had a number of Hockey players that represented Ipswich in Hervey Bay during the holidays. This was for the Girls Under 15 State Hockey Championships.



From left: Ashleigh Wode, Jessi Nicholls, Lani Blackman, Olivia Chubb, Lachlan Pomerenke (trialling for a Qld Umpire position), Victoria Heffernan, Jess Andrews, Katie Canty, Sophie D'Castro, and Kaja Roberts.

- Lani Blackman & Olivia Chubb have also chosen to participate in the Hockey Queensland 16 years Girls Development Camp in November.
- Congratulations to another WestMAC hockey star, Rhys Stenzel, who recently represented the QLD U13 Team in Tasmania. The team finished 6th overall despite only recording 2 losses. They played 11 games for 5 wins, 4 draws and 2 losses. Rhys also had the honour captaining the Queensland Team. Well done on a great Tournament, Rhys!



If you are aware of any other achievements, please let the Sports Department know so students can be recognised.

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Whole School Junior TAS TAS



### Creative Arts and Extra-curricular

#### Term 4 Extra-Curricular Events

| Saturday 20<br>October  | Opera Excursion, Don Giovanni, QPAC, 7.30pm                             |
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| Sunday 21<br>October    | WestMAC Dance Concert Dress Rehearsal                                   |
| Wednesday 24<br>October | Prestige Music Fest (Symphonic Band) Iona<br>College, PM                |
| Thursday 25<br>October  | Silkstone Vocal Eisteddfod (Bella Voce), AM                             |
| Friday 26<br>October    | Prestige Music Fest (Performance Band),<br>Coorparoo Sec College, PM    |
| Friday 26<br>October    | Silkstone Vocal Eisteddfod (Chorale, Mezzo<br>Voce & Jazz Vocal), PM    |
| Saturday 27<br>October  | WestMAC Dance Concert performances, Ipswich Civic Theatre, 2pm and 7pm  |
| Wednesday 31<br>October | Year 8 MUP Solo Recital, MD17/18, 6pm                                   |
| Friday 2<br>November    | Sound checks for Music Showcase awards, 12noon to 5pm                   |
| Saturday 3<br>November  | Prestige Music Fest (Big Band) Calamvale<br>Community Centre, after 3pm |
| Sunday 4<br>November    | Music Awards Showcase, All ensembles, MPH, 2pm                          |
| Wednesday 7<br>November | Year 11 Music Recital, MD17/18 (To be confirmed) 6pm                    |
| Thursday 8<br>November  | Yr 5 and 6 IP Concert, MPH, 2pm   |
| Tuesday 13<br>November  | Senior School Presentation Night (Symphonic Band, Chorale)              |
| Thursday 15<br>November | Valedictory Dinner (Big Band)   |

| Tuesday 20<br>November   | Middle School Presentation Night (Mezzo Voce, Performance Band)       |
|--------------------------|---|
| Wednesday 21<br>November | FOTA AGM, Staff Common Room, 5.30pm                                   |
| Thursday 22<br>November  | Junior School Presentation Night (Bella/<br>Piccolo, Concert Band)    |
| Sunday 25<br>November    | Christmas Concert rehearsal (Chorale), MD17, 2pm to 5pm               |
| Sunday 2<br>December     | Christmas Concert rehearsal (Chorale), MD17, 2pm to 5pm               |
| Tuesday 4<br>December    | Christmas Concert rehearsal (Chorale), St<br>Paul's, 7.30pm to 9.30pm |
| Friday 7<br>December     | Christmas Concert (Chorale), St Paul's, 7.30pm                        |

#### Dance

The annual Dance Concert is fast approaching with two performances scheduled for Saturday 27 October in the Ipswich Civic Theatre. Miss Judd has returned from Long Service Leave to take over the final preparations for what promises to be one of the performing arts highlights of the year and not to be missed. As always, the Dance Concert will be the culmination of a fantastic year of achievement for our dancers.

#### Music

Date claimer: If you enjoyed Proms at St Pauls earlier this year, then don't miss the Christmas Concert at St Paul's on Friday 7 December, featuring the Excelsior Band Brisbane, members of the WestMAC Chorale, the St Paul's Festival Choir and other quest artists.

Members of Performance Band and Symphonic Band have just returned from their annual Band Camp, held at the Queensland Conference and Camping Centre at Brookfield. The students rehearsed solidly for two days to add polish to the preparations for upcoming performances, particularly Prestige Music Fest, which takes place later this month. They were assisted by our visiting tutors, Mr Farquhar and Mrs Rixon and by several guest tutors from the Excelsior Band Brisbane. Thanks to Mrs Lawless (recently returned from maternity leave), Miss Williams and Mr Del Favero for their tireless efforts with the Bands.

As can be seen from the calendar dates listed above, Term 4 will be an extremely busy time for our musicians and dancers. Thanks are due as always to our dedicated parents who get students to before and after school rehearsals and performances to ensure that our young performers never miss an opportunity to shine.

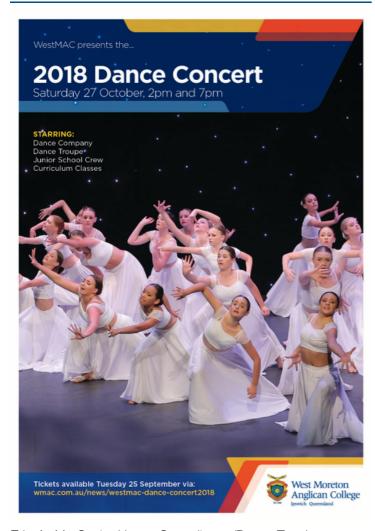
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Whole School

## 2018 WestMAC Dance Concert



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Whole School

Extra-curricular Activity

## Library

Congratulations to the Write A Book In A Day Year 9-10 team Chubbi Returns, which has been shortlisted to receive an award for their book 'A Silver Tear!' This is very exciting news for the ten members of the team, and we look forward to seeing which award they bring home. Well done to Sophia Barns, Aedyn Duffy, Hanna Jones, Trinity Percy, Tessa Phillips, Alana Plummer, Gabriella Rae, Emma Robertson, Mackenzie Taylor and Talia Wright on this fantastic achievement.





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Whole School

### Career's Advisor

#### USQ

#### Accelerated Entry Pathway Program

Current Year 12 students (both OP and non-OP) can prepare for university study by undertaking the free Accelerated Entry Pathway Program (AEPP) at USQ over the summer semester. On successful completion of the AEPP, students will be eligible to apply for a wide range of undergraduate programs at USQ. Please visit USQ's website for further information.

#### **UQ News**

#### UMAT Admissions Test will be replaced by UCAT in 2019

Begining with current Year 11's, all applicants intending to sit the UMAT in 2019 for entry to university in 2020 will need to sit the new University Clinical Aptitude Test (UCAT). From 2019 onwards, the UMAT test will be discontinued.

UCAT will become be a mandatory admissions test for the Doctor of Medicine (provisional entry) and Dental Science at The University of Queensland. The registration for the UCAT will open in March 2019 and close in mid-May. The UCAT will be offered on a choice of dates throughout the month of July, rather than on one single date.

The test consists of five, separately timed, subtests:

Verbal Reasoning

- Decision Making
- Quantitative Reasoning
- Abstract Reasoning
- Situational Judgement Test

For more information about the new test, including testing dates and format visit UCAT online.

#### **UQ Sporting Scholarships**

Designed to enrich a student-athlete's competitive career while allowing them to excel in their chosen degree, a UQ Sporting Scholarship provides access to financial support, academic tutoring, wellbeing workshops, sport psychology, world-class training facilities, and much more.

Applications for the UQ Sporting Scholarships will close on Wednesday 31 October.

#### **UQ** Economics Scholarships

Designed to support students studying in the field of Economics, the UQ School of Economics has two scholarships available: the Year 12 Student Scholarship and the Year 12 Equity and Diversity Scholarship.

The Year 12 Student Scholarship is a full fee waiver scholarship for an outstanding Year 12 student with a broad range of academic achievement.

The Year 12 Equity and Diversity Scholarship is a full fee waiver scholarship for a student with a keen interest in economics, but who has experienced disadvantage throughout high school.

Applications for the UQ Economics Scholarships will close on Sunday 11 November.

#### **UQ Law Scholarships**

The TC Beirne School of Law Scholarship is open to students enrolling in a Bachelor of Laws (Honours) or related dual program who can demonstrate academic merit and significant financial need. It provides financial assistant to help students with living expenses.

Applications for the TC Beirne School of Law Scholarship will close on Friday 22 February 2019.



#### Griffith

#### GUESTS applications are now open for Trimester 1, 2019

GUESTS On-campus and Online applications are currently open to motivated Year 11 students wanting to sample university life, learn from industry leaders and stretch their academic boundaries.

Students can apply to undertake a Level 1 course from most Griffith programs. Once they successfully complete their GUESTS course they may be eligible for 2 adjustments when applying for admission to Griffith programs, and credit transfer once they commence a related program.

Year 11's can apply now for Trimester 1, 2019 intake - applications close 30 October 2018.

#### Griffith Film School GUESTS - December 2018 program

The closing date for applications for the Griffith Film School December GUESTS courses has been extended to 12 November 2018.

Open to OP/ATAR eligible Year 11 students, and taught in intensive mode by our lecturers, these courses provide an authentic introduction to our Animation, and Film and Screen Media Production courses at the Griffith Film School.

The courses on offer for December are:

- 1108GFS Principles of Animation (Trimester 3 offering, intensive mode, commences 3 December 2018)
- 1701GFS Introduction to Screen Production (Trimester 3 offering, intensive mode, commences 3 December 2018)

## New degree spotlight - Bachelor of Construction Management (Honours)

This program provides an understanding of the principles, practices and ethics involved in construction management in a global context.

Students learn the principles of built environment, construction sustainability, project development, construction materials and site operations, and develop knowledge and skills in core construction business areas including construction estimating, tendering, planning and procurement, with a strong focus on ICT applications.

Graduates are prepared for work on construction projects with a coherent body of knowledge in construction and building practices, including an in-depth understanding of various topics influencing the construction business environment.

#### OP to ATAR - VET qualifications and the ATAR

How will standalone VET qualifications be assessed for admission for school leavers in 2020?

Griffith will always encourage all High School students to complete their ATAR, particularly as a VET qualification can now be included in the calculation of an ATAR. Students with a VET qualification will still be expected to meet the English pre-requisite which applies to all our degrees and for 2021 this will be a minimum grade of C in Units 3 and 4 in one of English, Literature, English and Literature Extension or English as an Additional Language. We would also encourage students to study the subject areas that are assumed knowledge for their preferred degree.

Students with a standalone VET qualification will be able to apply for a wide range of Griffith degrees and we will provide further information as soon as we can.

#### Campus tours

Students can join us on a free 45 minute campus tour and experience life at Griffith. They will be able to take a look at our lecture theatres, teaching rooms and some of the many state-of-the-art facilities and amenities we offer.

Tour details:

Gold Coast campus

Mondays at 11am and Fridays at 1pm

Nathan campus

Tuesdays at 11am and Fridays at 1pm

#### QUT

#### Get advice to finalise QTAC preferences

Students can get advice from QUT staff about their study options once they know their OP or selection rank at Real Decisions on 18 December. They can also talk to current students about uni life, take a tour, or find out about study costs and support, getting started at QUT, and more.

#### Scholarships

Students considering QUT in 2019 should explore scholarships now. Opportunities include the Vice-Chancellor's Scholarships for academic, sporting and creative excellence, and business scholarships with corporate partners, honours programs, academic excellence and Indigenous scholarships.

#### Help with course and career decision making

Students who are not sure of what courses to include in their QTAC application can use two QUT career decision making tools— the recently redeveloped Match My Skills quiz and Kickstart Your Career online course. These resources can also confirm their choices, and help them prepare for life at university and their future career.

## Entry assistance for difficult circumstances and scholarships for financial hardship

Students who have faced difficult circumstances may be eligible for a selection rank adjustment through the Educational Access Scheme. QUT's Equity Scholarship Scheme provides support for financial hardship.

#### ACU Know Your Options - Information session

ACU Brisbane Campus 1100 Nudgee Road, Banyo Saturday 15 December, 2pm to 4pm

Come along to Know Your Options, an information session for students and their families to talk to experts about course options for 2019. ACU staff will answer questions and provide guidance on course preferences once OPs are released, but before the change of preference deadline for the December 20 offer round. Attendees may also tour the campus, speak with current students or find out information on entry pathways and career outcomes.

#### QUESTIONS?

If students have questions now or once Year 12 results are released, contact AskACU from Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm AEST, via email, text, phone call, live chat or in person.

1300 ASK ACU acu.edu.au/askacu

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Senior School

## **Uniform Shop**

#### Uniform Shop Opening Times - School Days only

| Day       | Terms 4          |
|-----------|------------------|
| Monday    | 7.30am to 3.30pm |
| Wednesday | 7.30am to 3.30am |
| Friday    | 7.30am to 3.30pm |

The Uniform Shop will open on Monday 22 October 2019 (Student Free Day) from 7.30am to 3.30pm.

#### Blazer pockets

Below is the blazer pocket embroidery schedule for remainder of this year:

| Pocket required for:  | Request at Uniform Shop by:   | Pocket Available from:       |
|---|-------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Music Showcase<br>Sunday 4<br>November 2018                 | Monday 22 October<br>2018     | Wednesday 31<br>October 2018 |
| Sport Presentation<br>Night<br>Thursday 1<br>November 2018  | Monday 22 October<br>2018     | Wednesday 31<br>October 2018 |
| Senior<br>Presentation Night<br>Tuesday 13<br>November 2018 | Wednesday 31<br>October 2018  | Monday 12<br>November 2018   |
| Middle<br>Presentation Night<br>Tuesday 20<br>November 2018 | Wednesday 7<br>November 2018  | Monday 19<br>November 2018   |
| Start of 2019 and<br>2019<br>Leaders Induction              | Wednesday 28<br>November 2018 | Monday 21 January<br>2019    |

#### Junior TAS and TAS Sport Borrowed Uniforms

Any outstanding borrowed Junior TAS and TAS sport uniforms not being used this Term must be returned as soon as possible otherwise students could be charged \$75 for each item not returned.

#### Lost property

Over the holidays any uniform items found at the College were brought to the Uniform Shop.

Any clearly named items belonging to Junior School students have been returned to them and Middle & Senior School students have been notified. Any other students who lost uniform items last Term should contact the Uniform Shop to check if their item is there.

Please note that the Uniform Shop only receives lost property at the end of the Term. If a student loses an item during the Term, they should contact the various College Receptions to see if they have the lost item.

Some non-WestMAC items were also bought to the Uniform Shop including school shoes, joggers, jumpers, lunch boxes and drink bottles. These items will be placed outside the Uniform Shop on Monday, Wednesday and Friday until the 26 October 2018. Any items not collected by Friday 26 October will be either donated to a charity or destroyed.

#### Uniform Issue

Only the following new HPE uniform can be worn from 1 January 2019 as the two year uniform change over period will expire at the end of this year.



#### 1. HPE House Polo

- Can be worn for HPE lessons by students in Years 1 to 12.
- Prep students will wear their Prep polo for HPE lessons.

#### 2. HPE Shorts

- Can be worn for HPE lessons by students in Years 2 to 12.
- Prep and Year 1 students will wear navy bike pants or rust ruggers.
- Boys in Years 2 and 3 will no longer be able to wear the rust ruggers.

The TAS Carnival polos, Dance polos, Football Excellence shirts and the WestMAC bike pants cannot be worn for PE lessons or REC lessons.

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Whole School

## Kindy









For more information visit facebook.com/candkqld/event
or
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Whole School

# Westside Bus Co Fare Calculation Update

Website: https://www.www.busqld.com.au

Westside Bus Co is currently updating all student's information with TMR's fare calculation system for bus passes. As a result, they have found this will impact many students with a change in the fare prices they may need to pay in 2019. If anyone has any questions please contact Westside Bus Depot directly.

Westside Bus Depot Phone: 3288 1333

Whole School