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PRINCIPAL'S COMMENT

Respect - Valuing yourself

energy levels.

The PBL focus for the last couple of weeks has been on students looking after their own wellbeing. This includes eating a healthy diet and getting enough sleep.

We have all heard the term 'hangry', referring to the feeling of agitation and lowered resilience brought on by being hungry. It is very important for our students to eat a healthy breakfast to kick off their



Equally important, getting 8-10 hours of sleep a night is essential for a teenagers brain to absorb new information effectively. Not since they were toddlers, have teenagers brains worked so hard, so they need to rest their brains. Sleep allows the brain to consolidate all of the information that has been thrown at it during the day.

With the end of the term being the peak time for assessment, it is important to schedule study time to include snack breaks, mindfulness, rest activities and sleep. This way our students will be fully prepared to do their very best in their assessment.

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AND EXPECTS THAT YOU			
Be aware of yourself, others and property	Value yourself and all others	Strive for your best	Be accountable for your behaviour
WE ALL			
Follow instructions	Use good manners	Arrive on time	Meet all deadlines
 Wear our uniform and any required safety equipment Move carefully around the school Follow road, bus and transport rules 	 Speak politely and listen actively Accept differences in others Keep hands and feet to ourselves 	 Complete all tasks Work hard in all school activities Catch up on work missed 	 Bring all required equipment Meet expectations assigned to us Contact the school if absent



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QUT HACKATHON

By Mrs Mollenhauer

Tuesday 15 August, 8 students from years 9 and 10 participated in the QUT Hackathon as a part of Science Week. Ella, Shanti, Chelsea, Rhiannon, Jack, Tom, James and Jay were presented with some environmental issues that included coral bleaching, air quality and recycling. They then worked with QUT undergraduates and industry representatives to create solutions and then pitch their ideas to a panel. Team CSER won the "Highly Commended" trophy along with a board game. The Sci Guys also did extremely well, winning the "People's Choice" trophy. Well done students!















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LINKZLAUNCH

Renee Feather - Link and Launch Coordinator

This term my focus has been on connecting with the current Year 12 students via community and school events. It was lovely to see so many NSHS students come through and grab some jellybeans from me at the TAFE South Burnett Careers Market. It was a wonderful display of opportunities available in the region and further abroad, which I hope inspired many students in their future endeavours. I also had the opportunity to interact with the Year 12's again at the Safer Schoolies event, delivered by various community services at school last week. It was great to see them so attentive to the very important information being delivered during this session. As a bonus from Link and Launch, they were able to take some freshly made popcorn with them as they left.

For the remainder of the school year, I will continue to attend any events that I am able to and will be asking the Year 12's to volunteer their contact details to me. This is not compulsory but is a way for me to connect with them after they have graduated and see if they require support. The **Link and Launch** program is designed to help young people decide what further study, training or employment might be best for them and to assist them in pursuing their chosen pathway if needed. I can assist young people to navigate the system and consider a range of post-school study, training and work options in line with their individual goals, aspirations, skills and strengths. Link and Launch aims to support young people to make independent choices that will equip them to make a successful transition. You can find more information, including previous participants testimonies online here: https://www.wethedifferents.qld.edu.au/ <u>link-launch</u>/ Or feel free to contact me (Renee Feather) directly on 0460 010 431 or rfeat6@eq.edu.au







ARTS SHOWCASE 2023

by Grace Kevill-Davies (Art Department Co-ordinator)

Friday 18 August, our art students got to present their work to the local community in our Annual Arts Showcase. Artwork featured was a vast selection of both 2D and 3D work in various mediums from both the junior and senior schools.

In 2D media was a selection of prints, paper mâché sculptures, drawings, and beautiful ink works ranging in themes from the environment, place and pop art. The seniors presented interesting installations, landscape paintings of the South Burnett, and clay totem designs in response to the theme of flowers. The students worked hard in art to produce quality work and experiment with many art styles and forms.

This year we presented certificates for 'Best in Show' & 'Best in Junior' and 'Senior Art' for students curriculum work that was included at the Showcase. We believe it is important to recognise students hard work, commitment and success in art.

Henrika and myself would like to thank family, staff and friends who attended the night. We would like to thank our judge, Linda Stern (Deputy Principal) who did a great job judging.



Artwork by Tehya Deering









Artwork by Katana Hicks



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Our 2023 Book Week celebrations went off with a bang this year! Not only did over 60 members of staff dress up, but we had students from all year levels participating in the day. It was a great morning celebrating the impact books have had on our lives and the importance of literacy. This year, money raised from our dress up went to The Indigenous Literacy Foundation. We also held a very successful book

sale where we sold every book for \$1. This was very popular with students and staff with 475 books finding new homes. Many of the books not sold on the day will be donated to the Rotary Club to donate overseas. Stay tuned for next year's book sale and all the fun events of the 2024 Book Week celebrations!







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BUSINESS CLASS - MOVIE NIGHT

by Mrs Early

The Year 12 Certificate III Business class presented the movie, 'Blended' at the school hall on Friday night, 25 August. The students organised games during intermission and the food for the night. The night was a big success and we would like to thank those that attended. A big thank you to the staff who supported the event. The money raised will go towards helping the Breakfast Club.



PEDAL PRIX

by Mr Anderson

During the last 12 months I have had the pleasure of working with some truly sensational young people. Finding students that want to go far above, and beyond, then having the ability to assist them in extending themselves is one of the most joyful parts of being a teacher.

Ethan Forbes, backed up by Brooke Le Strange, Jean Luc Barnett and Jericho Pogany have extended themselves, grown in skills and as people, as they designed and constructed a brand new addition to our fleet of Pedal Prix trikes. Working in the engineering workshop during class, on many weekends and often well into the



night, these students have produced what is now the flagship of our race team.

The first race will be in Toowoomba on 9 September. The students have named the trike Archer after the first winner of the Melbourne Cup.



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Thank you to Heritage Bank Nanango for their sponsorship of 2 sets of wheels and the drive train. Thanks to Mr Peter Bellingham who is sponsoring the trip to Toowoomba for Archer's Debut competition.



LANGUAGE OF FLOWERS

By Ethan Williams (12VAP)

Totem poles are designed by the Native American people to display different meanings and purpose. Cultural beliefs or commemorating ancestors are popular reasons for their construction. These totem poles were usually carved from wood. The VAP Class of 2023 created two totem poles with the themes "Native Australian Plants and Flowers" and "The Meaning of Flowers" chosen by the students. These poles suit Nanango's environment as they come from the land and fit along with the other totem poles.



Native American Totem Pole

The entire class as well as Miss Ambrutyte, helped come up with the theme ideas. Next, a vote was cast, and the most popular themes were picked. Miss Ambrutyte and Miss Gaedtke helped with the clay process, and Mr Kingsford helped with the placement of the poles. The order of the totem poles was decided by students, however, minor changes were made during installation because the totems, which are thicker, looked better at the bottom.

The flower I chose was the Titan Arum, commonly known as the Corpse Flower. Its name comes from the horrible smell of the plant when it is blooming. The plant is unique for its structure as well as its rare blooming cycle which takes 7-80 years. It is one of the largest flowers being 3.6 metres tall. My segment of the pole will be located third from the top. I chose this position as I wanted my sculpture to be visible. Titan Arum means birth and death suiting this plant due to its life cycle and scent.

The construction of the totem pole was tough due to the clay being very sticky at first. A large chunk of clay was rolled out and folded around a cylindrical object. I then moulded corpse flowers ensuring to capture all the detail from the plant. A criss-cross pattern was put onto the back of the moulded plants and the sculpture where the plant needed to be placed. A special solution called slip, made from clay

and water, was put on both crossed sections and the clay was bound to the pole. After the details were added, a sponge with water was used to smooth out the bumps, and the sculpture was left to dry. Then it was bisque fired and cooled. Next, the sculpture was under-glazed with colour and dried before a final white glaze was added. I chose yellow, brown, green, and purple for this sculpture's colour scheme as they were the colours from the flower. The final step was another thin firing. My section of the totem pole fits the theme of Language of Flowers, as the Titan Arum's meaning of Birth and Death relates to the theming. The placement between the Library and Admin is suitably placed alongside other totem poles in the area.



Corpse Flower Plant



12 VAP class and their totem poles

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12 VAP class totem poles

The totem pole will remain as a collaborative art piece made by the VAP class of 2023 and will be identified and viewed by later classes in the future. The totem pole will educate viewers about different native flowers and plants of Australia. It will also inspire viewers to learn the meanings of flowers and their language.



The totem pole of Titan Arum

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CALENDAR ?F EVENTS

SEPTEMBER		
1	PUPIL FREE DAY	
7-15	Year 12 Mock Exams	
8	Year 12 Formal	
9	Pedal Prix (Toowoomba)	
11-15	Year 10 Work Experience	
11	Year 6 into 7 Transition Day	
8-15	Year 11 Exam Block	

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS 16 September to 1 October

OCTOBER

2	PUBLIC HOLIDAY - KING'S BIRTHDAY
9-13	Year 11 Camp
9	WB 13-19 years Cluster 4 Trials - Cricket
10	WB 13-14 years Futsal trials
	WB 13-19 years Cluster 4 Trials - Cricket
	Year 9 into 10 Transition Day & Subject Selection
25	Year 9 Humanities Excursion Aussie World
27	Year 9 Humanities Excursion Aussie World



*Calendar of Events are correct at time of publication



The Premier's Anzac Prize

At a glance

The Anzac spirit is owned by all Australians and must be passed down through the coming generations.

The Premier's Anzac Prize provides an opportunity for young Queenslanders to gain an in-depth understanding of the Anzac legacy through research, workshops and visits to important memorial sites on the Western Front (UK, France and Belgium). The Western Front is where Australian service people sacrificed so much during World War I.

Queensland students and teachers are encouraged to apply for this once in a lifetime opportunity.

The 2024 Premier's Anzac Prize is proudly presented in partnership with RSL Queensland.

Who can apply

The Premier's Anzac Prize is open to all eligible Year 8 to Year 11 Queensland high school students and registered Queensland teachers from both state and non-state schools.

How to apply

Applicants are invited to submit their application forms and students are also invited to submit a multimedia presentation addressing the following key question:

How might the diverse stories of the Anzac Spirit, forged from overwhelming odds and sacrifice, inspire Australians to be resilient in an ever changing and increasingly challenging world?

In your response, refer to the legacy of Australia's involvement in World War I (e.g. Gallipoli, the Western Front, the Middle East) and one other conflict (e.g. World War II, the Korean War, the Vietnam War, the Gulf War, the East Timor Conflict or the Afghanistan War - a 21st century

Key dates

- Student and chaperone applications open Thursday 13 April 2023
- Chaperone applications close Monday 17 July 2023
- Student applications close Friday 8 September 2023
- Young Historians' Workshop 10 to 12 January 2024
- Premier's Anzac Prize tour 13 to 28 April 2024 (tentative)

To find out more about the Premier's Anzac Prize, and to download the application forms, please visit the website <u>www.qld.gov.au/anzacprize</u> or scan the QR code.



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Ozcare Catch Up Clinic Details

Please email sip.toowoomba@ozcare.org.au to book an Appointment

Date:	Monday 18th Septembe
TIME:	8.30am – 11.30am
Date:	Tuesday 21 st Novembe
TIME:	3.00pm – 4.15pm

LOCATION:	Ozcare Toowoomba
Address:	10 Pechey Street Toow

Parking is available at PCYC in James St, the Water St Carpark or on the street. We have limited parking available on site (please do not park in neighbouring business' parking).

*Please note that after the immunisation, there is a **<u>15 minute</u>** mandatory monitoring period.



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| Interview Room voomba QLD 4350







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2023 School Year Planner - Term 3 CTC Youth Crew Activities and Events



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HURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
6	7	8	9
pm Youth Crew rnoon Kumbia 13	14	15	16
n Burnett TAFE reers Market 30am - 3pm ngaroy TAFE 1 Prep L Murgon	14	15	10
DURTOWN	21	22 GAMES KNIGHT DnD Come & Try	23
rom 11am ipm Youth Crew rnoons K'roy 27	28	11am-3pm 29	30
pm Youth Crew rnoons K'roy 3	4	5	6
ing Youth Crew	11	12	13
rnoons K'roy 10		BaconFest Skateboard Workshop 10am-2.30pm W	Chiggy's Skateboard /orkshop 10am-2.30pm At Wondai Skate Park
pm Youth Crew rnoons K'roy 17	18	Flower Crown Class 2-5pm at Pig Jam in D'Neil Square	20
ILLS COURSE	2-DAY TENANCY Skills COURSE & GO-KARTING		
rnoons K'roy 24	PUPIL FREE	26	27
pm Youth Crew moon Kumbia 31	DAY 1	2	3
Pm Youth Crew moon Kumbia RETRO GLOW SKATE PARTY 5.30-7.30PM		Chiggy's Skateboard Workshop 10am-2.30pm At Blackbutt Skate Park	
CTC DAY	8	9	10
CTIVITIES	15	16	17
	PIZZA & PYJAMA MOVIE NIGHT	23	24
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PCYC Boxing Training on Wednesdays 3.30-5pm at South Burnett PCYC in Murgon Girls Only Self Defence Class on Tuesdays 6-7pm at Karate 4 Kids in Kingaroy

Youth Crew Crafternoons on Thursdays 3-5.30pm at Youth and Family Services Kingaroy & Kumbia QCWA Hall



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Nanango Theatre Company Inc Present the





Calling all students and Drama Teachers

Why not enter a Play in our Playfest and get Feedback from our well-known Adjudicators – Shirley & Mark Lucas

AWARDS FOR 2023

All awards are subject to a minimum number of entries and are awarded at the Adjudicator's discretion.

Entry Fee \$50 OPEN Section

Overall:

Best Play

\$1,000

People's Choice Best Play

A bottle of Moet Champagne

(Only voted for by season ticket holders, & a season ticket holders draw for a 2nd bottle)

Best Play of different genre to Best Play	\$200
Runner up Drama	\$150
Runner up Comedy	\$150
Best Director	\$200
Best New Australian Script, first performed in 2022	\$100 THIS
Best Set Design – Courtesy of Bunnings Kingaroy Short Plays:	\$100 WEEKEND
Best Short Play	\$150
Runner up Short Play	\$50
Acting Awards:	
Best Actor	\$100
Best Actress	\$100
Best Supporting Actor	\$50
Best Supporting Actress	\$50
Best Actor in a Minor Role	\$50
Best Actress in a Minor Role	\$50
Youth Awards:	
Best Youth Play	\$200
Best Youth Actor	\$100
Best Youth Actress	\$100
Best Supporting Actor	\$50
Best Supporting Actress	\$50

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Incentive Certificates & Trophies

While the guidelines for these awards will be as printed in the program, the Adjudicators reserve the right to award the prizes as they feel they are deserved and in deference to the number of entries in each section and their judgment as to the quality of performances.

For more information and entry forms contact

Playfest Secretary Jocelyn Richardson 0409 275 915 Email:Joslin.richardson@bigpond.com Or Tracy Clark 0419 669 430: Email: tracytclark1@bigpond.com

We would love to be able to present an Award to a local School this year!

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for their continued sponsorship

