

P & C Meetings every 2nd Wednesday of the month. All Welcome. Ph. 3451 8777

Issue 2

Principal's Outlook

23 February 2009



Our school community has been touched by the suffering of those in the small towns throughout Victoria devastated by bush fires. To date we have raised over \$1200 for the Bush Fire Appeal. My sincere thanks go to the school captains and senior leaders for organising the school appeal and to all those who have generously donated in the spirit of support and empathy for those involved. My thanks go also to *Pattons Big Gun* of Underwood who generously donated 400 sausages for the school appeal.

Congratulations also go to two outstanding athletes, Jasmin Hardke (Year 10) and Larissa Steward (Year 12). Jasmin was recently selected into the Australian Oceania Inline Speed Skating Team. Jasmine will soon travel to Canberra for training and will compete against the New Zealand team during the April School holidays. And here is Larissa's story.

"Dare to Dream"

On 2nd January 2009 I had my first day as a Ball Kid at the Brisbane International Tennis Tournament at the new Pat Rafter Tennis Arena and was chosen to be Ball Kid for games of famous players including Ana Ivanovich, Samantha Stosur, Thomas Berdych, Jarrko Nieminen, Chris Gochie, Amelie Mauresmo, and heaps more. During the quarter finals we had to work through 31 matches in one day due to games being cancelled due to rain. These were very long days and when I was working games for Ana Ivanovich and Thomas Berdych I didn't get home until 1.15am the next morning. I managed to achieve semi final games and came close to getting the finals.

Tennis player Paul Hanley was also playing there. Did you know he was a student of Loganlea SHS? His dad owns the tennis centre down the road where I play. This year I will compete in 5 tournaments that include Volki's Gold Coast Tournament (June), University of Queensland Tennis Tournament for Singles and Doubles, Rosebowl Tournament Gold Coast and the Wynnum Tennis Tournament.

I hope to build my confidence through competing in these tournaments and maybe one day I'll be playing against world class professional tennis players. *Larissa Steward.*

To Jasmin and Larissa, best wishes for your big competitions. You are an inspiration to us all.

"Only as high as I reach can I grow, only as far as I seek can I go, only as deep as I look can I see, only as much as I dream can I be." Karen Ravn

May I congratulate all staff and students who have clearly set their goals for 2009. The focus for the year is indeed continuous improvement. Parents please discuss homework, completion of assignments on time and attendance at every lesson, every day and ensure you remain in touch with us if you have any concerns.

Allison Crane

ENABLE'S EMC² PROGRAM

Year 11 Mathematics C students commenced their 2009 classes at Griffith University with great excitement. Their new classmates are students from our Enable schools in Logan, Kingston College, Woodridge SHS and Shailer Park SHS. Rosemary Wiffen HOD Maths from Kingston College and Ros Christopherson HOD Maths from Shailer Park are leading the teaching and organization of this outstanding project with Griffith University mentor Dr Chris Masters. Students will also be involved in Days of Excellence shared with other ENABLE schools including Flagstone State Community College, Beenleigh SHS and Marsden SHS. The most significant aspect of this project is the opportunity for our students to work in an intellectually stimulating environment with peers pursuing challenging goals.

Donna Potter—HOD Senior Mathematics/Science



School Captains' Report

Welcome to 2009! We are this year's school captains Rachael, Hayley, Kayla and Allan and we are representing the student body this year. We are excited to work with the team of student leaders, teachers and community members in our role this year. Last Friday we took part in the Impact Leadership Conference, combining with other schools from around Brisbane to learn and improve our leadership skills. We were excited to represent the state education system as we were the only state high school there! We look forward to working on the student council with younger students and represent them at various events within and outside our school community. We represent the school with pride and want to show everyone how great our school is! We hope to keep you updated throughout the year with our progress and experiences as school captains.



Kayla Dremel, Allan Sheppard, Rachael Battle and Hayley Brosnan

In their first week, all Year 12 students took part in an Australian Youth Development leadership program to start off their role as leaders of Loganlea SHS in 2009. They battled the heat in the Hall and the Dance Shack to participate in the practical activities teaching and guiding them into their leadership roles. All students did a fantastic job on the day with many individuals' skills shining through. Congratulations to Dale Shacklock who really impressed the program leaders and has been invited to participate in a conference during the year. Well done Year 12s.

Year 12 Leadership Program



Katherine Bannon—Year 12 Coordinator

Victorian Bush Fire Appeal



Our School Captains and their friends have been out and about this week collecting money for Victoria's Bush Fire victims. Thank you to those students who gave up their lunch breaks collecting donations to advance our community spirit in the helping of others. Thank you too, to the kind hearted people who made donations. All donations big or small will be a helpful start to repairing some of the damage caused by these fires.

School Nurse Information

Dear Parents and Students,
For new members of the school community, and for those not familiar with my role, I am Jodie, your School Based Youth Health Nurse (SBYHN). My role involves promotion of health within the school community.
I am employed by Queensland Health and am based in the school two days a week so that staff, parents and students can access me easily and confidentially. As part of my role I am available to support classroom presentations on various health issues, at the teacher's discretion. I am also available for individual client

consultations.
The consultation role is not that of a professional counsellor but rather as a referral and resource person. I am able to see young people in private to talk about, for example, health concerns, relationships, smoking, alcohol or drug use, feeling unhappy or stressed and getting in touch with the right service. I am required to keep this information confidential (not talking to others) unless the young person poses a risk to themselves or others or if the young person agrees I can do otherwise.
Apart from seeing people on an individ-

ual basis, I also work with the school community to identify and act on issues that may affect the health of students and the school community. As valuable members of the school community, I would welcome your participation and contribution in helping us create a place which is healthier to learn, work and play. Please feel free to contact me if you require more information on my role or if you wish to book an appointment with me. I am based at Loganlea State High School on Thursday and Friday.

Jodie Fisher
Youth Health Nurse

Early Childhood – getting into it

This year the SAS subject of Early Childhood Practices has been revised and is now called Early Childhood. Students who have selected this subject are being introduced to a very practical based learning of skills important in the caring for children in the Childcare industry and also as a parent. The first term focuses on workplace health and safety whilst developing a range of activities suitable to use at our Munchkins Playgroup which is held every Wednesday from 9am until 11am. Students have developed their own style of face painting while practising on each other and staff this week. Creativity is alive and well in the classroom this year.

Robyn Gooley
Early Childhood Teacher



Mathletics is a hit with students!

Jn Maths classes this week, students in all year levels have been having a fantastic time using Mathletics. So much fun that students in one Yr 10 class had to be 'torn away' from their computer to go home at the end of the day! When the teacher told students that the bell would be going in a minute, the reply was, "But I still have one minute Miss!"

Mathletics is an interactive e-Learning resource, being used by over 2,000 schools. Teachers are able to analyse their students' results and use this information to guide both class and individual instruction. Originating in Australia, Mathletics is now being used in over ten countries. The primary goal of Mathletics is to improve Mathematics results. Already more than 100,000 students have more than doubled their mental arithmetic skills using the program. Students can even access Mathletics from home. Parents/Caregivers can register for free to receive access to their own Mathletics Parent Centre. Here they can view all of the results for their child. Registration also activates a weekly email update on their child's progress. Parents/Caregivers can go to www.mathletics.com.au/parent and fill in the required details. They will need their child's Mathletics user name and password.

WELCOME BBQ

Parents, students and Year Eight Teachers

Library Courtyard
Tuesday 24th February 2009

Any time between
4:30pm and 7:00pm

RSVP: 3451 8708
To Mr Thatcher
(Year Eight Coordinator)

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