LEADERSHIP INDUCTION CEREMONY

On Friday, 22nd February our student leaders - the College Captains, College Vice Captains, Junior School Captains and Vice Captains, Prefects, Student Council leaders, BEACON Ambassadors, Year Level Leaders and House Leaders were officially inducted into their leadership roles. All the Year 12’s were also the College, receiving their senior leadership badge. With this honour comes great responsibility to promote and contribute to the school environment. At this year’s leadership camp the Year 12 students agreed upon a set of commitments they wished to aspire to. This was used as the foundation for their pledge as school leaders. These words were carefully selected to match the ideals and culture of the College. I was extremely proud of the manner in which the Year 12’s and selected leaders presented themselves and would like to congratulate Mr Smith and Mrs Wedmaier on co-ordinating a very successful event.

Leadership skills are something that need to be developed over time, hence Redlynch ensures that there are excellent opportunities in all year levels to participate in leadership groups. The BEACON Ambassadors program is one such opportunity. Redlynch has the honour of being offered a partnership with the BEACON Foundation, a renowned national organization focused on ensuring positive pathways from school to work. The successful nominees will take on a unique focus on behalf of all our Year 10’s – that is building each other’s capacity to step into the world of work. This leadership team will learn and apply an extensive range of skills that build the capacity of their peers to fulfill this commitment.

Congratulations to both Student Councils for a really positive start to the year and we look forward to both groups identifying issues, strategizing and enacting a range of activities that build on our caring and supportive environment.

Tony Fuller, Principal

Phone 24 hours a day to advise the reason why your student will be or was late/absent from school on: 4039 9294
COLLEGE EXPECTATIONS
(COLLEGE POLICY LOCATED IN DIARIES)
ELECTRONIC DEVICES POLICY

The 7 – 12 campus policy is:

Mobile phones, iPods and iPads (including Android models) are a necessity in today’s society, however, they can disrupt the good management of the College if used during class time without the teacher’s permission. Students may use these devices during break times on the understanding that as soon as the warning bell rings students must turn all devices off. Electronic devices may not be used in class unless directed by a teacher when it is curriculum related, they may not be used on sports or excursion bus trips. Students that fail to turn these devices off will have the device confiscated for the day and further incidents will result in parent contact to assist students to follow College expectations. There will be severe consequences for students using these devices for negative purposes such as cyber bullying or taking videos or photos during College hours.

The College will not be responsible for any mobile phone, iPod or iPad (or Android model) that is stolen, lost or damaged. Students may wish to hand the phone etc in to the Office each morning for safe keeping and collect it at the close of the school day.

As a part of a rigorous junior secondary phase and senior curriculum there are subjects offered at the College that encourage the use of technology and students are permitted to bring and use these devices in the classroom as a necessary part of the coursework led by the teacher.

SMOKING

Government regulations state that smoking is not permitted on school premises.

Students caught smoking at Redlynch State College will have the items confiscated and receive after school detentions. Subsequent breaches of the ‘No Smoking’ policy will result in suspension.

LOCKERS

Lockers are available to students at Redlynch State College on the 7-12 Campus. Application forms are available at the front Office. Locker hire for the year comes with a $30 fee. Forms must be completed and returned as soon as possible as we only have 100 lockers to allocate. Mr Andrejic will issue lockers to each individual student once he has received the application form and the $30 fee is paid at student services.

STAND UP FOR YOUR RIGHTS!

Year 11 English Communication students want our peers, parents and employees to acknowledge young people’s rights in the workforce.

In Queensland, the employment of children (those under 18 years of age) is governed by the Child Employment Act 2006 and the Child Employment Regulation 2006.

Did you know it is illegal for teenagers to work longer than:
- 12 hours during a school week
- 38 hours during a week that is not a school week
- four hours on a school day
- eight hours on a day that is not a school day
- work between 10pm and 6am

Parents are also required to play their part. The Act makes it illegal to employ a school-aged child until an employer has obtained a parent’s consent form. Furthermore, it is illegal for a teen to work during contact school hours.

The Department of Justice and Attorney-General can assist you with advice on your rights and responsibilities at work:
- Industrial Relations Services Unit (07) 32352299
- Workplace Health and Safety Queensland 1300 369 915
- Or visit www.justice.qld.gov.au
What’s been happening this fortnight:

- **Statements** – sorry for the delay, we are trying to get the payments allocated correctly before forwarding these out in the mail. You should start receiving your statement from Tuesday, 26th March. If you have any concerns or did not receive your monthly statement, please email FINANCE@redlynchsc.eq.edu.au

- **BPAY** – Redlynch State College no longer uses BPAY as a preferred method of payment for invoices. If you are currently using this system, please contact the payment office at FINANCE@redlynchsc.eq.edu.au to discuss an alternative payment arrangement.

- **Payment Window:** Open from 8.15 am to 9.30 am and again from 2.30 pm to 3.30 pm Monday to Friday. Students can make payments during first break (11.15 am to 11.50 am).

- **Uniform Shop:** Open from 8.15 am to 9.30 am Monday to Friday unless otherwise stated. Recently we have had to close the uniform shop due to staff absences. We apologise for these inconveniences. Drew is constantly in touch with Shirts North re the supply of outstanding shirts, shorts, hats etc. Hopefully our stock will be supplied in the next week. Thanks for your patience.

- **HAVE YOU RECEIVED THE SCHOOLKIDS BONUS?**
  Do you know about the Schoolkids Bonus? It is a new cash payment to help eligible families and students with the costs of primary and secondary school studies. Around 1.2 million families have already benefitted from the first wave of payments in January 2013 – have you?

  If you receive a family or income support payment, including Family Tax Benefit Part A, you could be eligible to receive $410.00 a year for each primary student and $820.00 a year for each secondary student, with half paid in January and half paid in July.

  The Schoolkids Bonus replaces the Education Tax Refund (ETR) and is a much simpler system. You no longer need to collect receipts and payments are made automatically so you don’t have to wait months to make a claim via your tax return. Unlike the ETR you can choose how you use the payment to best support your children’s education – whether it be school books, stationery, uniforms, school fees, or excursions.

  Check your eligibility by visiting Australia.gov.au/schoolkidsbonus and if you think you might have missed out on the January payment, contact Centrelink - either in person at a Centrelink-Medicare Office or by calling 132 468.

  Until next time…… Max (BSM – Finance) and Cheryl (AR Officer)

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**REDLYNCH STATE COLLEGE P & C ASSOCIATION NEWS**

**MARKET CO-ORDINATOR REQUIRED …….**

Due to personal circumstances, Jodie Ferrero, our Market Co-Ordinator for the last twelve months, is now unable to continue in the role. Jodie has put in an incredible amount of hard work over the last year and we thank her for all her dedication and wish her well.

We now need someone to take on the role of Co-Ordinator and be responsible for the administration and marketing of the Redlynch Community Market.

*Do you have a flair for marketing? Are you passionate about Redlynch and engaging the community in our Market? Are you keen to become involved in the P & C Association and help us grow the wonderful concept of Redlynch Community Market? If so………………….then we need you!*

We envisage the role taking approximately twenty hours per month and you will have the full support of the P & C Association to help you with every step. If you are keen to know more, then please contact Janet McIntyre, P & C Operations Manager, on (07)40399237 or by email at rscpande@gmail.com.

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**UPCOMING FUNDRAISING EVENTS!**

Watch out for further information on our upcoming events—

- our Monster Raffle, the Entertainment Book Fundraiser and our wonderful Mother’s Day Stall.

**ADIDAS SCHOOL FUN-RUN**

Redlynch State College will be holding an *Adidas School Fun-Run* as a major fundraising event this year. The event will be held in Term 2 Week one in conjunction with the school cross country.

The *Adidas School Fun-Run* is a healthy, fun and active fundraiser that ensures we send the right message to our students about getting active, having fun and maintaining a healthy lifestyle. The main focus of this event is on participation. Family support is most appreciated as we encourage all students to get involved.

Most students have received a Sponsorship Form to help collect sponsorship on behalf of the school. We ask all parents to read the Sponsorship Form and sign the front page to grant permission for their child to fundraise and participate in this event. In the Sponsorship Form you will find many other benefits such as the chance to win a family holiday in Disneyland!

Students wanting to train for our event and to receive advice from sporting heroes like Sally Pearson and Jonathan Brown, can do so by logging onto schoolfunrun.com.au/students and clicking on mi adidas.

All students raising $10 or more will receive a prize. Once fundraising is complete please help your child fill out Step 5 – How to Claim Prizes, on the back page of the Sponsorship Form. Then tear it off and return it with all money raised to the front office on or before Monday 22nd of April, student prizes will arrive shortly after.

Thank you, good luck and happy fundraising!

Sam Johnson - HPE Teacher, Cassy Velonias - Sports Coordinator, Jane Hurley - HOD HPE, Mark Wilson - Associate Principal
Redlynch State College’s 7-12 swimming carnival was held last Thursday at Smithfield pool. What a fantastic day. With around 500 students in attendance it was great to see all students dressed up in their house colours, getting involved in the events and cheering their house swimmers on. Students had the opportunity to swim in races for age champion as well as participation races gaining valuable points for their house. At the end of the day Age Champions were awarded to the students gaining the most points throughout the day in their particular age group. Congratulations to the students below who were awarded Age Champion.

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At the end of the day it was time to announce the champion house and to see who would get their name engraved on the swimming carnival shield in 2013. In 4th place with 578 points was Cascades, 3rd place with 692 points was Falls, 2nd place with 793 points was Torrents, 1st place with 836 points was Rapids. Nathan and Hilary, Rapids house captains, were presented with the P & C Interhouse Swimming Carnival Shield. The swimming carnival can’t run without the help of a whole team of people. Thanks to all the staff who helped out with jobs on the day. You enabled the carnival to run smoothly. Finally, I would like to thank the students of Redlynch State College. Your excellent behaviour and participation on carnival day is something to be very proud of. Looking forward to an even bigger and better carnival next year.
Peninsula Reps 2013

Congratulations to the following students who have been selected to represent Peninsula in the upcoming State Championships.

Alecia – 19 Years Girls Volleyball, Tayla – 19 Years Girls Softball and Cassidy – 19 Years Girls Tennis

Get out and get involved in sport. Hooroo,
Cassy Velonias, Sports Co-ordinator, cvelo4@eq.edu.au

P-6 SPORTS NEWS

BARRON RIVER SPORT

Rugby League trial dates are now 11th and 18th March at St Andrew’s Catholic College 3:30-4:30pm. For all other sports trial dates and times see the last newsletter (Term 1 Week 4).

COLES SPORTS FOR SCHOOLS

Thank you to all the wonderful families who supported the Coles sports for schools program in 2012. We collected almost 50,000 vouchers which equates to approximately $3000 worth of sports equipment. This is the third year this program has been running and we have received approximately $10,000 worth of sports equipment. All students benefit from this sporting equipment. This year we purchased play balls of various sizes, badminton racquets, stopwatches, Soccer, AFL and Rugby League balls, two score boards and some trolleys to put all our new equipment into.

Pictured are some of the Year 5B students playing with the equipment.
Andrew Vearing, HPE Teacher, P-6

P-6 STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Class | Term 1 Wk 5 | Class | Term 1 Wk 6
Prep A | Alex, Toby | Prep A | Lara, Jarvis
Prep B | Sienna, Danny | Prep B | Sky, Shaun
Prep C | Camryn | Prep C | Isabell
Prep E | Kayla, Mishka, William | Prep E | Kain, Ally, Jayden
Prep F | Carys, Declan | Prep F | Kyle, Maya
1A | Stella | 1A | Joshua, Shota
1B | Chelsea, Kane | 1B | Caitlin, Mitchell
1C | Liam, Nami | 1C | Flynn, Isabell
1E | Claire, Azura | 1D | Layne, Cienna
1/2F | Cooper | 1/2F | Alanah
2A | Megan | 2A | Sapphire, Bryce
2B | Stephanie | 2B | Taz
2E | Amelie | 2C | Chisa
3A | Lucas | 3E | Haydar, Glenn
3E | Courtney, Faith | 4B | Harry
4A | Lachie | 4C | Tayla
4B | Soleil | 4D | Daniel, Cameron
4C | Kayla | 4/5F | Andrew
4D | Alex, Ellie | 5B | Emily, Ben
4/5F | Luke | 5C | Blair
5A | Jacob | 6B | Andrew
5B | Emily | 6C | Andrew
5C | George | 6B | Andrew
5D | Jesse, Brienne | 6C | Andrew
6A | Brayden |
6B | Andrew |
6C | Hannah |

OBSTATHON

Our annual Obstathon is set for Thursday 28th March, the last week in Term 1. Children are to come to school in their normal school uniform. Please send a plastic bag with a set of old play clothes (shorts and T-shirt, not swimmers) and a large towel. Shoes must be worn to school but can be taken off for the Obstathon and put back on after their class has finished. The kids will get very muddy and wet and have lots of fun completing the obstacle course trying to do as many laps as possible. They will change back into their uniform after the event.

OBSTATHON TIMETABLE

11:05 Prep | 11:35 Year 1 & 1/2F | 12:05 Year 2
12:35 Year 3 | 13:05 Year 4 | 13:35 Year 5 & 4/5F
14:05 Year 6 | 14:40 Finish and pack up.

Hope you can come along and watch. Feel free to join in. (Make sure you get lots of sponsors!)

No money should be returned until after the Obstathon is held and then only when the full amount has been collected. Sponsorship cards and money must be returned by Friday 19th April. Students will receive 1 raffle ticket for every $10 raised and go into the draw to win a major prize. (P-3 prize and 4-6 prize). All children raising $100 or more will receive a prize.

CARDS ONLY to teacher on the morning of the obstathon. Cards must be returned whether sponsored or not.

The prizes will be drawn at parade for P-3 and 4-6. Those students not returning their money by the allotted time will miss out on being in the draw.

Rob Hanlon, Associate Principal P-6 Campus
2013 is proving to be an exciting year for Practical Arts. Thanks to the hard work of Chris McKenna, coordinator and teacher of ‘Live Production and Theatre Events’, partnerships are being formed between Redlynch College and the Cairns community. These partnerships will enable future employment opportunities for our students as well as strengthen our ties within the Cairns community. Watch this space for more updates.

Senior Visual Art students and teachers are eagerly anticipating a mix media workshop in March with local artist, Julie Poulsen. Highly recognised for her technique in layering paint and deconstructing and reconstructing works, it is a great opportunity for the Year 11 and 12 students to learn Julie Poulsen’s process of working.

I am also pleased to announce the students who have been chosen to participate in the REACH program. REACH (Regional Excellence in Arts and Culture Hubs) is an Education Queensland state-award-winning innovative program that is managed and led by Arts teachers throughout the Far North Queensland region. It is supported and funded by the Queensland Government. REACH is committed to building partnerships and opportunities in the Arts to support and extend the skills and talents of creative students throughout Far North Queensland. Brooke and Josslin (Year 12), Tayla (Year 11) and Annalie and Breia (Year 10) will participate in the Visual Art sector. Representing Media Studies/Film and T.V are Year 10 students Georgia, Samantha and Jason.

It is a fantastic network which enables the students to connect and communicate with other students across the region who are passionate about the arts and who will be mentored by local Cairns artists via the REACH Student Portal website. The students also receive the latest information about opportunities and activities in the arts industry and further arts study and pathways. Congratulations to those students participating in this wonderful program.

Congratulations also need to go to the VAS (Visual Art Studies) 2012 Redlynch Archibald winners. These students explored portraiture and the history of the Archibald Prize but due to timing (end of term 4) were unable to receive their awards until this year. The ‘Redlynch Archibald Prize’ was presented to Phoebe, while the Packing Room Prize went to Jessica and Maddy and the People’s Choice to Nerissa. These portraits will be displayed in the Administration office on the 7-12 campus.

In classroom news, students in Year 10 Practical Art are learning illustration techniques to create memory cards which will be given to the Prep and Year 1 teachers and classes to use. Year 10 Visual Art students are exploring and experimenting with various ways objects can be represented in art works. Year 9 art students are learning how to mix a variety of media and drawing and painting techniques to create an artwork which communicates the history of our beautiful valley, while the Year 8’s are focusing on symbols and are about to start printmaking. The Redlynch Visual Art studios are busy once again!

Mrs McLeod, Practical Arts HOD
COLLEGE NEWS

Musing Musically

Dear Instrumental Music Parents, Caregivers and Students,

If you have any enquiries about lessons, rehearsals or ensembles below is a list of our wonderful Instrumental Music teachers and coordinators who can answer your questions.

Kirsty Rankine – Woodwind Instrumental Teacher – Tuesdays P-6 campus and Junior Concert Band/Thursdays 7-12 Campus and Senior Concert Band – krank23@eq.edu.au

Frank Bray – Beginner Strings- Wednesday afternoons and Beginner String ensemble fbray1@eq.edu.au

Nathan Christodoulides – Percussion teacher – Thursday mornings (8.30-12.30) – ncrhi72@eq.edu.au

Kelly Perger – Brass teacher and Jazz Band – all day Thursday – time split between primary and secondary campus as timetable is on a rotational basis – kperg1@eq.edu.au

Matthew Coxon – Strings teacher – all day Friday – String Orchestra, Senior String Ensemble – mccoxo5@eq.edu.au

Vicky Porrett – P-2 Classroom Music Teacher – vporr1@eq.edu.au

Aine Rafferty – Choir – Primary Campus, Music Coordinator Primary Campus, Yrs3-6 Classroom Music teacher- araff3@eq.edu.au

Ilga Lockey – Music Coordinator secondary Campus, Years 7-12 Classroom Music teacher- ilock2@eq.edu.au

We have a group email also that all of us receive which parents are more than welcome to contact which is: MUSIC@redlynchsc.eq.edu.au

All of our teachers are fabulous at responding quickly to emails so please know that this is the best and most efficient method of making contact with us.

The Music Staff

MINDUP "...

MindUP helps children understand how their brain works in an age-appropriate way.

Mindful awareness through focused attention is a valuable skill for students to learn and master. Children who learn that mindful breathing helps calm them down, which in turn allows them to think more clearly and act in a reflective manner, will be better able to regulate their emotions, reduce stress, and make better decisions.

Mrs Gail Carroll, Teacher

1B EXPLORES DR SEUSS - CAT IN THE HAT

On the first day of March, 1B explored Dr Seuss and his books. As we had already learnt about the short vowel sound of a, we began the day with the Cat in the Hat. The children looked very cute in their hand made hats and bow ties. On the back of the hats the children wrote what they would tell their mother if they had spent the day with the Cat in the Hat. Here are some of the responses:

-I would tell my mum the truth because she wouldn’t get cranky. By Hannah
-I had fun with a cat today. By Willem
-The cat made the mess. By Rhys
-I would blame my brother. By Kiara

Mrs Haeley Armstrong Ryan

CONGRATULATIONS ON SCHOOLS CLEAN UP DAY

On 1st March the P-6 Campus participated in Schools Clean Up Day – Clean Up Australia Day. The entire campus picked up rubbish and we even ventured into Rice’s Gully – however we didn’t even fill up a full bag of rubbish! So congratulations to our wonderful students who obviously take such pride in our beautiful school grounds every day!

Mrs Spigariol 5C teacher - Environmental Coordinator.

Some students from 5C proudly displaying bags of rubbish they collected.

SUNDAY 24 MARCH 2013 – NOT JUST A TOAD DAY OUT

8AM-12PM AT SMITHFIELD/NORTHERN BEACHES (LOCATION TO BE CONFIRMED)

Want to help save the planet and eradicate pests?!!

Earth Hour is 8-9pm on Saturday 23 March, why not turn off your lights, grab a torch and go out collecting cane toads? Bring your captured toads (over 50mm in length, live and unharmed) on the morning of Sunday 24 March for the chance to win some great prizes! Enjoy a free sausage sizzle, watch a trained detection dog sniff out tramp ants, take part in cane toad racing, and meet some of Zoo to You’s awesome native animals!

Don’t forget to bring along the smallest ant in your house/yard for identification – 10 free dump passes available for the first 10 households to bring in a suspect ant, and loads of other giveaways.

Mrs Irna Spigariol 5C – Redlynch State College Sustainability Committee
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