It is with a great deal of sadness that I write this newsletter. As all of you are aware Syahman Hatta, one of our Year 12 students collapsed after completing an event at last Tuesday's 7-12 Athletics Carnival. Senior school students were informed of Syahman’s passing at a school assembly last Wednesday morning and a significant number attended his funeral that afternoon.

Our thoughts and sympathies continue to be with his family, including his younger brother who is in Year 8 and his older brother who completed Year 12 last year at our school. Counsellors and other professional support staff have provided advice to students and teaching staff on how to deal with our children’s reactions and emotions. Syahman enrolled into Year 9 at Redlynch State College at the beginning of 2010. He quickly settled into the routines of the school and made many friends with other students and staff. He was a very smart student who was looking forward to university at the end of Year 12. He will be dearly missed by his friends, teachers and the whole school community.

Last week was a tough week for many students and staff and I would like to complement them on the way they helped look after each other during a very difficult time.

I would also like to thank the many members of the school community who sent messages of support to the school and our students, it was really appreciated. If any student requires additional support or advice during this difficult time, please contact us and we will help in any way that we can.

Students may wish to access:
- Lifeline: 13 11 14 www.lifeline.org.au

Sincerely
Mark Wilson
Acting Principal

Phone 24 hours a day to advise the reason why your student will be or was late/absent from school on: 4039 9294
THE CONOCOPHILLIPS SCIENCE EXPERIENCE 2013

The JCU Faculty of Science and Engineering in Cairns held the ConocoPhillips Science Experience for 2013.

A total of 51 students from Years 9 and 10 around the Cairns region were enrolled in the program and had the opportunity to experience this fun and educational opportunity. The experience ran for 3 days and contained a variety of Science activities and experiments.

Students had the chance to explore various science fields and career choices while gaining an understanding of the work involved in university and science. The activities were very interactive, involving work in forest ecology, forensics, robotics, lectures, sustainability, dissection and physics. Students were given tasks such as dissecting squids, programming robots, examining insect species, creating solutions to improve sustainability and more. Prizes were offered to students who performed the highest which included trips to Green Island and the Daintree also pens, bags, books, coupons, world globes and much more.

The whole 3 days was an incredible opportunity and all the staff were very friendly and supportive. The ConocoPhillips Science Experience is a great way for students to get out and get involved in a fantastic learning opportunity during the school holidays.

Ethan Year 10
CELEBRATING 100 DAYS OF SCHOOL IN PREP -

“On Thursday 18th July the Preps celebrated being at school for 100 days! We brought 100 small items from home and we learned how to count in 10s to 100. After lunch we collaged our 100 things, coloured 100 pictures and made 100 day glasses and crowns. At 2.00pm our mums and dads came to school to have a party with us. We all ate our yummy food and showed our 100 day things to our parents. What a fantastic day! We are 100 days smarter!”

REDLYNCH STUDENTS BECOME COMPOST WARRIORS

Redlynch students are keeping our environment safe by composting their fruit and vegie scraps into the school’s compost bin.

Every big lunch one student from each class is asked to deliver their class scraps to the Redlynch compost bins. 5D students stand at the compost bin to supervise.

Examples of waste that can be composted are: BANANA (peels also), APPLE CORES, BREAD CRUSTS, PEAR CORES, CARROT, NEWSPAPER, CUCUMBER and EGG SHELLS.

Foods that cannot be composted include CITRUS FRUIT, MEAT OR DAIRY.

Dairy: eg. CHEESE, BUTTER, YOGURT etc

CITRUS: eg. ORANGE, MANDARINE, LIME, LEMON etc.

All these composting scraps turn the soil into healthy, nutritious soil for plants to consume and this also prevents landfill which is causing our Earth to crumble from all the nasty pollution.

NEWS FROM THE ENVIRONMENTAL CLUB

SAVING ELECTRICITY FOR THE ENVIRONMENT - The Environmental Club checked the class rooms on the P-6 campus and were surprised with some of the results. During lunch time a only a few classes had turned off all of their appliances that used electricity. The Environmental Club were a bit surprised as they were expecting more classes to be using less electricity during lunch time. The names of the energy saving classes were put into a hat for a draw to see which class would receive the Energy Saving certificate. The winning class was announced on parade.

written by: Hannah, Tayah, Tara, Members of the Environmental Club

WANTED

The 7-12 campus is in need of a collapsible wheelchair for use in the sickbay. If you have such an item that you would be prepared to donate to the school, please contact Lesley Maykin on 4039 9222.

Thank you very much
Congratulations to all students who participated in the P-6 Track & Field Carnival on Friday July 12th. Thanks to all the parents who came along to watch and support our little Champions. Thanks to all the teachers who helped with officiating duties and helped set up the equipment and pack up everything at the end of the day. It was a real team effort. The Prep – Year 3 were terrific and had lots of fun doing all their events. It was really a fantastic day for everyone.

The Champion house was Rapids with 346 points, Cascades 276 points, Torrents 252 points and Falls 180 points. Cascades won the March Past, Torrents won the War Cry and Falls won the Spirit award.

AGE CHAMPIONS

9 Years girls Jessica, 9 years boys George
10 years girls Tianna, 10 years boys Aiden
11 years boys Emma, 11 years boys Ayden
12 years girls Chantelle, 12 years boys Ben

There were 4 records broken this year. Congratulations to Aiden 800m 10 years boys, Chantelle 800m 12 years girls, Ethan 200m 10 years boys, Enoler Shot Put 11 years girls.

All students who finished top 4 in the 100m Final and top 2 in all other events have been selected in the Redlynch State College team to participate at the Barron River Track & Field Carnival on Friday, August 2nd at St Andrews. Permission notes have been handed out, with training days and times. Students are expected to attend all training sessions.

CROSS COUNTRY

Congratulations to Harry, Aiden, Connor and Chantelle who were selected in the Barron River team to participate at the Peninsula Cross Country last term. Chantelle finished 1st, Connor 4th, Harry 8th and Aiden 9th.

Chantelle was selected in the Peninsula Cross Country team to compete at the Queensland State Cross Country Championships and finished in the top 10 in 12 years girls in Queensland. She finished 9th this year. An improvement from last year where she finished 20th. What a fantastic effort by Chantelle. Everyone at RSC is proud of her achievements and also her fantastic attitude towards sport and life.

Excellence in Sport Evening

We will be holding our second ‘Excellence in Sport’ Evening on October 18, 2013 at the Hilton at our College. The highlight for the evening will be the announcement of the Senior and Juni (Peninsula) recipients. As well as other students who have achieved on the sporting field at non-school sport will also be acknowledged. Students will be able to nominate for awards. The successful students will receive an invitation and further information regarding the night guest speaker. Tickets which will include a 2 course buffet dinner will be on sale from week 6. Furthermore, we are seeking the assistance of the local community to sponsor the major awards. Get out and get involved in sport.
proudly displaying their medal haul. Ethan, Jessica, den, Chantelle, Enoler, Ben

(Above) Rapids House Captains happily displaying the winning house trophy (yet again!), Torrents - winners of the War Cry, Cascades - winners of the March Past and (above right) Falls - winners of the Spirit Award and Maelee giving it her all in the long jump

(L) Great to see this young Cascades supporter getting into the team spirit

(Above L-R) Age Champions and this year’s record holders proudly displaying their medal haul. Ethan, Jessica, George, Tianna, Emma, Aiden, Ayden, Chantelle, Enoler, Ben

Masquerade Dance

Please come and enjoy Redlynch State College’s Very Own Masquerade Dance!!!!

Who: 7-12 campus students
When: Wednesday Week 5, 7th August
Cost: $3 in costume
$3.50 not in costume
Food and Drinks all $3.00 or 2 pieces of pizza and a drink for $6
Masks will be sold on the night!!!

Cassie Velonias, Sports Coordinator, cvelo4@eq.edu.au

Get out and get involved in sport

Cassy Velonias, Sports Coordinator, cvelo4@eq.edu.au

Excellence in Sport Evening

We will be holding our second ‘Excellence in Sport’ Evening on October 18, 2013 at the Hilton Cairns. The evening will celebrate the success of all sports from students in Years 4 to 12 unior Sports Person of the Year. We will also be recognising Full Blue (State) and Half Blues at school, district and regional level. In addition to this, students with outstanding success in after Tuesday the 6th August, more details will be given to students through morning notices. ght later in the term. The night is sure to be entertaining with lucky door prizes, raffles and a zk 6, 14th August and available from the 7-12 payments window.

awards given on the evening. If you are able to assist us, please contact me via email (please
Well, the Cairns Show has come and gone for another year, and after a VERY long and exhausting week, I just wanted to thank a few special people who helped to make this year another success for the P & C Association. Without the help of Mindy Walsh, Vicki Flint, Sue Fincham and Anne-Marie Lindeman, whose cooking skills were amazing, we simply would not have got by as smoothly as we did this year. The ladies all worked in their roles at school during the day, and then turned up to volunteer for a shift at the Show afterwards. A very special thanks to them for all their dedication and hard work. To the following people, a huge thanks for volunteering your time to help us out: Julie Dunn, Karin Van Aswegen, Chris Gloor, Jane Canavan, Judy Woodrow, Anna Stanbridge, Paula Clarke, Robyn Hayles, Annie McIntyre, Scott McIntyre, Judy Edwards, Kalo Riley, Paul Musetti, Gianni Musetti, Nicola Musetti, Rob and Jos Hanlon, Amanda and Josslin Smith, Serena Rattigan, Liz Reichardt.

Anna Cedervall, Tayne Ward, Jane Hurley, Nikita Millard, Shay Latimer, Anita Petrie, Mark Wilson, Angela Greening, Jayden McLean and Dan Martin.

While the list of names may look long, when you take out the Executive Members of the P & C Association and staff members of both the College and the P & C Association, we are left with only about seven families within the College community coming in to volunteer. This is really disappointing as we all know that many hands make light work and even if you can only volunteer for an hour at a time, it makes a huge difference to those of us who are putting in incredibly long hours at the Show every year. The work is not hard, you can stack the fridges, do the dishes or make cups of coffee, cook chips, or serve the customers—whatever you feel comfortable doing. There are always plenty of laughs during the week and it is a fantastic atmosphere at our site where we can have fun at the same time as we are raising funds for the students within our College. Please consider helping us out next year when the Show rolls around again. A very special mention must go to Rachel Findlater and the Year 11 students from the Hospitality class. This year, they cooked all our food for us—Massaman Curry, Roast Pork, Roast Beef, Gravy, Apricot Muesli Slice, Gluten Free Chocolate Brownie, and the most delicious and decadent Chocolate Brownie that you’ve ever tasted!! The students also came in and volunteered at the Show for a day to gain some valuable customer service skills. Without Rachel’s dedication and hard work we would not have been able to sell such delicious food this year. It was a real pleasure telling our customers that students from our College cooked the food for us, and the comments on the quality of the food just kept rolling in over the three days. A huge thanks to Rachel and the students from us all.

Janet McIntyre—P & C Operations Manager

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THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU
Thank you to all those families who responded to the request for Homestay placements for our international visitors. The response was greatly appreciated.

Robyn Schulte, Study Tours Co-ordinator
Redlynch State College had another successful year at the Cairns Show with their fruit and vegie displays as well as the flower arrangements. Great creativity was shown by the students who entered. The judges commented that although there were fewer flower arrangements the quality was better. Congratulations to 4C and Mrs Hall for their outstanding Flower Tray display.

A big thank you goes out to the Teacher Aides who helped transport fruit and vegie displays to the show. Thank you also to Mr Rob Hanlon, Mrs Leigh Vincent, Mrs Dawn Langtree, Mrs Wilma Martin, Mrs Tracey Coulson, Mrs Ellen St. John, Mrs Annie Edington-Chapman and, Mrs Beth Mollinhauer for their help in either setting up of the fruit and vegie displays or flower arrangements.

Janet Pommer, On behalf of the Show Committee
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