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SPORTS DAY 2016

Another chapter in the Fitzroy vs Archer saga.

...AND MUCH MORE!





FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

by PRINCIPAL BLAIR HARP

Dear LCS Family,

Firstly, we would like to acknowledge and welcome those families who have joined the Lighthouse Christian School community in term two. It is wonderful to have you with us! We count it a privilege to be entrusted with partnering with you in the education of your child.

ACADEMICS

In our Primary Department, we are continuing to roll out our new **evidence-based phonics and spelling program, Write2Spell2Read**. During the April student free days, we had the developer of this program at our campus to lead our primary teachers and teacher aides in building their expertise in delivering this program. This training has complemented the professional development our staff had earlier in the year with an external practitioner who has been effectively working with this program for the past three years.

This month, our year eleven cohort is participating in an **English External Testing Trial** from QCAA (Queensland Curriculum and Assessment Authority). **Our school was successful in its application to be a part of this trial program. Changes to Secondary Education** through the new tertiary ranking system will firstly impact our current year nines. Recent information from the QCAA is that at least 25% of assessments will be in the form of an external exam. With these changes coming, it is wonderful that our school is able to be a part of this state-wide trial.

You would be aware that students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 were involved in **NAPLAN** testing earlier this month. Schools, students and parents will

receive the results of these tests in August. At Lighthouse, **we see these tests as providing an important indicator of our school's progress**. It is important that at school, class and individual student level, we are seeing **improvement year by year** so that we can monitor our teaching practices and programs, ensuring that your child is receiving a learning experience of the highest standard.

SPIRITUAL GROWTH

Praise and Worship continues at LCS every Monday morning during our school assembly and again at our two chapel services (Primary – Wednesday / Secondary – Friday). These occasions are precious times in our school week. **The impact of a worshipful life has a profound effect on every area of our being, leading to an ever increasing desire to love Jesus, become like Jesus, and communicate Jesus**. The number of students involved in Praise and Worship ministry across both our Primary and Secondary departments increases by the month. Parents and friends are most welcome to join us during these occasions.

This month, for the very first time, **LCS is entering choirs in the Rockhampton Eisteddfod**. Our primary students are performing Colin Buchanan's Old Black Crow. In the refrain it says "There's one thing for sure, we are worth much more to the God who cares for people too!" Our secondaries are presenting "Still" and "Always Enough", two gospel songs, the refrain of the latter declaring "Your love is peace to the broken, faith for the widow, hope for the orphan, strength for the weak!" What a promise! I commend our students for their bold declarations of God's goodness to a packed Pilbeam Theatre. Win, lose or draw, our students will return to school having communicated **the**

timeless and precious message of Hope in God to the Rockhampton community!

SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL DEVELOPMENT

In recent weeks I have had the privilege of meeting with several new and existing parents to discuss their experiences here at Lighthouse Christian School and what they see and expect for their children both now and into the future. What is clearly apparent is the appreciation shown among parents for the **care, nurture and support for students**, particularly those at educational and social risk that exists at LCS. I have seen parents moved to tears when they have shared their gratitude for how school staff have for many years, provided a safe, caring, compassionate and supportive place for their children to learn and grow. **The social and emotional development of each and every student in our community is of the utmost importance to us**. This part of our school culture is priceless and is something that we work earnestly to nurture and protect.

PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

Students across our primary and secondary departments have continued their involvement in the Rockhampton Interschool Sports Competitions. One recent highlight was the performance of our secondary girls' basketball team who finished **runners up** in their competition. Students are currently involved in netball (girls), basketball (secondary boys) and hockey (primary boys).

This past week, our Inter-house Carnival was a wonderful occasion. In addition to the fun and participation, the day acted as a selection trial for **LCS's participation in the upcoming**

Rockhampton Schools Track and Field Carnival. We will be sending a strong team to this event, which will be held at Rockhampton State High School early next term.

Last month, our **LCS Cross Country Team** participated in the District Cross Country Trials at Kalka Shades. Over one thousand students competed in events across the day with our school well represented in many events.

Finally, on behalf of our team of school staff, I **thank members of our school community for the multiple ways in which you support us and contribute to the life of our school**. All of this contributes to our continuing journey in living out our motto of providing **Excellence in Christian Education for every student, in every classroom, every day!**

Blessings to you and your household.

Blair

WHAT'S ON

Mon 23 May
Week of Hope commences

Wed 25 May
LCS Choirs at Eisteddfod

Mon 20 June
Report Cards issued

Wed 22 June
Year 4-6 Musical:
'Go Go Jonah!'
Fine Arts Showcase

Fri 24 June
Student Free Day
Couples Retreat



FUN RUN 2016

Thu 24/3/16, last day of Term 1

Mr Gorge did it again! We had a great day running around the 'Gorge-ous' course he designed. It was pretty hot outside which made all the water we played with extra fun and refreshing. The whole school bonded together in a special afternoon of Super Soakers, hoses, slides, ropes and dodgeballs! What a memorable day.

Fri 22/4/16

All the prizes finally turned up for our fundraising efforts! We ended up raising \$1260 - so proud of our school! The 2/3 Class raised \$214 and Chloe Jacobson from Year 9 raised \$200! She got an awesome quadcopter for raising all that money too. All the money we raised will be going towards getting new sports and playground equipment - can't wait! Looking forward to next year's Fun Run - it'll be even bigger and better!!!





Cuisine à la Lighthouse

by LESLEY HENRY
Year 10 Form Teacher

Our hospitality students have been hard at work this term cooking up a storm.

FANCY a succulent, juicy steak and curly fries from Hogs Breath for dinner? Or maybe the mouth-watering “New Yorker” burger from Burger Urge? Something sweet maybe? How about the Euphoria Banana Split Sundae from Max Brenner or a selection of creamy goodness from Gelatissimo to finish off the evening? Let’s be honest, eating out is fast becoming part of the norm across our nation as life gets busier and families appreciate spending what little time they do have around the

table, enjoying food that someone else has created for them. That someone may be your son/daughter in the near future...

This year at Lighthouse Christian School, our year 10-12 Hospitality students are undergoing training at Central Queensland University to complete a Certificate II in Kitchen Operations. This will not only equip and skill them with favour in the eyes of a prospective hospitality employer, but will also earn them a whopping 6 QCE points towards their end of year certificate when they



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graduate – this is equal to more than one full subject. Students have the incredible opportunity to work with seasoned, expert chefs on a daily basis for week long blocks on the University campus and therefore be trained using up to date equipment and learning the latest trends within this vibrant, diverse and fast growing industry. They not only acquire competency in chef's skills but are also trained in Workplace Health and Safety and other vital policies and procedures equipping them for the work force – even if they were to acquire part-time employment

throughout their high school years. As part of the course structure, students are also required to complete 12 services in their time away from the University. So far this term they've already completed four of those services when catering for NAPLAN breakfasts and lunchtime services at school.

This is such a great opportunity for our students and yet again, another way that the leadership of Lighthouse Christian School is intentionally seeking to widen the scope of opportunity for growth,

equipping, training and preparation for our students to be the finest young people that the workforce has ever seen.

So next time you're sitting with your family at a restaurant and you're receiving great service, an outstanding meal in a relaxed, ambient atmosphere, take a moment to visualise that one day it could be one of our students, working behind the scenes to create that fabulous meal as a result of the excellence in training they received through Lighthouse Christian School. ■

Q & A

with **MARK HENRY**

Starting with this issue of the Lantern, we're introducing a new segment featuring an interview with a staff member at LCS. Our first interview is with Mr Mark Henry. We thank him for his example of commitment and faithfulness in keeping our school grounds looking absolutely beautiful every day!

WHERE ARE YOU FROM ORIGINALLY?

Springville, NY in the USA. My mom, dad and two younger brothers are still in the States. I'm the only one overseas.

WHAT DO YOU DO HERE AT LCS?

I am the Building and Grounds Keeper – my job is to maintain the buildings, safety and appearance of the campus.

WHAT IS YOUR NORMAL MORNING ROUTINE BEFORE WORK?

First off I always start off with a half hour to forty-five minutes of quiet time with the Lord. After that I'm ironing uniforms for the family and helping with breakfast.

WHAT DO YOU LOOK FORWARD TO MOST IN A DAY?

Mowing the lawns – you get to ponder life and pray as you mow. Plus it's pretty fun on the ride-on mower!

WHEN AND HOW DID YOU BECOME A CHRISTIAN?

In 1998, I was twenty-two and pondered on the Christmas story at Christmas time. I had a Christian upbringing and knew the whole story, yet I had been denying God's presence in my life for quite some time. God had continually made himself known to me and I could see His presence in nature and different circumstances. I realized that His works were definitely not coincidences and so at that time I really sensed His 'pricking' on my

heart and I just stopped running from Him and accepted Jesus into my heart as my personal Saviour.

TELL US ABOUT ONE MOMENT THAT STANDS OUT AS GOD WORKING IN YOUR LIFE.

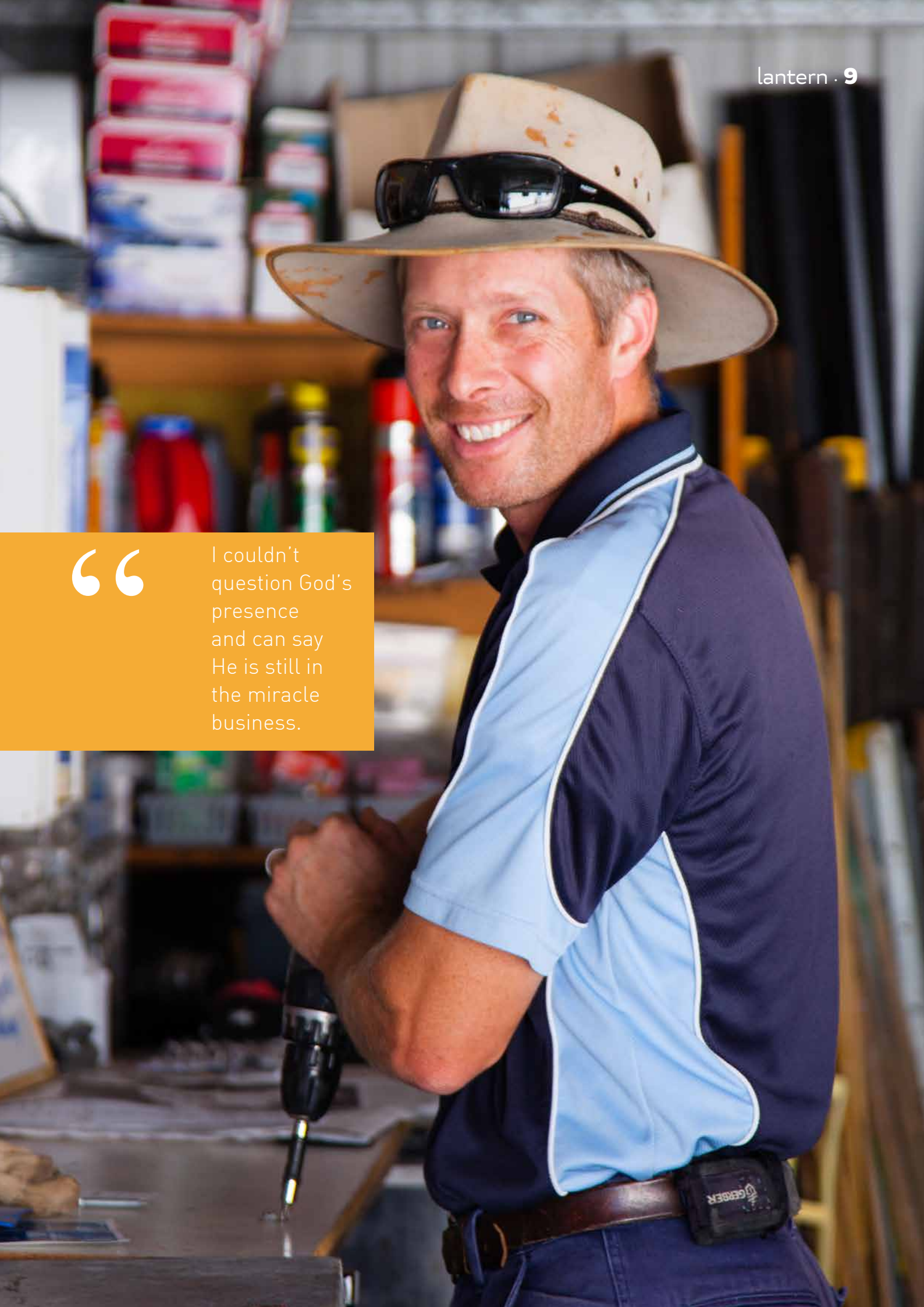
The most incredible moment I can remember is when God miraculously provided for my family's needs. A couple of years ago we were living in Monto (a small town in Queensland 120km west of Bundaberg) and we had run out of water in our water tank. We were incredibly reliant on rain water to survive! We couldn't afford to go to the Council and buy water - we had to pray for God to move. One day I was on the roof cleaning gutters preparing for rain in faith and God spoke to me about simply waiting on Him to provide. As I stood there pondering this, I heard a loud boom like a thunder clap right behind my ear! Now just before getting on the roof I had checked the tank and the water was below the intake. I went down and checked again and to my surprise the tank was suddenly full! It stayed full for the rest of that year. After that I couldn't question God's presence and can say He is still in the miracle business.

WHAT IS ONE PIECE OF ADVICE YOU WOULD LIKE TO PASS ON TO OUR STUDENTS?

Proverbs 3:5-6 - Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths. ■

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RULES FOR LIFE

CONTRIBUTED BY
BARBARA WOJTAS

I've been reading a really good book called 'Spiritual Leadership' by J. Oswald Sanders, as part of my counselling studies. Chapter 16 makes reference to Archbishop Edward White Benson's 'Rules for Life' which I am finding both inspirational and challenging. Just a thought: it would make a great devotional topic for teachers and students, as well as an excellent family devotion. Imagine if everyone tried to live by these rules!

Eagerly start the day's **MAIN WORK**. Do not murmur at your **BUSINESS** or the **SHORTNESS** of time, but buy up the time all around. NEVER MURMUR WHEN CORRESPONDENCE IS BROUGHT IN.

NEVER EXAGGERATE duties by seeming to suffer under the load, but treat all responsibilities as liberty and gladness. Never call **ATTENTION** to crowded work or trivial experiences.

Before confrontation or censure, obtain from God a real love for the one at fault. Know the facts; be generous in your judgement. Otherwise, how ineffective, how unintelligible or perhaps provocative your well-intentioned censure may be. Do not believe **EVERYTHING** you hear; do not spread **G O S S I P**. Never allow yourself to be placed in **FAVOURABLE CONTRAST** with anyone.

DO NOT SEEK PRAISE, GRATITUDE, RESPECT, OR REGARD FOR PAST SERVICE.

AVOID COMPLAINING WHEN YOUR ADVICE OR OPINION IS NOT CONSULTED, OR HAVING BEEN CONSULTED, SET ASIDE. Seek not favours, nor sympathies, do not ask for tenderness but receive what comes.

DO NOT press conversation to your own needs and concerns. *BEAR THE BLAME; DO NOT SHARE OR TRANSFER IT.*

GIVE THANKS WHEN CREDIT FOR YOUR OWN WORK OR IDEAS IS GIVEN TO ANOTHER.



STAR FREE DRESS UP DAY WARS

by Maddison Arnold
School Vice Captain

May the 4th be with you! On Wednesday, May the 4th, our school had a Star Wars themed dress up day which was a great success. There were lots of Jedi, Sith, Princess Leias, Wookies and Stormtroopers to be seen. A big thanks to Maggie Bundrock who came up with the idea and everyone who participated! Through the gold coin donations we managed to raise over \$130, all of which will go towards our end of year Senior Formal. We loved seeing fellow students (and staff) getting creative and looking awesome!


LEST WE FORGET

The tradition of celebrating ANZAC Day lives on in our school.

by BLAIR HARP
Principal







The Lighthouse School Community recognises the ANZAC tradition - the ideals of courage, endurance and mateship that were established on 25 April, 1915 when the Australian and New Zealand Army Corps landed on the Gallipoli Peninsula, yet are still relevant today.

The men who served on the Gallipoli Peninsula created a legend, adding the word 'ANZAC' to our vocabulary, creating the idea of the ANZAC spirit and reminding us of the words found in John's Gospel, that Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.

ANZAC Day is a very important occasion on the school calendar. For many years, Lighthouse Christian School has recognised the sacrifice of service men and women with a School Ceremony, and participation in the Dawn Service at the Botanical Gardens, and the City ANZAC March. This year's School ANZAC Ceremony was led by our student leaders. Pastor Mario Favari, himself a former service member of the Australian Army, delivered the key address before student representatives from

each year level laid a wreath at the sentinel.

Following the Ode and Last Post, the student praise and worship team concluded the parade with a moving rendition of Lee Kernaghan's Spirit of the ANZACS.

The Dawn Service was well attended by students, staff and parents alike. Representatives from our Student Leadership Team were on hand to lay a wreath on behalf of our School Community.

Later that morning, staff, parents and students lined up behind our School Flag and made their way through the Central Business District of Rockhampton as part of the ANZAC Day March.

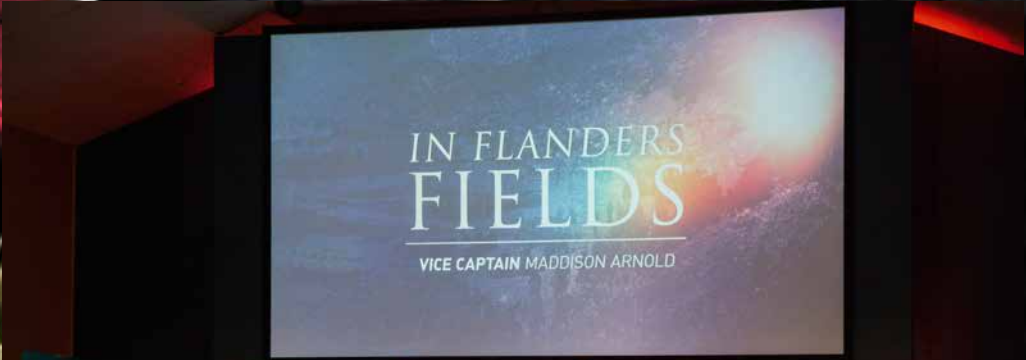
In addition, we also had a family lay a wreath on behalf of our school community at the Wowan and District ANZAC Service.

Thank you to students, parents and staff for your involvement in the 2016 ANZAC Program.

Lest We Forget. ■



SCHOOL CAPTAIN HANNAH BUCHHOLZ INTRODUCING THE ANZAC CHAPEL SERVICE



SCHOOL VICE CAPTAIN MADDISON ARNOLD RECITING 'IN FLANDERS FIELDS'



STUDENT COUNCILLORS KEEGAN AND SARAH LAYING A COMMEMORATIVE WREATH



CAMP FAIRBAIRN

A memorable week for our Seniors at camp.

by BRETT BLEAKLEY
Year 12 Form Teacher

I'm not sure I really knew our year 11 and 12 cohort until I spent a week with them at Fairbairn Dam near Emerald.

The camp was a leadership camp with the aim of uniting our year 11 and 12 classes into a disciplined and elite school leadership team, or something like that.

The highlights were:

- Canoeing to our overnight bush

camp site and witnessing some incredible canoe manoeuvring teamwork!

- Watching the groups design their own tents from scratch with tarps and ropes – some truly amazing constructions.
- Excellent dining with the students taking charge of the kitchen for every meal.
- The high rope course, including the fearsome leap of faith from a really high pole.
- Hearing the Fairbairn facilitators comment that our students were the most patient and genuinely inclusive group of students they

had ever seen.

- Seeing Danielle take charge of a group of 12 students to successfully and efficiently complete a complex balancing activity.

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Let's just say we have a good natured and very, very funny group of young people.



We also had a night time, student run, "Red Faces" competition which is possibly one of the funniest events I have ever witnessed.

All of the students had a great time of personal and group growth while Blair, Annette, Tanya and I enjoyed the opportunity to spend time with them and gained new insight into their various strengths and talents.

Let's just say we have a good natured, and very, very funny group of young people. Our student leadership is in very good hands! ■





MORE PHOTOS FROM CAMP FAIRBAIRN





TEACHING LITERACY

by JASMIN SMYTH
Pedagogy Coach

Throughout this term, Jasmin Smyth, our Pedagogy Coach has been working with teachers from Prep to Year 8. In an effort to improve student outcomes within our classrooms we have been focusing on refining our teaching practices specifically in the delivery of Literacy Blocks.

Jasmin has modelled Literacy Blocks across these year levels for teachers to observe. Teachers have then been working towards implementing the modelled practice into their Literacy Blocks. Teachers have been provided with feedback on the delivery of their Literacy Blocks and there has been a positive

response from both teachers and students.

As a team, we are excited about embracing beneficial evidence-based changes within our practice that will maximise teaching and learning across our classrooms. ■

GROWING IN CONFIDENCE

by RUSSELL GORGE
Year 9 Form Teacher & PE Coordinator

PRIMARY REPORT

The soccer season has now finished. Both teams finished in style, the girls beating Glenmore 4-0 and the boys beating Mount Morgan 3-0. It is always a good feeling to gain a victory but more importantly our students are playing and growing as a team. Our positional play has come a long way since the start of the season. The new sports are now netball at Jardine Park for the girls and hockey at Kalka Shades for the boys. The enthusiasm is there from all the students and we know what areas we need to improve upon. The boys played well beating St Joseph's Wandal 2-0 and St Joseph's PA 2-0, and the girls worked well as a team losing 2-0 to Frenchville in netball.

SECONDARY REPORT

The Juniors (Years 7-9) and Seniors (Years 10-12) have made two good boys' basketball squads. We are getting better week after week and all thoroughly enjoy playing against the 'big' schools. The Junior team

will make the playoffs after victories against Emmaus, Glenmore and Rockhampton High School. The Senior team will not make the top eight but individual performances have improved - we just need to work on playing as a team more. Congratulations to both teams in their respective first seasons playing against teams who have played together for several years. A big thank you to Guy Starvaggi who has come on board and is now training, refereeing and coaching basketball.

In the girls' netball, our Senior (Years 11-12) team are enjoying themselves. It is a steep learning curve for them being their first season in the netball league. We have not won a game yet, but the scorelines are getting closer and all the players know they are improving. The Junior (Years 7-10) girls' netball team are strong and growing in confidence. In their first season they have beaten North Rocky High, Rockhampton High School and Heights College. At this stage it looks like they will be in the playoffs - so stay tuned! ■







by RUSSELL GORGE
Year 9 Form Teacher & PE Coordinator

On Wednesday the 18th of May we held our annual Sports Day at the CQU Athletics Oval. There was a great turnout by our students. It was so pleasing to see so many participating, especially our Year 11 and 12 students. Congratulations to all on good sportsmanship and effort but a special mention needs to go to Adikuyum Adidi, the new Year 10 kid on the block who flew round the track several times leaving everyone agasp with his speed! The results were as follows:

Well done Archer!

From the Sports Day a team will be selected to go to the 10-12 years Rockhampton District Athletics Carnival to be held at Rockhampton High School on the 19th and 20th of July which will be attended by 31 primary schools from across the region. A team will also be selected to go to the Greater Rockhampton District Athletics Carnival at Emmaus College on the 4th and 5th of August. This will be for Year 7-12 students, plus any 10-12 year olds from our school that qualify from the July 19-20 athletics meet.

Exciting times ahead. ■

PREP - YEAR 2

ARCHER	FITZROY
282	259

YEAR 7-12

ARCHER	FITZROY
486	437

YEAR 3-6

ARCHER	FITZROY
337	257

OVERALL

ARCHER	FITZROY
1105	953







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FINE ARTS SHOWCASE

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UPCOMING EVENTS AT THE LIGHTHOUSE

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29 May 2016

Hope Sunday
19 June 2016

Couples Retreat
23-25 June 2016

Prayer Night
29 June 2016

HOPE
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