

We Remember Them

Fighting on the Western Front officially ceased at 11.00am on November 11th in 1918. This time has become a special marker in our history to pause and remember with deep appreciation all those who have made sacrifices to defend our freedom and the freedom of others.

In recent times, there has been greater recognition of the ongoing burden carried by people who fight in wars. As we remember, we pray a prayer of thanks for all those who have sacrificed and continue to sacrifice a great deal. We pray for healing for all those who continue to carry hurt as a result of their involvement and for their families and friends. We also pray for all those who are currently affected by the inhumanity of warfare and that peace might be experienced across the world.

Principal's Log

The Executive of the Friends of Pacific have been highly effective in bringing our community together over this past year. Their energy, commitment and enthusiasm has been a key part of the momentum of continual improvement we experience at Pacific. As well as being highly effective in leading events such as the Ocean Festival and golf days, they have regularly supported fellow parents, staff, and students. We thank President Mrs Tracey Hindmarsh, Vice President Mrs Allyson Sarvari, Secretary Mrs Kath Barry, Treasurer Mrs Michelle Timperley, OceanFest Coordinator Mrs Melissa Pollock and executive members Mrs Jenni Lee, Mr Ian Barnes, Mrs Joyce Smith, Mrs Leah Croke, Mrs Kelly Taylor, Mrs Pam Southern, Mrs Louise Lewis, Mrs Bronwyn Butler and Mrs Kylie Gillespie for their care and energy giving service to the Pacific community this year. We would encourage families to support the ongoing work of the Friends of Pacific including attendance at next Tuesday night's Annual General Meeting.

The College Council set the fees for the 2015 school year at this week's meeting. Typically across year levels, the increase has been kept to 3%. The Council is mindful of

maintaining the balance between keeping fees at a reasonable level and supporting the continuing enhancement of facilities and services at the college. There has been a greater adjustment at Year 7 as this year level now becomes part of secondary schooling in Queensland. The fee schedule for 2015 can be found on the college web site.



There was tremendous energy and excitement evident at our Middle College Orientation Day this week. Students enjoyed getting to know their Pastoral Care Group, Heads of House, buddies and fellow new students. They also enjoyed the different activities they encountered in their lessons and, of course, the food! The parent evening was very well attended and the presentations by the staff gave good insight into life as a Middle College student at Pacific. Thank you to Mrs Jacqui Layfield and Mrs Rae Hall for their leadership and to Mrs Leanne Bevis and Mrs Chris Henschke for their great administration support behind the scenes. Thank you to our staff and students for making the day a warm welcoming experience for our new students.

We congratulate our intermediate water polo team for their successes over the season and reaching the Grand Final. It was very good to watch their enthusiasm and enjoyment of playing together. We congratulate all of our water polo girls on their season and thank our parents and water polo coaches for the year, Mrs Wendy Wescombe and Ms Sue Arahill.

We wish our Year 6 and 7 Lego League students all the best as they compete in their first robotics competition over the holidays. We thank Mr Andrew Block for the time and effort he has put into supporting the young people to grow through these experiences.

We also wish our Year 12s and all students preparing for their final assessments calm minds and insight. We thank God for the peace in our country and that we might be peace makers in our families and community.

Dr Bronwyn Dolling, Principal

Daily Bread

Vale Mr J – Goodbye Shane – God Bless

This week we had a special guest in Middle Senior Chapel. It was Mr Jurecky, who is rightly addressed as, “Mr Shane Jurecky Principal-Elect of Good Shepherd Lutheran College, Hamilton Victoria”. Mr Jurecky is the third staff member to go on from Pacific to join the ranks of principals in Lutheran schools. Shane follows past Pacific staff members Mr Peter Weier and Mr Anthony Dyer. (It is a great blessing to our school that we have in Dr Bronwyn Dolling, a principal who inspires staff to step forward to meet new challenges like this.)

In this week’s chapel service, Mr Jurecky shared with staff and students, the key to his success as a teacher over these past years. He believes firmly that he is called by God to serve as a teacher. This is another way of saying that

Mr Jurecky is convinced that teaching in Lutheran schools is his vocation in this world. For Mr Jurecky, his work in schools is where he has the opportunity to serve others as God in Christ has served him. He trusts that God is with him to guide and bless him in his school work.

A highlight of Mr Jurecky’s service in action was the video shown in the graduation service two years ago, where the Year 12 students had been invited to share the real highlights of their schooling. Usually students share memories from the Year 10 camp, sport events or funny moments with friends. In the video two years ago, student after student acknowledged the highlight of doing Christian Studies with Mr Jurecky in Year 12. It is certainly an outstanding teacher in a Lutheran school who can receive such a high accolade from the young people served in teaching.

So farewell, Shane Jurecky, our co-worker in Christ.

May the feet of God walk with you,
And His hand hold you tight.
May the eye of God rest on you.
And His ear hear your cry.
May the smile of God be for you
And His breath give you life
May the Child of God grow in you
And His love bring you home. Amen.

Pastor Paul Smith, College Pastor

From the Head of Middle College Students

Positive Transitioning

On Monday this week, we held the Middle College Orientation Day and Parent Information Evening for new students and families joining our Middle College community next year. The college was represented well by our staff and student leaders who worked together to ensure that all the students had a great day and an opportunity to begin to form new connections.

As students transition into Middle College, it is crucial that we consider how to support them and ensure that they are prepared for the road ahead. Attending orientation day and being exposed to the new experiences is a great start but there is more that we can do.

As parents, we all bring to the table our own set of values. You need to be aware of how these fit with the college’s values and expectations. Set your child up for success by

remembering that the school and family form an important partnership, each having their own roles, values, responsibilities and zone of influence. Be open and respectful in your communication with the college and be prepared to negotiate boundaries that reflect both value systems.

Many students find that the challenge of Middle College is not subject content but process: organising time; managing competing commitments; adapting to new technology; and completing assessment. Students need help to organise and they need time to establish new habits – 66 days on average (Lally, van Jaarsveld, Potts and Wardle, 2010). Students and parents need to get to know and make use of key middle college staff and resources.

Children are very good at recognising skills and strengths in others. In order for your child to thrive at school, they need to develop a sense of their own strengths and emerging skills. Encourage them to recognise their own skills and strengths by encouraging them to accept compliments, talking about their school day together, sharing their successes and reframing “failure” as practice.

Encourage your child to verbalise their interests, goals and ambitions. The best way to meet goals is to write them down and keep them in a visible location. Goals should be specific and measureable, both short term (enabling) and long term (vision setting). They help students to organise their time and keep them focused and committed. Importantly, goal setting helps students to measure their success, take pride in their achievements, build confidence, develop skills and, in so doing, improve their experience of school.

As parents and educators, we need to guide our children and our students through this transition process and be realistic as we negotiate expectations about participation in household, community, academic, recreational and sporting activities. Finding a personal balance that works is the key.

Mrs Jacqui Layfield, Acting Head of Middle College Students

From the Head of Staff and Students P-5

Prep - Year 2 Swimming

Over the next two weeks, starting on Monday, all students in Prep - Year 2 will be participating in an intensive swimming program. Students should arrive at the college in their swimmers and parents should apply sunscreen to children in the morning before leaving home (sunscreen will also be

available at the college for students to use). The students will be travelling to and from Kawana Pool in college buses. Parents are most welcome to attend these lessons.

Hats

A number of students are presenting to school each day without hats. During breaks, students need to wear a hat or they are required to stay out of the sun. Students should also wear their hats when travelling to and from the college. We ask that all parents/guardians please ensure that children are bringing/wearing a hat to school each day.

Carols Concert

On Friday, 28th November starting at 5.00pm, the annual Carols Concert will be held in the college grounds. Food will be available after the concert. A flyer giving further details will be sent home next week.

Prep - Year 5 End of Year Service

On Monday, 1st December starting at 9.30am, the P-5 End of Year Service will be held at the Kawana Community Centre. The service marks an important transition for all students, particularly our Year 5s who move next year to Middle College and our Year 2 students who move from the Foundation College into the junior section of the college. All parents and family members are most welcome at this important event. An invitation giving further details will be sent home next week.

Mr David Druery, Head of Staff and Students P-5

Students of the Week

Stars of the Week - This Week Monday, 10th November

Prep	Ruby Davis	Flynn Turnbull
	Zoe Woods	Sarah Barrett
	Max McDonald	
Year 1	Kellen Owen McEvoy	Toby Creamer
Year 2	Thomas Cooper	Max Symes
	Lachlan Ridley	Keeley Meade
	Huner Smith	Priya Miles
	Ruona Akporhonor	
Year 3	Zoe Allen	Mia Salta
	Zerah Wildman	Katie Graves
	Cooper Symes	

Year 4	Isabelle Garland	Noah Smith
	Alex Johnston	Holly Bennett
	Eliza Doran	Amie Hague
Year 5	Connor Dines	William Bell
	Year 5S Class	Campbell Gigney
	Ellie Dixon	Campbell Williams
	Faiza Akram	

You Can Do It Awards

This Week Monday, 10th November

- Confidence:* Noah Elsing
- Persistence:* Stephanie Lane and Kie Lenkeith.
- Organisation:* Sam Jones and Rohnan Webb.
- Getting Along:* Sofia Aronsson and Liana Mackenzie.
- Resilience:* Sophia Debuse

Awards

Mathletics: Gold – Blaze Jamieson

Food for Thought

Teaching Your Child the Art of Happiness

Happiness is closely linked to three kinds of habits:

1. How we think and feel about the world, and therefore perceive our experiences.
2. Certain actions or habits, such as regular exercise, eating healthily, meditating, connecting with other people, even (proven in study after study) regularly smiling and laughing!
3. Character traits such as self-control, industry, fairness, caring about others, citizenship, wisdom, courage, leadership and honesty.

<http://www.ahaparenting.com/parenting-tools/raise-great-kids/emotionally-intelligent-child/happiness>

Mrs Annie Williams, School Counsellor

First Lego League Tournament

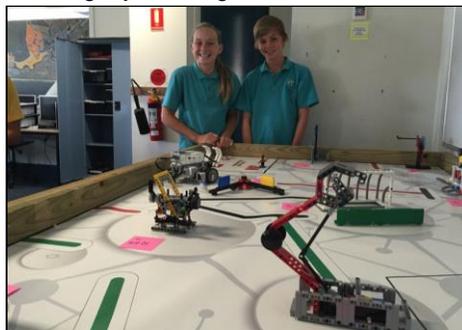
Over the past 10 weeks, two teams of Year 6/7 students have been participating in the PACE challenge at school each Friday. The aim of this challenge is to enrich learning opportunities and prepare for the FIRST LEGO LEAGUE tournament on Sunday, 16th November at Grace Lutheran College, Rothwell.

The FIRST LEGO LEAGUE tournament has three parts: the Robot Game, the Project and the FLL Core Values. Teams of up to 10 children, with one adult coach, participate in the challenge by programming an autonomous robot to score points on a themed playing field (Robot Game), developing a solution to a problem they have identified (Project), - See more at:

<http://www.firstlegoleague.org/challenge/thechallenge#sthash.TarM8Hvz.dpuf>

As this is our first year as participants in the tournament, we are on a huge learning curve and learning fast about programming and troubleshooting with our robots. The teams are working frantically to get their robots ready for the tournament and making great progress.

We are all eagerly awaiting the tournament.



Mr Andrew Block, Year 6/7 FLL Coach

Year 5 News

Last Friday the Year 5's had a visit from Pacific parent and respected Courier Mail Journalist, Mr Peter Hall. Mr Hall spoke about his experiences as a journalist and, more importantly, how he goes about writing a news story. He spoke about the following areas:

- What makes a great news story?
- How do you get the story?
- Where do I get my information?
- How do I write my report?
- How to dress up your story?
- What things do I include in my story?
- Some examples of news stories?

Mr Hall's visit has now inspired us in our endeavours to write a news story about an environmental issue in a European or North American country. He listened very carefully to our researched topics and offered us many helpful ideas to approach our task. We would like to thank Mr Hall very much for giving up his valuable time to assist us with our English / Geography assignment.



Year 5 Students

Friends of Pacific

Connecting College and Community

AGM

Friends of Pacific have one final calendar date for meeting this year:

Annual General Meeting – Tuesday, 18th November followed by General Meeting and held in the library meeting room at 7.00pm.

As always, we welcome everyone who would like to attend.

This final meeting of the year is extremely important. As is usual at the AGM, all positions are vacated, nominations accepted and the 2015 committee is elected.

To continue growth and development, new committee members are encouraged. Commitment to a committee is sometimes daunting in our busy world; however, any involvement is valued so meetings are always open when you wish to attend.

Agenda items are called for two weeks prior, so please email to fop@paccluth.qld.edu.au.

Mango Fundraiser

Thank you to everyone who ordered mangoes.

The date for pick up will be Wednesday, 26th November between the hours of 2.30pm and 3.30pm.

To allow easy access, the truck will be at the car park at the Meridan playing fields between these times.

This is the car park where the buses pick up and drop off for college camps. Follow Red Cedar Drive around the back of the college and into the car park.

Business Directory

Friends of Pacific is developing a Business Directory for the college website and later for an electronic format. The primary focus of establishing the directory is so that the college community may more easily support other families through business. The directory will be open to families of the college for a nominal annual charge (\$10) that will assist Friends of Pacific fundraising. Please email expressions of interest now to fop@paccluth.qld.edu.au

Mrs Tracey Hindmarsh, Chairperson Friends of Pacific

Maths News

The last Maths after school tutoring is on next week on Monday. Come along for support and assistance.

Mrs Jasmin Steven, Head of Mathematics

Careers Department News

1. TAFE INFORMATION SESSIONS

East Coast TAFE (the local TAFE) is conducting information and screening evenings at the Nambour campus on Windsor Road (D Block, Rooms 3.05 and

3.06) on Wednesday, 19th November and Wednesday, 3rd December from 5.00pm to 7.00pm for students interested in enrolling in the Certificate II course in Electrotechnology.

This is a pre-vocational certificate and is recommended as a pre-apprenticeships pathway to a full electrotechnology trade qualification in the fields of electrical, refrigeration or air-conditioning. The information evenings are specifically designed to help school leavers and their families prepare for a career in these trades.

Attendees are required to bring paper, pen and scientific calculator as there will also be a suitability test on the night.

People wishing to attend must register their attendance by contacting Kerrie Mead on 5457 1695 or email her at kerrie.mead@tafe.qld.edu.au.

2. UNIVERSITY of QUEENSLAND UPDATES

The University of Queensland has recently transferred its Ipswich campus to the University of Southern Queensland.

This has meant changes in locations of some courses and the withdrawal of a course.

These are the major changes:

The Paramedic Science course will be discontinued at UQ and there will not be any new students into this degree from 1st Semester 2015. Instead, the Bachelor of Paramedic Science will now be offered by USQ at the Ipswich campus from 2015.

The Bachelor of Nursing, Bachelor of Midwifery and the dual Bachelor of Nursing / Bachelor of Midwifery will now be offered on UQ's St Lucia campus. All students enrolled in these degrees will attend lectures on the St Lucia campus (first year) and PACE campus at Woolloongabba (second year) one day a week. In the last year of the degree, there are no formal lectures. The majority of learning is undertaken on clinical placement hospitals and other health services. When students apply through QTAC, they submit their preference for a clinical school.

The Bachelor of Health Sciences has previously been offered at both the St Lucia and Ipswich campuses. As a result of the transfer, the Bachelor of Health Sciences will no longer be offered at the Ipswich campus and all commencing UQ Health Sciences student's will be located at the St Lucia campus.

3. SCHOLARSHIPS for 2015 TERTIARY STUDY

Current Year 12 students are asked to be mindful of the closing dates for scholarship applications at the various universities and TAFE. Some applications have already closed while others will be closing in the next two weeks.

Please check these dates on the universities' websites.

4. STUDENT CAREER PLANS

The majority of Year 10 students have completed their Student Career Plans (SET Plan). Some have saved their Plan on a USB and others have been asked to do so as soon as possible. Parents need to read their child's Plan, complete the "Consent of Agreement Form" and return the form to me before the end of the term.

5. TAX FILE NUMBER (TFN) APPLICATIONS

As from January 2015, the Australian Taxation Office is discontinuing its secondary school application program. Students will have to complete an application form online and then go to a Post Office to complete the formalities (show documentation).

I can continue to process applications till the end of the school year but I have a limited number of application forms. All Year 12 students MUST have a Tax File Number for tertiary study, apprenticeship/traineeship or work in 2015.

Any student interested in applying now, please see me as soon as possible.

6. EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY FOR SCHOOL LEAVERS

Fox Mildwaters Solicitors have a new position for a Junior Legal Assistant / Paralegal commencing in mid-January 2015.

The position will provide an excellent opportunity to enter the legal profession where the employee will receive full training in a legal and administrative role.

Interested students are asked to submit a resume and handwritten cover letter by Monday, 8th December to the following address:

Fox Mildwaters
PO Box 274
CALOUNDRA QLD 4551

7. CHANGE of PREFERENCE INFORMATION SESSIONS

UQ's "OP Results Advice Night" is on Monday, 22nd December from 4.00pm to 7.00pm in the UQ Centre (Building 27A), Union Road, St Lucia.

ACU's "Change of Preference Session" will be held from 3.30pm to 6.30pm on Monday, 22nd December at the Brisbane campus, Nudgee Road, Banyo.

QUT's "Real Decisions" session will be held at the Gardens Point and Caboolture campuses on Tuesday, 23rd December. Visit: <https://www.qut.edu.au/study/events/qut-real-decisions> for times and rooms.

USC has a similar event. Please visit their website for details.

Mrs Ainslie Reid, Careers Counsellor

Sports News

SECONDARY SPORT

2014 Sports Awards (Years 7-12)

This year's sports awards presentations will be held on Monday, 17th November in the PLC gymnasium, in order to recognise both individual and team success in sport throughout the year. The Year 7-12 presentations will run from approximately 1.55pm - 3.10pm and all students will be required to attend. We are honoured to have the Australian Commonwealth Games Gold medalist and swimming champion, Taylor McKeown, to be at the presentations! This will be a special afternoon for all students and staff. Parents are welcome to attend as well.

Water Polo

Congratulations to the Intermediate Girls Water Polo team who competed in the Grand Final of the Sunshine Coast Secondary School's Water Polo competition on Monday night. The girls had both won and lost to Siena Catholic College in their two previous encounters and it was a close match with the scores even at 3-3 at half time. Despite a gutsy effort in the second half, the girls ended up losing the match 5-7 and finished runners up in the competition. A fantastic effort by all and well done girls on a very successful season.

Individual Success

Congratulations to Jake Hynes who last weekend competed in the Qld State Schools Triathlon titles. Jake finished 6th in the state in his first year entering the event. This is a great feat for Jake and we look forward to seeing him excel in triathlon over the next few years.

Well done also to former student Caitlin Gilliman who has been awarded a half-blue for sport at the recent University of the Sunshine Coast awards night. Caitlin represented

Australia in kayaking at the World Championships in July this year and is one of the nation's best prospects in her age group for the sport. She was the only first year student in the whole of the university to win a half-blue. Well done, Caitlin!

Mr Mark Hauser, Head of Sport

JUNIOR SPORT

Year 4 - 6 Sport Awards

The end of year Year 4-6 Sport Awards will take place next Thursday afternoon 20th November in the school gymnasium. The awards will start at 2.00pm and will be finished by 3.00pm. These awards recognise student achievements in both the Semester 1 and 2 SCISSA seasons. Parents and friends are welcome to attend the awards.

Prep - Year 2 Learn to Swim

A reminder to all parents of P-2 students that the two-week learn to swim program starts next Monday. Students will travel to the Kawana Aquatic Centre by college bus to take part in this program run by qualified swimming instructors. Please ensure your child has all necessary swimming gear and has returned their consent form for next Monday. If you have any questions regarding this program, please speak to your class teacher.

Pacific Pulse Surfing Contest

Light offshore winds and two to three foot waves greeted students participating in this year's annual Pacific Pulse Surfing Contest. Held at Kings Beach on Wednesday, Talara Primary College, Buddina State School, Currumbundi State School and Our Lady of the Rosary joined Pacific to compete for the right to claim the overall champion school for 2014.

Each school provided a team of 10 surfers with each student surfing two heats during the day. Surfers were not only surfing for their school but were also surfing as individuals with the student who had the highest wave scores from their two heats named the overall champion of their age group.

For Pacific, Wyle Hill and Lucas Howell both surfed strongly in the heats and Wyle in particular caught and rode some great waves on the day. Haylie Powell from Year 3 was surfing in her first contest for Pacific and showed great determination after copping some large waves in her opening heat. She persisted and surfed well finishing as the Under 10 Girls Champion of the contest.

Overall at the end of the carnival, the team standings finished as:

1st Buddina State School

- 2nd Our Lady of the Rosary
- 3rd Talara Primary College
- 4th Currimundi State School
- 5th Pacific Lutheran College

Unfortunately, with a young team of surfers and the solid surf on the day, Pacific finished in fifth place. However, a highlight of the day was Pacific winning the Tag Team surfing event at the end of the contest. Surfers from each school combined to form one team and had 15 minutes to all catch and ride one way each. Pacific was able to display some creative surfing and finished as the winning school in this event.

Lastly, events like this would not be able to go ahead without the support of teachers, parents and sponsors. Particular thanks must go to Mr Damian Davis and Mrs Allyson Sarvari who helped out both prior to and on the day of the contest. Also there were a huge number of local businesses that provided sponsorship and products for the day. Pacific would like to acknowledge and thank the following businesses for their assistance.

PACIFIC PULSE SURF CONTEST
WEDNESDAY 12TH NOVEMBER 2014

Logos for sponsors: Pacific Pulse, tafe East Coast, boardstore, Classic Fudge company, Australia 700, The Athlete's Foot, SURFWARE AUSTRALIA, AUSTRALIA RIDES UNLIMITED, AMAZEN! puzzles & games, The Big Bang, The Woods, BR, caloundra allsports trophy centre, SOUS, WATER SPORTS, SMORGASBOARDER.



Mr Darren Hooper, Head of Junior Sport

Uniform Shop

The Uniform Shop is open every:

Wednesday	8.00am	to	9.30am
Thursday	8.00am	to	9.30am
Friday	8.00am	to	9.30am

Volunteers needed for Monday, 19th to Friday, 23rd January.

If you can spare four hours to help in the uniform shop from 8.00am - 12 noon or 12 noon - 4.00pm your help would be greatly appreciated. No money handling required, just helping with sizes and meeting new families. Please call Donna on 5436 7349.

Orders can be placed on-line via www.flexischools.com.au and will be delivered to your child the following day.

Mrs Donna Hollindale, Uniform Shop Coordinator

Did You Know?

'Of' is the only word in which an 'f' is pronounced like a 'v'.

Upcoming Dates

NOVEMBER

- 11-17 Year 12 Exams
- 18-20 Year 12 Alternative Days
- 18-25 Year 10 and 11 Exams
- 19-21 Middle College Exams
- 20 Year 12 Graduation - Lake Kawana Centre (6.30pm)



- 21 Year 12 Farewell Chapel (8.30am)
- 21 Year 12 Formal – Pelican Waters Golf Resort (5.00pm)
- 27 Year 9 Rite Journey - Homecoming
- 28 Carols Night

DECEMBER

- 1 P-5 End of Year Service (Lake Kawana Centre 9.00am)
- 2 Last Day for Students
- 2 Closing Service (Caloundra Events Centre 6.30pm)
- 7-21 Cambodia Tour

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ST MARK'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

Invites You to
Sunday Services:

- 8.00am St Mark's Lutheran Church
16 Bombala Terrace, Caloundra
- 9.30am Pacific Lutheran College
Woodlands Boulevard, Meridan Plains
Worship in the Drama Room.

"Growing in Jesus Christ and Sharing His Love"

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