

Better Futures Come From Better Today's

It may seem redundant to say that better futures come from better today's. However, when we think about how we live our lives, it can be a useful reminder for us all. We can be so loaded down by events of the past and fears for the future that we make little good use of today. To live our lives filled with good purpose, we need to be able to focus fully on the opportunities of today to develop our gifts and talents and to use them for the good of others.

To do this well, we need to live lightly. God invites us to unburden ourselves and leave our burdens of the past and fears of the future at the foot of the cross. He reminds us to trust in Him, live free of worry and to make the most of today.

Principal's Log

It has been heartening to hear the energy around the various activities that have been planned by students, parents and staff to support the people of Bundaberg affected by recent flooding. This Friday, 1st March, as a result of the initiative of Belinda Forman, we have collected toiletries, school items for children and baby needs. We have been able to make a difference to many through the support of parents and students. Thank you to our community and to Belinda and Pastor Smith for their organisation and coordination.

Both the Year 4-6 and the Year 7-12 swimming teams who finished fourth and fifth respectively at the recent Independent District competitions performed very well. There was good spirit amongst the teams and we thank all parents for their support and Mr Graves and Mr Hauser for their leadership of the groups.

It was great to see the Year 9 Rite Journey get underway with parents coming into the college to support the beginning of this important transition journey. Having the opportunity to engage in activities and reflection that particularly focus on the changes that occur as young people move from childhood to that of young men and women is unique and special. We thank Miss McMillan and her team for their support of this journey.

Despite the inclement weather, the Year 2 and Year 12 students enjoyed their Teddy Bear picnic together earlier this week. Having to move indoors, both young and old enjoyed various indoor activities including playing board games. Rumour has it that the Year 12s really enjoyed the colouring in. Well done to our senior students for organising this community building event.



As we move to times where major tests occur and assignments are due, it is important that Middle and Senior College students work in a balanced, systematic way. It is important to plan times so that both study and assignments are completed. Teachers can assist individual students with their planning. Family routines need to support a consistent study pattern.

We pray that God would free us from worries of the past and the future so that we might make the most of the opportunities of today.

Dr Bronwyn Dolling, Principal

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Daily Bread

Brighter Prospects

Our thread for this week is about getting a positive view of our futures. The Bible character, Zacchaeus, is a great example of someone who experiences a change from a darkened outlook to a bright future.

Zacchaeus was a chief tax collector, which tells us that he was well-off and had privilege and status in the ancient world. But we find him hunting for a brighter future than his wealth had brought him. He wanted a more purposeful life.

He is pushed away by a crowd waiting to see Jesus, but Zacchaeus is a resourceful man who climbs a tree to get a view of the passing Messiah. We see a symbol of his life here; out on a limb, hoping that Jesus might bring a better way of life.

Jesus comes up to Zacchaeus and declares that He will go to eat at Zacchaeus' house. The crowd is troubled that the Holy Lord Jesus would do such a horrible thing, but Zacchaeus is changed forever. He changes his use of money, to make his work a channel for getting money to the needy, no longer ripping people off, but making the world a better place.

The core image behind the Zacchaeus story is God's heart for every person. God does not give up on anybody, but He wants everybody to be part of a brighter future for us all. Jesus entered this world to die for sin, that we would see that there is a brighter path through the darkness of sin and evil.

God calls and guides us to see ourselves as part of His good purposes. To use all we have been given to bless the lives of those around us.

Pastor Paul Smith

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From the Director of Students

Student leadership has been a focus over the past two weeks in the Middle College. Congratulations to all the students who put their names forward and spoke at the assembly for the Year 7 House Captain positions. The team for 2013 is:

Wira House Captains: Charlotte Empson, Guy Minns
Wira Vice Captains: Caley Williams, MacKenar Bradfield

Mumba House Captains: Angus Singleton, Haden Hurd

Mumba Vice Captains: Caley Williams, Tara Wilkinson

Bula House Captains: Connor Robertson, Sophie Delaney
Bula Vice Captains: Declan Walker, Mali Davis

The students have already attended a leadership day and will begin a leadership course with Mr Damien Evans this term. Their House Captains badges will be presented at next week's assembly.

Wednesday, 13th March will be a Casual Clothes Day to raise money for the people recovering from the recent floods in Bundaberg. The Year 9 Leaders will be cooking a BBQ with all money raised going to the appeal.

As we move into the busy side of term, it is important that students are keeping up with assessment work. An organised study timetable is important along with a good home study centre. Students cannot study in the middle of blaring TVs and ringing phones.

- Location - they need is a quiet place that is free from distraction.
- Lighting that sheds light over their shoulder.
- A straight backed chair at a table or desk.
- Supplies - everything they need from pencils to a calculator.
- Computers or iPads should be used for work purposes and not games.

Mr Brendan Delaney, Director of Students

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From the Head of Staff and Students P-5

Parent Class Representatives

Thanks to the following parents who have nominated to be Parent Class Representatives in 2013:

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| Prep D | Mrs Kylie Doolan / Mrs Sheryn Baker |
| Prep K | Mrs Megan Daniel |
| Year 1A | |
| Year 1H | Mrs Megan Pyke |
| Year 2H | Ms Jenny Angel |
| Year 2P | Mrs Nicole Wildman |
| Year 3M | Mrs Joyce Smith |
| Year 3H | Mrs Jodie Swindles |
| Year 3P | Mrs Pam Becker / Mrs Natalie Campbell / Mrs Michele Proeger |
| Year 4L | Mrs Sophie McKenzie |
| Year 4O | Mrs Jane Bell |
| Year 4F | |
| Year 5A | Mrs Jodie McLaughlin-Phillips |
| Year 5C | Mrs Jodie Cawley / Mrs Sharon Punter |
| Year 5E | Mrs Sharon Clifton / Mrs Ruth Keys |

Parent Class Representatives are still needed in Years 1A, 4F and 4L. If you think you would like to nominate for these roles, please advise your child's classroom teacher or myself.

The college recognises the important role that these positions play in continuing to develop the community spirit at Pacific and offers to support the class representatives in their roles.

TravelSmart

This year, the college will continue to be a TravelSmart school. TravelSmart is a voluntary travel behavior change program run by the Sunshine Coast Council. The program provides to the college community (through a generous grant) the opportunity to relieve traffic congestion, as well as reducing air and noise pollution whilst at the same time investigating more sustainable and healthy modes of transport such as walking, cycling, public transport and carpooling.

Pacific encourages TravelSmart behaviors to improve the health of our college community and natural environment. Can you keep a car off campus and make it safer for all of us?

- Walk to school with a parent or responsible friend.
- Ride your bike safely with mum or dad.
- Bus route information is available on the website.

- Park and Walk - park at Oakdale Park or Meridan Sports Fields, enjoy a short walk with your child and keep a car off campus! Look out for "Walk to School Fridays" starting soon.
- Carpool - bring a neighbor and save a car trip!
- TravelSmart Sunshine Coast is an initiative of the Sunshine Coast Council. For more information, please visit www.travelsmartsc.com.au / 5475 7272 or contact our office by phone on 5436 7300.

Take care and remember that TravelSmarties always travel safely.

Year 4 Cycle Skills

As an initiative of the TravelSmart program, all students in Year 4 will, over the next weeks, participate in a cycle skills session. The cycle skills course aims to teach children the basics of safe cycling as well as how to keep a bike in appropriate working order and will be taught by accredited cycle coaches. Parents / caregivers of children undertaking the course, who would like to brush up on their own cycle skills, are more than welcome to join in and learn on the day. A letter giving details of the activity was sent home this week to all Year 4 students. Parents of students in Year 4 are asked to return the permission slip allowing your child to participate in the cycle skills session to your child's teacher.

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

Students of the Week

Stars of the Week - Last Week Monday, 18th February

| | | |
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| Year 3 | Holly Bennett | Breanna Murdoch |
| | Emma McEvoy | Blaze Jamieson |
| | Holly Williams | |
| Year 4 | Finghin Quilligan | Caitlyn Barry |
| | Liam Sheridan | Noah Beasley |
| Year 5 | Caitlin Hall | Joshua Lynch |
| | Toby Brown | Shani Shuttleworth |
| | Ayva Kong | Dylan Page |
| | Armelle Cristante | |

This Week Monday, 25th February

Year 3 Matthew Becker

Year 5 Maya Prout Thomas McLaughlin-Phillips



You Can Do It Awards

Last week Monday, 18th February

Organisation: Louella Hindmarsh and Year 5C

This week Monday, 25th February

Confidence: Finn Davis and Bridget McKean



Outdoor Ed

New Year 6 Camp Dates

The Year 6 Outdoor Education program has been re-scheduled to Wednesday, 20th March - Friday, 23rd March. Parents are able to up-date their son's and daughter's medical consent forms next week when a new camp information package will be sent home.

Year 12 Whitewater Canoeing Program Postponed

Unfortunately due to an injury that I have sustained, I have had to postpone the Year 12 Outdoor Education program from the Easter holidays to the June/July holidays this year. Interested Year 12 students will meet early Term 2 to discuss new program options.

Year 11 and 12 - Safe Drive Program Change of Dates

Due to the venue being double booked by the Safe Drive provider, the new dates and location for the first of two 2013 Safe Driver days are as follows:

Date: Saturday, 4th May

Location: Willowbank Training Centre, Willowbank (near Ipswich)

Course to be Run: Basic Course - open to all students who have a 'Learners'.

Licence (no matter how many driving hours have been logged) or P plate licence. Cost \$176 (includes bus transport to and from the venue).

Advanced Car Control Course - open to students who have completed the Basic Course with Safe Drive Australia. Cost \$176 (includes bus transport to and from the venue).

Course information will be given to Year 11 and 12 students early next week. The second scheduled Safe Driver day is Saturday, 12th October 2013.

"It's Up to You" Year 12 Driver Education Day

On the final day of Term 1, the Year 12 students will be given the opportunity to be involved in a safe driving conference entitled "It's Up to You". The day will be held at Pacific from 9.15am - 1.00pm on Thursday, 28th March. Guest speakers from emergency services, law enforcement, people who have been affected by motor vehicle accidents will be in attendance to address the students. Parents are most welcomed to attend.

Dr Peter McMahon

Rite Journey - The Calling and Departure

Last Thursday, despite the rain, Year 9 students officially and enthusiastically commenced the Rite Journey course. During the afternoon, students faced some challenges and initiatives to encourage team building and communication skills. It was an important event for each class as they start forming stronger relationships in their Rite Journey groups.

It was pleasing to see the number of parents who attended the Departure Ceremony and information session. At the Departure Ceremony, the students gave some background information about what Rite Journey means and what they hope to gain from the subject throughout the year. We wish Year 9 all the best in this transition year and hope they gain much from the experience.

Miss Michelle McMillan, Head of Christian Studies

Environmental Pacific Action Group



Battery Recycling

Most batteries contain heavy metals which is the main cause for environmental concern. Disposed of incorrectly, the heavy metals may leak into the ground when the battery erodes. This contributes to soil and water pollution and endangers wildlife. Some components in batteries can be toxic to fish and make them unfit for human consumption.



Please bring in any household batteries you need to throw away and dispose of these in the battery recycling bin located in the student reception area.

Car batteries can be dropped off directly at Battery World for recycling.

Mrs Janine Stone

Tech Corner

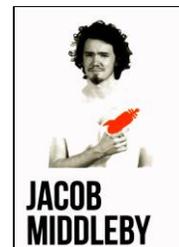


A huge congratulations to three past students from Pacific who last week graduated from Qantm College and took part in a Graduate Exhibition evening for industry.

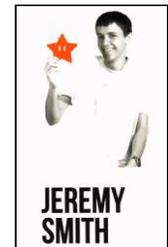
Jeremy Smith, Cameron Gullotta and Jacob Middleby graduated in programming, game design and screen and media animation respectively. Jeremy Smith was named "Programmer of the Year" for 2012 at Qantm College. All three students studied IPT at Pacific. It is wonderful to see these ex-students following their passion and flair for IT into careers.



CAMERON GULLOTTA



JACOB MIDDLEBY



JEREMY SMITH

Mrs Janine Stone

Hospitality News

Bytes Café

Year 12 Hospitality students have been running a café every Wednesday for this term, at morning tea. Students will be selling milkshakes (\$2.50) and slices (\$1.50), which they have made. So please support these students in their training by bringing along money on this day.

Ms Julie Peters

Friends of Pacific

We will regularly provide an update of the content of the Friends of Pacific Meetings in the Compass newsletter.

Often the subjects discussed will be questions or queries you have had, so by "publishing" a brief outline of topics covered, we will hopefully address any points that many in the Pacific community may have.

Last meeting on Tuesday, 19th February the following agenda items were discussed in general business.

- Parent Rep's: We would love to extend this role into Middle College, further enhancing and strengthening the college community.
- Tuckshop: The tuckshop needs more volunteers, perhaps we could enlist the assistance of Parent Rep's to aid in finding parents willing to help.
- Second Hand Uniforms: There has been some question as to whether the uniform shop is still selling second hand items. Yes they are, good quality and major items.
- Pacific Ocean Festival: Due to a clash of date with "Tough Mudder" which is a major sporting event being held on the Sunshine Coast, it has been proposed that the Ocean Festival be moved to Friday afternoon / evening (16th August). This will obviously require some alterations to the way the festival has run in the past but provides a unique opportunity to further develop the festival.

Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday, 19th March. If you have any points or items in question, please email them to fop@paccluth.qld.edu.au so they may be included in the agenda.

Mrs Tracey Hindmarsh, Chairperson Friends of Pacific

Music News

This week, we began the orchestra program with an excellent roll-up and rehearsal on Wednesday morning in the music centre. Any brass, wind or percussion players who would like to join this group, please see Mr King or Mr Simpfendorfer in the S6 staffroom. The String Ensemble, Jazz Ensemble and Concert Band are also up and running in preparation for Open Day in May.

Any new families who are looking at starting their child on an instrument in Term 2 of this year, could secure their place with an instrumental tutor by getting in a little early. Forms are available from the front office or can be completed online via email from dsimpfendorfer@paccluth.qld.edu.au.

Mr David Simpfendorfer and Mr Adrian King

Sports News

JUNIOR SPORT

Year 3 - 6 Swimming Carnival

Congratulations to all who competed in the Year 3-6 Swimming Carnival on Monday. The level of competition and enthusiasm was outstanding and it was great to see so many students swimming to the best of their abilities. A big thank you to all parent helpers and those who came to support their children. Overall house results were as follows:

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| 1 st | Wira | 1,590 |
| 2 nd | Mumba | 1,487 |
| 3 rd | Bula | 1,252 |

Well done to all age champions:

| Age | 1st | 2nd | 3rd |
|--------------|-------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| GIRLS | | | |
| 8 Years | E McEvoy | S Heinz | A Hague |
| 9 Years | J Lowe | E Woods | L Pointon |
| 10 Years | S Cawley | K Connors / L Hindmarsh | |
| 11 Years | H Williams | E Woods | E Pukallus |
| 12 Years | T Cheney | S Teys | L Burrell |
| BOYS | | | |
| 8 Years | T Chapman | C Proeger | J Edmonstone & W Swindles |
| 9 Years | J Wulff | J Underhill | M Becker |
| 10 Years | W Hill | C Punter | B Hocken |
| 11 Years | H Singleton | J Gothorp / S Aitken | |
| 12 Years | J Simpson | T Barry | B Hutchinson |

Record breaker: Matthew Becker (8 year boys backstroke) 55.40s!

Primary District Swim

On Tuesday, the Pacific Swim Team competed in the District Swimming Carnival at the Caboolture Aquatic Centre against nine other independent schools from around the Sunshine Coast. The team did exceptionally well against very strong opposition and finished 4th overall (only a few points behind coming 3rd!) This is one of the best results the school has had in swimming so far. Well done to all who tried to the best of their ability.

A big thank you to all the parents who willingly volunteered their help on the day timekeeping (Mr and Mrs Wulff, Mrs Cawley, Mr and Mrs Becker and Mr Lowe) and assisting with time sheets (Mrs Bradfield). The team will now compete at the Lutheran Swimming Carnival on Friday. We wish them all the best. Well done to all. A great team effort!

Junior Basketball News

The Junior Basketball Program begins NEXT FRIDAY (8th March). All students from Years 2 to 7 are welcome to be a part of the program. Please note that registration for this closes on Tuesday, 5th March and no late participants will be accepted. The program runs for eight weeks throughout Term 1 and 2. All students should have received a letter and registration forms; however there are spare copies in the Junior College reception. Students are encouraged to join the program in Semester 2 if they are involved in Saturday netball and soccer, and struggling with managing time commitments.

Year 4 - 6 SCISSA Sport

Primary SCISSA sport begins next week on Thursday with a round against Caloundra Christian College. Please note that CCC does not have any T-ball, rugby or Year 4 soccer teams (all others will play). After school training begins in Week 8 (18th March) for all teams. This training is compulsory for all students and absences must be given to coaches as early as possible.

Mr Mark Hauser, Head of Junior Sport

Pacific Soccer Update



Start of 2013 Season

With only one week to the start of the 2013 season, the grounds have never looked so green and well-

watered. We now have more than 170 players registered in 16 teams, from U6 to U15, and the players are all looking forward the first games.



Places Available

We are still after extra players for U10s (born 2003), and have a few places available for U6s (born 2007/2008). If you would like to be part of Pacific Soccer this season and experience the fun and excitement of playing in a team each week, please let Jenny know now, to avoid any disappointment.



Rooball Carnival



The U6-U10 teams start the season with a Rooball carnival on 9th March and each team will play three shortened games on the day. This will allow the players to have a run and to experience the fun and excitement of playing in a team sport. The venues are not finalised

but will be announced early next week and we will advise each team as soon as we have any updates. All families will then be contacted by your team manager.

Grading Matches



The competitive age groups (U11+) will begin grading games on 9th March and the venues for these matches is also yet to be confirmed.



Jersey Sponsorship

Pacific Soccer has always appreciated the support we have received from our local businesses, who are able to sponsor a set of match jerseys, and have their logo displayed. We have also been gradually replacing our jerseys over the last few years, to suit the style of the new PLC uniforms, and therefore we now have several new sets, which do not have any logo.



We would like to thank the following businesses, who are sponsoring a new set of jerseys:

- Aitken Legal
- Asset Accounting
- Bella Grace Early Learning Centre
- Daydream Leisure Furniture
- Emro Ware

- IRM Electrical
- Sunshine Dermatology
- Telstra Shop Kawana Waters

Our old style jerseys have been used for almost 10 years. We would like to thank our original sponsors who helped the club in its early stages:

- Acquire Wealth Solutions
- Aitken Legal
- Fox Environmental Systems
- Pipeline Surf Company Caloundra
- Telstra Shop Kawana Waters
- Woods Project Development

Our old jerseys will gradually be retired as we continue our replacement program, but we do appreciate the support of these businesses for so many years.

At this stage we still have a few sets of new match jerseys, which will be worn by our teams this season, and are available for sponsorship. Only one business will be advertised on each set, so if you would like to sponsor your team, and promote your business, please contact Lala Burnes immediately.

If you have any queries regarding registration, or if you need any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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Thank you to all our players and families for supporting Pacific Soccer this season and we hope you all find this year to be an enjoyable and an exciting one for you and your families.

Mr Ian Barnes, President

Tuckshop

The Tuckshop Menu is available from the college website.

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

On line ordering is now available. Go to the college website and click on the link or go to www.flexischools.com.au and then find your school.

Orders will be delivered to your child's class room.

Mrs Donna Hollindale, Uniform Shop Coordinator

Did You Know?

... The largest continent is Asia.

Upcoming Dates

MARCH

- 1 Primary Lutheran Swimming Carnival (Morayfield)
- 1 Clean Up Australia Day (1.00pm)
- 1 ALWS Awareness Day (Sunshine Coast)
- 5 Secondary District Trial Day 2 (4.00 - 6.00pm)
- 6 Year 12 University Showcase (11.00am - 12.30pm)
- 7,8 Year 11 Biology / Geography Camp
- 7 Year 4 - 6 SCISSA v Caloundra Christian College
- 9 Music Scholarship Day
- 11-15 ALWS Awareness Week
- 11 Year 8-12 Lutheran Swimming
- 12 Secondary District Trial Day 2 Training (4.00 - 6.00pm)
- 13 ELC and Kindy Parent Information Evening
- 14 Year 4-6 SCISSA v Nambour Christian College
- 14 Pacific As A Peace Place (8.25am)
- 16 Academic Scholarship Day
- 18 Year 4-6 SCISSA Training (3.15pm)
- 19-22 Year 11 Hospitality Training
- 19-20 P-5 Conferences and Portfolios
- 19 Secondary SCRTD 2 (8.00am - 3.00pm)
- 19 Friends of Pacific Meeting (7.00pm)
- 21-23 Qld Secondary Swimming

- 23 Year 11/12 Safety Drivers Course Earth Hour
- 25 Year 9 Cultural Excursion
- 26,27 Middle College Conferences
- 28 P-12 Chapel (8.30am)
- 28 Year 12 Safe Driver Day (9.15am)
- 28 Year 3-6 Cross Country
- 28 Last Day Term 1
- 29 Good Friday

CALOUNDRA LUTHERAN CHURCH



Invites You To
Sunday Services:

- 7.45am St Mark's Lutheran Church
16 Bombala Terrace, Caloundra
- 9.30am Pacific Lutheran College
Woodlands Boulevard, Meridan Plains
Worship in the undercroft area – with
a special children's program.

For more information contact Pastor Rick,
on 0418 563716 or Richard.zweck@lca.org.au

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*www.pacificlutheran.qld.edu.au, click on the
"News and Events" tab, then "Publications".*

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