On the 7th August our school undertook a Discipline Audit conducted by two external auditors from the Department of Education, Training and Employment State Schools Performance Division. The audit focused on five key areas:

- Principal leadership
- Parent and Community Engagement
- Data informed decision making
- Clear and consistent expectations
- Explicit teaching of behaviours

Our school received a really strong report and received Outstanding or High rating in every category across the five criteria. Generally, the auditors commented on how happy and engaged our students were and that they indicated that they felt very safe in our school environment.

Below are the key commendations and affirmations taken straight from the Executive summary that capture findings from the Discipline audit process:

- The Principal and school leaders have accepted personal responsibility for ensuring a safe, supportive and disciplined learning environment. They demonstrate a strong conviction that student engagement and regular attendance are keys to improved student learning. The school’s mission, One Student, One Community, Many Futures clarifies the school’s direction and decision making.

- The school is driving a strong agenda around developing a positive and engaged school learning culture featuring a close alignment between the school’s pedagogical method, Explicit Teaching and the Schoolwide Positive Learning Behaviour Support (SWPLBS) process.

- The school has a small number of positively stated school wide expectations and appropriate behaviours based on the school values: I am respectful, I am responsible and I am resilient which are known by all school community members and reflected in the behaviour of students.

- A well-structured School Support Team works collaboratively to meet the social, emotional, learning and welfare needs of all students. The team supports students at risk of disengagement from learning through case management, support programs, extensive partnerships with community organisations and through organised parent development programs.

- The ACE Student Awards recognise consistent high achievement, academic improvement and high attendance and are closely aligned with the school values. They are celebrated once each semester.

- Positive Behaviour Awards and Positive Postcards are presented to students recognising good behaviour, consistent or concerted effort and to those completing extra work to contribute to the life of the school.

- Expectations about students’ behaviour are enhanced in many ways. This includes the explicit teaching of the school’s expectations and is supported by presentations at school assemblies, year level assemblies, daily roll classes, staff meetings, postcards, social media and in school newsletters.

- The Parents and Citizens’ (P&C) Association endorses the school’s Responsible Behaviour Plan for Students (RBPS). There is strong financial support from the P&C, as exemplified through the creation of the Student Wellbeing and e-Learning Lounge (SWeLL) space as a hub of wellbeing in the school.

- The school leaders and all school staff members demonstrate a strong level of respectful and caring relationships for all school community members.

A positive, safe, respectful and caring environment is a prerequisite for learning. Our school provides such a place and we will continue to work hard to ensure that we provide the environment that can maximise the learning of every student. I would like to congratulate all members of the Helensvale High Learning community for this outstanding result.

The Audit Executive Summary and five page profile will be placed on our website shortly.

Mark Blackshaw
Executive Principal
DESIGN

Our Design students from year 9 through to year 12 continue to go from success to success. Through their development of skills and dedication to the subject, they continue to create inspiring pieces of work. Miss Braun has been blown away with the quality of work from her year 11 and 12 students. Sophie Vella is one year 12 who has a lot to be proud of.

Sophie Vella has studied Design since year 10 and has worked really hard to develop her skills. Her latest assignment, I-Gen, was the opportunity to represent her generation through her perception in an expressive and visual design piece. Her work, titled “The Road to Tomorrow” looks at the struggle teenagers face with leaving school, overcoming obstacles and finding the right path that will lead them to a brighter future. Congratulations Sophie on such a successful and inspiring piece of work and your first Design of the Week Award.

Miss Braun
Senior Design Co-ordinator

VAFA Awards

The Film and Television Department is proud to announce the first ever VAFA (Vale Art Film Awards) Awards. This prestigious event celebrates not only the success of our Film and Television students across years 10 to 12, but also the partnerships that we are building with the wider community.

It is with tremendous excitement that I announce our two principal sponsors for this celebratory event. Our first sponsor, The New York Film Academy of Australia (NYFA), is proud to support the future of Australians in the film industry. Over the past 20 years, the New York Film Academy has built a reputation as one of the premier hands-on film and acting schools in the world. The project-based curriculum is designed to reflect a real-world environment while encouraging students to explore their own creativity and passions. NYFA will present the Future Filmmaker Award at the VAFAs on October 23rd. We are beyond thrilled to have such a recognised and distinguished sponsor for our award evening.

Our second principal sponsor for our award evening is the Honourable Stuart Robert MP, the Federal Member for Fadden and Assistant Minister for Defence. The Honourable Stuart Robert graduated from the Australian Defence Force Academy in 1990 and graduated Top 10 from the Royal Military College Duntroon the following year. He has been awarded the Australian Service Medal (Bougainville Clasp) and the Australian Defence Medal. The Honourable Stuart Robert MP was elected to the Federal Seat of Fadden in 2007 and is currently in his third term. With his commitment to the community and support of our event, we are excited to have The Honourable Stuart Robert MP a part of our first ever VAFAs.

We have had an overwhelming number of student nominations and it is great to see the excitement from our Film and Television student body. Students have until 3pm on Thursday, August 28th to submit the final version of their films for the opportunity to be listed as one of the six finalists for each category. Students can digitally submit their film via G:\Curriculum\Submissions\Visual Arts\VAFA Awards Nomination.

I would like to congratulate the students on such a successful year so far and thoroughly look forward to an exciting and rewarding evening.

Miss Braun
VAFA Co-ordinator

2014 GOLD COAST LANGUAGES SPEECH CONTEST

On Sunday 17th August, eight students participated in the 2014 Gold Coast Languages Speech Contest held at Griffith University Gold Coast. Each student was required to stand in front of a panel of judges and present a 3-5 minute speech without using any notes and then answer a series of questions on-the-spot. All of this, mind you, in a second language!

In addition to the speeches, students from our year nine Japanese Excellence class were called upon to perform a play
as part of the entertainment for guests on the day. The play is called “Wipe the Blood from my Kimono,” an amusing, period drama incorporating traditional costumes, sword fighting, romance and, of course, tragedy (everyone dies in the end). While performing for a large audience is challenging enough, these students also spoke entirely in Japanese. Their performance was outstanding and highly entertaining. Credit must go to Japanese teacher Brendan Boyle for preparing these students for the play and ensuring that all of the costumes and props were in place on the day. Mr Boyle also acted as host for all of the entertainment on the day, providing many interesting anecdotes and classic humour as only he can! Arigatou Gozaimasu, Boyle Sensei!

All students performed extremely well and represented our school admirably. Teachers Rachel Vickers, Brendan Boyle and Brett Middleton are extremely proud of their efforts and commend them for their hard work and discipline in preparing for the speech and for delivering it on the day.

Mr Middleton
Japanese Teacher

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SWPLBS POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR

Students have been demonstrating our learning values of Respectful, Responsible and Resilient. Positive Behaviour (PB) vouchers are awarded to students who consistently exhibit the learning values. Students awarded a PB voucher can enter a fortnightly draw for a canteen voucher and term prizes are awarded based on whole class PB totals. For term 2, 8L and 10C won the pizza parties for receiving the most improved number of PBs. As pictured, students from 8H are eager to win the pizza party for term 3 and are working hard to collect PBs.

INDUSTRY @ WORK FOR OUR STUDENTS

Term 3 is the busiest in the Industry Pathways Office. Year 10 students are applying for TAFE Courses, Year 11 students are applying for School Based Traineeships and Apprenticeships and Year 12 students are finalising their traineeships and applying for Early Entry to TAFE Gold Coast in Diploma Courses.

When thinking about participating in an External Course/School Based Apprenticeship or Traineeship, you need to consider:

- Is the Certificate Course suitable for the student?
- Will it help with the student’s career pathway?
- Student must not be OP Eligible to participate

At Helensvale SHS we offer a variety of External Programs for our senior students to gain qualifications that we do not offer. School Based Apprenticeships and Traineeships are just one way to gain a Nationally Recognised Qualification.

TAFE Gold Coast offers a great number of courses for our Year 11 & 12 students 2015. If you have any questions regarding whether your student is eligible, please contact Paulina Ford.

TAFE Gold Coast Schools Programs

Helensvale State High School and TAFE Gold Coast have a long partnership in providing our Year 10 and Year 11 students with opportunities to start certificate courses to assist with future employment outcomes. All courses have a primary focus on employment outcome and I am happy to talk to students and parents about the best options available and where these courses will lead.

This year we have the following Certificates available to students.

Certificate I in Engineering (Marine) - Riviera Marine Apprenticeship Training Centre, Coomera
Pathways – Certificate III in Marine Craft Construction.

Certificate II in Engineering- Ashmore Heeb Street Campus
Pathways – Certificate III in Engineering (Production), Certificate III in Engineering (Fabrication)

Certificate II in Automotive (Pending Registration) – Ashmore Heeb Street Campus
Pathways – Certificate III Automotive Electrical Technology, Certificate III Automotive Diesel Engine Technology

Cert II Electrotechnology – Helensvale State High School Campus Only available to Year 10 students

This program provides students with the tools to obtain experience, knowledge and contacts with the electrical industry. Learn computing in the electrotechnology industry, electrical wiring and equipment, drawing interpretation and sketching. Pathways – Certificate III in Electrotechnology
Certificate II in Marine Mechanical (Pending Registration) - Riviera Marine Apprenticeship Training Centre, Coomera Pathways – Certificate III in Marine Mechanics

Certificate II in Hairdressing & Certificate II in Retail Make-up & Skincare (Dual Qualification) - Southport Campus

Discover the basic realities of life in a salon. You’ll learn to provide full reception services, including receiving clients and answering the telephone, as well as how to prepare clients for a range of salon services. Discover how to co-ordinate tasks for effective self and time management, braiding and drying hair, massage and communication skills. Develop skills and knowledge to begin a career in the beauty industry. Finally, the course encompasses retailing, industry knowledge and working as a productive and valuable member in a salon. Pathways – Certificate III in Hairdressing, Diploma of Beauty

Diploma of Nursing (partial Completion) - Southport Campus
+ Selected Aged Care Facilities for placement Only available to Year 10 students

This is available through a selection process – successful students will study 12 units + Residential School + VPC ideal for students wishing to study Nursing through TAFE post year 12. Pathways – Enrolled Nurse

TO APPLY FOR GOLD COAST TAFE PROGRAMS

1. Collect an Expression of Interest Form from Mrs Ford – Industry Liaison Officer SM02 – please ensure you add your intended career pathway. This needs to be completed and returned before 15th September 2014. are allowed to apply for TAFE Gold Coast Courses. (See Mrs Ford / Mrs Brandis if you have any queries regarding this)

2. On receipt of the form Mrs Ford will email you TAFE Application Details. Once you have completed the online application please notify Mrs Ford so HSHS School acceptance letter can be sent to TAFE Gold Coast on your behalf along with your attendance and academic records.

3. You will be notified if successful or unsuccessful by TAFE Gold Coast.

4. Only students who are IP/PP Pathways not QP Eligible

5. You need to choose 6 school subjects (Year 11) – if you are successful, you may apply to drop one in 2015.

Where are they now:

Georgia Fischer completed her Cert III Hospitality with Parkwood Golf Club in late 2014. She was also named Trainee of the Month for November. Before graduating, Georgia applied for a Scholarship with the Watermark Hotel & Spa for a Triple Diploma in Hospitality, Tourism and Events. She received the news that she got this fantastic opportunity just before the end of the year and has been studying Hospitality and Events Management since the start of year. Georgia has completed 4 weeks vocational placement within the hotel and as part of this experience she has been to Melbourne, visited and dined at Gary Mehigan’s Restaurant, the Boathouse (Master Chef Judge) and also attended the Melbourne Good Food and Wine Show. She is over half-way through her course and will be going on an international trip very soon to work and experience hospitality in other countries. Georgia is currently planning her own event which she has to plan from start to finish. This fundraiser is a High Tea for the Breast Cancer Charity for around 40 people. I have been privileged enough to be invited to this event and I am looking forward to seeing how the School Based Traineeship that Georgia completed while at school has assisted her in making her mark in this very competitive industry.

South East Regional SATS Awards

It is with great pleasure to announce that the following Year 12 students have been named finalist for the 2014 South East Regional SATS Awards. These students have participated in a selection process most adults would find challenging.

Students from the South East Region – Cleveland, Logan, Scenic Rim and Gold Coast applied for numerous industry categories and these 9 student will represent Helensvale SHS and their employers at a Gala Dinner at Dreamworld in a couple of weeks. We are very proud of them and so should their families and the school community.

Marney Dalzotto – Tourism – Movie World - Village Roadshow Theme Parks
Jean Sampson – Business – Academy of Design (Barrington Group)
Brendan Smith – Electrotechnology - Riviera
Lachlan Davidson – Cabinet - Riviera
Margaret Plakura – Upholstery - Riviera
Jai Waterhouse – Greenskeeping – Sanctuary Cove Golf & Country Club
Alexander Jeffrey – Sport Coaching – Superfish (Recruit 4 Success)
Taylor Edwards – Hairdressing – H2O Hair & Beauty Hope Island
Ryan Bambury – Automotive – All One Auto Southport

We wish these students all the best and thank all the other HSHS Nominees who applied for their Industry Categories for showcasing how great our School Based Apprenticeships & Traineeships Program and students are.

If you would like to know more about any of the above, please contact me on details below.

Paulina Ford
Industry Liaison Officer
55738545 pford2@eq.edu.au
SPORTING STAR AWARDS

ACPER QLD’s annual Women in Sport Breakfast aims to celebrate female sporting achievements and inspire the next generation to get active.

ACPER QLD invites schools to nominate female students to be recognised during the 2014 Women in Sport Breakfast. We would like to recognise students who have demonstrated outstanding:

- **Sporting Performance:** Athletes who have represented Queensland and/or Australia in school or club sport.
- **Sporting Endeavour:** Athletes who have overcome significant challenges to participate in school or club sport.
- **Sporting Service:** Students who have significantly contributed to school or club sport and/or the sporting pursuits of others (for example, coaching, officiating, administration, etc).

Multiple Sporting Star winners will be acknowledged during the breakfast across two groups: **Shooting Star** awards for senior students (15 years and over) and **Rising Star** awards for junior students (14 years and under). Finally, one **Shining Star** award will be presented to the most outstanding senior student in 2014.

Reasons for nomination should encompass June 2013 – September 2014 only. Achievements prior to these dates will not be considered. Nominees must also complete a brief “Student statement” to personally express their suitability for a 2014 Sports Star Award.

If you would like to nominate your daughter, yourself or one of your friends please come and see Mrs McKenna in SM01/SM02 to collect a nomination form. Entries close on Friday 19th September, 2014. The annual Women in Sport Breakfast is set for Wednesday 15 October 2014.

**Mrs McKenna**  
*Head of Department Academic Performance (Acting)*

MATHS HONOUR ROLL - 2014

Congratulations to the following students for making the Mathematics Honour Roll for 2014:

**Year 9 Math**  
- Ryan Melrose*
- Ivy Williams
- Marcus Davidson
- Jayden Kleopa-Mircev
- James Katsioulas*
- Stella De Geest*
- Alysha King
- Tania Burgos
- Eoin Colfer
- Jarrod Roper
- Baylee Hogan
- Sophie Goddard

**Year 9 Excite**  
- Esther Cho*
- Casey-Lee Beck*
- Gabi Cooper*
- Edith Chee*
- Hasith Chandrasiri*
- Ashleigh Higgins
- Shana Sun*
- Daniel Farquhar
- Keyra Gardiner*
- Maisy Rae
- Kimberly Wong
- Radhika Sewram

**Year 10 Math**  
- James Henderson
- Ali Dalton
- Alicia Mutimer
- Loshini Koralage
- Abigail Russell
- Lauren Oakley
- Amber Ayton
- Joshua Fialua
- Mohamed Moein
- Hayley Pegler
- Erana Waru-Romana
- Carson Wilds
- Kaitlyn Crewes
- Tiana Raivalui
- Sophie Armstrong
- Georgina Kerr
- Ryan Jackson

**Year 10 Advanced**  
- Rina Utashiro*
- Harlee Katipa**
- Yasmini Armenis*
- Jye Kelly**
- Hayley King
- Sainice Sedchain
- Jessica Spindler
- Sanchia Goldring**
- Jindai Okugawa**
- Selena Thim
- Joshua Tremelling*
- Anastasia Williams
- Devon Toogood
- Georgia Walton
- Harriet Munro*
- Meisha Liddon
- Nicola Abbott
- Kyle Alderson-Cook
- Kayla Muldoon

**Year 10 Excite**  
- Chloe Lewis-Lord*
- Ashleigh Hopgood**
- Emily Thompson*
- Aloja Andraszek**
- Monet Chapman**
- Maddison Kable*
- Tamika Roberts*
- Jeylen Fafua
- Taneka Tezak*
- Georgia Nicholson*
- Shansha Surr*
- Alison DeNys**

**Year 11 Math A**  
- Dane Watmuff
- Christopher Whitehead
- Jaccquelyn Davis
- Laura Gammon
- Bonnie Phillips*
- Bronte Price*
- Stuart Grace
- Lilli Bycroft
- Ashleigh Rees
- Mia Toth
- Celine Clemente*
- India Lawrence

**Year 11 Math B**  
- Kaylee Parker**
- Jackson Ryder***
- Anada Sewram
- Chelsea Collier***
- Irene Higgins***
- Savan Immink
- Jasmine Tsai***
- Cynthia Bond***
- Tyla Phillips***

**Year 8 Math**  
- Sabrina Feng
- Jesse James
- Georgia Murdoch
- Kane Segawa
- Jack James
- Tayden Turner
- Megan Vermuelen
- Maslahatun Daniyal
- Jack Turner
- Olivia Higgins
- Jacob Milner

**Year 8 Excite**  
- Brooke Tye
- Kayla Sattlecker
- Kaitlyn Willers
- Tayla Palmer
- Candice Parziani
- Nemanja Gojkovic

**Year 8 Math**  
- Noah Goldring
- Tysen Gregory
- Matthew Hossle
- Jayden Reuther
- Katie Godber
- Liam Hulbert
- Brock Tye
- Kayla Sattlecker
- Kaitlyn Willers
- Tayla Palmer
- Candice Parziani
- Nemanja Gojkovic
Thank you to the following Childcare Centres for giving our students the opportunity of one day per week work experience so they can complete their Certificate III Qualification:

Year 12 Students have been completing CHC0712 – Certificate III in Children’s Services. The following centres have been involved for the past 18 months:

- AB Patterson Early Learning
- Bright Horizons – Pacific Pines Reserve
- Gaven Early Learning Centre
- Good Start Early Learning Helensvale (Mildura Drive)
- Good Start Early Learning – Monterey Keys
- Good Start Early Learning – Oxenford (Riversdale Road)
- Good Start Early Learning – Oxenford (Mildura Drive)
- Young Discoverers Helensvale

Year 11 Students have started a new course CHC30113 – Certificate III in Early Childhood Education and Care

- Bambini Early Childhood – Runaway Bay
- Bonny Babes – Coomera
- Bonny Babes – Hope Island

Some of our Visual Art students will have their artwork/photography entered into this year’s Gold Coast Show. If you are attending the show this weekend, take the time to have a look at the Visual Arts Display.

SECURE SEPTEMBER WEBCONFERENCE PROGRAM

We wanted to let you know about DETE’s upcoming online security campaign - Secure September 2014.

From 8-11 September 2014 the department has coordinated cybersafety experts, nationally and internationally recognised speakers to present webconferences addressing all aspects of cybersafety and online security for online users young and old. Special guests on September 10 2014 include:

- Project Rockit
- Facebook
- Google
- Brett Lee, Cybersafety Expert

We invite you to explore the Secure September Webconferences at https://staff.learningplace.eq.edu.au/lp/pages/default.aspx?pid=1455073 and register through the OneChannel calendar for yourself and your child.

NOTIFICATION OF STUDENT ABSENCES AND LATE ARRIVALS

Helensvale State High School now has a dedicated line to receive messages regarding student absences and late arrivals, for parent convenience. This will be a more efficient and less time consuming method of notification.
Please send an SMS to 0400 191 917 in the following format:

- Students full name.
- Date & duration of absence, or expected time of arrival.
- Reason for absence/lateness.

Please use this as your preferred method of notification and add this number to your contacts.

You’re invited to Flourish Arts Festival 2014!

Enjoy a creative day out for the family at Flourish Arts Festival! Come to Southport Broadwater Parklands on Saturday, 6th September, from 9am – 4pm and you will not be disappointed! It will be filled with free activities and workshops for children, live performances, market stalls and much more! Peter Janetzki, 96.5 radio personality will also be talking at 1pm on ‘raising boys’. Be sure to enter our high school competition - simply follow the three steps below to enter. The most creative post will an iPad!!!

http://www.flourishartsfestival.com
https://www.facebook.com/FlourishArtsFestival

2014 TENNIS QUEENSLAND SECONDARY SCHOOLS TEAM TENNIS – BOYS COMPETITION

Congratulations to the Boy’s Tennis Team – Jack McDermott (Year 8), Billy McDermott (Year 9), Ryan Appleby (Year 11) and Hayden Shaw (Year 12), who played for Helensvale Stat High School and won their rounds against Benowa State High School and Palm Beach Currumbin State High School ‘B’ team.

The boys made it to the Gold Coast regional final and played against the Palm Beach Currumbin State High School ‘A’ team. This final was extremely close with high quality tennis being played. Palm Beach Currumbin State High School won this regional final – 5 sets to 3 sets.

Helensvale State High School just missed out on competing in the Queensland State final at Rockhampton, however we look forward to next year’s competition. Well done boys!

Miss Wright
BOY’S TEAM TENNIS MANAGER

JUNIOR ACF COMPETITION 2014

Congratulations to the two teams in Year 10 Hospitality who represented Helensvale State High School in the Junior ACF Secondary Schools Culinary Challenge.

TEAM 1 – Laura Guy and Jennifer Balla
TEAM 2 – Nicola Abbott and Grace Kelsey-Ryan

Both teams received a ‘Merit’ for their a la carte meal. The students demonstrated high skills, good hygiene and safety, excellent teamwork and very good bench organisation. Their effort, dedication and attention to detail is to be congratulated during both the practise sessions and Gold Coast final which was held at Ashmore TAFE.

These students worked diligently under the guidance of chef mentor Brian Meade,

Executive Chef at the Gold Coast Arts Centre. Helensvale State High School thank Brian for his time, sharing of expertise and support for this competition, as well as preparing the students for the Hospitality Industry.

The ‘heat is on’ for next year and well done to all students who were involved in the Junior Secondary School Culinary Challenge.

Miss Wright
HOME ECONOMICS / HOSPITALITY TEACHER

Team: Ryan Appleby, Billy McDermott, Jack McDermott and Hayden Shaw

Team 1 Laura Guy & Jennifer Balla

Team 1 Laura Guy & Jennifer Balla

Competition Dish
SALUTE TO EXCELLENCE – QTIC COMPETITION 2014

Helensvale State High School entered the Salute to Excellence Competition for outstanding Hospitality and Tourism students and were selected as ‘finalists’ amongst all students from Queensland state and private schools.

Congratulation is extended to:

HOSPITALITY (COOKERY SECTION)
- Zac Casey (Year 11)
- Monique Howell (Year 11)
- Rhian Price (Year 11)
- Jessica Wagstaff (Year 12)
- Jordyn White (Year 12)

HOSPITALITY (FOOD AND BEVERAGE)
- Thomas Eaton (Year 12)
- Eilish Barker (Year 12)

TOURISM
- Natassja Wootten (Year 12)

These students had to attend a ‘skills test’ day in Brisbane at the Southbank TAFE. Here, the students had to complete a written test, participate in an interview and demonstrate their skills ‘live’ in front of the judges. The cookery students had to produce 2 main meals in an 1½ hours, the food and beverage students had to set a table and complete restaurant duties and the tourism student had to produce a powerpoint, reflecting the Tourism Industry.

A very busy, eventful day was achieved and the students can be extremely proud of their efforts. The students received certificates as ‘finalists’ and were recognised at a formal dinner held in Brisbane at the Royal on the Park Hotel.

Well done to all students involved and we look forward to next year’s QTIC Salute to Excellence Competition.

Miss Wright
HOME ECONOMICS / HOSPITALITY TEACHER

Hot Cookery – Zac Casey, Jessica Wagstaff, Jordyn White, Rhian Price and Monique Howell

Food and Beverage and Tourism – Eilish Barker, Thomas Eaton and Natassja Wootten

SENIOR ACF COMPETITION 2014

Congratulations to the Senior Hospitality students who competed in the ACF Secondary School Culinary Challenge recently at the Brisbane Ekka. These students had to present a 2 course meal in 90 minutes and were judged by professional chefs.

The results include:

TEAM 1
- Zac Casey and Monique Howell (Year 11) – Gold Medal

TEAM 2
- Jessica Wagstaff and Jordyn White (Year 12) – Silver Medal

An outstanding effort and dedication was evident during the many practice sessions, often during their own time, on school holidays and weekends. A sincere ‘thank you’ is extended to Gary Kindred, Executive Chef and Adam Hall, Sous Chef who gave up their time and shared their expertise to mentor the students for this competition. The students learnt many skills under their guidance and produced high quality food which amazed the judges of their standard of work and presentation.

Both teams prepared 2 desserts and 2 main meals as a Live Hot Cookery performance in front of an audience under intense pressure for time and reduced space. The students proudly represented Helensvale State High School and Zac and Monique were especially recognised with their success and narrowly missed out by ½ a mark to represent Australia in the
International Secondary School Challenge which is being held in New Zealand this year.

All students can be very pleased with their skills and commitment displayed and we certainly have promising young chefs for the future. Well done to our Senior Hospitality students and we look forward to next year’s competition.

Miss Wright
HOME ECONOMICS / HOSPITALITY TEACHER

Students: Jordyn White, Jessica Wagstaff, Zac Casey and Monique Howell

Silver Medal – Jordyn White and Jessica Wagstaff

Photo of Competition 2 course meal – Silver Medal

Gold Medal: Zac Casey and Monique Howell

Photo of Competition 2 course meal – Gold Medal

QCS Tests – 2nd & 3rd September

ALL OP-eligible students and those non OP-eligible students who have indicated they wish to sit the Queensland Core Skills Test will be sitting the series of four exams next Tuesday and Wednesday. Students have been involved in a preparation program to ensure they perform to the best of their ability.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Candice McKenna for her hard work and commitment in her role as Academic Performance Head of Department in my absence. Her thorough organisation and dedication to the QCS Program has allowed all students to attend Masterclasses and be supported in their preparation for these exams. The Year 12 QCS Futures teachers have also been integral in assisting students to show continued improvement.

As parents of year 12 students, you can best support your child at this busy and stressful time by ensuring they eat well, get plenty of rest and minimise distractions from their studies such as part-time work and extra-curricular activities where possible. I look forward to supporting the students during the QCS and am sure they will achieve the best possible results.

Year 11

Year 11 students have been allocated into a Futures class based on whether they are OP-eligible or are sitting the QCS Test. Those who are OP-eligible or Personalised and Industry students who wish to sit the test will commence the QCS Preparation Program.

Students will be involved in initial practice tests in Week 8 following the Year 12 students completing the real tests. This will familiarise students with the format and expectations of the
test and also provide information about their abilities to assist in designing a preparation course that suits their cohort.

The expectation is that all students in the QCS Preparation Program attend on these days and complete the tests.

Ms Brazeau  
Academic Performance Head of Department

~ CURRUMBIN VALLEY ~

SPRING FESTIVAL

Sunday 14th September, 9.30am – 2.00pm

Live Music, Market Stalls, Rock Climbing, Farmyard Feeding, Jumping Castle, Games, Arts & Craft, Food, Deck Bar & More!

STALL HOLDERS WANTED – From $10

1226 Currumbin Creek Road, Currumbin Valley, 4223, Ph: 5533 0312
info@currumbinfarmschool.eq.edu.au

DO ‘WE’ HAVE ALL YOUR CORRECT DETAILS!!!

Have you moved home? Bought a new mobile? Has your family situation changed recently? Do you need to change/update your emergency contacts? We especially require an up to date email address. Please make sure that all your details are kept up to date regularly for the safety of your children and for information sent to you from the school.

Please complete the change of details form in the link on the left hand side of this newsletter or can you please advise the School via fax 55738500 or email your changes to admin@helensvaleshs.eq.edu.au with a Subject line of: “Change of Details”.

Wellness Festival 2014

Saturday 11th October 2014
9:00am - 2:00pm

Pratten Park, Kurrawa  
(Across the road from Oasis Shopping Center, Broadbeach)