Welcome to our second newsletter for this term which again highlights the extensive learning opportunities provided by North High. In this article I want to concentrate on My Big Picture Plan: Student Led Conferences 2016, Year 6 into 7 information night, student well-being survey and acknowledgement of our staff’s great work in providing extra opportunities for our students.

**2016 My Big Picture Plan: Student Led Conferences: semester two**

On Thursday this week the school held its second set of Student Led Conferences for 2016 which again attracted a large number of parents and students. It was great to witness parents, students and teachers engaged in these conferences reflecting on performances of the student in semester one and their academic goals for semester two. While not every student in our school was able to participate in a conference with their parents, all students have participated in a reflective and goal setting conversation with their RAS teacher. The combination of this conversation, ongoing monitoring from the RAS teacher and the setting of academic targets in all subjects should see all students focused on an academic target, with a plan and guidance from their teachers to achieve it.

Just a reminder that if you have a specific subject concern and you wish to access teaching staff for a traditional parent teacher interview, this is possible either through a referral being made to the teacher or by contacting the school. Parent teacher interviews do not have to be restricted to a set time of the year, I would like to think that parent teacher interviews can happen anytime across the school year and that every school day was a day for a possible parent teacher interview provided that the timing was convenient to both the teacher and parent. The Student Led Conferences are part of a bigger strategy to raise student aspiration, engage them in planning for their future and monitor their academic progress towards that goal through self-reported grades as well as plans to improve or maintain their performance. It is a holistic approach to reporting student academic progress with a view to the student’s future career pathway incorporating the building of a strong partnership between parents, students, their RAS and specific subject teachers. It is achieved through emails home, academic target setting, Student Led Conferences, RAS teacher monitoring and if required a parent teacher interview.

Thank you all those parents who participated in the Student Led Conferences, your investment of time in your child is a critical factor for their success.

**Year 6 into 7 Information Night – ‘Getting our good story out’**

On Thursday evening the school held a Year 6 into 7 information night where information about our school and the Year 7 program was presented to parents and students. The evening provided an opportunity to share some of the schools achievements from 2015 and spread the message that North High is a great school. Our school opinion survey
satisfaction data for parents and students drew some interest from parents and served to highlight the high regard both parents and students in general have for our school. I have provided this data below for your information and as a reminder of the great story we all can tell about North High. I encourage you to tell your friends about us and the great outcomes we have achieved. Let’s get this good story out and grow our enrolment in 2017. We all have facebook, can access local social media forums or blogs and have friends who live on the other side of the river, tell them all about Bundaberg North, a school for all students in Bundaberg.

2015 School Opinion Survey Student Satisfaction Levels

- Likes being at this school= 87.5%
- Feels safe= 88.4%
- Student behaviour is well managed= 75.4%
- I am getting a good education= 88.3%
- This is a good school= 77%
- Teachers expect me to do my best= 94.1%

2015 School Opinion Survey Parent Satisfaction Levels

- My child likes being at this school= 88.7%
- My child feels safe= 91.9%
- Student behaviour is well managed= 81.7%
- My child is getting a good education at this school = 93.5%
- This is a good school= 90%
- Teachers expect my child to do his or her best= 98.4%

Student Well-Being Survey

Next week our school will conduct a Social and Emotional Wellbeing Survey for all students. The survey will seek student’s responses to questions such as: “I have a teacher who cares about me”, “I have a parent who asks me questions about what I am learning at school”, “I feel safe and free from danger” and “When I get angry, I act without thinking”. The survey is completely anonymous and no individual student responses are able to be identified. The data provided by the survey will give the school an indication of the overall social and emotional wellbeing of our whole school and assist us in determining the types of actions we should take as a school to support or educate our students to ensure they have high levels of social and emotional wellbeing. If you have any questions or concerns about the survey please contact the school.

Opportunities for students.

Thank you and congratulations to the following staff for their commitment to students and the school community through the provision of additional opportunities for our students over the past few weeks.

Keith Whalley, Nigel Shield, Mike Seary, Jo Stevens, Rick Hogan, Orinda Martin, Nathan Halford, Jessie Tallon, Kris Johnson, and Sue Richardt: for their contribution to the Bundaberg District Athletics Carnival and organization of our school team, as well as special recognition of Rob Thatcher who did an outstanding job as the convenor for this year’s carnival.

All teaching staff: for their work in preparing students for the Student Led Conferences and facilitation of those conferences. Over two hundred students and their parents engaged with the school in a conversation about their child’s academic performance, significantly more parents compared to the parent and student engagement in our traditional parent teacher interviews.
Sara Rogers and Greg Whan: for their leadership and supervision of students on the Year 11 QUT Explore University trip, being held this weekend.

Nathan Williams: for his leadership of ‘Relay for Life’ and the organization of the Trivia Night one of our major fundraisers

Helen Coulton: for her leadership and supervision of students on the Year 12 Tertiary Trip, students found the experience highly informative and helpful.

Deb Quivooy, Kris Johnson, Nigel Shield and Susie Mant: for the organization and implementation of the Year 11 boys ‘Betterman’ program which is a social and emotional learning program.

Tom Wright: for the great work he has done with developing our Student Led Conferences in response to parent feedback, his organization and promotion of the event.

In conclusion please continue to contact the school if you have any concerns regarding your student’s education. I look forward to working closely with you in term two to produce the best outcomes for your child.

Ross Robertson
Principal

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Do we have the correct contact details for your family?

To ensure we get important information to you regarding your student, what is happening at the school, or even if we need to contact someone when your student is ill, we need up to date contact details.

Please advise the school office on 4130 0222 of any changes to email, phone, mobile, address or emergency contact details.

We appreciate your help.
Paint The Town Purple

Last Saturday a group of enthusiastic students joined in the Cancer Council’s “Paint Bundy Purple”. Paint the town purple runs from the 25th – 29th July, the purpose of this week is to raise awareness of Relay for Life which will take place shortly, over the weekend of 13th & 14th August. NBSHS has 3 teams participating this year and we were again delighted to be approached by the Cancer Council to paint the Bundaberg Regional Council office windows in chalk paint as part of the week’s festivities.

I would like to thank our Year 12 students – Georgia Boswyk, Georgia Prichard, Xanthe Schulte and Mikayla Haupt for giving up their weekend to paint this wonderful message in the main street. Thank you to Mr Williams our Relay for Life Coordinator for organising the group.
The Relay for Life efforts continue this week with our Trivia night. The night is proudly supported by Guzman Y Gomez who will be providing Mexican refreshments. There are in excess of 50 prizes up for grabs and, of course like all trivia nights, bragging rights. We look forward to seeing many of our school families there, “May the odds be ever in your favour”.

Year 10 Subject Selection Evening for 2017

On Tuesday evening 16th August we will hold our career education and subject selection evening for our Year 10 students preparing for their movement into Year 11 next year.
Students and parents will gain information on tertiary pathways and the OP process, Vocational Education and Training, have opportunities to tour school facilities and have an opportunity to talk to staff and view displays of the senior subjects on offer along with an opportunity to speak with representatives from the following outside agencies such as; CQU, TAFE, Blue Dog and EPIC.

INDIGENOUS DANCE GROUP

Our Indigenous dance group were invited to perform at Gin Gin State High School’s NAIDOC ceremony. The dancers have been working for a number of weeks preparing for the ceremony. The performance was well received by the audience and has helped the dancers form closer ties with each other. Dakota Cogzell introduced the dance group and explained the meaning of each of our dances; the dances had been developed by the group as their interpretation of stories given to them by local elders. Other members of the dance group include; Robert McCormack, Tamika Morrice, Callum Monagle, Nakita Geiszler, Juvana Broome and Zariah White-Cobbo.

Well done to all involved.
YOU’RE INVITED
Bundaberg Information Night

WHO
Current Year 11 Students and their Families

WHAT
✓ GenR8 – Transport, Logistics and Warehousing industry
✓ AllevE8 – Health industry

✓ 20 days work experience within a real workplace
✓ gain essential employability skills
✓ opportunity to gain up to 6 QCE points
✓ obtain a nationally recognised Cert II qualification

WHEN
Monday 5th September 2016
5:45pm - 7:30pm

WHERE
Kepnock State High School - Library
Kepnock Rd, Kepnock
Light refreshments will be provided

RSVP
Wednesday 31st August 2016
Please RSVP at: https://www.ivory.com/event/4W4HMH/

WANT TO KNOW MORE INFORMATION?
Please contact a North Coast Region School to Work Client Services Officer by:
Phoning 1300 369 935
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 marks street, bundaberg Q 4670    phone (07) 41300222    fax (07) 41525213    principal@bundnortshs.eq.edu.au    www.bundnortshs.eq.edu.au
Jacky is spreading the warmth

For those who don’t know Jacky Burtt, not only is she the North High tuckshop convenor, but she is a huge part of the North High School community. Jacky’s heart is as big as her smile and she can often be found quietly helping the people who need it the most.

Jacky’s many talents include sewing and craft and her latest project was to hand make and donate a magnificent quilt and cushion to Student Services.

The quilt will provide warmth and comfort to many.
Paint the Town Purple

Georgia Boswyk, Georgia Prichard, Xanthe Schulte and Mikayla Haupt painted the front of the Bundaberg Regional Council building on Saturday 23 July, with the message, “Believe there is hope for a cure!”, to raise awareness of cancer, and relay for life.

- Relay for Life Coordinator

The Cancer Factor

The Cancer Council ran its "C Factor" - a parody of the X Factor TV show - on Saturday 23 July, in Hinkler Central in conjunction with 93.9 Hitz FM. Congratulations to Year 8 student Teagen Cann for participating and raising awareness of cancer research. She received positive comments from the judges.

- Relay for Life Coordinator

"In Term 2, our Relay for Life students ran a Teacher Car Wash to raise funds for their teams. The photo features our Year 12 students washing teacher Ms Deborah Williams' car. Well done students!"

Relay for Life Coordinator
Year 10 Media – Sydney trip.
Twenty one Year 10 media students took advantage of an opportunity to attend a five day trip to Sydney during the first week of the holidays. The main object of the trip was to attend the Australian Film, Television and Radio School for workshops to inspire and educate. Day one of the workshops revolved around film making with the students taking on real-life roles necessary for film making – actors, directors, camera operators, sound technicians, etc. After filming their own scene they headed off to use professional level software to cut and edit their individual versions of the movie scene. Amazing how the very same footage can lead to such different versions at the end!
The second workshop was digital animation. Again, using professional level software the students learned techniques for animation and software skills that will equip them well in their Year 10 media studies.
The second and just as important component of the trip was the opportunity to hone and advance their photography skills. A professional photographer accompanied us on a tour of Sydney CBD, offering individual advice and suggestions on all aspects of photography. Other places that gave the students a variety of photographic opportunities were The Blue Mountains, Luna Park at night, Sydney Harbour cruise at night – not to mention selfie after selfie after selfie!
Ms Moroney and Ms Hall thoroughly enjoyed the experience with this group of mature and responsible students who never 😊 gave us an ounce of trouble.
Across the Waves JRL are looking for 12 - 13 year old Girls that are interested in joining the ATW WAVES TIGERS U14s GIRLS Team for 2017

We will be holding a MEET and GREET for the TEAM on 23rd AUGUST at the ATW training grounds at 4 - 5pm

There you will meet
The great Coaching staff
See the great Facilities
Meet the friendly ATW Committee

Email: secretaryyuhng@gmail.com and presidentyuhng@gmail.com
Bundaberg Regional  
State Schools Girls in Trades Day 2016

There will be a selection of trades showcased on the day - ready for you to jump in and try!
- Automotive (including Diesel fitting)
- Electrical
- Carpentry/Cabinet making
- Engineering (Fitting and Turning)
- Engineering (boiler making/sheet metal)

State Schools Girls in Trades Day is an initiative of the CIF Project and Bundaberg Regional State High Schools Careers Project in conjunction with TAFE Queensland East Coast. The trade day has been introduced to address potential areas of opportunities for females who are interested in entering into a trade. It will give the participants the opportunity to gain first-hand experience and additional information for a range of trades that they might like to pursue as a career path.

Trades such as carpentry, bricklaying, plastering, electrical, automotive, painting and plumbing are no longer industries “just for the boys”. There is a growing trend of females entering into once male dominated trade areas. Women can make a difference in these trade areas and are often very successful within these male dominated trades due to their diligence, problem solving skills and attention to detail.

These trades offer great diversity, with a lot of these trades allowing you to work in an outdoor environment where you are not sitting in an office all day. Additionally these are hands-on trades where you learn on the job and get to be part of a team. Look to the future and you may even have your own business, with employees working for you or potentially your very own all female work crew.

**EVENT DETAILS**

Where: TAFE Queensland East Coast  
Bundaberg campus  
118 Walker Street  
Bundaberg QLD 4670

When: Friday 19 August 2016

Time: 9.30am to 2.30pm

Morning Tea and Lunch will be provided

**REGISTER NOW**

Contact: Fiona Zimmerle-Clarke
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