NORTH STAR

Congratulations to our latest recipients…

Year 9

Jaiden Huth: Week 6
Jaiden was nominated for his participation in the student council.

Kyle Bowater: Week 7
Kyle was nominated for his participation in the student council.

Connor Chase-Hodgson
Week 8
Connor was nominated for her outstanding effort and behaviour in History and English, as well as her involvement in the student council.

Year 10

Ezra Kennell: Week 7
Ezra was nominated for his outstanding effort in English.

Jazmin Scott: Week 8
Jazmin was nominated for her outstanding effort and behaviour in English.

SMS to Parents re Student Absences has begun!
This week, North High began trialling the automatic generation of SMS to mobile phones (after Period 1) with regard to student absences and “Late to School”. You are able to reply directly to these messages giving the reason for, and duration of, your child’s absence. As with many new electronic initiatives, some problems can occur e.g. multiple messages being sent. Thank you for your patience whilst these issues are being resolved.

Please remember:

Make every day count in 2014
Attendance, punctuality and attending all day, every day are vital.
Help us spread the word to past students, teachers, parents and supporters of our school. Please forward this newsletter or extract to other members of your family and friends. Let us know of any person(s) who would be interested in being added to our mailing list, so that we may keep them informed of developments. If you have an email address we can use to keep in contact with you, let us know by emailing details to:

50thanniversary@macknortshs.eq.edu.au

Past students, staff and associates of Mackay North State High School are invited to participate in the 50th Anniversary Celebration and School Reunion to be held at the school from Friday evening 22nd till Sunday 24th August.

Celebrations are still being finalised, but will include a Twilight Concert in the School Hall on Friday evening, 22nd August, an Anniversary Dinner in the School Hall on Saturday 23rd August and Sunday Brunch and tours of the school conducted by present day students and teachers on Sunday 24th August.

Michael Goodwin, current staff member, is preparing, with the assistance of past teachers and students, an anniversary booklet, detailing the history and highlights of the school over the 50 years. If you have any information or memorabilia we would be pleased to hear from you! Any memorabilia you are able to lend us for display at the Anniversary Dinner will be treated with the utmost care and returned to you after the event.

If you can offer any support or assistance, please contact the school by phone (07 4963 1666) or email 50thanniversary@macknortshs.eq.edu.au. It would be of assistance if you could provide details of your association with the school such as years attended or other roles (Parent, Teacher, Support Staff, P&C, Ladies Auxiliary) you were involved with at North High.

The organising committee is finalising the format and cost of the dinner, which will be the culmination of celebrations and this will be advised in our mail outs and through the North High Newsletter. If you wish to have booking details for the Saturday Night Dinner or Sunday Brunch forwarded to you, please let us know by email, phone or letter.

As a valued member of the school’s community through the past 50 years, we are hoping to see you at as many of these events as possible. Every person who has been associated with North High has, in some way, contributed to the school’s history and our history has contributed largely to North High remaining the fine institution that it is.

From the 50th Anniversary Organising Committee

MACKAY NORTH STATE HIGH, Valley Street, North Mackay | P.O. Box 8333, Mount Pleasant, 4740
Ph: (07) 49 631 666 | Fax: (07) 49 631 600 | 50th Anniversary Email: 50thanniversary@macknortshs.eq.edu.au

The old Parade Ground (circa 1980s) between 100 & 300 Blocks, with its bitumen surface, was transformed into the very attractive and shady Saxby Square in the 2010s by the still very active Parents and Citizens Association.
FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Balance is the key to a healthy and happy individual!

As we move into our exam and assessment time it is so very important we all work together in supporting our students during this sometimes very stressful period. As a parent or carer, it is important to ensure you are guiding your student with supportive wellbeing advice, including management of time, study, sleep, diet and recreation. We all need to support and care for all of our students.

The nature of our individualism makes us unique and therefore we learn, plan, study and play at different speeds and at different levels and this needs to be recognised and taken into account as we support our students, your children.

Please ask those you care for if they have spoken to and sought feedback from their teachers about exactly what it is they need to do and focus on to be the best prepared for their upcoming exams. Preparation, planning, feedback and support are the learning keys to success.

I have spoken often to our students and also to parents at our information evenings about encouraging a Growth Mindset. If we think about Mindsets as a simple idea discovered by world-renowned Stanford University psychologist Carol Dweck who, through decades of research on achievement and success, has discovered what can make all the difference.

“In a fixed mindset, people believe their basic qualities, like their intelligence or talent, are simply fixed traits. They spend their time documenting their intelligence or talent instead of developing them. They also believe that talent alone creates success—without effort. They’re wrong.

In a growth mindset, people believe that their most basic abilities can be developed through dedication and hard work—brains and talent are just the starting point. This view creates a love of learning and a resilience that is essential for great accomplishment. Virtually all great people have had these qualities.

Teaching a growth mindset creates motivation and productivity in the worlds of business, education, and sports. It enhances relationships.” Carol Dweck, 2010

We will continue to work and encourage all our students to learn and develop with a Growth Mindset.

Attendance Attendance Attendance

Again I will draw your attention to the importance of attendance. We need your students at school and you need to ensure your students are coming to school, this is a reciprocal agreement. If you are experiencing any difficulties with your students and their attendance please contact the school and you will be directed to one of our many support staff. Similarly we will be contacting you on a daily basis if your student has not attended school. Attendance is everybody’s responsibility!

Our Year 8 / 9 Deputy Principal, Ian Harrison, has taken leave from Tuesday 18th March and in his place we welcome Ms Shannah Kennedy to the Leadership Team. Ms Kennedy joins us from Victoria Point State High School. She has a wealth of knowledge in the area of Junior Secondary and also a good deal of experience with the Art and Science of Teaching (ASOT), our chosen pedagogy. Welcome Ms Kennedy!

I would also like to make a special mention of how very proud we are of our Airstream Racing team and their efforts as Qld State Champions at the REA F1 in Schools National Finals held in Canberra. Airstream was recognised as Finalist (top 3 in a field of 18) for Best Booth & Best Industry Collaboration. They were also one of the top three teams in the Professional Class for Pit Display and for Outstanding Industry Collaboration and fourth for Verbal Presentation. Well done Airstream team!

Finally, after many years of the most dedicated support, passion and immensely insatiable appetite to make North the best it can be, it is with a debt of gratitude that we thank Mr Brian Saxby for the time he has held the position of P & C President. Brian has decided not to accept nomination to stand again for Presidency this year and provide an opportunity for another parent to take North further. Thank you Brian for all your efforts and the many hours you have dedicated of your own time over the years that you have held this post. You will join the folklore of North.

If you are interested or know of another parent who is interested in nominating for the position of P & C President; or would like to learn a little more about the role, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Start today and join with us in our quest from Good to Great.

Jennifer Skeahan
PRINCIPAL
PAST STUDENTS WHO BECAME MEMBERS PART OF THE NORTH HIGH STAFF TEAM

Current Staff Member (in no particular order)
- Lyn Ahmat (Laver)
- Sean Brandon
- Maryann Danastas (Contor)
- Jan Davidson (Heideman)
- Krystal Fraser (Cole)
- Lizzie Giblett
- Sam Giblett
- Rebecca Horton (Bowe)
- Sue Ilich (Le Garde)
- Tarnah Kelly
- Ursula Kurtz (Jensen)
- John Langford
- Anita Presley (Loxton)
- Bob Shaw
- Carolyn Thomas
- Natasha Wekes
- Denise Pertot (Lawn) – Current

Past Staff Member (in no particular order)
- Andrea Vievers
- Annette Fatnowna
- Rebecca Denney
- Kay Brodel (Contor)
- Linda Campbell (Cheb)
- Peter Downie
- Marita Dorante

Joe Fatnowna
Kym Fraser
Felicity Giblett
Di Grech (Hill) (Day 1 student)
Graham Herlihy
Mary Keid (Field)
Carolyn Kerrish (Legge)
Dale Kochevatkin (Watson)
Dianne MacDonald (Woods)
Brenton Miller
Glen Murphy
Roslyn Nash (Cheb)
Greg Rabnott (Day 1 Student)
Trent Sehl
Rian Sturgeon
Judy Watson

Mrs Anne Evans was a Day 1 teacher who recently retired after continuous tenure at North High since 1964. Mrs Evans is still “on the books” assisting numerous students at North through the English – Second Language Program.

From the School Dental Service

North Mackay School Dental Clinic
Harvey Street
North Mackay, QLD, 4740
PH: 49514241
Dear Parent/Guardian,

The School Dental Clinic is now offering services to students enrolled in Grades 8, 9 & 10. School Dental Vans will no longer be visiting high schools to conduct examinations and treatment. This will now be provided at the North Mackay School Dental Clinic.

A Parent/Guardian must arrange, transport and accompany their child to an appointment at this clinic.

To access the School Dental Service, please phone the clinic to arrange an appointment by 24th April, 2014 (Please note that you may have to leave a phone message with your contact details).

North Mackay School Dental Clinic will be open during the Easter School Holidays.

Please be advised, once you have two (2) broken or “failed to attend” appointments, during any course of treatment, no further appointments will be offered. You will be put back on the waiting list.

If you do not contact the facility by the nominated date, only emergency treatment will be offered.

Regards,
School Dental Staff

Senior Update

Upcoming Events
Exam Block will be held during the last week of Term
One Punch Can Kill Presentation to Year 10s
QCS Seminar Day last day of Term.

Bouquets
Year 12 Mocktail:
Well done, lots of money raised for a good cause.
The ABC is doing a documentary on North High’s ANZAC 2014 Tour and students
Blood Bank donations by North High Senior students going really well.

If you have any questions in regards the Senior School:
- Tim Condren, Deputy Principal (11/12) tcond11@eq.edu.au
- Jane Grieger Deputy Principal (10) jgrie16@eq.edu.au
- Ian Beanland, Head of Senior School ibean1@eq.edu.au

LATE TO SCHOOL
(as written in the School’s Student Diary)

“If students are late to school, (after 8.40am when the first bell goes), he/she must report to the office with a note or prior phone call so that the roll and school records indicate their lateness. Failure to do this will result in them being marked absent and can reflect on their school report.

Unless their bus has arrived late, students presenting late at the office without a note or explanation from their parent/caregiver will be seen by a Deputy Principal.”

The note must have the student’s name, Home Group, and be dated and signed by the Parent/Caregiver.

Please note that the school day begins at 8.40am and ends at 3.00pm.
KMEIA CHORAL FESTIVAL

Our vocal ensemble has been rehearsing intensively, preparing for our performance at the KMEIA Choral Festival on Monday night. This is a wonderful opportunity for our students to join with other secondary and Mackay Choral Society choristers in a choral celebration. The concert at the Mackay entertainment and convention Centre begins at 7.30pm and should finish around 9.00pm. It is always a wonderful night of musical entertainment.

Through our involvement in this event, we have developed a special partnership with St Laurence’s College, Brisbane. The Director of Music, Mr Anthony Young, is a nationally renowned choral conductor, and he has done numerous workshops with our students. Again this year, Mr Young is bringing nine of his senior choral students to Mackay for the festival and they are again billeted by our families. Sincere thanks to the Evans, Iorio, Eisenmenger and Rodgers families for their kindness in accommodating these visiting students.

MARCHING BAND TRIP TO THE STATE ANZAC PARADE

All is going well with the final arrangements and rehearsals for the Marching Band trip to the State Anzac Parade. Important rehearsals are being held each Friday afternoon now, polishing our performance for this major event. Just a reminder that the final two rehearsals on March 28 and April 4 finish at 4.30pm.

Our trip is particularly significant this year as it is our 20th Anniversary of performing in the State Parade at the invitation of the State RSL Parade Committee – a truly proud achievement. Again, we are the only band that has been asked to march the route three times.

All students should now have finalised their payments and will receive the final letter on Friday afternoon, March 28. We leave on Tuesday night, April 22 (the first day back at school after the Easter holidays). Percussionists will need to be at the school on that night by 6.45pm and all other students at 7.00pm. Please do not park outside the hall as both the coaches will be loaded there. Parents are welcome to park in the hall car park.

Cultural uniforms will be hung in the coaches – please ensure they are all named. The black cultural shoes and socks are to be packed in the normal luggage.

This trip is always a highlight of our cultural year and is very strongly supported by our instrumental students and their families. Best wishes to all 84 students who are participating – we know you will be wonderful representatives for your family, your school, Mackay and state education.

The State Anzac Parade will be televised on ABC television beginning at 10.00am on Anzac Day – do tune in and watch our talented students.

Kathy GEORGE
HOD – Performing Arts
ENGLISH/SOSE DEPARTMENT ASSESSMENT POLICY 2014

This policy applies to all your English and Social Science subjects and has been issued to all students.

DUE DATE

For each assessment instrument you will be given a date indicating when the assignment is due.

If work is not handed in on the due date, you will be given credit only for the work seen by your teacher up to that date. Work will NOT be accepted after the due date.

EXTENSION

If you require an extension for an assignment:

♦ have your parent/guardian contact the English HOD by phone, (4963 1616), email (tcame16@eq.edu.au), or Social Science HOD (4963 1638 – (ssava22@eq.edu.au) or bring in a note PRIOR to the due date.

♦ Be aware that computer problems will not be accepted as a reason for extension. Be well organised so that equipment failure does not create problems.

ABSENCES

If you are absent on the due date of an assessment, class test or oral presentation:

♦ have your parent/guardian contact the English HOD by phone, (4963 1616), or email (tcame16@eq.edu.au) OR Social Science HOD (4963 1638) or email (ssava22@eq.edu.au). Make arrangements for the assignment to be brought or emailed to school where possible.

♦ ensure the assignment is handed in, (or arrange to present the oral/sit the test) immediately on your return.

DRAFT WORK

It is important that you show work in progress in class and check on dates to:

♦ establish the work is yours

♦ enable you get credit for completed work if you do not meet due dates for the good draft of your assignment.

♦ assist your case if you are applying for an extension.

Remember to submit ALL draft work with the final copy.

CONSEQUENCES FOR FAILURE TO COMPLETE ASSIGNMENTS BY THE DUE DATE

If a student does not complete an assignment task on the due date, their result will be based on the in-class achievement of the student or ‘draft’ during the periods when the assignment was worked on. Credit can not be given for work received after the due date, if prior arrangements with HOD have not been made.

CONSEQUENCES FOR NON-SUBMISSION OF ASSESSMENT (YEARS 11 & 12)

When non-submission of assessment prevents teachers from making valid judgments about a student’s coverage of a course of study:

♦ The student may receive a level of achievement, however, the number of semesters of credit may be reduced to reflect the relative coverage of the course of study;

♦ In extreme cases of non-submission and significant lack of evidence a student may not receive a level of achievement for the subject.

In either situation, the Principal will notify parents/guardians and the student will be requested to ‘show cause’ as to why they should have credit for the semester or their course of study.

(See Senior completion policy)

PLAGIARISM

Plagiarism is the copying and use of the words of another author without acknowledging the source. You need to be aware that plagiarism is a serious offence at our school. Ensure you are careful with note making and referencing to guard against this practice. Penalties will involve loss of credit for the plagiarised work.

For more information or clarification, contact the HOD English or HOD SOSE
Year 10 in 2014

Year 10 is an important transition year for all students into their senior phase of schooling. This year students will be making a number of important decisions around their intended learning pathway and subject selection for Year 11 and 12. Students need to make the right decisions around suitable subjects for Year 11 and 12 based on their chosen pathway, whether it be a traineeship, apprenticeship, university studies, or full time work. Throughout the year we will be discussing these options with Year 10 students and asking them to complete their Senior Education and Training Plans (SETP). The SETP can be accessed through OneSchool and gives a snapshot of where they are heading in terms of a career pathway. Students should also be completing their goals and targets for individual subjects on OneSchool, which they can access from school or home.

In Year 10 students will also start banking points for their Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE). Students need 20 points, including 12 core points and passes in maths and English to obtain their QCE at the end of Year 12. More information can be found at: http://www.qsa.qld.edu.au/

Regular attendance at school is crucial for all students in order to give them the best opportunity to succeed in their chosen pathway. The Year Level Coordinators have been heavily promoting attendance, and ideally students should be attending school more than 90% of the time. Every day at school counts!

The Year Level Coordinators have also introduced a positive reward scheme to promote the positive everyday activities that students do. Students will be nominated by staff members for the North Star Award and go into the draw each week to win a prize. Well done to all the recipients and nominees so far this year!

Mrs Jane Grieger
Corporate Services Deputy Principal

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Are you giving your child the best chance to succeed at school?

Being away from school for one to two days a week doesn’t seem much, BUT........

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<td>Almost 8 years of schooling they have missed!!!</td>
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Please send your children to school – every day counts!!
At the AGM on Monday evening the following officers were elected:

Sherri Savage – Secretary
Brian Saxby – Treasurer
Trina Saunders – Vice President
Roz Goodwin – Minute Secretary

The role of President has been left vacant as the P&C commences to seek a suitable nomination.

The written auditor’s report is on the way and will be circulated in a week or so.

GENERAL MEETING NEWS

The sample hall trestles and tables which we purchased are not what we are looking for and other options are now being considered. A supply contract has been let for a new sound system for the Hall.

The P & C Association of Mackay North High has decided to change our meeting time – to now commence at 6.30 pm.

Financial, Tuckshop and The Principal Reports were received. Financially, we are doing well in saving towards our projects. The tuckshop and staff are doing well.

A NOTE FROM THE PAST PRESIDENT

At this time, I chose to decline nomination for the President’s role, because both my heart and my mind were one voice – calling me to step aside.

At this time we enjoy:

- A wonderful P&C leadership team, which is functioning very well, a dedicated and productive tuckshop staff, and an effective paid admin staff.
- A financially sound position, with several significant projects on our books.
- Stability

From a heart perspective, the best long term health for the P&C will be accomplished by my stepping aside into a support role for fresh energy and new ideas.

Over the years, I have enjoyed this role very much and want to thank the North High School community for allowing me this wonderful life opportunity and for the support you have given to me.

Brian Saxby

For more information on the North High Parents & Citizens Association contact:
Brian Saxby 49546563
mob_enterprises@hotmail.com

Sherri Savage at the school

P & C Meetings are held in the school library from 6.30pm (new time) every 3rd Monday of the month.
Information: hand, foot and mouth disease

As this disease has been notified in our area we are providing some information to members of our School Community.

Hand foot and mouth disease - coxsackie virus
Hand foot and mouth disease (HFMD) is a viral infection. It is not linked to the foot and mouth disease that affects animals. HFMD is mainly seen in children under the age of ten or in young adults. It is easily spread from one person to another. Most people have had HFMD by the time they are adults. It rarely causes further complications and is very rarely fatal.

Signs and symptoms
Symptoms usually start three to seven days after catching the infection and can last between seven to 10 days. Admission to hospital is rarely needed. The common signs and symptoms include:
- high temperature (fever)
- sore throat
- small blisters on the inside of the mouth, the sides of the tongue, palms of the hands, fingers, soles of the feet and nappy area (the blisters should not be itchy like chickenpox blisters).
- poor appetite
- drinking and eating can be painful because of the mouth blisters
- tiredness

How is it spread?
The main way HFMD is spread is by touching the fluid from inside the blisters, and fluids from the nose, mouth and chest (spread from sneezing and coughing). It can also be in bowel movements (poo) for up to several weeks after being infected.

How to stop it spreading
- Washing hands after touching these bodily fluids is the best way to prevent the spread of HFMD.
- Not sharing items like cutlery, drinking cups, towels, toothbrushes and clothing will help to reduce the spread to others.
- You/your child should stay home from school, crèche, play group, kindergarten or child care until all the fluid in the blisters has dried.

Treatment
- There is no treatment for HFMD. Because it is a virus antibiotics will not work to treat it.
- Give pain relief for mouth blisters. Ask your pharmacist or family doctor about what medicines are good to use.
- Give your child frequent sips of drinks. This will stop them from becoming dehydrated.
- Leave blisters to dry naturally. Do not pierce them.
- If your child gets a headache, stiff neck or back pain immediately seek medical advice from your family doctor or an emergency department.

Key points to remember
- Hand foot and mouth disease is easily spread from one person to another
- It is not life threatening
- There are no specific treatments, vaccine or cure
- If your child has symptoms of a headache, stiff neck or back pain, immediately seek medical advice.

There is no known risk to pregnant women or their unborn babies.

DATES FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR

Term 2: Tuesday 22nd April – Friday 27th June (inclusive)
  Friday 25 April – Public Holiday — Anzac Day
  Monday 9 June – Public Holiday Queen’s Birthday
  Thursday 19 June – Mackay Show Day Holiday

Term 3: Monday 14 July – Friday 19 September (inclusive)

Term 4: Tuesday 7 October – Friday 12 December (inclusive)
  Monday 20 October – Student Free Day
  Friday 21 November – Last day – Year 12
  Friday 28 November – Last day – Years 10 & 11

When making family plans, please refer to the dates to the left so that your child may attend school every day, all day.

Make every day count in 2014

Make 2014 the year when your child doesn’t miss a day of school. Research shows that students who have good patterns of attendance are more likely to achieve at school. If students aren’t at school or don’t stay the whole day, they are missing valuable lessons.

Check out the new Every Day Counts videos live on DETE TV. http://www.youtube.com/DETQueensland
### Important Dates to Remember

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**Student Resource Scheme Parent Participation Forms** should be completed, signed and returned to the school this week. If you have already paid this year’s fees, thank you; we still need the form returned.

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**Day-to-Day Laptop Students (Years 9-12)**

If you are not a student who takes home their laptops you are a day-to-day borrower and you are required to borrow a laptop from Room 2509 in the Technology Block each school day. You can pick up a laptop in the morning and at both recesses.

Of course, you will return your laptop to the people in 2509 at the end of each school day as well. Teachers may put you on detention for not having a laptop.

**Avoid that detention by borrowing a laptop each day!**

There is no charge for day-to-day borrowing.

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Mackay North State High School

Since 1964

Celebrating 50 years in 2014

Celebrate 50th Years

22nd, 23rd & 24th August 2014