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Principals Foreword



Dear Students, Parents and Carers

Last week we launched The Resilience Project with all students and staff participating in a motivational presentation delivered by The Resilience Project co-founder, Martin Heppell. The Resilience Project is built around the key foundations of gratitude, empathy and mindfulness, and aims to teach everyone to be mentally healthy. Throughout the

presentation, Martin challenged us all to adopt these very important attributes in our daily lives.

As a College, we are committed to ensuring the mental health of our community – our students, our staff and our parents. Our aim is to teach our students the positive mental health strategies to help them become happier and more resilient. I would like to congratulate all students on their outstanding engagement in the launch and we are looking forward to continuing this very important work as part of our weekly curriculum in 2020.

QCS

Congratulations to our Year 12 students who sat the QCS Test this week. They are the last group of students in Queensland to sit this test as we transition to the new ATAR (Australian Tertiary Admissions Rank) for university entry from 2020. Well done on the months of preparation these students have put in during the preparatory sessions and their commitment during the week.

School Improvement Review and Strategic Planning

In Week 7, we were left with a very positive report from the School Improvement Unit as they completed our four year Full School Review. It was great to have some outside eyes

come into the College and see first-hand the great work that is happening across the College, and to also be left with a few challenges as we continue on our improvement journey over the coming years. In a week or so, we will receive the formal School Improvement Report that will clearly articulate our priority improvement areas for the next four years. This report, together with the work we completed with Eileen Heywood during our Appreciative Inquiry, will be used to develop our next Strategic Plan in Term 4. I would like to invite parents and carers to be involved in our strategic planning so please contact the College and let me know if you are interested.

NAIDOC

NAIDOC Celebrations have been the highlight of the term. Sitting on stage during the NAIDOC Ceremony as the proudest Principal in Australia, it was very special to see the engagement of our 600+ students while we watched our very own Aboriginal Dance Group performing with such pride for the first time, sharing their culture with our College community.

The pride displayed both during and after the performance exemplified the importance of having a truly inclusive community, where we celebrate our diversity and our cultures at every opportunity. Thank you to Jasmine Lea, our wonderful Community Education Counsellor for organising the NAIDOC celebrations, the many parents and Elders, the Torres Strait Islander Dance Group, and the many students and staff that made the celebrations a great success.

With two weeks to go until holidays, we will be keeping the pressure on students to continue working hard until the very end of term, to rise to expectations and complete all tasks to the best of their ability. Every day at school counts so it is essential that all students are in routine attendance until the last Friday of Term 3.

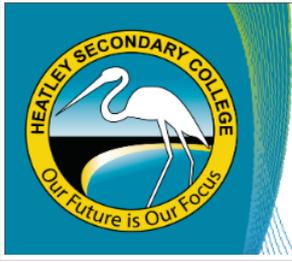
Thank you for your ongoing support to the College and our wonderful staff and students.

Regards

Murray James

Heatley International Students

STEM Extra-Curricular Opportunities



Spare room at home?
Host an international student studying in your community.

The Department of Education International is looking for homestay hosts who can offer a welcoming home to international students attending Queensland Government schools.

Benefits include:

- Rewarding cultural experiences
- Opportunities to make global friendships
- Fortnightly payment to cover homestay expenses.

For more information contact Mrs Meagan Wood at Heatley Secondary College
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Dear Parents and Guardians,

Heatley Secondary College is excited to announce that as of 2020 we will be hosting International Students. This will be an amazing opportunity for both students and the families.

We are searching for families both within the school and in the community that would like to become Homestay Hosts for these students.

You will need to provide International Students with:

- A safe and friendly home
- Private bedroom with a desk and storage space
- 3 meals a day and snacks
- Help to access transport
- English conversation practice
- The Aussie lifestyle!

In return, as a Homestay Host family you will receive comprehensive ongoing training and support as well as 24/7 emergency support throughout your international students' visit. You will also receive fortnightly payments to cover meals and general homestay expenses, a rewarding experience and a chance to make global friendship.

If you wish to become a host, you will need to submit an application form and then participate in an interview and home visit. Top begin with please complete an expression of interest which can be found at <https://form.jotform.co/92477060832863>

If you have any questions or would like an application pack, then please call Meagan Wood on 0436 910 889, or Reception on 07 4726 8333.

Yours Sincerely,

Mrs Meagan Wood

International Student and Homestay Coordinator

CCSE Administration Officer

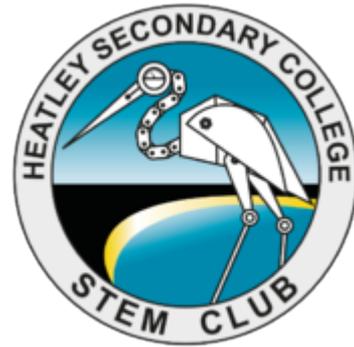
Meagan Wood - International Student and Homestay Coordinator

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Throughout the year, our students are given a multitude of opportunities to participate in various Extra-Curricular activities, to further develop their knowledge and skills and build networks outside of the school. Please continue to encourage your students to apply for these as they come up, and keep an eye on our Facebook page as these are advertised.

If you need any further details, feel free to email me at pthom80@eq.edu.au or give me a call here at the school. Mr Peter Thompson (Head of Department – Science).



Mr Thompson - Head of Department- Science
Phone: 07 4726 8333

Heatley Chess Team

Congratulations to the Heatley Chess Team for their outstanding season this year, finishing as the Top team on the final day of competition. Congratulations also to Harley who finished first overall for the final day of competition, and Andrew who finished second. Also a part of this winning team was Noah and Aiden.

Our second team consisted of Jose and Brandyn who also did very well. With many of these players in younger grades, the future of Chess at Heatley SC looks bright.

Thank you to Mr Giles, who gives up many lunch breaks to train and practice with all players.



Mr Giles
Phone: 07 4726 8333

Junior Regional Gymnastics

Congratulations to Abby Mills in year 8!

Abby participated in Junior Regionals in Mackay on 17/8/2019

- 2nd - Silver Medal on Bars
- 3rd- Bronze Medal on Vault
- 5th place on Beam
- 2nd Overall Champion for Level 4

This amazing achievement has had her

selected for the NQ Regionals team in Brisbane Junior State Championship for Gymnastics in September 2019.



It's time to sign on for Cricket Season 2019/2020



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Become a part of Wanderers Townsville – your local cricket club

5 - 7 year olds Woolworths Junior Blasters Squad!
60 min skills clinic Friday nights starting 18 October @ Gill Park, High Street

7-10 year olds Woolworths Master Blasters Squad!
Training Friday afternoon starting 13 September from 5pm until games start
Games 5.00 – 6.30pm starting Saturday 19 October @ Riverway Stadium/Oval

Junior Cricket (under 11s, U13s, U15s, U17s)
Training starts Friday 13 September from 5pm.
Games start Saturday 12 October
U17s play Sunday
35 overs for U11s & 13s
40 overs for U15s & 17s

Heat Girls League (8-13 year old girls)
Training starts Friday 13 September from 5pm
Games Monday night starting 21 October

Sign up at playcricket.com.au – instructions on our Wanderers Cricket Club Facebook page.
Contact: Vicki Foley on 0429 410 250 or via email pvfoley@optusnet.com.au