

## COLLEGE NEWS

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**CURRENT VALUE - INTEGRITY** Do the right thing even when others aren't watching.

#### Pupcorn – 268 Winners

- K-P Elle Fuller
- 1,2 Isaac Fuller
- Kai Ugrinic 3,4
- Charlotte Searle
- 5,6 7-12 Tully Pink



#### **Colouring Competition Awards**

- K,P **Neriah Sweet** Highly Commended – Gigi Jackson
- 1,2 Ethan Norton Highly Commended - Madison Glover
- 3,4 Olivia Briant Highly Commended - Lexi Gore
- Eloah Scale 5,6 Highly Commended - Nadikka MacAllan

#### **Dress Up Parade Winners**

Prep A Phoenix Hoehn

Prep B Wesley Voges

Highly Commended - Evelyn Maiorana

- Azalea Spies
- Alba Congram
- Ruby Dean
- Elijah Sweet
- 23456 Eliza Whiteway
- Zac Monroe-Waddell Highly Commended - Indiana Pink, Charlotte Searle, Arielle Brodsky, Imogene Browne

















#### Principal's Article



Dear Parents,

What does the Bible say about children?

God speaks about the importance of children throughout the Bible. God states through Bible verses that children are a blessing in our lives. Children are a valuable part of our lives as they make us less selfish and can teach us to be more simplistic in our approach to the daily grind of life. Jesus uses children as an example of how we should be. Here are some examples:

Matthew 18:1-5 MSG

18:1 At about the same time, the disciples came to Jesus asking, "Who gets the highest rank in God's kingdom?"

2-5 For an answer Jesus called over a child, whom he stood in the middle of the room, and said, "I'm telling you, once and for all, that unless you return to square one and start over like children, you're not even going to get a look at the kingdom, let alone get in. Whoever becomes simple and elemental again, like this child, will rank high in God's kingdom. What's more, when you receive the childlike on my account, it's the same as receiving me.

Psalm 127:3-5 NIV

3. Children are a heritage from the LORD, offspring a reward from him. 4. Like arrows in the hands of a warrior are children born in one's youth. 5. Blessed is the man whose quiver is full of them. They will not be put to shame when they contend with their opponents in court.

Mark 10:13-16 MSG

13-16 The people brought children to Jesus, hoping he might touch them. The disciples shooed them off. But Jesus was irate and let them know it: "Don't push these children away. Don't ever get between them and me. These children are at the very centre of life in the kingdom. Mark this: Unless you accept God's kingdom in the simplicity of a child, you'll never get in." Then, gathering the children up in his arms, he laid his hands of blessing on them.

As a parent of three children who have grown up into young adults, I have come to realise how important it is to spend quality time with our children and shower them with our love but also allow them to make decisions for themselves and learn to work out and solve problems they face. Even though my children have grown up and are leading lives of their own there is nothing better than spending quality time with them given any opportunity. May God bless each of you as parents as you nurture and support your children through their life milestones. Children are one of our most valuable treasures.

Blessings, Mrs Jeanette Martin, Principal.

KINDERGARTEN FUNDRAISER



A HUGE THANK YOU to everyone who helped at Bunnings Noosaville with the sausage sizzle fundraiser. The Kindergarten has raised \$1,781.78 in profit and special thank you to Luke Burton and Harcourts Property Centre, Sunshine Beach Road, Noosa Junction for donating the sausages and bread for the event.

This assisted so much in gaining the biggest profit we have ever achieved and more resources for our Kindergarten.

#### **Year 9 Invictus Survivor Camp**

Year 9 students boarded the bus to their survivor adventure on Monday at QCCC Noosa. When the students arrived at the campground, they were asked to carry their belongings to a bush campsite where they were given tarps to build a shelter for the night. Most chose to build a shelter for multiple people while a few brave souls built a shelter only large enough for themselves. But it was Mr Sherar's monstrosity that won the envy of every boy in camp. Throughout the day, students demonstrated what they had learned about first aid and survival skills in order to earn food. That evening, students were given mats to sleep on in their shelters. Thankfully, the rain held off.

On Tuesday morning, students were awakened early as the 4km hike up Mt Tinbeerwah needed to be accomplished before breakfast in hopes of having enough time to abseil the cliffs before the rain came. A number of students set a blistering pace up the backside of the mountain, pausing only to wait for their comrades to catch up. Once breakfast was consumed, helmets and harnesses were donned for the abseiling activity. All students were encouraged to at least step to the edge and if they were comfortable, to abseil down the 40m cliff. Overcoming fear is an important life skill. The thrill of facing their fear and accomplishing an unfathomable task was experienced by the majority of Year 9 students. Once back in camp, students used their newly acquired navigation skills to locate the components of their dinner. The incoming rain tested all the shelters as leaks had to be patched throughout the night.

Wednesday morning was beautiful as the rain had cleared. Students enjoyed the water and fire challenge where they were asked to transport muddy water using leaky pipes and sponges. Once they had enough water, they were to build a filter to filter the muddy water, build a fire, boil the filtered water, and boil an egg. The students learned new skills, stepped up to the challenge, and many new leaders emerged. Students then transferred their belongings into backpacks and hiked to the new campsite. Each student was assigned a solitary location for their 12 hour solo experience. Some students were exhausted and slept most of the afternoon. Others used the time to build hammocks, shelters, and furniture. Students ate dinner on their own and as dark settled, so did the students. It was amazing how many students opted to build shelters for the third night even though they had the option to sleep in swags. They are courageous souls indeed.

Thursday morning brought another beautiful day as students were released from their solo positions and invited to check out their friend's creations. For many students, the solo experience was the highlight of the camp. For others, it was an accomplishment as they had stepped up to the challenge. During the debriefing session, students identified that they had learned to be grateful for the creature comforts they enjoy like running water, showers, flushing toilets, foods of choice. The students had learned a lot about themselves as they worked together to complete the final challenge of navigating to clues that directed them to again filter water, build shelter, light a fire, and boil water. Even more new leaders stepped up and improved attitudes were demonstrated.

Students definitely walked away with a better understanding of their limitations, a long list of new skills, and an attitude of gratitude. Many believe it was their best school camp yet. Thanks for a great Survivor experience, Year 9!

Mrs Kelly Paul, Secondary Teacher.

#### SOLO CAMP PHOTOS ... More photos on page 7





#### GUBBI GUBBI HISTORY COMPETITION

Mr Ewer recently organised a History competition for students from Year 6 to Year 12. The competition was aimed at raising awareness, building knowledge, and celebrating the Gubbi Gubbi people. Competition criteria: Option 1 was to produce a one-page newspaper report on the Gubbi Gubbi people. Some aspects to be included were religion/spiritual beliefs, history, lifestyle, language, location, individual stories, and anything else students wanted to include. Option

2 was to create a map of Gubbi Gubbi land with areas of significance highlighted with annotations/explanation and Option 3 was to write a poem or short story about the Gubbi Gubbi and/or Reconciliation.

RESULTS: Congratulations to Grace Walker for winning the recent competition; Sami MacAllan came second and an honourable mention goes to Mariah Lea O'Shea who produced some fantastic artwork inspired by the Gubbi Gubbi people.

Mr Michael Ewer, English & Humanities Teacher.

1st Place ~ Grace Walker, Year 7

26th August 2022

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## **GUBBI GUBBI TIMES**

Bringing families together through culture

#### MURUNYENAMAN MANNGURNGUR KUALIM

The traditional owners of the land we live on today are the Gubbi Gubbi people. They were the indigenous people of Australia when Captain James Cook came to settle here. Although it is understood that Aboriginal people are nomadic, moving frequently to follow food sources, it is believed that the Gubbi Gubbi people didn't need to move as far or as often given the abundance of food resources provided by the many waterways and subtropical rainforests in Queensland. The Gubbi Gubbi tribal lands travel from as far North as Boreen Point and Pinbarren to as far South as Beerwah and Woodford. The Gubbi Gubbi people, both past and present, are respectful and grateful to the land surrounding them. In the past, the Gubbi Gubbi tribes only took what they needed from the land, as they needed it. They never cultivated the land or planted crops. Instead, they farmed the land with fire. The Gubbi Gubbi people made their huts, clothes, and lifestyle supplies using what the land provided for them, shelter, food, and water. The Gubbi Gubbi people are intelligent people who we should look up to as role models so that we can live our lives with the respect that the Gubbi Gubbi people have.

#### SUBMERGE YOURSELF INTO THE WORLD OF GUBBI GUBBI



The Gubbi Gubbi culture is a dedicated and blessed culture where the people respect and protect their natural environment. Their culture is a unique and sacred culture where they care for their surroundings and work together to strive for success. They are a culture that believes in utilising everyone within the community to bind together and make life easy for everybody.

BY GRACE WALKER Wunya!



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#### INTERVIEW WITH AUNTY CHRISTINE

I interviewed Aunty Christine, a Gubbi Gubbi elder, on Thursday the 25th of August. I was wanting to find out what message she was hoping to communicate to the local people. Aunty Christine said that the main message for the people of the Sunshine Coast is to be aware of, and care for, their environment. She spoke of Australian history, and that the Gubbi Gubbi people always cared for the environment, the land and the sea. She asks us to protect our environment just as our elders have before us. The Gubbi Gubbi people are a special community who are sacred because of their love and connection with land. Aunty Christine is visiting schools across the region to teach them about Gubbi Gubbi history, culture and religion. She is very passionate about protecting the Gubbi Gubbi land because many parts of the environment and waterways have been destroyed by people who don't care about their surroundings. Aunty Christine believes it is her duty to protect and educate about the environment that her and the Gubbi Gubbi people love. We should all love respect and bonour our environment as the Gubbi Gubbi people do



#### **Welcome**

The Gubbi Gubbi people are the Tradition Custodians of the land located in South East Queensland, with in Sunshine coast, Noosa, Moreton Bay and Gympie region.

The traditional lands of Gubbi Gubbi people extended from the northern banks of North Pine river in the south to Burrum River in the north and to the Conondale Ranges in the west.

The Gubbi Gubbi people are the traditional owners of the land, those traditional lands include beaches, lakes, rivers, creeks, mountains and rainforests.

#### **Economy**

Both men and women shared in the task of obtaining and supplying food and fashioning utensils.

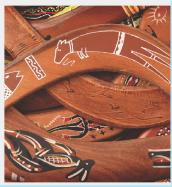
Across the Gubbi Gubbi dyungungoo, apart from fish, they gathered shellfish, lobster, pipis and crabs along the coast; and freshwater mussels and yabbies in freshwater streams. Women were adept at climbing trees and helping men capture small-tree dwelling animals, birds and their eggs. On the coast and in the waterways women and men shared the work of gathering shellfish and fishing. The use of nets was common in Gubbi Gubbi country.

The basic work of men in the task of gathering food was as hunters and fishermen. When hunting, men used their knowledge of bush lore, their agility and their tracking skills, as they hunted their prey. When fishing, they used their strength, their ability to stay underwater for long periods and their deftness to good effect. At times men hunted alone, but mainly they hunted as a team often with men of the Waka Waka, their neighbors on the western side of the Connondale Ranges..

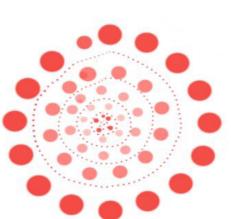


#### **Beliefs**

Traditionally Gubbi
Gubbi people believed
that every animal, bird
and rock that
belonged to their
group's totem species
was in fact the actual
living spirit of an
ancestor. As a result
each member felt a
definite relationship
with that species.











## Prep Excusion to Australia Soo

On Tuesday the 6th of September, all Prep students had the opportunity to attend Australia Zoo. At the zoo the students learnt about a variety of animals and their habitats. They enjoyed spending time looking and learning about the animals. Thank you to the parents who attended. It was a wonderful day full of fun and learning and a treasured memory!

Mrs Amy Turner, Prep B Teacher.





# Secondary Chess Tournament

Congratulations to Xavier Mostert for winning this year's Chess Tournament. Congratulations should also be extended to CJ (William Campbell-Jones) for his part throughout the tournament as well as the final.

Both are debutants to the annual contest but both also have the scope to become mainstays in the next few years of this tournament.

Luke Harris, a rival on Xavier's route to the final, had succumbed to sickness. However, he is deserving a note of credit for his efforts which could have (perhaps would have) been rewarded more if sickness had not intervened.



Well done to everyone who took part. A trophy will be presented to Xavier during assembly next term. Until the pawns go forth again!

Mr Michael Ewer, Awesome Chess Tournament Organiser.















#### SEPTEMBER 2022 NOOSA CHRISTIAN COLLEGE

### Vacation Care Program

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MONDAY 19TH SEPTEMBER "Pyjama Day"



MONDAY 26TH SEPTEMBER "Wildlife HQ"



TUESDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER "Mini Olympic Games"



Mini Olympics

TUESDAY 27TH SEPTEMBER "Around the World"



WEDNESDAY 21ST SEPTEMBER "Water Play Day"



WEDNESDAY 28TH SEPTEMBER "Colour Party"



THURSDAY 15TH SEPTEMBER "Craft Day"



THURSDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER "Jurassic OSHC"



THURSDAY 29TH SEPTEMBER "Mystery Day"



FRIDAY 16TH SEPTEMBER





FRIDAY



FRIDAY 30TH SEPTEMBER "Marvel Day"



### Piano Lessons at School

Hello, my name is Cameron Bryer, and I am a 2nd-year student at the Conservatorium of Music. I have been playing the piano for 14 years and writing music for the last 3 years.

Throughout my career, I have completed all my AMEB Piano grades and my C.Mus and A.Mus receiving A honours and above for all grades. For the last 5 years, I have taught piano and successfully tutored students through the early AMEB Grades.

When teaching, I aim to make lessons fun for all ages and tailor lesson plans from student to student, understanding that all people learn differently. Music lessons will be on Thursdays at Noosa Christian College throughout the day. Cost is \$30 per half hour. I am excited to hear from you soon!

Please email <u>reception@noosacc.qld.edu.au</u> if you would like to book lessons or phone 0415 357 954.





Wednesday, 7th September was the launch of a free breakfast on Wednesdays with "Jam and Juice" offering toast (with a selection of condiments) as well as cordial.

This is a trial to see if students are interested in this becoming a more regular fixture. Izayah Young from Year 9 was a superstar with helping out the whole way through. A range of students across Secondary came to get something so, while it is early days, it is looking like a success. Any students who missed breakfast or just want to hang out are encouraged to come along on Wednesday mornings.

### 2023 Enrolment

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We are nearly at the end of Term 3 already! Only a few days left.

This is just a reminder email that we will continue your children/s enrolment into 2023 unless we are notified in writing that they will not be continuing.

With this in mind, if you are planning on leaving Noosa Christian College in 2023, the College Policy is to provide a term's notice in writing. This notice is to be emailed to principal@noosacc.gld.edu.au

The Policy can be found in our Enrolment Application Forms, in the Student Handbook (scroll right to the bottom of the page, under the heading 'Students') and is also printed on each Fee Statement that is issued.

Thank you for taking note of this.

Mrs Jacinta Benade, Enrolments Officer.