

# COLLEGE NEWS

JUNE 13, 2024

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CHRISTIAN COLLEGE  
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## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Dear Parents

This term has been a busy one with extra activities such as our Cross Country early in the term, ANZAC School Service, WOW (Week of Worship) for Secondary and Primary, Open Evening in May, RACQ Docudrama for Years 11 & 12, Primary Mother's Day afternoon, Under 8's Day, Year 9 Sea Kayaking Camp, State of Origin night, Year 9 & 10 Exam Week, World of Maths Day for Secondary this week, Scaredy-Cat performances in Secondary next week, Primary Athletics Carnival next Friday, as well as Secondary Reward Day.

It is wonderful to see the participation and support of our school community in these events and I appreciate the time and effort that staff, students, and visiting parents put into making these events a memorable time for all concerned.

Next term on Wednesday 17th July in our Chapel we have a special guest author and speaker from USA, Mr Brad Huddleston who has written books on digital addiction, such as 'Digital Cocaine' and 'Digital Rehab'. See page 5 for further information and a link to book in for this 'not to be missed' session. From 6:00pm refreshments will be for sale and Brad's presentation will commence at 6:30pm. It is \$5 per family plus booking fee. We hope to see as many families attend as possible.

## IMPORTANT DATES

June 14

Pyjama Day - Secondary Only

June 16

Car Boot Sale - Year 10 Fundraiser

June 19

Primary Parent/Teacher Interviews

June 21

Last day of Term 2

Primary & Infants' Athletics Carnival  
Secondary Reward Day

July 15

Term 3 Commences



*"Building Pathways to Success"*



## PRINCIPAL'S ARTICLE CONTINUED

Sunday 4th August we will have a Bush Dance put on by the P & F Association which will commence at 2:00pm.

There will be class stalls, rides, food stalls, activities and then culminate with our Bush Dance from 5:00pm to 7:00pm. We hope that you can join us on the day and enjoy spending time together as a school community.

Last year was a great event and it was lovely to see both young and old participating in our Bush Dance. We would like to see everyone dressed up in country gear.

The P & F are looking for volunteers who can spare 30 minutes to an hour to help on the P & F stalls, or set up on the day. Also, we are looking for donations for our auctions. Please contact Anita Searle if you can help or assist with a donation.

Please save the date and we look forward to seeing you there.

**God Bless, Mrs Jeanette Martin, Principal.**



## FOOD FOREST PROGRAM



Week 8 has been an enormous week in our Food Forest Program! Our pumpkins, beans, herbs and tomatoes are all growing beautifully. Unfortunately, we returned to school on Monday morning to find our (almost ready to harvest) broccoli, cauliflower, kale and corn had been completely eaten by some hungry wallabies!

Our incredible Grounds Team are now in the design stage of building a fence around our garden (before it's all eaten!). Year 5 got to experience a hands on science lesson exploring the activation of yeast, which of course, involved focaccia baking and taste testing.

We harvested worm juice, added an extra bee hotel to our garden, planted some lavender and fed our bees. Lastly, Year 1 successfully achieved their Wheelbarrow Licences. It has been quite a week!

In addition to all of the above, I'm delighted to share that Cooroy RSL and Junior Landcare Australia have both blessed us with \$1,000 each to go towards our garden extension. We cannot thank you enough for your support.

**God bless, Mrs B.**







## P & F ASSN PIE DRIVE



Pie orders can be collected from the Chapel at the following times:

**Tuesday 18th June & Wednesday 19th June**  
**8:00am to 9:00am and 2:30pm to 3:30pm**

## PRIMARY NEWS

### YEAR 4A UPDATE

For the last few weeks in Year 4 we have been planning, designing and constructing an urban garden diorama.

The focus for this project is to express the importance of environments for people and animals while explaining how they could propose actions to protect the garden. The students understand that environments not only supply us with resources but we can also connect to the environment spiritually, emotionally and aesthetically. They have been challenged to find places in their surrounding community that can benefit us and the living things around us.

**Miss Tiarna Lewis, Year 4A Teacher.**



### YEAR 5 FOCACCIA MAKING WITH MRS B

The Year 5 students looked at using yeast as an activator, and each had a go at mixing, kneading, and combining the ingredients. In the end we had a beautiful, golden, fluffy loaf of focaccia bread!

Thank you so much to Mrs Blandin de Chalain for being a wealth of knowledge about healthy cooking.

**Miss Margaret Graham, Year 5 Teacher.**



### FLO'S CRÊPERIE by India Abdy, Year 6

On Tuesday the 11th of June 2024 a small group of French students went to a café in Noosa Junction where we ate crepes and had a very fun time.

We were awarded this trip because we were the ones that scored high marks on our tests. The crepes were delicious, and everyone had a load of fun. We left at 12:20pm and came back at 3:00pm when school had just finished.

It was an amazing experience for all the kids because they had to talk entirely in French because eighty percent of the staff at the café were from France! We had to talk and order our meals together in French and it was a great lesson. We learnt so much about French food and learnt a few new words too! See page 7 for photographs.



# SECONDARY NEWS

## SECONDARY COMMENDATIONS

Each week at assembly, Secondary students are awarded with Secondary certificates of commendation. Below is a photo of this week's recipients.



## SENIOR STUDIES OF RELIGION EXCURSION

Students last Friday, 7th June attended the Chenzrig Institute in Eudlo to learn and experience Buddhism first hand. Students attended a live teaching from a Monk in the Gomba (Temple) and toured Sutras and experienced eating at the Big Love Cafe.

During the teaching session Tasahla was chosen to receive a special gift from the monk and he shared the importance of compassion from a Buddhist perspective. It was nice to see a school value shared from different perspectives.

Students asked questions and really enjoyed the opportunity to experience Buddhism beyond the classroom.

**Pr Lachlan Campbell, Secondary Teacher.**



## CERTIFICATE II PRAC EXPERIENCE

On Thursday, June 6th, Nayha, Shiloh and I spent the day at Belli Park conducting practical assessments on four units for which we had completed theory components.

We covered a lot of basic handling with three warmbloods, ranging between 17.3hh to 18.3hh in height. Their names were Camel, Cricket and Willow. We did trot ups, leading through obstacles, checking for lameness, bandaging, checking vital signs and basic feeding.

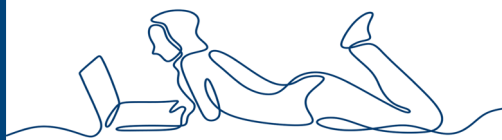
All the horses were very sweet and docile, and the staff at Horses and Humans were very friendly and helpful. Overall it was a very fun and interesting session!

**Marlie Conlan, Year 10**  
**Cert II Horse Husbandry & Rural Industry Student.**





# TEENS & TECH



## Have you ever wondered how much screen time is appropriate?

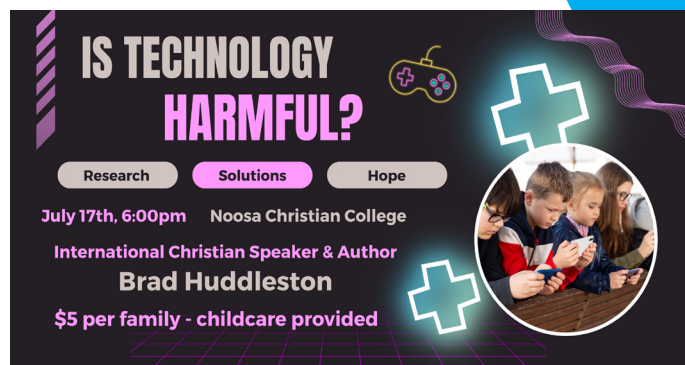
The Sydney Morning Herald ran an article last week called How Much Screen Time is Too Much? The article unpacked the data from the latest Programme for International Student Assessment concerning digital use for teenagers. The results were staggering! Students who spent more than an hour a day online for leisure (games, social media, chatting, browsing) scored up to 20 points lower in mathematics. Despite Australia's investment in educational technology (\$225+ billion per year) and being amongst the seven highest school internet users in the world, the country is still experiencing significant declines in reading performance. The article went on to say that the financial investment in educational technology had not provided any significant evidence of academic improvement and further advised that screen-based activities be minimised on school days.

In Australia, 40% of 15 year olds reported being distracted while using digital devices. This is probably what parents find the most frustrating when students are 'working' on homework. The laptop is out, the hours tick by, and very little is produced. When asked to spend less time on the device, the emotions flare and the battle becomes too hard to fight. You are not alone. The Growing Up Digital Australia study found that half of parents surveyed would welcome a partnership with schools to help children better regulate their digital habits.

In an effort to support parents in teaching healthy digital habits to our students, Brad Huddleston, a pastor and computer scientist, has been invited to share with our school community on the topic of digital addiction and restoring digital balance. Please make the effort to attend on July 17th. Registration is open now.



**Mrs Kelly Paul, Secondary Teacher.**



TICKETS - \$5 per family (plus booking fee .63c)

Please book at this link: <https://events.humanitix.com/is-technology-harmful-brad-huddleston>

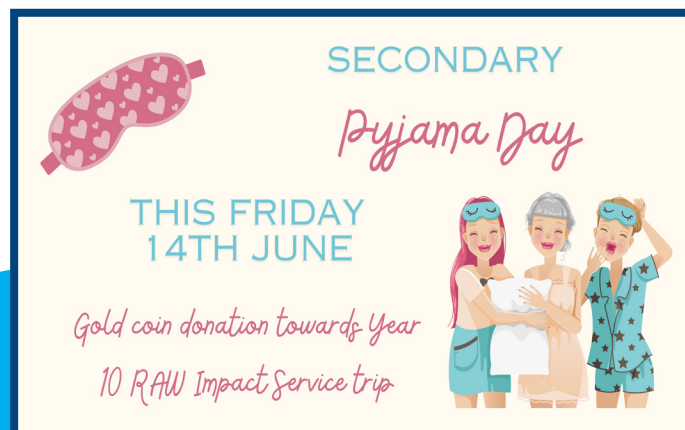
We have invited internationally acclaimed Christian speaker, Brad Huddleston, to address our school community about the dangers of digital technology.

Brad is a qualified computer scientist who has become aware of the dangers that technology can bring. For the last decade, Brad has researched the impact that excessive technology use can have on adolescents and how parents, in particular, are totally unaware of the dangers that this presents to their children.

His presentation will look at the physical and emotional impact that excessive technology can have on the operation of the brain, which will help many parents explain the behaviours they see in their children.

Brad will share methods and tools for restoring digital balance from a Christian perspective, as technology use has negatively impacted the spiritual tone of our homes and the spiritual growth of our children.

This is a meeting that all parents should attend, as we seek to provide a safe and secure community for the well-being of our students. This event is open to the community, so please feel free to invite your friends and family members.





## YEAR 12 ENGLISH & HISTORY

The Year 12 English class have recently completed their creative writing assessment, based upon a poem by John Donne. It has not always been smooth sailing for these students, but they have pushed, persevered, and met the challenges presented. The text for the exam will be Shakespeare's eponymous play about the dangers of reckless ambition, Macbeth.

The Year 12 History class are in the closing stages of producing an essay, based upon their learning of the Cold War from 1945-1991. Students have chosen a range of topics to focus upon, including the Korean War, the Cuban Missile Crisis, the Space Race, and how sports were used as a platform for ideologies to compete. This will be their final assessment before the exam on Australia in the Vietnam War.

Before we begin preparing for their final exams in October and November, may they all find comfort and rest during the holidays.

**A Proud Mr Michael Ewer,  
Secondary Teacher.**



## IMPORTANT SECONDARY DATES - JULY 2024

Tuesday, 16th July - Sunshine Coast Careers Expo (Year 10 & Year 12)  
Wednesday, 17th July - Brad Huddleston, International Speaker/Author on Digital Addiction  
Monday 22nd July - Elevate Education (Year 10 & Year 12)  
Wednesday 24th July - Year 11 Information Night (Year 10 students)  
Friday 26th July - Secondary Athletics Carnival



## DRAMA PRODUCTION

Our Year 11 Drama class, along with our ensemble cast, have been working hard this term to put together our production of Brendan Hogan's play, Scaredy-Cat and we would love for you to come and watch!

The link below will lead you to a Jotform to book tickets, they are free!

As this is a small production, we will be having two night shows in the drama room in the secondary school on Wednesday and Thursday evening next week but we have limited seats so please get in quick!

There will also be soup and buns and snacks available to purchase. We would love to see you there!

[BOOK TICKETS HERE!](#)

\*The production is rated PG\*

**Miss Jenaya Lewis &  
Ms Nicole Yaguchi,  
Secondary Teachers.**





## FRENCH EXCURSION ~ 11TH JUNE, 2024

There was excitement and a little nervousness as our top French-speaking students headed to Flos Crêperie, a little piece of France right here in Noosa.

The waiters provided instructions and took orders solely in French and our students rose to the challenge in fine form. A huge thank you to Mr Atkins for making this happen and also for sharing with our students this real-world setting. I was proud of our students willingness to take risks and challenge themselves. Bon Appetit.

**Mr Daniel Pink, Secondary Deputy Principal.**



## CONGRATULATIONS LILLY NIGHTINGALE!

Out of 39 auditions, 24 children were selected to join the Eumundi School of Music.

Lilly succeeded on her first attempt, auditioning with her electric guitar. She will be performing alongside other highly talented band members who were also chosen.

The Eumundi School of Music is a music mentoring and scholarship programme for children across the Sunshine Coast, headed up by the five-time Aria award winner and seven-time platinum artist, Katie Noonan.

Congratulations Lilly!





## YEAR 12 FORMAL FUNDRAISER HOT DRINKS STALL



**Wednesdays  
8am - outside  
Reception**

## CAR BOOT SALE!

Browse our Car Boot Sale and find unique and affordable items.

**\$20 TO  
SELL**

**SUNDAY - JUNE 16**

**GOLD COIN  
ENTRY**

**SET UP AT 7AM FOR 7:30AM START**

**SELLERS FIRST IN FIRST SERVE  
NO BOOKING REQUIRED**



Noosa Christian College - 20 Cooroy Belli Creek Road

## BUSH DANCE & COUNTRY FAIR

The bush dance is happening again! We have rides, games, competitions, face painting, balloons, a variety of stalls from the traditional fairy floss and popcorn, sweet stalls, food galore (including our famous curries), and of course, the bush dance hosted by The Smashing Bumpkins!



**SUNDAY**

4TH AUGUST, 2024



**OPEN AT**

2:00 PM - 7.00 PM



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