26 April 2016

Dear parents, carers and friends of St Michael's,

I would like to congratulate all of our students, staff and parents who took part in our ANZAC services over the past few days. On Friday, we held a beautiful ceremony at our new flagpole at which we were able to honour our Australian and New Zealand servicemen and women. On ANZAC Day, our community met at Mudgeeraba and Robina for services. Throughout all of these services, our community showed deep reverence and respect and the true ANZAC spirit.

I would like to thank Mr Eisenhuth, our cadets and all of the staff and students who took part in Friday’s school service and Mrs Neely and our Senior leaders for supporting our ANZAC Day services.

Lord God, help us this day to remember the sacrifice of the first ANZACs, Australian and New Zealander, and the generations of men, women and children who have died in the cause of liberty and peace. Help us to remember those who still bear the physical and mental scars and disabilities of their service. Help us to remember the widows, girlfriends, parents and orphans and all those who waited in vain for the return of a loved one. Help us to remember the mateship, agony, courage and compassion of war service, but save us from ever glorifying the horror and tragedy of war.

Lord God, help us to remember. Amen

http://www.defenceanglicans.org.au/prayers

Please let prospective parents and students know that there are still limited places available for 2017 and that we are about to start interviewing for 2018 places. We have opened up an extra stream for Year 7 2017 to deal with the additional demand for places. This was also done for this year, but numbers settled down to the six streams that we currently have in Year 7.

Our annual Open Morning will be held from 9am to 11:30am on Saturday, May 14. The Open Morning will give prospective parents and students an opportunity to check out our wonderful community. Please make sure that you pass this date on to any prospective parents and students.

All parents, carers and students are invited to take part in our P&F Working Bee from 8.30 – 11.00 am Saturday, May 7. Please bring along your own gloves and gardening equipment – rakes, shovels, wheelbarrow, blowers, whipper snippers etc.
**College Mobile Phone Policy**

It has been brought to my attention from our Student Reception staff, that some new parents were not aware of the Mobile Phone policy relating to student use during the school day. There have been cases where parents have arrived at the school during the day to pick up a student as they have called them directly without the Student Reception staff or Year Leader being aware.

Just as a reminder for all families, students are not permitted to use their phones during the school day from 8.35am to 2.55pm dismissal time. Our general rule is that if the phone is "seen or heard" during the school day then teachers are asked to confiscate the phone for collection from the Student Reception at the end of the day. (The policy is stated in the Personal Property section on page 18 of the College Planner).

**Integrity House Candle Handover – O’Shea House**

At our Assembly last Friday, which followed our beautiful ANZAC Commemorative Service, the traditional handover of the Integrity candle took place from Oxenham House to O’Shea House Leaders. Oxenham House took responsibility for our social outreach initiatives in Term One. In particular, Caritas was their main charity focus and they enjoyed a very successful Term with very impressive dollar amounts quoted at the Assembly. O’Shea House will now have St Jude’s School in Tanzania at the forefront as their key charitable focus. We look forward and wish each of the O’Shea Pastoral classes every success with their various outreach initiatives throughout Term 2.

Best wishes to all families for the coming week.

**Assistant Principal Curriculum...**

**Learning & Teaching Framework**

Based on our vision for learning, aspiring to develop each individual's potential to become a self-directed and responsible learner of the twenty-first century, the pedagogical principle featured in this newsletter allows us to respond to our learners. Through understanding where students are in their learning at the beginning of units of study we, as teachers, are in a position to assist them to move their learning forward. Data is collected in a variety of ways, ranging from the standardised tests, such as NAPLAN, to teacher developed diagnostic testing.

**Parent Teacher Student Interviews**

Thank you to all those parents and carers who attended the interviews. It was fabulous to see so many attend. Please continue to follow up on identified areas for improvement. Students need to develop self-direction and to be responsible for their own learning; however, we know that student success is enhanced by developing a three way partnership (staff, students and parents).
On Friday April 29 students and staff of Mackillop house will attend the 9am Mass at Sacred Heart Church, Clear Island Waters for their annual House Mass. Students will depart the College at 8.30am. Sacred Heart Church has the special privilege of being a pilgrimage church of mercy during this Year of Mercy. The Jubilee Year of Mercy runs from 8 December 2015 to 20 November 2016. A Jubilee or Holy Year is a year of forgiveness of sins, reconciliation, conversion and a renewed fervour of the faith, pointing ultimately to Christ who brings life and grace to humanity. In this extraordinary Year of Mercy, Pope Francis wishes to bring God’s gift of mercy to the world in a new and dynamic way.

Earlier this year, on Friday February 12, Archbishop Mark Coleridge officially opened the doors of Sacred Heart Church. A group of staff members from St Michael’s walked the five kilometres to the Church to be present at the mass and to walk through the doors after the Archbishop. In the picture below, Principal Michael Nayler, teacher Andre Michael and Pastoral Youth Worker Ben Oram, are pictured outside the Sacred Heart Church before moving through the doors into the Church before the mass.

Assistant Principal Religious Education...

HOMEWORK CENTRE

Hopefully after Parent/Teacher/Student interviews goals have been set with regard to completion of homework and assignments. Parents, please encourage your child to attend the homework centre to work on these tasks. The environment is conducive to achieving more as there are like-minded students working, teacher aides available to work with students and on Tuesdays our Senior students are rostered on to assist. The centre is open from 3-4pm every school day except Friday. It also has a side benefit for parents as the traffic congestion in the vicinity of the College grounds has disappeared at that time.

HPE Department...

Each cohort is exploring the following units this term:
Year 7 HPE: First Aid, Risk Minimisation and chosen sports.
Year 8 HPE: Growth & Development and chosen sports.
Year 9 HPE: Nutrition and chosen sports.
Year 10 HPE: Life choices and chosen sports.
Year 11 HPE: Energy Systems and Netball.
Year 11 REC: Lawn Bowls.
Year 12 HPE: Sports Psychology and Netball.
Year 12 REC: Self Defence.

Gym
Parents and students are reminded that the gym is open on a Tuesday and Thursday afternoon from 3:00pm – 4:00pm. Students are asked to bring a full change of clothes, a towel and water bottle to every gym session.

Healthy Hints
Break it down. Combine short bouts of exercise during the day. Park your car / get dropped off / get off the bus at least a 10 minute walk from your destination, instantly guaranteeing 20 minutes of exercise. Add another 10 minute walk at lunchtime and you’ve got 30 minutes covered.
Sports Department...

Hinterland (Green) District Cross Country
The district trials take place on May 18 at Runaway Bay. There will be a meeting this Friday April 29 at recess for all team members.
Training takes place on Tuesday & Friday mornings from 7:15am or during sport time each Thursday with Mr May, Ms O’Dea & Mrs Wood.

South Coast School Sport trials
- SCSS Golf Trials – Final reminder for any students wishing to nominate for the South Coast School Sport Golf trials to see Mrs Alexander urgently this week.
- SCSS Baseball trials – Any boys turning 13 or 14 this year and wish to trial for the South Coast Baseball team need to see Mrs Alexander urgently for paperwork as trials take place this Thursday.
- Congratulations to Laura-Jane Cashman (Year 10) & Keyshia Matenga (Year 9) who both have made the South Coast School Sport Touch team. Also a great effort from Nikiah Campbell who was named as a shadow for that team.
- Good news for Jack Molloy (Year 12) who has been named in a Presidents XIII Team to play in the upcoming QLD School Sport Rugby League Championships here on the Gold Coast next month.

Upcoming Sport Dates
A majority of District School Sport trials took place during Term One, however there is still a number of trials that will take place this term.

Other Upcoming Events
- Bill Turner Cup Soccer Cluster (April 26)
- Titans Cup Challenge (Wednesday nights throughout term)
- QLD Catholic Schools Netball (May 17)

AGCC Sport
It was great to finally get the opportunity for all students to participate in Round three of the AGCC Competition. We have been unlucky with weather this semester so to see all students out representing the College is a relief. A reminder to all students that appropriate footwear, safety gear and school hats need to be worn.

Inter-House Oz Tag Competition
All Year 7 – 9 students have the opportunity to participate in the Inter-House Oz Tag Challenge which begins this Friday. If you have any questions please see the Year 12 Committee leaders. (All students have been emailed the details from Jack Molloy on behalf of the committee)

12 year old Hinterland District Trials

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<td>Softball Girls</td>
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<td>Rugby Union Boys</td>
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13-15 year old Hinterland District Trials

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P&F News...

Working Bee
Saturday May 7  8:30am to 11:00am
Calling all volunteers to help spruce up the gardens of St Michael’s for our Open Morning. The P&F is holding the annual working bee and would love your help.
Bring your garden gloves, a rake or shovel.

P&F Meeting
Tuesday May 3, 7pm at the Main Office with our special guest speaker Mr Stephen Eisenhuth. Mr Eisenhuth will be presenting on the College Behaviour Support Framework and its day to day operations for a quality Pastoral Care in our College.
So who are the SCIENCE STARS for term 2?

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<td>Georgia Gomersall</td>
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<td>For being enthusiastic during class and demonstrating an excellent work ethic.</td>
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<td>Georgia Fahey</td>
<td>7.2</td>
<td>For being extremely conscientious and having great time management.</td>
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<td>Jesse Lewis</td>
<td>7.4</td>
<td>For diligence.</td>
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<td>Alexander Reade</td>
<td>7.5</td>
<td>For great effort.</td>
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<td>Sareena McDonald Medda</td>
<td>7.6</td>
<td>Shows great leadership skills in class.</td>
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<td>Vada Nevins</td>
<td>8.3</td>
<td>Best assignment; consistent good behaviour and class participation.</td>
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<td>Blake Hunter-Smith</td>
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<td>Enthusiastic and eager to answer questions.</td>
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<td>Zarah Hood</td>
<td>8.5</td>
<td>Positive attitude and always tries her best.</td>
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<td>Joseph Lancaster</td>
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<td>Consistently showing outstanding work ethic in class.</td>
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<td>Zoe Haines</td>
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<td>Good class work and participation.</td>
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<td>Exemplary effort in science class.</td>
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<td>Caitlin Slym</td>
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<td>For always being attentive in class and actively learning.</td>
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<td>Bailey Clark</td>
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<td>Outstanding achievement in test and works well in class.</td>
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<td>Monique Taylor</td>
<td>10.2</td>
<td>Fantastic effort on draft for ERT.</td>
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<td>Sam Spice</td>
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<td>Consistent effort and enthusiastic responses to questions in class.</td>
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<td>Ella Buttigieg</td>
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<td>For being a self-directed and responsible learner.</td>
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<td>Emily Molloy</td>
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<td>For an exceptional effort on her ERT draft and good time management.</td>
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<td>Maya Christopher</td>
<td>11 Chemistry</td>
<td>Dedicated effort in preparing for her Gases EEI.</td>
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<td>Harrison Stoelhorst</td>
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<td>For being a self-directed and responsible learner.</td>
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<td>Montana Charles</td>
<td>12.2 Biology</td>
<td>Always tries her best.</td>
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<td>Jordan Soueidan</td>
<td>12.3 Biology</td>
<td>Works consistently in class and homework always done.</td>
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<td>Jake Herrmann</td>
<td>12 Physics</td>
<td>Consistently showing outstanding work ethic in class.</td>
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Well done to all these students and those who are working at their best. Look out for more science stars later this term!

Exciting Opportunity for Year 11 and 12 students

The Australian Youth Aerospace Forum (AYAF) is an annual five-day interactive conference designed to showcase the aerospace industry to Year 11 and 12 students from across Australia. This year the forum will run during school holidays from Monday June 27 to Friday July 1 at The University of Queensland. The 2015 Forum included events such as:

- presentations from lecturers at UQ and QUT on a range of aviation and aerospace based topics including careers in the aerospace industry, quadcopters, rockets, scramjets, shock tunnels and UAVs.
- hands on activities such as the design, construction and launch of a model rocket, the programming of a small autonomous vehicle and introduction to electrical systems and components.
- presentations from the aerospace industry, including companies such as Raytheon, BAE Systems, Airbus Helicopters, Boeing, DST Group and the Australian Defence Force.
- tours of industry facilities, including Airbus Helicopters, Brisbane Airport, Alliance, Sikorsky Helitech, Aviation Australia and the Australian Research Centre for Aerospace Automation (ARCAA).
- tour of RAAF Base Amberley.

In 2016 the AYAF will be hosted at The University of Queensland, with day trips to other Universities and Industry locations. The standard application cost is $249 and will close on Monday May 30. This cost includes all meals, accommodation and activities for the week. A subsidy can be organised for students travelling long distances.

Tuesday May 3: Applications for the 2016 Vice-Chancellor’s STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) camp will close.
To apply, students must complete the online application form, which includes a Letter of Recommendation from their Head of Department or Principal.
The fully-funded camp is open to high-achieving Year 11 students and provides an exclusive opportunity for regional and local students to spend a week working alongside QUT researchers and undergraduate students on real-world STEM research. Read more on how to apply & requirements on: https://www.qut.edu.au/study/undergraduate-study/do-you-advice-school-students/stem-for-schools/news-and-events/event?news-id=103218

“Do all roads really lead to Rome?”
Year 7 History students are on a learning journey which will help them answer this question, aided by a visit from the ‘Living Histories’ team who will take them on a ‘Tour of Rome’. This is a great culmination to the ‘tune-in’ activities that have been undertaken in class at the start of term, and it is expected that students will use the information provided to stimulate their own investigations for the assignment later in the term.

We Will Remember Them
Yr 9 History students have been working hard to inform our community about ANZAC Day, as they start their investigation into the BIG question……“Lest we forget what?” Students have been exceptionally creative, producing interesting displays around the school. Other students and pastoral teachers have engaged in the selling of poppies, wrist bands and pens to raise funds for the Mudgeeraba/Robina RSL. Great work everyone! Lest we forget.

Year 9 history students have been studying a WW1 unit “Lest we forget what?” As a result the students have reflected on the war experiences of those brave soldiers and the sacrifices they made for us. The students chose a remembrance wall to share poems, drawings, facts and images of what the soldiers had to endure and continued with some chalk drawings and reflective pieces throughout the school grounds. St Michael’s community have definitely displayed the relevance of ANZAC Day to the youth of today and taken up the challenge as a community to understand Australia’s national identity through our history.
TUCKSHOP ROSTER

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<td>Tracey Zimmerman</td>
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Thursday April 28
Sonja Mackay
Jenny Harding

Friday April 29
Susan Bright
Asher Mall
Deb Thompson

Monday May 2
Public Holiday

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We now have a vacancy for this year’s Snow Trip so for year 11 or 12 students interested, please see Mr Ford for more information.

To all Snow Trippers, a reminder that next instalment payments are due this week.

Payments can be made via direct deposit.
Account name: SMC Snow Trip
A/C #: 721224600
BSB: 637-000

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Open Morning - 2nd Hand Stall
We are blessed to have had so many families donate their student uniforms/bags to the College. We have had an abundance donated but can only store so much before we run out of room. The purpose of the donation is for the Pastoral Team to be in a position where students in need, can borrow items to meet the College expectations. Students loan the item and return it at the end of the day. The item is then washed, pressed and returned to the cupboard ready for future use. Due to the generosity of the 2015 Year 12 Cohort and other families, we are able to sell some of this excess back to the community at heavily discounted prices. The money raised will be used to support student welfare matters that occur throughout the year. The average price per item is either $5 or $10 per piece.

If you are interested in donating your students uniforms back to the College for use by students in need, we ask that you donate in mid-November each year.

Lisa Smith
Pastoral Support Leader.
Any questions or information regarding any of the below, please do not hesitate to contact Student Services.

Michael Esdale
Vocational Pathways and Career Coordinator

IMPORTANT UMAT 2016 DATES
Any students in year 12 who are considering a career in medicine, dentistry or optometry need to sit a compulsory entry exam known as UMAT (Undergraduate Medicine and Health Sciences Admission Test). Registrations are open now and close 3 June 2016 with the UMAT test being held on Wednesday 27 July 2016. Please apply to universities by the published deadline. If you are in year 10 or 11 start preparing today.

MEDENTRY UMAT PREPARATION
Students interested in pursuing medicine and other health courses need to sit the UMAT on 27 July 2016. MedEntry is a government accredited Registered Training Organisations specialising in UMAT preparation. MedEntry offers discounts of 30% for groups, and numerous scholarships. For more information, please visit www.MedEntry.edu.au.

Please note that Griffith University and Bond University no longer require students to sit the UMAT test.

BOND UNIVERSITY
Listed below are the following opportunities at Bond University;

Right Now Program - Allied Health & Sports Science – Students in Year 11 and 12 who want to find out more about nutrition, sports science and physiotherapy are invited to attend Bond University Thursday, 28 April 2016.

Bond University’s Scholarship Program is now accepting applications from any Year 12 Student who excel in their, academic, community or sporting pursuits. Visit www.bond.edu.au/scholarships to find out more about the scholarships available.

Twilight Open Day will be held on Saturday, July 23 from 2.00pm – 6.00pm for any Year 12 Students who would like to start researching university options and experience Bond inside and outside of the classroom.

STUDY GOLD COAST
Study Gold Coast is excited to launch the 2016 Gold Coast Careers and Employment Festival from Tuesday 3 May – Friday 6 May, with the signature event, Gold Coast Careers Expo on Thursday 5 May.

Please note some of these events have registration deadlines so get in quick to make sure you don’t miss out.

CASUAL AFTER SCHOOL WORK – SORRENTO SEAFOOD
Sorrento Seafood is looking for students who are interested in working 3-4 nights a week. Any student looking to gain casual employment please call Lee on 5538 0977 or visit the shop with a resume at Shop 22 Sorrento Shopping Village Bundall Road, Benowa 4217.

PRESTIGE SERVICE TRAINING SCHOOL BASED TRAINEESHIPS
Cert III Hospitality
Zarraffa’s, Hope Island, Carrara, Runaway Bay
Coolibah Downs Private Estate, Mt Nathan
Good Bean Café, Southport
Don Miguel’s, Southport
Busy Lounge, Dining and Bar, Surfers Paradise

Cert III Business Admin
Currimbim Wildlife Sanctuary, Currumbin
Access Air Conditioning, Carrara
Strata Jem, Southport

Cert III Business Retail
Endota Spa, Broadbeach
Doodledugs Children’s Play Centre, Miami
Lucky Dragon Newsagency, Australia Fair, Southport
Pizza Capers, Nerang
Angus & Coote, Robina
Wild Cards and Gifts, Pacific Fair

Cert III ICT
Business Greenhouse, Carrara

Cert III Tourism
Ripley’s Believe It Or Not, Surfers Paradise

BUSY AT WORK SCHOOL BASED TRAINEESHIPS
Cert III Hospitality
MOS Burger, Australia Fair, Surfers Paradise & Pacific Fair
Gloria Jean’s Coffee, Surfers Paradise

Cert II Warehousing Operations:
Reece Plumbing, Nerang

IGNITE EDUCATION HOSPITALITY SCHOOL BASED TRAINEESHIPS
Cert III Hospitality
Latitude 28 Restaurant and Bar, Surfers Paradise
Gold Coast Convention Centre
Grill’d, Coolangatta
Zarraffa’s, Pacific Fair & Palm Beach
Crema Espresso, Robina & The Pines
Coolangatta Surf Life Saving Club
Surfers Paradise Beach Café
Crust, Surfers Paradise & Broadbeach
Coffee Club, Coolangatta
Michels Patisserie, Robina

AURORA SCHOOL BASED TRAINEESHIPS
Cert III Commercial Cookery
Finders Keepers Bar, Burleigh Heads

Cert III Hospitality
Julius Meinl Coffee, Main Beach
Wood Box Café, West Burleigh
Noodle Box, Robina Town Centre
Divia Tea & Coffee House, Marina Mirage
Subway, Burleigh Heads, Robina, Runaway Bay, Coomera, Palm Beach, Hope Island, Westfield Helensvale, Australia Fair, Arundel
Zarraffa’s, Surfers Paradise, Worongary, Runaway Bay
Cherry Red, Burleigh Heads
Taylors Bakery, Nerang
Burger Bro, Upper Coomera
Michelles Patisserie, Runaway Bay Shopping Centre
Beach Café Fortytwo 20, Burleigh Heads

Cert III Business
Bakers Delight, Arundel
FoodWorks, Burleigh Heads

Cert III Business Administration
Gold Coast Adventures, Main Beach
Illusions Magic Show: Matt Hollywood, Sanctuary Cove
Clear Accounting Solutions, Ashmore

REDMAKO SCHOOL BASED TRAINEESHIPS
Cert III Commercial Cookery
Royal Thai Hut, Pacific Pines
Randhawas Indian Cuisine, Hope Island, Emerald Lakes

AUSTRALIAN RETAIL COLLEGE TRAINEESHIPS
Cert III Business:
Zarraffa’s, Burleigh
Pizza Hut, Helensvale
Baskin Robins, Mermaid Beach
Subway, Robina

THE STAR ENTERTAINMENT GROUP – HOTELITYLIT WORK EXPERIENCE PROGRAM
Jupiters Hotel and Casino are offering students in Year 11 and 12 who are interested in a career in Culinary or Food and Beverage to apply for the Star Casino Work Experience Program, which will run over Term 2, Term 3 and Term 4, commencing April 11. The program will be five-day rotations through departments for a holistic view on what Hotels are all about. Students who attended last year are welcome to attend again in 2016. If interested please see Mrs David/Mr Esdale.